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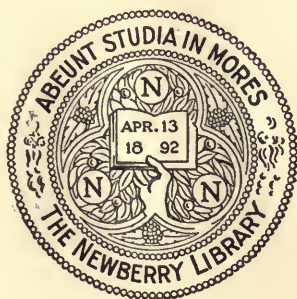




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1804-1868

Of whom it may be said, as truly as Anthony à Wood said of Sir Thomas Bodley: "By his noble and generous endeavours he hath been the occasion of making hundreds of public writers, and of increasing in an high degree the commonwealth of learning."



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## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, December 31, 1922

*To His Excellency, Len Small,*

*Governor of the State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois:*

SIR: In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled: *An Act to encourage and promote the establishment of free public libraries in the cities, villages, and towns in this State*" (Illinois), approved June 17, 1891, under which this corporation is organized, the Trustees of The Newberry Library herewith transmit their thirty-first annual report, showing the progress and operations of the Library during the year 1922.

The Trustees have, since the date of their last report, lost their honored associate, Mr. John P. Wilson, who died October 3, 1922. He was the last surviving Charter Member of their body, and had given generously of his time and exceptional ability to the problems of the institution. A Memorial Minute, expressive of the Board's appreciation of Mr. Wilson's valued service, will be found elsewhere in this Report.

At the December meeting of the Trustees, Mr. Robert P. Lamont and Mr. Melvin A. Traylor were elected to the Board to fill existing vacancies.

The Annual Report of the Librarian, appended hereto, contains the statistics of the Library for the past year, including those of general administration, accessions, attendance, etc., together with the names of donors and the number of their respective gifts. It shows that the Library continues to perform services of a high educational value to the general public and to provide resources of increasing importance to the scholarly investigator. It is gratifying to report that, on numerous occasions during the year, the Library has had the especial privilege of being of direct aid and service to various public bodies and officials engaged in important public work.

The Trustees wish to record here their hearty appreciation of the continued generosity of Mr. Edward E. Ayer, who has, during the past year, made still further provision toward the establishment of an endowment fund for the maintenance of the notable collection which he gave to the Library in 1911. The income from these funds, when they become available, together with the amounts appropriated, assure the adequate maintenance of, and addition to, this remarkable collection which, it is well known, is the most extensive in existence on the subject of the North American Indian.

In addition to the acknowledgment which has been officially made to those who have made gifts to the Library, the Trustees desire, in this Report, to express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness that has been of such benefit to this institution.

A statement of the assets of The Newberry Library on December 31, 1922, also the expenditures for books, pamphlets, maps, and fittings of the Library, from its foundation to date, will be found as an appendix to this Report. There is also appended a report on the operations of The John M. Wing Foundation of the Library for the year 1922.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. RYERSON, *President*



## MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN P. WILSON

Mr. John P. Wilson was a member of the first Board of Trustees of this Library organized in 1892, and he remained a Trustee up to the time of his death.

His first service was on the Administration Committee in 1892 and 1893, and in 1894, 1895, and 1896 he was on the Building Committee and the Book Committee. In 1895 he became a member of the Finance Committee and so remained up to the time of his death, and from 1916 he was the chairman of that committee.

His great business, financial and legal ability, his power of immediately grasping and weighing the varied complexities of intricate affairs, and of forecasting the outcome of proposed lines of action, and his careful and conservative outlook were all pre-eminently displayed in all the work he did for the Library. No one who has ever been a member of this Board has rendered more able, efficient, valuable, and devoted service than he.

And the same qualities were displayed by him, not only in matters particularly pertaining to the work of the committees of which he was a member, but in all matters relating to the Library. He took a deep interest in all Library matters and all the members of the Board have had the great benefit of his advice and suggestions regarding matters specifically intrusted to them.

The present satisfactory financial condition of the Library is, in a large part, due to his ability, wisdom, and devoted efforts. The results of the work which he did for this Library will remain as his permanent memorial.

Mr. Wilson's work as a Trustee of this Library was a very small part of his public service. During many years past, he was constantly called upon for advice in connection with differ-

ent public matters of the greatest importance, among which were matters relating to the organization and work of the city of Chicago, the Sanitary District, and other public corporations—and that advice was always freely given and carried great weight. And as a legal and practical adviser of private clients in large matters, he attained a position of commanding influence because of the same qualities which made him so valuable a member of this Board.

## THE LIBRARY STAFF

*December 31, 1922*

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\* Service divided between the John M. Wing Foundation and the Book Selection and Order Department.

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## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Board of Trustees of The Newberry Library:*

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted the thirty-sixth annual report of the Librarian and the third which it has been my privilege to make. The statistics given in the text and in the several appendixes are taken from the official records currently maintained by the heads of departments and responsible assistants.

### BOOK SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

A total of 13,398 titles have been investigated and passed upon, as against 19,018 in the year 1921, and of this number 1,372, or 9.8 per cent, were decided upon as suitable for acquisition, as against 1,788 in 1921. The bibliographical and clerical work involved in this investigation, as has been stated in previous reports, has the following direct objects: (1) to learn whether or not a given title or edition is already in the Library; (2) if it is not in the Library, to ascertain from authoritative bibliographies or other sources whether its importance is such as to justify its acquisition; (3) if found desirable for acquisition, to list it accurately under title, author, date, and place of publication, and to submit it to the Committee on Books for final consideration before ordering.

The funds of the Library available for the purchase of books during the past year have been no greater than for recent preceding years. Book prices, on the other hand, have, with some few exceptions, soared to unprecedented levels. The inevitable curtailment of the number of books ordered is therefore necessarily reflected in the figures above and in the other statistical records of the department.

During the year, seventy-nine booklists were prepared, forty-eight of which were for the general collections and thirty-one for the John M. Wing Foundation.

The extent of titles ordered (exclusive of the Ayer and Wing collections) in some of the primary and secondary subjects which we are endeavoring to develop is as follows:

I. Americana: (1) General, 11 titles; (2) American history and politics to the close of the Revolutionary War, 9 titles; (3) South and slavery, 159 titles; (4) American local history, 126 titles;

II. European: (1) General history, 197 titles; (2) English local history, 9 titles; (3) Celtic history, 8 titles.

III. General: (1) English literature, 209 titles, (2) Biography, 34 titles; (3) Music and the theater, 16 titles; (4) Folk lore, 5 titles; (5) Bibliography, 26 titles.

A highly appreciated gift during the past year was a sheaf of sixteen original holograph letters, written by Walter Loomis Newberry, the founder of this institution. They were presented by Mrs. James H. Campbell, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and were among the letters and papers of United States Senator Lucius Lyon, of Michigan, to whom all the letters are addressed. They range in date from 1833 to 1838 and were written from Detroit, Pittsburgh, New York, Hartford, and Chicago, four of the most interesting, from our viewpoint, having been penned in the last-named place. They cast illuminating side-lights on business conditions in Chicago in the thirties and show Mr. Newberry's early association with the real-estate activities of the frontier town.

Mr. Frederic Ives Carpenter has continued his valued donations to the Library, as the appendix setting forth the gifts of the year further records, two volumes of particular rarity and value being *The Compleat Library; or News for the Ingenious . . . May, 1692-April, 1694* (no more published), and a little volume, *De Rebus Gestis Britanniae*, by an unidentified "E. S.," printed in London, by Henry Binneman, about 1582.

Three noteworthy lots obtained by purchase are (1) 151 slavery items, adding materially to the Library's already extensive collection; (2) 92 titles dealing with American travel, chiefly of the first half of the nineteenth century; and (3) 15 contemporary pamphlets dealing with the Civil War in England.

Among the more notable volumes acquired by purchase are the following: (1) Spenser, Edmund, *Complaints*, 1591, which accompanies so admirably our first editions of *The Faerie Queene* (first and second parts), and *Colin Clouts Come Home Again*; (2) Petrarca, Francesco, *Phisicke against Fortune . . . . first Englished by Thomas Twyne*, 1579; (3) Biondi, Giovanni Francesco, *Coralbo, a New Romance in Three Bookes*, 1655; (4) *Recreation for Ingenious Head-peece*s, 1650; (5) Tutchin, John, *Poems on Several Occasions*, 1685; (6) Comenius, Johann Amos, *A Reformation of Schooles . . . . tr. into English . . . . by Samuel Hartlib*, 1642; (7) [Wells, Jeremiah] *Poems*, 1667; (8) *The Historie of France . . . . the Fovre First Bookes*, 1595; (9) *The Destruction of Troy*, 1684; (10) Brathwaite, Richard, *Times Treasury; or Academy for Gentry*, 1652; (11) Ames, Nathaniel, *An Astronomical Diary; or Almanack*, Boston, unbroken set from 1749 to 1771, also 27-odd volumes from 1777 to 1816; (12) *Daily National Intelligencer*, Washington, 1824-48; (13) Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society, *Transactions*, 1884-1915. The Library also acquired a beautifully bound set of the *Scriptores Latini . . . . in Usum Delphini*, 1819-30, complete in 144 volumes, which should rank among the important acquisitions of the year.

The year has been a notable one for the John M. Wing Foundation from the viewpoint of important accessions. In the summer, the custodian of the Foundation, Pierce Butler, Ph.D., went abroad on a three months' leave of absence, and combined with his holiday tour rather extensive purchasing of incunabula. The desire of the Committee on Books, as expressed in their instructions to Dr. Butler, was to add examples of new fifteenth-century presses to our collections rather than to attempt to acquire any outstanding rarities. As a result of his searching, mainly in London, Frankfort, and Leipzig, 207 new examples of incunabula were added to the Wing Foundation, including 67 new presses and 6 new cities. Many of the volumes contain wood-cuts, and over one-half are in old bindings, in most cases, doubtless, the original.

The increasing rarity and consequent increasing cost of desirable examples of the art of printing, produced during the first century of its practice, have made it seem the part of wisdom, during the past year, as during the year preceding, to lay special emphasis on the acquisition of this class of books. In consequence, since the Foundation became operative in 1919, 359 specimens of the fifteenth-century press have been procured, of which, including those obtained by Dr. Butler abroad, 246 were added during the year 1922. Of this number, 13 were before 1471, and 44 before 1481. They include 83 new presses and 8 new cities. These purchases in this field added to the books already in the possession of the Library, derived either from the Probasco, Ayer, Bonaparte, or some other collection, bring our total of fifteenth-century books to the number of 695.

Acquisition of desirable material in other fields within the scope of the Foundation has not, however, been neglected. About a year ago, a desiderata list was prepared and sent to a selected number of dealers in this country and abroad, and, as a result, many gaps in our collections have been filled. These items are mostly in the nature of histories of presses, discussions on the discovery and early practice of printing, specimen books, books on type design, etc. The most important current book added to the Foundation is unquestionably Updike's *Printing Types*, two volumes. The bibliographical notes are invaluable for our purposes and the book will long constitute a practical source from which to draw desirable items for purchase.

Of outstanding rarity, value, and importance the following should be specially noted among the year's acquisitions for the Wing Foundation: (1) Turrecrematas, *In Psalmos*, printed by Ulrich Hahn at Rome in 1470. The volume contains certain typographical features which seem to upset more or less widely accepted notions regarding the historic development of printing technique. The subscript characters suggest that Hahn had at this early date mastered certain difficult methods in typesetting. (2) A notable addition to our Dante collection is the *Divina Commedia*, of 1497, printed by Petrus de Quarengiis at



Venice, an edition with the commentary of Christoforo Landino and 99 small wood-cuts illustrating the text. It is these cuts that were reproduced in Leo Olschki's monumental reprint of the *Divine Comedy*, 1921, in commemoration of the six hundredth anniversary of Dante's death. (3) Apparently there was no example of fifteenth-century Hebrew printing in any of the Chicago collections before we acquired in July a copy of the *Mibhar ha-Peninim* (Choice of Pearls) written by Solomon ben Judah Ibn Gabriol (1021-1058) and published January 14, 1484, at Soncino by Israel Nathan ben Samuel. This volume, a collection of maxims, proverbs, and moral reflections, mainly of Arabic origin, is often cited by exegetes and Talmudists, and is a fair sample of the writing which gained its author fame as "the Jewish Plato." (4) An edition of St. Augustine's *Meditationes*, printed apparently at Basel by Michael Wenssler about 1490, is probably the tiniest example of fifteenth-century printing we shall ever be able to acquire, the type-page measuring only  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{5}{8}$  inches, the volume itself being only  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$  inches. (5) Dorat, C. J., *Les Baisers, Précédés du Mois de Mai*, La Haye, 1770. The first issue on large Holland paper of this famous book of engravings, which some bibliographers have termed the masterpiece of eighteenth-century printing. (6) Breydenbach, *Peregrinationes in Terram Sanctam*, Speier, Drach, 1490. Though not the finest edition of Breydenbach's famous book, it shows the origin of the illustration which appears on the Basel edition of Columbus' first letter, a copy of which is in the Ayer Collection. The Swiss wood-engraver who cut that block had probably never seen an ocean-going ship, so he very naturally copied the illustration which he found in the Breydenbach. (7) *Artis Humanitatis Praeludium* [Nuremberg, Caspar Hochfeder, 1497]. This tract is one of the few, perhaps the only courtesy book printed in the fifteenth century.

Mr. Aksel G. S. Josephson has given to the Wing Foundation a manuscript bibliography compiled by him of the literature relating to the invention of printing. The material is on cards, arranged chronologically, and will be of very considerable service

to the custodian of the Foundation and to others engaged in research work in this field.

To the Edward E. Ayer Collection a number of important printed books and manuscripts have been added. A few of the outstanding books are the following: (1) Apianus, Petrus, *Cosmographiae Introductio*. . . . Parisiis, G. Cauellat, 1550; (2) Honter, Johannes *Rvdimentorum Cosmographicorum*. . . . [Zurich, Froschoverus] 1578; (3) Ordoñez de Montalvo, Garcia, . . . . *Las Sergas del mvi Esforçado Cauallero Esplandian*. . . . Çaragoça, S. de Portonarijs, 1587, the romance in which the name California is supposed to have originated; (4) Grau y Monfalcón, Juan, *Memorial Informatorio al Rey*. . . . Madrid, Imprenta del Reyno, 1637, on the Philippine Islands and their commerce with Mexico; (5) [Mather, Increase] *A Brief Relation of the State of New England*. . . . London, R. Baldwine, 1689; (6) Jesuits, Regulae, *Reglas de la Compañia de Jesus*, Mexico, Doña Maria de Rivera, 1742; (7) Torres Rubio, Diego de, *Arte y Vocabulario de la Lengua Quichua*, Lima, 1754; (8) Martinez, Domingo, *Compendio Historico de la Apostolico Provincia de San Gregorio de Philipinas*, Madrid, 1756; (9) Robert de Vaugondy, Gilles, *Atlas Universel*, Paris, Chez les Auteurs, 1757; (10) Wofford, J. D., *Sunalei Akvlogi No'gwisi Alikalwvsga Zvzvgi Gesvi*. . . . New York, Gray & Bunce, 1824, Cherokee spelling book.

Among the important manuscripts added to the Ayer Collection are the following: (1) Document signed by Samuel Green, one of the printers of the first edition (Cambridge, 1663) of the Eliot Indian Bible. (2) *Sieur de Gannes*, memorial concerning the Illinois country, dated Montreal, October 20, 1721; translated by M. M. Quaife, from a French manuscript in the Ayer Collection. The memorial of a young Frenchman who came to the Illinois country about 1687. It is largely a description of the country and of the Illinois Indians, among whom he spent considerable time. He also spent four seasons at Chicago with the Miami Indians. (3) Livingston, Philip, and others, *Petition of the Commissioners of Indian Affairs to William Cosby, Governor*

of *New York*, Albany, March 4, 1733-34. (4) Commissioners for the Indian Affairs, Boston. Vote on a report of Rev. Stephen Williams and Nehemiah Bull to send a missionary to the Stockbridge Indians. Written and signed by Adam Winthrop, commissioner, Boston, August 16, 1734. (5) Relation of the proceedings of Monsieur Marsac, who was sent by order of Colonel Bradstreet to the Falls of St. Marie to speak to the Upper Nations (Detroit, July 29, 1765). Signed by Thomas Morris and others. A true copy attested by Lieutenant Colonel John Campbell. (6) Piamingo. A talk delivered to General Joseph Martin, by Piamingo, chief warrior of the Chickasaw nation, September 28, 1789, for Samuel Johnson, governor of North Carolina. In the handwriting of Colonel Isaac Shelby. (7) Spilsbury, J. H. G., *Quichua-English Dictionary; Quichua-Spanish Dictionary*; also translations into the Quichua language from the books of Joshua and Acts. (8) Spilsbury, J. H. G., *Religious Beliefs of some Native Tribes of South America*.

Mr. William L. Clements, of Bay City, Michigan, has added to his previous gifts by sending to the Ayer Collection a photostatic copy of the following rarity: [Briggs, Walter] *A Sommarie and True Discovrse of Sir Francis Drakes West Indian Voyage* . . . . 1589.

Four typewritten copies of overland journeys have also been added: Isaac Foster, 1849; Stirling Benjamin Franklin Clark, of Rutland, Vermont, 1849; James E. Enos, 1855 (written in 1892); I. M. Smith, 1859.

To our transcripts we have added during the year 80 documents (3,120 pages) from the Mexican archives and 626 documents (12,224 pages) from the Archives of the Indies, at Seville. These additions make the total number of pages now in the collection, 82,856.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

The Library has been used during the past year by 54,249 readers, an average of 4,520 a month, which is a slight increase, namely 576, over 1921, which in turn was an increase of 13,838 over 1920. March was the heaviest month, with 5,501 readers,

and August the lightest, with only 3,557. The number of volumes placed in the hands of readers was 147,143, which is 27,588 less than last year, and is near the figure (143,513) of 1920. The recorded number ranged from 9,499 called for in July up to 15,654 used in March. The number of volumes on the open shelves in the general reading-room is now 13,016. No accurate count of the number of these books consulted is practicable as readers are constantly withdrawing and replacing them without bringing them to the delivery desk. Additions are made to this collection from the current accessions of each year and superseded books are retired to the stacks. Approximately 50 per cent of the general reference work is done with the material in this open-shelf collection. The work represented in the other 50 per cent is that which calls forth the real resources of the Library, and which has led scholars the country over to regard the Newberry Library as one of the "courts of last resort," for its services in aiding advanced research fulfil a primary function of our foundation, and our success in meeting these requirements is a source of keen satisfaction to us. Three or four typical instances of such service, recently given, may be of some interest in this report:

A graduate student, who was taking a course at the University of Chicago, spent much time here, partly in reading an extensive history of Florence borrowed for her use, and partly in using our material on rather elusive subjects: the commerce of Florence with England in the thirteenth century, the Ordinances of Justice, and the guilds of that period.

A candidate for an advanced degree went systematically through our remarkable collection of Revolutionary War pamphlets in quest of recorded opinion of the Colonial clergy upon the question of independence.

Additional material upon the Conway Cabal against General Washington was obtained for a collector who lacked only the waifs and strays of that topic.

Researches into the Cambridge Platonists, contemporary criticism of Wordsworth to be found in unindexed periodicals,

studies in Chaucer, middle nineteenth-century travel in the United States, were also subjects upon which important material was found.

The Department of Genealogy and Local History has maintained its accustomed popularity, 22 per cent of the total number of the year's readers being recorded there. More than a dozen professional genealogical research workers use our collections practically daily. Their professional investigations could not be conducted in Chicago were it not for this department of the Newberry Library. In addition, many individuals use our material for establishing claims to membership in patriotic societies, in compiling ancestral charts, and in making various studies involving accurate and detailed local historical data.

The service rendered by the Ayer Collection, although remaining quantitatively small, continues to be of a high order, and keenly appreciated by specialists who avail themselves of it. As in the past, we have met new requests from libraries and individuals for photostatic reproductions of rare books and manuscripts, as for example: Photostatic copies of twenty manuscript letters written by or to Sir William Johnson, superintendent of Indian affairs in the Colonies, made for the University of the State of New York; copy of Colonel James Smith's *Treatise on the Mode and Manner of Indian War*, Paris, Kentucky, 1812, made for the New York Public Library; and copies of the Jesuit *Relation* of 1632, original edition, and Cortés' *La Quarta Relaciō*, 1526, made for scholars at a distance from Chicago. In addition to the photostating done, a beginning has been made toward copying over four hundred red chalk drawings of California Indians by E. A. Burbank for the Henry E. Huntington Library. The copying is being done by Mr. Burbank himself. The requests for information in regard to Indians, their languages, customs, religions, and ceremonies, and the other demands on the Ayer Collection have been, in the main, similar to those of previous years.

Although, pending the completion of the new exhibition room on the second floor, the activities of the Wing Foundation have

not been extended by any attempts at publicity on our part, the past year has given us opportunity to render a considerable amount of public service in connection with this department. More and more workers in the graphic arts are learning about the resources of the Foundation, and the workers in several studios have come to consult us in their more difficult problems. To cite but a few examples: We have been called upon twice during the past few weeks for authentic data on the appearance of the earliest printing presses; requests for renaissance models for borders and tail-pieces are frequent; and the head of one typographical house has prepared from our specimens a large number of lantern-slides for use in connection with the lectures of instruction that he provides for his staff.

We find that, as with the Ayer Collection, the public service of the Wing Foundation is not easily measured by figures showing the number of readers and of books consulted. Some of the smallest items in the enumeration will cover intensive work done here by highly trained specialists, who find in the collection material they have sought for years. In such instances, a numerical record of readers and books is no just portrayal of the inestimable value of the service rendered by the Library.

Our East Asiatic Collection has continued to be of service to Chinese students at the University of Chicago, several times during the year material in the collection being used for a number of days consecutively.

The principal clientèle of the Library continues to be advanced students and teaching staffs of the local universities, high schools, and grade teachers, and the professional and business man or woman who is pursuing some branch of the humanities as an avocation.

*Mail and telephone inquiries.*—Complete statistics are not kept of information given inquirers over the telephone, nor of the letters written in response to requests for literary and historical data from persons living at a distance, or unable to visit the Library, but we have current record of over 1,400 telephone inquiries satisfactorily answered, and of 414 written communica-

tions sent out from the Librarian's office containing carefully compiled data supplied by reference assistants. Both these forms of service constitute a part of the daily routine and should receive due consideration in estimating the usefulness of the Library to the community.

*Inter-library loans.*—We received thirty-seven applications asking for the loan of sixty-six volumes. Some of these requests were for books which the Library did not possess, and our general and special obligations toward scholars in Chicago obliged us to decline a number of requests. Extenuating circumstances, however, seemed to warrant exceptional consideration in a number of cases and the Library loaned, for a limited period, usually two weeks, forty-eight books to twenty-two other institutions. The Library borrowed one volume from Harvard University and twelve from the Library of Congress.

*Exhibitions.*—There have been two exhibitions during the year.

1. For the first part of the year a selection of maps and charts, chiefly from the Edward E. Ayer Collection, was placed on display. The exhibit was divided into three sections: (*a*) the Pacific Ocean, intended to illustrate the problems of this and other countries in connection with lands and waters in that portion of the globe's surface; (*b*) French trading-posts and colonies in various parts of the world; and (*c*) portolan charts. All the material in this last section was manuscript and constituted the most beautiful part of the exhibit, and the section most marveled at and admired. These portolan charts, many of them exquisitely hand-colored and illuminated, were made by or for the Mediterranean pilots and chart-makers for the use of the sailors of the Black and Mediterranean seas and the nearby Atlantic coasts. They cover a range of from about 1440 to 1650.

2. Beginning on the second of October the Library has had on exhibit some of the choicest of its illuminated manuscripts of Western Europe. (No oriental manuscripts were included, as our holdings are of sufficient rarity, beauty, and importance to justify at some future time an exhibition devoted solely to them.)

All examples shown are on vellum. The exhibit includes Bibles of the thirteenth, fourteenth, and fifteenth centuries, illuminated books of hours, missals, antiphonals, and cathedral-service books.

In addition to the general public which has seen these exhibits, several school groups, accompanied by their instructors, have visited them through arrangements made in advance.

*Publications.*—The following publications descriptive of the Library and certain classes of its collections were prepared and issued:

1. Report of the Trustees of The Newberry Library for the year 1921. 44 pages. Printed from type. 500 copies.

2. Class B—Philosophy, including Metaphysics, Psychology, Ethics. 270 pages. Multigraphed. 150 copies.

3. Check List of American Revolutionary War Pamphlets in The Newberry Library, Compiled by Ruth Lapham, M.A., of the Library Staff. 123 pages. Multigraphed. 500 copies.

4. A Typographical Library: The John M. Wing Foundation of The Newberry Library, by Pierce Butler. (Reprinted from the *Papers* of the Bibliographical Society of America, Vol. XV, Pt. II, 1921.) 15 pages. 300 copies.

5. The Newberry Library. [Handbook of] Trustees, Officers and Committees and By-Laws. 20 pages. Printed. 100 copies.

Of these and former publications of the Library a total of 614 copies were distributed to persons and institutions known to be directly interested in the subject-matter.

#### TECHNICAL WORK AND PROCESSES

During 1922 a total of 6,463 books, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., were added to the permanent collections. The total number of volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., in all departments of the Library on December 15, 1922, amounted to 406,499, a net gain during the year of 6,294. Of the number added in 1922, 2,910 pieces were acquired through purchase (including 1,056 for the Ayer Collection and 394 for the Wing Foundation) and 1,010 were selected gifts.



The Catalogue Department reports show that 2,731 new titles have been catalogued in complete form, as against 2,891 in 1921. Card copy for 1,327 titles was prepared for printing on the multigraph, this work involving the actual multigraphing of 20,759 cards and guides. These titles represent works for which the printed cards of the Library of Congress were not procurable. We have not been able to use so many Library of Congress cards this year as in the previous year. In 1922, 8,796 "L.C." cards were sent to the Bindery to have their "call-numbers" and accession numbers multigraphed, as against 11,429 cards in 1921. Of course, preparing our own card copy takes longer than adapting Library of Congress cards.

The cataloguing of and other technical processes required by the books of the Wing Foundation were begun during the year and will probably be completed to date in 1923. This work covers all accessions from 1919, the year purchasing began, to the present time. To the end of 1922, 867 volumes have been classified, 460 volumes accessioned, and 174 volumes catalogued. As the Wing Foundation is intended primarily to illustrate the history and development of printing, practically all the books in it are to be classified in "Printing" and "Graphic Arts" instead of having their classification made according to the subject of the book. They are, of course, kept together as a collection, the word "Wing" being prefixed to every "call-number." In order not to mar their typographical condition, no marks are made in the books themselves or on the binding, the necessary "call" and accession numbers being written on a small label pasted in the upper left-hand corner of the inside of the back cover. The Wing books are catalogued for the Official Author Catalogue, the Public Author Catalogue and the Subject Catalogue. In addition, the main card is duplicated for a Wing catalogue, added cards are duplicated if needed, and some special cards are made. Cards will show what printers are represented in the collection, and which of their works are to be found there; what books printed in a certain year and at a certain place are to be found in it; who formerly owned the books;

what unusual bindings are to be found and the work of what binders; what engravers and illustrators are represented; and, of course, what the collection contains on printing and the allied arts. As most of the collection consists of single volumes with only an occasional set of two or three volumes, and as many extra cards are made, the cataloguing is necessarily slow.

Notwithstanding resignations, serious and, in one instance, lengthy staff vacancies, the recataloguing situation has materially improved during the year. In reporting a year ago we stated that 11,842 volumes, approximately, remained unrepresented in the Public Author Catalogue. We also reported the use of the "Temporary Card," which was instituted early in 1921, and that on these temporary cards, buff in color to differentiate them from the permanent cards, the recataloguing was proceeding. It is with no small degree of satisfaction that we are able to report that practically all of the foregoing eleven thousand volumes are represented in our catalogue, and that, with the exception of certain sets of periodicals, state and municipal documents, series classed together, and a few books shelved in the Museum, which still remain to be done, all the recataloguing as originally planned is finished, taking into account, of course, the "temporary" nature of much of the work done in the past two years. Work on the foregoing omissions will start soon, and when that is completed the substitution of full-title entries and thoroughly revised cards for the temporary ones will be taken up. But this work, as pointed out last year, can proceed under less stress and as the requirements of other duties dictate, for then all the books in the Library will be represented either in the Public Author Catalogue or in the special catalogues like the card catalogue of the Ayer Collection, the printed catalogue of the Bonaparte Collection, or the official catalogues covering the United States government documents.

The Public Author Catalogue now contains 264,590 cards, representing 169,208 titles and 37,366 analytics. These are the permanent cards; it contains in addition 14,972 temporary cards, which have been discussed above.

## JOHN M. WING MEMORIAL ROOM

During the year we were able to proceed with the installation of the John M. Wing Memorial Room. A well-lighted, commodious, conveniently reached room, on the second floor, just east of the general reading-room was designated sometime ago by the Board as a memorial to Mr. Wing, and early in the autumn the work was completed of fitting the space with book cases, reading tables, and chairs, installing the proper lighting fixtures and other necessary equipment. Mr. Wing's personal library, bequeathed by him to The Newberry Library to become a part of his Foundation, and consisting of about 3,800 volumes, was at once transferred to the new quarters, the portraits of Mr. Wing, of his parents, grandparents, and sister were hung on the walls, and the case containing his extra-illustrated books, to which he was so fondly devoted and to the gathering of which he spent so many years of his life, was installed in the room. The custodian of the Foundation has transferred his desk, files, and other work material to the new location, which is considered henceforth as his headquarters. The room presents a handsome appearance, in general after the effect of a gentleman's library, the fine old, time-mellowed bindings about the walls giving a tone of dignity and repose that suggests the memorial character of the room.

It is hoped that during the coming year the work on the exhibition room adjacent to the Wing Memorial Room will be completed, so that public exhibits of Wing Foundation and other material can be begun there and more nearly adequate provision made for Wing readers.

## THE BINDERY

The operations associated with the binding and repairing of the books, as has been pointed out in previous annual reports, fall into two distinct groups. One comprises the details connected with the designation of the nature and kind of binding to be put on books received unbound, and the assembling of the requisite parts and numbers of periodical publications, the withdrawal of

worn or broken volumes from the shelves for necessary repairs, etc., the delivery to, and receipt of this material from, the Bindery, and the keeping of systematic records of these facts. These operations are performed by members of the Library staff.

The Bindery proper deals exclusively with the second group of operations, i.e., those having to do with the technical treatment of a book by the binders from the time of its receipt in an unbound condition until its return, newly bound or repaired, to the Library assistants. In the Bindery it is collated, assembled by signatures, sewed, bound in cloth, leather, pigskin, or board cover, gilded, stamped, labeled, etc. All of this, of course, is done by skilled artisans under the direction of an experienced chief.

During the year, 2,947 books and pamphlets were newly bound; 663 repaired and relettered; 657 maps were mounted on muslin; 142 books and document boxes were made. As in former years, the Bindery has also performed many other services whose direct results contribute to keeping our books in good present condition and to their length of life. Under these miscellaneous services fall such activities as the making of periodical binders and holders, the covering of publications printed on the multigraph, the repairs of the genealogical indexes and shelf-lists, the making of dummies from strips of card-board, the cutting up of Library of Congress proof-sheets, etc. The Bindery, as in past years, has supplied the Library with a variety of devices and apparatus which add greatly to ease, economy, and convenience of service.

Under the direction of the Head of the Bindery, 20,759 catalogue cards and guides were printed on the multigraph, 650 copies of Library publications printed on the multigraph and bound, and nearly 70,000 official forms, blanks, and application slips printed.

#### THE LIBRARY STAFF

The number of authorized positions in the classified staff, i.e., positions for which appropriations are annually made, was thirty-four, the same number as in 1921. A year ago the Libra-

rian called attention to the fact that, of the persons holding these posts, eight have been in the service of the Library more than ten consecutive years, and that the service of five of them cover each a period of more than twenty years. All the persons referred to remain on the staff and have given the Library another year of faithful loyal service.

On September 30, 1922, Mr. William Stetson Merrill completed one-third of a century of consecutive service to The Newberry Library, and the recognition of this event by the Board of Trustees and by his associates of the staff was not only a complete surprise to him but was deeply appreciated as well.

Seven members of the staff resigned during the year. Included in the number were Mrs. L. L. Lawrence, Miss Everett McCullough, Mrs. Henrietta Mohler, Mrs. Constance Underhill Auer, and Miss Marie Smith, all of the Catalogue Department; Mrs. Vera McMillin Williams, of the Librarian's Office; and Miss Ruth Lapham, of the Book Selection Department, whose resignation was received with particular regret. Her "Check List of American Revolutionary War Pamphlets in The Newberry Library," completed only a few weeks before she left to take a responsible position elsewhere, will rank among our publications in usefulness and accuracy in compilation with Miss Smith's list of narratives of Indian captivities and Dr. Shearer's check list of American Constitutional Conventions. These resignations do not include those of pages, of which there have been several, but fewer in number than in recent years.

Additions to the staff include Miss Elfrida Harder, who comes to us with wide experience in the catalogue department of the Library of Congress and the New York Public Library, Miss Mary Keyes, formerly in the Racine Public Library, and Miss Ruth M. Vaught, all to the Catalogue Department; Mr. E. E. Willoughby to the Book Order Department; and Miss Helen Tengwald to the Librarian's Office. At no time during the year has the staff been complete, the reporting period closing with two positions vacant, but with an appointee to one of these coming to us at the beginning of the new year.

It continues to be extremely difficult to keep the Catalogue Department satisfactorily recruited, for it will be seen that most of the resignations and appointments are, respectively, from and to that field of our activities. There fortunately remain, however, the faithful nuclei in whose trained and capable hands the newcomers are placed and who preserve that absolutely essential continuity of service. But, as we have pointed out in previous reports, this amount of time required of our experienced and trained staff members in coaching newcomers is the most serious and detrimental feature of frequent changes. It slows up the machinery and lessens the output of an entire department. It seems, however, as inevitable and unavoidable as it is regrettable.

We have been fortunate in having no serious illnesses during the year, and so, notwithstanding vacancies and the time required by the breaking-in processes, the year has been one of progress, and particularly the service to the public has, we believe, been kept on a high plane.

The Annual Conference of the American Library Association was held in Detroit, the last week in June. The Library was represented by the Librarian, and five members of the staff, namely, Mr. Merrill, Misses Baker, Watson, Stearns, and Dowle, also were in attendance. At this conference your Librarian was elected president of the American Library Association for the year 1922-23. For the past two years he has served as a member of its Executive Board and chairman of its Finance Committee.

The Illinois Library Association held its 1922 meeting in Chicago, in October, with headquarters at the Chicago Beach Hotel. A considerable proportion of the staff attended one or more of the sessions.

At the meeting of the Bibliographical Society of America, held at Ann Arbor, Michigan, June 29, your Librarian presented a paper on "Source Material for the Study of American History in the Libraries of Chicago." This will be printed in the *Papers* of the Society.

A most unexpected but highly appreciated recognition of the Library's exhibition in commemoration of the six hundredth anniversary of the death of Dante was the decoration of the Librarian by the King of Italy with the order of Chevalier of the Order of the Crown of Italy. Much more appropriately, he felt, could this very great honor have been conferred on Miss Watson, for she, ably assisted by Miss Durkee, was chiefly responsible for the success of our exhibit, which so favorably impressed the Italian government.

The Librarian has, as heretofore, received invitations from time to time during the year to address various clubs and other organizations on topics relating to the Library, its service, its collections, and its facilities for advanced research. All of these opportunities he has welcomed as a part of the considered plan to bring The Newberry Library to the attention of the people of Chicago and vicinity and inform them of its truly remarkable character.

One more year's work with the staff of the Library only confirms further the Librarian's high regard for their intelligence, industry, and loyalty to the institution, and he is confident that the Board no less than himself appreciates their faithful service.

And last, but by no means least, the Librarian wishes to express anew his keen appreciation of that high degree of consideration and helpfulness which has been vouchsafed to him at all times by every member of the Board of Trustees.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. UTLEY, *Librarian*

STATISTICS OF PRINCIPAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS  
1922

I. NUMBER OF READERS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	37,898
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	12,207
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	437
4. Exhibition Room (Manuscripts, Incunabula, Book Plates, etc.) . . . . .	3,450
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	257
	54,249

II. RECORDED USE OF BOOKS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	59,511
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	83,411
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	1,940
4. Exhibition Room (Manuscripts, Incunabula, Book Plates, etc.) . . . . .	806
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	1,475
	147,143

III. BOOK SELECTION AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL  
INVESTIGATIONS

1. Titles investigated . . . . .	12,500
2. Titles selected . . . . .	1,424
3. Volumes represented by titles selected . . . . .	1,644
4. Official lists of selected titles typed and submitted to the Committee on Books . . . . .	79
5. Order cards typed or written . . . . .	1,749
6. Bibliographical questions investigated, and answered, for other divisions of the Library service, for other Libraries, and for readers . . . . .	815

IV. CLASSIFICATION

1. Purchases . . . . .	2,910
2. Gifts . . . . .	1,110
3. United States documents . . . . .	1,093
4. Gifts and gift continuations, for current use only . . . . .	20
	5,133



## V. CATALOGUING (CURRENT ACCESSIONS)

1. New titles.....	2,731
2. Volumes represented by foregoing titles.....	3,195
3. Analytics.....	352
4. New volumes of continuations.....	1,471
5. New cards prepared:	
a) For the Public Author Catalogue.....	5,892
b) For the Classed Subject Catalogue.....	7,381
c) For the Official Author Catalogue.....	6,358
d) For the Official Name List.....	2,306
e) For the Wing Catalogue.....	<u>735</u>
Total new cards prepared and revised.....	22,672

## VI. RECATALOGUING (NEW PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE)

1. Titles.....	935
2. Volumes.....	1,182
3. Analytics.....	251
4. Number of cards prepared.....	1,960
5. Name List Cards.....	780
6. Temporary cards.....	5,022

## VII. PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE NEW PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE

1. Titles.....	169,208
2. Volumes.....	257,583
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	28,537
4. Analytics.....	37,366
5. Cross-references.....	32,394
6. Number of cards.....	264,590
7. Temporary cards.....	14,972

## VIII. STATISTICS OF CARDS FILED IN THE LIBRARY CATALOGUES AND INDEXES

1. Public Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	8,045
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled.....	<u>1,504</u>
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	264,590
2. Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	8,491
b) Extra subject cards filed for departmental use.....	3,473
c) Tabbed subject-heading guides deducted.....	<u>2,667</u>
Total cards in the Catalogue.....	12,162

3. Alphabetical Index to Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	88
b) Blue guides filed.....	2,754
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	48,897
4. Official Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	6,972
b) New cards substituted for old.....	782
c) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled	4,063
Total number of cards in this Catalogue.....	288,453
5. Official Name List:	
a) New cards added.....	3,037
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled	307
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	109,070
6. Wing Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	139
b) New volumes.....	141
c) New cards.....	766
7. Library of Congress "Proof-Sheet" Catalogue:	
New entries filed.....	44,068
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	592,421

## IX. PREPARATION OF BOOKS FOR BINDING, REPAIRS, ETC.

1. Volumes prepared, recorded, and delivered to the Bindery:	
a) New acquisitions.....	1,830
b) Volumes removed from the shelves for repair, etc.....	420
2. Volumes returned from the Bindery, newly bound, rebound, repaired, etc.....	2,298

## X. BINDERY

1. Bindery:	
a) Volumes bound in half-morocco.....	84
b) Volumes bound in cloth.....	2,194
c) Volumes bound in pigskin.....	128
d) Pamphlets bound in "Newberry Binding".....	541
Total newly bound volumes.....	2,947
e) Volumes repaired and relettered.....	663
f) Volumes on which "call-number" was gilded.....	2,131
g) Volumes on which the name of the Library was gilded....	2,364
h) Maps mounted on cloth.....	657
i) Illustrations, plates, charts, etc., "guarded".....	5,601
j) Bookplates pasted in new and rebound books.....	4,139

2. Multigraph printing:	
a) Catalogue cards and guides multigraphed . . . . .	20,759
b) Library publications printed: number of copies . . . . .	650
c) Library forms, blanks, application slips, etc., multigraphed	69,170
3. Supplies:	
a) Blank catalogue cards cut from stock and punched . . . . .	12,000
b) Memorandum slips cut from stock and punched . . . . .	10,000

#### XI. INCREASE IN THE LIBRARY

1. Purchases . . . . .	2,910
2. Gifts:	
a) Entered in Accession Record . . . . .	814
b) Classed without accessioning . . . . .	9
c) British India—public documents . . . . .	187
d) United States—public documents . . . . .	1,093
3. Ayer Collection . . . . .	1,056
4. Wing Foundation . . . . .	394
	6,463
Total pieces . . . . .	

#### XII. CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

1. Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	325,877
2. Classed without accessioning . . . . .	215
3. British India—public documents . . . . .	2,001
4. United States—public documents . . . . .	9,938
5. East Asiatic Collection . . . . .	21,654
6. Ayer Collection . . . . .	41,816
7. Wing Bequest . . . . .	3,793
8. Wing Foundation . . . . .	1,205
	406,499
Total volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc . . . . .	

### XIII. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1922

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

#### CONTENTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SECTIONS

	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1921	Volumes and Pamphlets Transfers	Volumes and Pamphlets Added 1922	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1922
General Reference.....	2,439	0	102	2,541
Periodicals.....	17,364	0	188	17,552
Newspapers.....	4,701	0	209	4,910
Academies.....	2,321	0	13	2,334
Philosophy.....	4,113	0	63	4,176
Religion.....	16,842	2	118	16,962
Church History.....	10,962	- 4	71	11,029
Biography.....	12,805	- 8	224	13,021
Genealogy.....	6,946	-98	118	6,966
History.....	40,033	-31	733	40,735
Geography and Travel.....	10,176	- 3	198	10,371
Economics.....	21,718	- 1	351	22,068
Sociology.....	4,742	0	67	4,809
Education.....	11,140	- 2	91	11,229
Civil Government.....	13,978	- 1	140	14,117
Law and Legislation.....	16,642	0	83	16,725
Science and Technology..... (inc. old N)*	16,184	0	67	16,251
Military and Naval Arts.....	3,319	- 2	17	3,334
Sports.....	1,019	0	9	1,028
Theater.....	642	0	8	650
Music.....	13,053	2	63	13,118
Thomas Collection.....	566	0	0	566
Fine Arts.....	10,622	- 1	121	10,742
Language.....	10,011	1	215	10,227
Literature.....	32,435	7	381	32,823
Literary Biography.....	2,517	- 6	43	2,554
Bibliography.....	18,300	0	227	18,527
Totals.....	305,590	-145	3,920	309,365

\* Two volumes of old N were reclassified.

#### XIV. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1922

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

	Vols. Pams. Dec. 31, 1922
1. Classified sections (carried).....	309,365
2. Incunabula in the General Library (including 2 omitted from the multigraphed list).....	248
3. E. E. Ayer Collection (including 18 incunabula).....	41,816
4. Bonaparte Library (including 14 incunabula, one of which was omitted from the multigraphed list).....	18,212
5. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
6. John M. Wing Foundation (including 362 incunabula).....	1,205
7. John M. Wing Bequest (including 4 incunabula).....	3,793
8. United States documents:	
Government classification.....	7,332
9. Unclassified lots (estimated):	
a) Bibliographical Museum.....	1,132
b) Bonaparte supplement.....	702
c) Pamphlet material (accessioned).....	1,014
d) Reserved duplicates.....	26
Total.....	406,499

XV. NAMES OF DONORS, 1922

	Vols.	Pams.
American Congregational Association, Boston.....		I
Allen, <i>Miss</i> Dora, Chicago.....	2	
Allen, J. K., Boston.....		I
Altrocci, <i>Prof.</i> Rudolph, Chicago.....		3
Anonymous.....	29	22
Ayer, Edward E., Chicago, 2 drawings, 1 photograph, 1 manuscript, 4 typescripts	23	16
Ballou, H. M., Honolulu, <i>H.I.</i> ..... 1 photostat		
Banks, <i>Dr.</i> Charles E., Chicago.....	19	12
Bantug, <i>Dr.</i> J. P., Manila, <i>P.I.</i> .....		I
Barter, A. D., Rutland, <i>Vt.</i> .....		I
Bartlett, F. E., Chicago.....	I	
Barton, <i>Rev.</i> W. E., Hartford, <i>Conn.</i> .....		I
Baskerville, P. H., Richmond, <i>Va.</i> .....	I	
Bastian, W. E. & Co., Ceylon..... 1 magazine		
Beethoven Association, New York.....	3	
Bell Telephone Co., Chicago.....	I	
Berthold, V. M., New York.....		I
Biggs, Mary E., Chicago.....		I
Bishop, W. W., Ann Arbor, <i>Mich.</i> .....		I
Blatchford, Paul, Chicago..... 1 framed photograph		2
Block, Louis J., Chicago.....	I	
Bostonian Society, Boston.....	2	8
Bowerman, George F., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....		I
Bramhall, J. T., Chicago.....	I	
Buchanan, R. J., Pittsburgh, <i>Pa.</i> .....		I
Buck, Glen, Chicago.....	I	
Buckingham, G. T., Chicago.....	2	
Butler, J. W., Paper Co., Chicago.....	I	
Campbell, <i>Mrs.</i> James H., Grand Rapids, <i>Mich.</i> , 16 manuscript letters		
Carnovale, Luigi, Chicago.....	2	
Carpenter, Frederic I., Chicago.....	161	97
Carter, S. C., Milwaukee, <i>Wis.</i> .....	I	
Caslon, H. W. & Co., London, <i>England.</i> .....	I	
Caxton Club of Chicago.....	2	
Chalmers, <i>Miss</i> C. E., Superior, <i>Wis.</i> .....	I	
Chase, <i>Miss</i> F. A., Chicago.....		I
Chester, Alden, Albany, <i>N.Y.</i> ..... 1 chart		
Chicago Boosters' Publicity Club..... 1 map		

	Vols.	Pams.
Chicago Literary Club . . . . .		I
City Club of Chicago . . . . .		I
Clark, William A., Jr., Los Angeles, <i>Cal</i> . . . . .	2	
Clements, William L., Bay City, <i>Mich</i> . . . . .	1	photostat
Cliff Dwellers, Chicago . . . . .		I
Cole, George Watson, San Gabriel, <i>Cal</i> . . . . .		I
Crone, F. L., Lima, <i>Peru</i> . . . . .	1	blue print
Dennison Manufacturing Co., Framingham, <i>Mass</i> . . . . .	4	
Depew, <i>Hon.</i> Chauncey M., New York City . . . . .	1	
Dickerman, <i>Miss</i> T. S., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Dickey, <i>Miss</i> Helene, Chicago . . . . .	3	photographs
Donnelley, R. R. & Sons Co., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Doughty, A. G., Ottawa, <i>Ont</i> . . . . .	1	
Eddy, G. S., New York . . . . .	2	
Emerson, Francis E., Plymouth, <i>Ind</i> . . . . .	1	
Engelhardt, <i>Rev.</i> Zephyrin, Santa Barbara, <i>Cal</i> . . . . .	2	2
Evans, Charles, Chicago . . . . .		I
Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago . . . . .	5	7
Fisher, L. B., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Forstall, <i>Miss</i> Gertrude, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Friends of Our Native Landscape, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Fulton Democrat, Lewistown, <i>Illinois</i> . . . . .	1	newspaper
Gardner, <i>Mrs.</i> M. M., Ripon, <i>Wis</i> . . . . .	1	
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen of the City of New York . . . . .		I
German Society of Chicago . . . . .	2	
Gingery, W. G., Indianapolis, <i>Ind</i> . . . . .		I
Gomy, Chuichiro, Berlin, <i>Germany</i> . . . . .		I
Goodwin, J. J., Family of, Hartford, <i>Conn</i> . . . . .	3	
Gookin, F. W., Chicago . . . . .	3	39
Grolier Club, New York . . . . .		I
Hanford, F., Scottsville, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		I
Harpel, <i>Dr.</i> W. F., Chicago . . . . .	32	
Harrassowitz, Otto, booksellers, Leipzig . . . . .	1	
Hart, C. B., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Heartman, Charles F., Metuchen, <i>N.J.</i> . . . . .	2	I
Hisa-akira Hiykata, Tokyo . . . . .		2
Hobbs, W. H., Ann Arbor, <i>Mich</i> . . . . .	2	

	Vols.	Pams.
Hodgkin, John, London, <i>England</i> .....		1
Holland Society of New York.....	1	1
Holmes, <i>Dr.</i> Bayard, Chicago.....	1	3
Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs.....	1	
James, F. S., & Co., Chicago.....	1	
Japan Society of New York.....	1	2
Jaques, <i>Mrs.</i> B. E., Chicago.....	1	
Jillson, W. R., Frankfort, <i>Ky</i> .....		1
Jipson, <i>Dr.</i> N. W., Chicago..... 2 typescripts		1
Johnson, <i>Mrs.</i> F. S., Pasadena, <i>Cal</i> .....	1	
Jones, B. W., New York.....		1
Jones, F. H., Chicago.....	1	
Judson, <i>Pres.</i> Harry Pratt, Chicago.....	1	
Keneagy, <i>Mrs.</i> L. D., Chicago.....	1	
Keogh, <i>Dr.</i> C. H., Chicago.....	2	
Kite, St. Alban, Ipswich, <i>Mass.</i> .....		5
Koehler, K. F., Leipzig, <i>Germany</i> .....		1
Kuhn, Loeb & Co., New York.....		1
Kutzbach, Herman, Chicago.....	2	
Kyes, <i>Mrs.</i> W. S., San Diego, <i>Cal</i> .....		2
La Follette, <i>Hon.</i> Robert M., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	2	3
Laist, T. F., Chicago.....	1	
Landon, F., London, <i>Ont</i> .....		2
Langdon, Ida, Elmira, <i>New York</i> .....	1	
Larson, L. M., Champaign, <i>Ill</i> .....		1
Lefingwell, <i>Rev.</i> C. W., Pasadena, <i>Cal</i> .....	3	
Leffman, Henry (no address).....		1
Lewis, E. R., Chicago.....	1	
Lewis, G. B., Chicago.....	2	
Lloyd, H. D., Sons of the late, New York.....	2	
Longfellow National Memorial Association.....		1
McGuire, C. E., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	1	
McMurtrie, D. C., Greenwich, <i>Conn</i> .....		9
Maggs Bros., London, <i>England</i> ..... 1 print		
Mason, P. H., Chicago.....	1	
Mather, W. G., Bratenahl, <i>Ohio</i> .....	1	
Merrill, William Stetson, Chicago.....		1
Millis, <i>Col.</i> John, Cleveland, <i>Ohio</i> .....		1



	Vols.	Pams
Morehouse, G. P., Topeka, <i>Kansas</i> .....	I	
Moses, G. H., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....		I
Mullen, <i>Mrs.</i> P. L., Chicago .....	I	
Munroe, H. S., Litchfield, <i>Conn.</i> .....		2
Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York	8	3
Myers, A. C., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> .....		I
National City Co., New York .....	I	I
National Council for Prevention of War, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....		I
Nippon Kogyo Ginko, Tokyo, <i>Japan.</i> .....	2	
North, C. K., Chicago .....	I	
Patterson, N. L., Chicago .....	1	1 scrap book, 2 framed letters
Pennsylvania Bar Association, Philadelphia .....	I	
Phelps-Stokes Fund, New York .....	I	
Pittman, <i>Hon.</i> Key, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	I	
Pond, Allen B., Chicago .....	I	
Potter, H. E., Chicago .....	4	
Putnam, <i>Miss</i> E. D., Davenport, <i>Iowa.</i> .....	I	
Quaritch, Bernard, London, <i>England.</i> .....	I	
Raskob, J. J., Claymont, <i>Delaware.</i> .....	I	
Reynolds Family Association, Brooklyn, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		I
Richardson, W. L., Chicago .....		I
Roberts, W., London, <i>England.</i> .....		I
Rogers, H. L., Chicago .....	I	
Rosenberger, J. L., Chicago .....	I	
Ruggles, H. S., Wakefield, <i>Mass.</i> .....	4	4 pictures
Ryan, <i>Hon.</i> Daniel, Chicago .....	I	2
Schiff, M. L., New York .....		I
Schroeder, Theodore, Cos Cob, <i>Conn.</i> .....		6
Scott, Bancroft, Martin & MacLeish, Chicago .....	4	
Seligman, E. R. A., New York .....		I
Sellers, E. J., Philadelphia .....	I	
Shedd, <i>Hon.</i> John G., Chicago .....	I	
Shepard, The H. O., Co., Chicago .....	I	
Shields, <i>Mrs.</i> E. G., Chicago .....	I	
Sickels, N. D., Los Angeles, <i>Cal.</i> .....	I	
Smith, H. J., Chicago .....		I
Snevely, J. E., Chicago .....	I	
Stager, Walter, Sterling, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	

	Vols.	Pams.
Stanley, <i>Hon.</i> A. O., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .		I
Stevens, <i>Mrs.</i> B. M., Chicago . . . . . 3 newspapers	I	I
Stevens & Brown, London, <i>England</i> . . . . .	2	
Stevenson, <i>Mrs.</i> W. B., Fayette, <i>Iowa</i> . . . . .		I
Swedish Travel Bureau, New York . . . . .	I	
Swem, E. G., Williamsburg, <i>Va.</i> . . . . .		I
Syron, J. H., Chicago . . . . .		I
Talbot, E. S., Chicago . . . . . 2 photographs, 2 prints		55
Talmage, <i>Dr.</i> J. E., Salt Lake City, <i>Utah</i> . . . . .	I	
Tamura, Yoso, New York . . . . .	I	
Taylor, <i>Mrs.</i> Harriet, Chicago . . . . .	3	
Tyler, <i>Dr.</i> L. G., Richmond, <i>Va.</i> . . . . .		I
Utley, George B., Chicago . . . . .	I	8
Walker, <i>Prof.</i> H. H., Chicago . . . . . 1 typewritten manuscript		
Walsh, <i>Hon.</i> D. I., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .		I
White, J. B., Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .	I	
Wilder, F. J., Boston . . . . .		I
Williams, <i>Miss</i> Anna, Chicago . . . . .	3	
Wilmer Atkinson Company, Philadelphia . . . . .	I	
Wood, C. B., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Wyatt, A. H., Knoxville, <i>Iowa</i> . . . . .		I
Academies, colleges, museums, universities, and other educa- tional institutions . . . . .	84	55
American and foreign libraries . . . . .	220	158
Charitable, religious, and other social organizations . . . . .	15	18
Commercial, financial, and political organizations . . . . .	35	16
Firms, publishing companies, etc . . . . .	9	7
Foreign governments . . . . .	329	26
Genealogical, historical, and other patriotic organizations . . . . .	18	23
Railway corporations . . . . .		7
United States government . . . . .	486	677
United States, municipal governments . . . . .	13	3
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS, NOT INCLUDING THE  
 JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION,  
 DECEMBER 31, 1922

Bank stock.....	\$ 28,000.00
Bonds.....	831,503.33
Loans secured by real estate.....	90,302.66
Contracts for sale of real estate.....	16,722.50
Balance to credit at the bank.....	40,788.06
The expenditure for books, periodicals, and fittings of the Library from its foundation to date amount to.....	938,732.83

REPORT OF THE JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1922

Cash on hand, January 1, 1922.....	\$	1,955.43
Receipts for the year amounted to.....		12,218.44
Bonds matured.....		6,000.00
		\$ 20,173.87

Expenditures:

Books.....	\$	10,661.40
Salary of Custodian (part salary).....		1,600.00
Purchase of Bonds.....		5,925.35
		18,186.75

Cash on hand December 31, 1922..... \$ 1,987.12

This fund now amounts at par value to:

Bonds and Stock.....	\$	240,646.25
Cash.....		223.37
		\$240,869.62

Statistics, December 31, 1922:

Number of volumes received John M. Wing Bequest.....	3,793
Collection acquired on History of Printing, Incunabula, etc. . .	1,205
	4,998
Total number of volumes.....	4,998









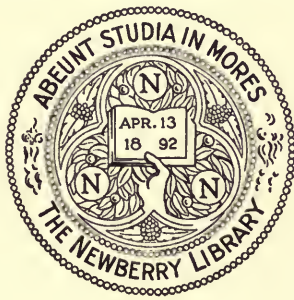






THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY

Report *of the* Trustees  
*of the* Newberry Library  
*for the* Year  
1923



Chicago  
1924



FOUNDER

**Walter Loomis Newberry**

1804-1868

Of whom it may be said, as truly as Anthony à Wood said of Sir Thomas Bodley: "By his noble and generous endeavours he hath been the occasion of making hundreds of public writers, and of increasing in an high degree the commonwealth of learning."



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## TRUSTEES OF THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY, 1923

MR. HORACE H. MARTIN.....	Elected November 4, 1901
†MR. DAVID B. JONES.....	Elected May 5, 1902
MR. JOHN A. SPOOR.....	Elected January 11, 1904
MR. JOHN P. WILSON, JR.....	Elected January 3, 1911
MR. EDWARD L. RYERSON.....	Elected March 6, 1911
MR. FREDERIC I. CARPENTER.....	Elected February 3, 1913
MR. ANDREW C. McLAUGHLIN.....	Elected April 6, 1914
MR. CHARLES H. HULBURD.....	Elected April 6, 1914
MR. JOHN W. SCOTT.....	Elected May 1, 1916
MR. ALBERT H. WETTEN.....	Elected December 5, 1916
MR. HORACE S. OAKLEY.....	Elected April 1, 1918
MR. ROBERT P. LAMONT.....	Elected December 4, 1922
MR. MELVIN A. TRAYLOR.....	Elected December 4, 1922

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*MR. EDWARD E. AYER.....	1892-1911
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*MR. FRANKLIN H. HEAD.....	1892-1914
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*HON. FRANKLIN MACVEAGH.....	1892-1896
*GEN. WALTER C. NEWBERRY.....	1892-1912
*HON. LAMBERT TREE.....	1892-1910
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MR. GEORGE MANIERRE.....	1898-1919
MR. MOSES J. WENTWORTH.....	1901-1916

† Deceased, August 22, 1923.

\* Charter member, April 13, 1892.

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## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, December 31, 1923

*To His Excellency, Len Small,*

*Governor of the State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois:*

SIR: In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled: *An Act to encourage and promote the establishment of free public libraries in the cities, villages, and towns in this State*" (Illinois), approved June 17, 1891, under which this corporation is organized, the Trustees of The Newberry Library herewith transmit their thirty-second annual report, showing the progress and operations of the Library during the year 1923.

Mr. David B. Jones, a Trustee of the Library since 1902, died August 22, 1923. His wide business experience and sound judgment were always at the service of the Library, and he is deeply missed by his associates on this Board. A Memorial Minute, adopted by the Board, expressive of their appreciation of Mr. Jones's valued service will be found elsewhere in this Report.

The Annual Report of the Librarian, appended hereto, contains the statistics of the Library for the past year, including those of general administration, accessions, attendance, use of books, etc., together with the list of donors and the number of their respective gifts. The use of the Library, both in number of readers availing themselves of its resources and in the amount of printed and manuscript material utilized by them, continues to increase from year to year. It is gratifying to report that on numerous occasions during the year, as in previous years, the Library has had the especial privilege of being of direct aid and service to various public bodies and officials engaged in important public work.

In addition to the acknowledgment that has been officially made to those who have made gifts to the Library, the Trustees desire, in this Report, to express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness that has been of such benefit to this institution.

A statement of the assets of The Newberry Library on December 31, 1923, also the expenditures for books, pamphlets, maps, and fittings of the Library, from its foundation to date, will be found as an appendix to this Report. There is also appended a report of the operations of The John M. Wing Foundation of the Library for the year 1923.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. RYERSON, *President*

## MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF MR. DAVID B. JONES

The Board of Trustees of The Newberry Library desire to enter upon their records an expression of the great loss which the Library has suffered in the death of their late friend and associate, Mr. David Benton Jones.

He became a member of the Board in the year 1902, and from the beginning of his connection with the Library until his death he was continuously a member of the Committee on Books. In the discharge of his duties as a Trustee he always showed the qualifications which so eminently fitted him for the post. He was a man of positive opinions which carried weight because of his high standards and the careful and intelligent consideration he gave them. His wide business experience made his judgment and advice in the financial affairs of the corporation invaluable. His knowledge of literature and what was worth while for the public was of great help in all questions of administration and expansion. With his approval and assistance, the fundamental policies of the Library were altered and developed more completely to fulfil the object for which it was established.

His activities were not confined alone to the work of the Committee on which he served. His interest was widespread and unflinching in all matters which affected the Library in any department.

Mr. Jones's work as a Trustee of The Newberry Library was only a small part of his public service. For many years prior to his death he gave far more time, effort, and thought to service for others than to his private affairs. He also contributed generously to many philanthropic, educational, and religious works.

In his death the Library and this Board have suffered the loss of a gifted, loyal, and devoted Trustee and associate.



## THE LIBRARY STAFF

*December 31, 1923*

### I. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

The Librarian

Gertrude E. Dowle, Secretary to the Librarian

Helen Tengwald

### II. PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Wm. Stetson Merrill, A.B., Head of Department

Cara D. Durkee

Elmer Bahnfleth

Gertrude Loop, B.A.

Charles Breitzke

Mae I. Stearns

Roland Dietze

Mrs. Harriet Taylor

Robert Hayden

Mary L. Watson

Howard Hollem

Harry L. Youngren

Alfred Holmberg

Mrs. Edith Ryther

Milton Husted

Mrs. Mary W. Ferris

William Puckelwartz

### III. BOOK SELECTION AND ORDERING

Pierce Butler, Ph.D., Head of Department\*

E. E. Willoughby, A.B.

### IV. CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT

Adaline M. Baker, B.L.S., Head of Department

Helen A. Fowler, B.L.

Gertrude H. Blair

Elfrida Harder, A.M.

Augusta Brotman

Mary Keyes, B.A.

Lillian Tarnow†

Mary D. Kimble

Mabel Tengwald

Ethel Owen

William Davidson

Nels Marklund

Helmar Winblad

### V. EDWARD E. AYER COLLECTION

Clara A. Smith, Custodian

### VI. JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION

Pierce Butler, Ph.D., Custodian\*

### VII. BINDERY

John Schonenberger, Head

### VIII. CARE AND PROTECTION OF THE BUILDING

Ingve Soderstrom, Head

\* Service divided between the John M. Wing Foundation and the Book Selection and Order Department.

† On part time.

“Certainly there is nothing which renders a Library more recommendable than when every man findes in it that which he is in search of, and could no where else encounter.”—GABRIEL NAUDÉ, interpreted by JOHN EVELYN, 1661.



## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Board of Trustees of The Newberry Library:*

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted the thirty-seventh annual report of the Librarian and the fourth which it has been my privilege to make. The statistics given in the text and in the several appendixes are taken from the official records currently maintained by the heads of departments and other responsible assistants.

### BOOK SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

A total of 12,496 titles have been investigated and passed upon, as against 13,398 in the year 1922, and of this number 2,681, or 21 per cent, were decided upon as suitable for acquisition, as against 1,372 in 1922. The bibliographical and clerical work involved in this investigation, as has been stated in previous reports, has the following direct objects: (1) to learn whether or not a given title or edition is already in the Library; (2) if it is not in the Library, to ascertain from authoritative bibliographies or other sources whether its importance is such as to justify its acquisition; (3) if found desirable for acquisition, to list it accurately under title, author, date, and place of publication, and to submit it to the Committee on Books for final consideration before ordering.

Book prices, which for several years past have been extremely high, have for the most-part shown no tendency to come down during the past year, but a somewhat larger appropriation for books fortunately enabled the Library to place a larger number of orders than for several years preceding. During the year 154 booklists were prepared and submitted to the Committee on Books for approval. From the approved lists the orders of the year have been placed. Of these lists 118 were for the general collections and 36 for the John M. Wing Foundation.

The extent of titles ordered (exclusive of the Ayer and Wing collections) in some of the primary and secondary subjects which we are endeavoring to develop is as follows:

I. Americana: (1) General, 29; (2) American history and politics to the close of the Revolutionary War, 26; (3) South and slavery, 96; (4) American local history, 253.

II. European: (1) General history, 405; (2) English local history, 51; Celtic history, 27.

III. General: (1) English literature, 1,134; (2) Biography, 72; (3) Music, 11; (4) Folklore, 25; (5) Bibliography, 52.

During the summer the Library made a practically complete checking of all titles in Frederic Ives Carpenter's newly published *Reference Guide to Edmund Spenser*, and is now taking steps to obtain, so far as possible, a copy of all items now lacking. Some are, of course, so exceedingly rare and costly that their acquisition, at least by purchase, is extremely unlikely, but it is hoped, nevertheless, that in a reasonably short time a sufficiently large number may be acquired and added to our present holdings so as to make The Newberry Library's collection on Edmund Spenser one of the best in the country. Mr. Carpenter, by his time, professional knowledge, and liberal gifts is helping very materially to make this result possible.

The Library continues to be the recipient of many and valuable gifts from friends in Chicago and elsewhere, their benefactions during the past year being set forth in an appendix to this Report. It is difficult to select for special mention one donor above another, but we feel constrained in passing to give at least brief word to the following gifts: Mrs. Victor C. Sanborn has given nearly 200 bound volumes and a large number of pamphlets, all from the private library of her late husband, a good and tried friend to The Newberry Library; Miss Frederika Skinner has given over 100 choice volumes, many of which were from the private library of her father, the Honorable Mark Skinner; Emma Wheat Gillmore, M.D., presented to the Ayer Collection a very beautiful oil painting of a Pomo Indian woman, by Grace Hudson; the Right Reverend Francisco Banegas Galván, bishop

of Querétaro, presented a copy of his recently published *Historia de Mexico*; and the Most Reverend Leopoldo Ruiz, archbishop of Michoacan, presented a copy of Archbishop Francisco Plan-carte y Navarette's *Prehistoria de Mexico*. The last two books were received with special pleasure as a large part of the research on them was done in the Ayer Collection.

Among the more notable volumes acquired by purchase are the following: (1) Spenser, Edmund, *The Shepherds Calender*, 1591, making our fifth "lifetime" edition of a work by this Elizabethan poet; (2) [Shakespeare, William] *The History of King Richard the Second*, 1681; (3) Peacham, Henry, *The Valley of Varietie*, 1638; (4) Lavardin, Jacques de, *The Historie of George Castriot, surnamed Scanderbeg, King of Albanie*, 1596; (5) [Gainsford, Thomas] *The True and Wonderfull History of Perkin Warbeck, Proclaiming Himselſe Richard the Fourth*, 1618; (6) Elyot, Sir Thomas, *The Image of Governace*, 1541; (7) Camden, William, *Annales Rerum Anglicarum et Hibernicarum Regente Elizabetha ad annum 1589*, 2 vols., 1615-27; (8) Bale, John, *The Pageant of Popes . . . . Englished by I. S.*, 1574; (9) Du-Bosc, Jacques, *The Compleat Woman*, 1639; (10) *Proluſiones Poeticæ. Poetical Essays*, 1687; (11) [Chamberlain, Robert] *The Swaggering Damsell, a Comedy*, 1640; (12) [Fletcher, John] *The Island Princess: or the Generous Portugal*, 1669; (13) [D'Urfey, Thomas] *The Fool Turn'd Critick*, 1678; (14) Brathwaite, Richard, *Tragi-Comoedia, cui in Titulum Inſcribitur Regicidium . . . .* 1665; (15) [Bethune, Philippe de, Comte de] *The Counsellor of Estate . . . . tr. by E. Grimstone*, 1634; (16) *Rerum Britannicarum, id est Angliæ, Scotiæ, Vicinarumque Insularum ac Regionum*, 1587; (17) *Wits Led by the Nose; or, a Poet's Revenge*, 1678; (18) Murray, Sir Alexander, *The True Interest of Great Britain . . . . and Our Plantations*, 1740; (19) *Allgemeine Deutsche Bibliothek*, Berlin und Stettin, 1765-1806, 260 vols.; (20) A collection of 96 pamphlets dealing with the position of the Established Church in relation to the Roman See . . . . 10 vols., 1648-88. The Library also added runs of three early American newspapers, which, though imperfect, are of

considerable importance. These are: (1) *Columbian Sentinel*, Boston, January 4, 1792—December 29, 1813, a fairly long run, published during a critical period in our national development; (2) *Maryland Journal and Baltimore Advertiser*, August 1—September 29, 1786; (3) *Pennsylvania Packet and Daily Advertiser*, Philadelphia, October 11, 1786—December 24, 1787. We obtained in 1922 at various times numbers of Nathaniel Ames's *Almanack*, of Boston, so as to make an unbroken run from 1749 to 1771, and in addition 27 odd numbers from 1777 to 1816. This year we have been able to add 16 numbers between 1733 and 1818 previously lacking from our set, so that now we have an exceptionally long run, fairly unbroken, of this early American almanac.

During the year the Library has continued its policy of obtaining photostatic reproductions of manuscripts and of printed items so rare that original copies may hardly be hoped for, and among such accessions are the following: (1) Bale, John, *David and Absalom*, reproduction of the Stowe MS in the British Museum; (2) [Spenser, Edmund, supposed author] *A Breife Note of Ireland*, reproduced from a MS in the Public Record Office, London, presented by Mr. Frederic I. Carpenter; (3) *Tottel's Miscellany. Songs and Sonettes*, by Henry Howard, Earl of Surrey [and others], 1557; (4) Warner's translation of the *Menaecmi*, by Plautus, 1595, from the original in the Henry E. Huntington Library; (5) Bryskett, Lodowick, *A Discourse of Civill Life*, 1606, reproduced from the copy in the British Museum; (6) E. W., *His Thameseid*, 1600, reproduced from copy in the British Museum. Mr. Frederic I. Carpenter, in addition to the donation noted above and numerous other gifts throughout the year, also gave to the Library photostatic reproductions of six sixteenth-century manuscript maps of Ireland, from copies in the British Museum and Trinity College, Dublin.

The European book-buying experiences of Dr. Pierce Butler, the custodian of the John M. Wing Foundation, in 1922 were so gratifying that he was sent on a similar mission again this year. Leaving on April 6, he was gone about thirteen weeks, and

visited antiquarian bookshops in Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Basel, Lugano, Milan, Rome, Florence, Venice, Vienna, Prague, Leipzig, and Munich. On his trip of 1922 he secured 207 new examples of incunabula, as stated in last year's Report. On his 1923 trip he obtained 223 incunabula, representing one new country (Portugal), twelve new cities, and eighty-five presses not previously represented in our collections. The other examples were selected as showing new type faces or other desirable typographical features. In addition to the very substantial saving in purchase price, this direct method of buying has resulted in more desirable copies being secured and in giving European dealers a definite impression of our program for book selection, as a result of which they are now sending us quotations on material much more suitable to our needs than they were able to do heretofore. Of the incunabula selected about three-fourths are in old bindings, nearly one-third (sixty-seven to be exact) are in vernacular languages, and many others are extremely important from the point of view of text as well as from that of typography. A considerable number contain choice full-page wood cuts, initials, and other interesting features. Dr. Butler estimates that in making this selection he examined over 4,000 incunabula. Although the purchase of fifteenth-century books was the primary object of his trip, he also bought a considerable number of other desirable books for the Foundation, and incidentally, was able to visit a number of important libraries and museums, meet custodians of collections kindred to ours, and thus gain much knowledge which will be of service to the work of the Wing Foundation.

A year ago we reported that the total number of fifteenth-century books in our collections had been brought up to 695. The accessions of 1923, including those purchased by Dr. Butler on his European trip and otherwise obtained, bring the present total to 944. Although this numerical statement is of interest it should not be read to indicate that the Foundation is attempting to acquire incunabula for the sake of number alone. The choice of these books is always determined by two motives—the

acquisition of specimens of definite typographical interest, and the formation of a representative fifteenth-century institutional library. The increasing rarity and the consequently increasing cost of choice specimens have made it seem the part of wisdom, during the past year, as during the two years preceding, to lay special emphasis on the acquisition of this class of books.

Purchase of desirable material in other fields within the scope of the Foundation has not, however, been neglected. A number of important examples of recent printing, several rare type specimen books, and much bearing on the general history and development of the art of printing have also been added.

Of the books of outstanding rarity, value, and importance which deserve special mention among the year's acquisitions for the Wing Foundation are the following: (1) Lactantius, *Opera*, Subiaco, Sweynheym and Pannartz, 1465, the first extant book printed in Italy, and the first to contain printing from Greek type; (2) Usuardus, *Martyrologium*, Florence, Buonaccorsi, 1496, bearing the autograph of Antonio Vespucci, uncle and tutor of Amerigo Vespucci; (3) Euclides, *Elementa Geometriae*, Venice, Ratdolt, 1482, with fine uncropped margins, thus preserving intact and undamaged the marginal geometrical diagrams which are usually trimmed away; (4) Calvaca, Domenico, *Specchio di Croce*, Milan, [ca. 1483], Robert Proctor's copy bound for him by Douglas Cockerell; (5) Dante Alighieri, *Convivio*, Florence, Buonaccorsi, 1490, first edition; (6) Plotinus, *Opera*, Latin translation by Marsilio Ficino, Florence, Miscomini, 1492, first edition; (7) *Buch der Altväter*, Augsburg, Sorg, 1482, famous for its woodcut portraits; (8) Rolewinck, Werner, *Fascisculus Temporum* (French translation), Geneva, Bellot, 1495; (9) Bernard of Clairvaux, *De Consolatione*, Utrecht, Ketelaer [ca. 1484]; (10) Isidore of Seville, *Soliloquia*, Albi, Neumeister [1480]; (11) Petrus Comestor, *Historia Scolastica*, Chambery, Neyret [ca. 1485]; (12) Filelfo, Francesco, *Convivia*, Casale Monferrato, 1477; (13) Wimpfeling, Jakob, *Oratio Querulosa*, Delft, Snellaert, 1495; (14) Cyprian, *Libri et Epistolae*, Stuttgart [ca. 1486]; (15) Boccaccio, Giovanni, *Fiammetta*, Venice, M. de Butricis,

1491; (16) Orpheus, *Argonautica, et Hymni*, Florence, Di Libri, 1500; (17) Appian, *Opera*, Scandiano, 1495; (18) Verini, G. B., *Luminario*, Milan [ca. 1526], a treatise on letter design; (19) *Bible*, English, Doves Press, Hammersmith, 1903-5, 5 vols.; (20) Froissart, J., two trial leaves on vellum of the proposed Kelmscott Press edition left uncompleted on the death of Morris. The Foundation also acquired by purchase four inscribed Babylonian clay tablets, bearing clear impressions of the seals which constitute one of the earliest steps in the long history of the development of printing. Their dates are about 2300 B.C.

Among the important printed books added to the Edward E. Ayer Collection are the following: (1) Benavides, Alonso de, *Requeste Remonstrative [sic] au Roy d'Espagne sur la Conversion du Nouveau Mexico. Traduite de l'Espagnol en François . . . .* Bruxelles, F. Vivien, 1631; (2) Solinus, C. Julius, *C. Iulii Solini Polyhistor, Rerum Toto Orbe Memorabilium Thesaurus Locupletissimus . . . .* Basileae, M. Isingrinus, 1543; (3) Grace, Henry, *History of the Life and Sufferings of Henry Grace. . . . during Several Years Captivity among the Savages of North America . . . .* Ed. 2, Reading, The Author, 1765; (4) Tanner, Robert, *A Mirror for Mathematicques . . . .* London, John Charlwood, 1587; (5) Paulus, de Middelburgo, *Pavlina de Recta Paschae Celebratione: et de Die Passionis Domini Nostri Iesu Christi* [Fossombrona], Ottaviano Pettrucci, 1513; (6) Avity, Pierre d', sieur de Montmartin, *Les Estats, Empires, et Principantez du Monde . . . .* Paris, M. du Fossé, 1615, and (7) the five following rare publications issued by the Inquisition of Mexico, and printed in Mexico City in the seventeenth century: (a) *Relacion Sumario del Avto Particular de Fee . . . . en la Ciudad de Mexico . . . .* 1646, Mexico, F. Robledo, 1646; (b) *Breve y Sumario Relacion de vn Avto Particular de Fee . . . .* 1647, Mexico, F. Robledo, n.d.; (c) *Relacion del Tercero Avto Particular de Fee . . . .* 1648, Mexico, J. Ruiz, 1648; (d) *Avto General de la Fee, Celebrado en la Ciudad de Mexico . . . .* 1649, Mexico, A. Calderon, n.d.; (e) *Avto General de la Fee . . . . Celebrado en la Ciudad de Mexico . . . .* 1659, Mexico, Viuda de B. Calderon, n.d.

Among the important manuscripts added to the Ayer Collection are the following relating to the Philippine Islands, the gift of Lieutenant Colonel H. G. Purinton (retired): (1) Philippine Islands, *Ejercito* [Order Book, 1890-91]; (2) Philippine Islands, Secretaria del Gobierno Superior Civil, *Instrucción pública*, Manila, 1871; (3) Manila, Bilibad prison, *Letras, etc., de la Carcel de Bilibad*, 34 docs.; (4) Philippine Islands, *Documentos del Vicario Foráneo de la Isla de Marinduque*, Baac, 1868-96, 4 docs.; (5) Alvarez, Pedro, *Proyecto de Reconstrucción de una Yglesia en el Pueblo de Baac, Provincia de Mindora*, n.d. Plan.

One of the most interesting of the collections now in process of acquisition by the Ayer Library consists of photographic copies of early manuscripts in the Maya and allied languages of Central America and Yucatan. These photographs were made by Mr. William Gates, now of Charlottesville, Virginia, but formerly of Point Loma, California. Many of the originals are in Mr. Gates's own remarkable library on this subject; others are in widely separated libraries in America and Europe, sought for, discovered, and photographed by Mr. Gates in his indefatigable zeal for acquiring everything that relates to or throws light on the culture, life, and particularly the literary remains of the Maya race. Many of the photographs in Mr. Gates's collection are, by the way, of manuscripts in the Edward E. Ayer Collection. Of these, it is needless to say, we are not purchasing copies. We expect eventually to acquire about 50,000 pages. We have now, on the shelves, twenty-five titles totaling 2,014 pages. They include manuscripts in Maya, Kiché, Cakchiquel, Ixil, Tzental, and Tzotzil languages. There are two books of Chilam Balam, one of Tekax, and one of Nah; *The Chronicle of Chac-Xulub-Chen*, by Nakuk Pech; various religious books; two grammars, and the great *Diccionario de Motul*, the original of which is in the John Carter Brown Library.

Mr. Ayer has continued his search for diaries and other accounts of overland journeys, with the fortunate result that during the year typewritten copies of the following have been acquired: (1) "Diary of Helen (McGowan) Carpenter, 1857";



(2) "Diary of George McCowan, 1854"; (3) "Account of Matthew Teed," written in 1900; (4) "Account of Harlow Chittenden Thompson, 1859," written about 1902; (5) "The Covered Wagon," by William M. Colvig, written in 1898; (6) "Discovery of Humboldt Bay," written by George Davidson, 1890-91; (7) "Narrative of the Discovery of Humboldt Bay," written by L. K. Wood. The latter narrative tells the story of an attempt to reach Humboldt Bay from the Trinity River in October, 1849. The expedition was led by Dr. Josiah Gregg, author of *The Commerce of the Prairies*, who died of starvation on the way.

To our transcripts we have added during the year 47 documents (9,803 pages) from the Mexican archives and 257 documents (4,960 pages) from the archives of the Indies, at Seville. These additions make the total number of pages now in the Collection, 97,619.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

The total number of persons recorded as using the Library during the past year was 55,636, an average of 4,636 a month, or of 180 a day for the 307 days of 1923, on which it was open for use. This total yearly attendance is a slight increase, namely 1,387, over 1922, which in turn was a slight increase over 1921. March, as last year, was the heaviest month, with 5,503 readers, and June was the lightest, with 3,901. The number of volumes placed in the hands of readers was 158,850, an increase of 11,707 over 1922. The number of volumes on the open shelves in the general reading-room is now 13,834; 947 were added and 129 superseded and taken off the shelves and placed in the stacks during the year. No accurate count of the number of these books consulted is practicable as readers are constantly withdrawing and replacing them without bringing them to the delivery desk. As stated last year, approximately 50 per cent of the general reference work is done with the material in the open-shelf collection. The work represented in the other 50 per cent is that which calls forth the real resources of the Library. As typical of the nature of information asked for and furnished, we

quote here a dozen topics taken more or less at random from the records kept of this service:

French chansons of the Middle Ages

Illustrations of the Apocalypse

Text of "Le manteau maltaillé"

Collation of certain early English periodicals

English religious drama

Life and art of Paganini

Pianoforte sonatas

Correlation of Jewish with secular history

Sermons of Revolutionary clergymen touching upon independence

Speeches of Gouverneur Morris in the Continental Congress

Charters of New France

Education of the Thirteenth Century

A notable piece of binding, from the point of view of convenient reference service, has been the mounting of all the United States topographical maps on guards and the binding of them into sixty-five expansive volumes. A separate volume is devoted to the maps of each state, the form of the binding permitting future additions to be inserted as published by the government.

The Department of Genealogy and Local History has maintained its accustomed popularity, 23.6 per cent of the total number of the year's readers being recorded there. More than a dozen professional genealogical research workers use our collections practically daily, and, as stated in last year's Report, their professional investigations could not be conducted in Chicago were it not for this department of The Newberry Library. In addition, many individuals use our material for establishing claims to membership in patriotic societies, in compiling ancestral charts, and in making various studies involving accurate and detailed local historical data.

The service rendered by the Ayer Collection, although remaining quantitatively small, continues to be of a high order, and keenly appreciated by specialists who avail themselves of it. A considerable part of the time of the custodian is devoted to

answering inquiries received by mail from scholars at a distance who know of the remarkable resources here available, but who are unable to visit the Library in person. There are, of course, limitations to the extent of service that can thus be rendered by correspondence, involving as it does much more time on the part of our staff than is required when the inquirer comes in person, but so far as possible the Library is happy to serve the needs of scholars and research workers who are unable to come to Chicago. Early in the year, at the request of Mr. Worthington C. Ford, a photostatic copy was made of Oviedo's *Segundo Parte de la Natural y General Historia de las Indias* [Libro XX] [c. 1548], of which the Ayer Collection has the only known copy. This was issued later as Number 100 of the Massachusetts Historical Society's "Americana Photostat Series." Other service rendered for scholars during the year includes the making of photostatic copies of the following: Collet, G. N. V., *A Journey in North America*, Paris, 1826; Carbonell, Esteban, *Relacion del Biaxe de la California, hecho por el Cappu. Francisco de Horttega*, 1632, MS; Lucenilla y Torres, F. de, *Relati6n de Viaje hecho à la California*, 1668, MS; five Ptolemeian maps; two maps from Battista Agnese's portolan atlas; and one map from a Portuguese portolan atlas. During the year Mr. E. A. Burbank has carried forward the work started in 1922 of copying for the Henry E. Huntington Library the red-chalk drawings of California Indians, made by him for Mr. Ayer, the originals of which are in the Ayer Collection. The requests for information in regard to Indians, their languages, customs, religions and ceremonies, and the other demands on the Ayer Collection have been, in the main, similar to those of other years.

The following statement of the service performed by the John M. Wing Foundation has been prepared at my request by Pierce Butler, Ph.D., custodian:

The Wing Foundation is rapidly winning a reputation which promises to become national in its scope. There has been a marked increase in the number of out-of-town visitors and, as in the case of the Ayer Collection, many letters are received

from those unable to come in person. The Foundation is frequently mentioned, not only in the technical printing journals but in the regular press as well, while the membership of the Librarian and the Custodian in the American Institute of Graphic Arts has established a connection with many typographical specialists throughout the country. This publicity has been clearly reflected in the special services the Foundation has been called upon to perform during the past year. Among the specialists, one type designer spent many days in minute examination of certain fifteenth-century books, while another, an authority on the history of punctuation, was shown forms which apparently had never been noticed by writers on this subject. Still another, working upon a problem of literary history through typographical evidence, was able from a study of the types of five of our incunabula not only to solve his immediate problem but to demonstrate clearly how previous bibliographers had fallen into error.

In contrast to these specialized students there is an ever increasing number of non-technical visitors. Those who come with no more definite purpose than "to see some of the rare books" are as well provided for as is the "browsing reader" in the general reading-room, for a select open-shelf collection of volumes discussing printing and book collecting has been arranged in the Wing Room, and a special table provided with the current journals upon these subjects. The Custodian is prepared also upon request to show a series of specimens from among our finer books. The results indicate that even the more casual visitors usually take away from these demonstrations some definite ideas regarding the history and aesthetics of book-making. In its own limited field the Foundation is endeavoring to furnish the same kind of educative stimulus as that provided in the general open-shelf collection.

The principal clientèle of the Library continues to be advanced students and teaching staffs of the local universities, high-school and grade-school teachers, and the professional and business

man or woman who is pursuing some branch of the humanities as an avocation.

*Mail and telephone inquiries.*—Complete statistics are not kept of information given inquirers over the telephone, nor of the letters written in response to requests for literary and historical data from persons living at a distance, or unable to visit the Library, but we have current record of 1,814 telephone inquiries, over 400 more than last year, satisfactorily answered, and of 458 written communications, as against 414 in 1922, sent out from the Librarian's office containing carefully compiled data supplied by reference assistants. Both these forms of service constitute a part of the daily routine, and should receive due consideration in estimating the usefulness of the Library to the community.

*Inter-library loans.*—We received ninety-six applications asking for the loan of one hundred and fifty-six volumes. Some of these requests were for books which the Library did not possess, and our general and special obligation toward scholars in Chicago obliged us to decline a number of requests. Extenuating circumstances, however, seemed to warrant exceptional consideration in a number of cases, and the Library loaned, for a limited period, usually two weeks, eighty-two books to thirty-two other institutions. The Library borrowed one volume from the Library of Congress.

*Exhibitions.*—There have been four exhibitions during the year.

1. The showing of illuminated manuscripts of Western Europe, which opened on the second of October, 1922, was carried over into the spring. A display of our vellum manuscripts always draws an appreciative public, and we felt justified in keeping the exhibition on for a considerable period of time.

2. The new exhibition room on the second floor, elsewhere commented on in this Report, was opened June 1 with an exhibit of a selection of the Library's choice bookbindings of the fifteenth to the nineteenth centuries. Of the eight exhibit cases used, two contained oriental bindings: China, Persia, Arabia, and

India; one contained fifteenth- and sixteenth-century bindings in old leather, boards, vellum, and pigskin, including a chained book recently acquired; one contained old Italian bindings including two original Grolier bindings; three contained fine French and English works of the seventeenth, eighteenth, and nineteenth centuries; and one case was given over to "the craft of binding" and showed end papers, various styles of marbling, examples of sprinkled vellum, sprinkled calf, braided clasps, fore-edge tabs, calico and other cloth bindings, and a small collection of miniature books showing various bindings. A catalogue of the exhibition was prepared and printed, to which was appended a select list of some sixty books on bookbinding and bookbindings to be found in the Library. The exhibition was carried to the end of October.

3. When the room, for some years known as the Bibliographical Museum, was transferred to the Ayer Collection, a small exhibit was installed illustrating the remarkable art and architecture of the Maya Indians of Central America and Yucatan. With the constantly increasing interest in the great culture of these Indians, whose sculptures, as Herbert J. Spinden says, "deserve to rank among the highest art products of the world," it seemed appropriate to show a selection of what the Ayer Collection contained on this subject. The selection included twenty-four colored prints by Frederick Catherwood, who accompanied John Lloyd Stephens to Central America as artist to the expedition; some additional prints from Maudeslay and the "Memoirs" of the Peabody Museum; three original plans of the ruins at Uxmal and Chichen-Itza, by W. H. Holmes; and forty-five wash drawings and paintings, by Baron de Waldeck (1766-1875), who spent many years of his long life in Mexico and three entire years at the ruined city of Palenque. This is but a small part of the Waldeck drawings in the Collection, which also contains his manuscript journals and notes.

4. For four weeks ending with December 15, the American Institute of Graphic Arts, through its Chicago Chapter, displayed at the Library, upon our invitation, the "Fifty Books of 1923,"

which had previously been shown in New York, Boston, and Springfield, Massachusetts, and which went from here to St. Louis. In selecting the fifty books which formed the exhibit, the Institute endeavored to choose representative books rather than to make any pretense that those shown were the fifty "best" examples, but the result threw an informing and illuminating light upon the present status of fine printing in America. In connection with these books the Library displayed a couple of cases of old books, printed from types from which these modern examples were derived. During the period of the exhibit it was visited by four or five evening groups of executives from various printing houses of the city, and by the class in printing from the Art Institute. The local members of the American Institute of Graphic Arts helped to give the exhibition much desirable publicity, and nearly nine hundred persons, most of whom were more or less directly concerned with the printing art, came to see the books. Many of them were making their first visit to The Newberry Library, and we naturally welcomed the opportunity to call their attention also to the various kinds of service which the Library is prepared to render.

*Publications.*—The following publications descriptive of the Library and certain classes of its collections were prepared and issued:

1. Report of the Trustees of The Newberry Library for the year 1922. 46 pages. Printed from type. 500 copies.
2. Source Material for the Study of American History in the Libraries of Chicago, by George B. Utley. (Reprinted from the *Papers* of the Bibliographical Society of America, Vol. XVI, Part I, 1922.) 30 pages. 250 copies.
3. Bookbindings: Notes Descriptive of an Exhibition of Bookbindings of the Fifteenth to the Nineteenth Centuries. Together with a Select List of Books on Bookbinding. [Compiled by Mary L. Watson.] 15 pages. Printed. 1,500 copies.
4. Checklist of Books Printed in English before 1641, compiled by Mae I. Stearns, of the Library Staff. 198 pages. Multigraphed. 500 copies.

Of these and former publications of the Library a total of 1,383 copies were distributed to persons and institutions known to be directly interested in the subject-matter.

#### TECHNICAL WORK AND PROCESSES

During 1923 a total of 7,086 books, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., were added to the permanent collections. The total number of volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., in all departments of the Library on December 15, 1923, amounted to 41,578, a net gain of 7,079, as against a net gain of 6,294 in 1922. Of the number added in 1923, 4,130 were acquired by purchase from the general book appropriation. These purchases do not include 583 volumes added to the Ayer Collection and 381 to the Wing Foundation. Selected gifts amounted to 993 volumes, and 999 volumes of United States government documents were permanently deposited.

The Catalogue Department reports show that 3,778 new titles have been catalogued in complete form, as against 2,731 in 1922. Card copy for 1,420 titles was prepared for printing on the multi-graph, this work involving the actual multigraphing of 35,353 cards and guides. These titles represent works for which the printed cards of the Library of Congress were not procurable. A year ago we reported that we were unable to use as many of the Library of Congress cards as in the previous year. In 1923 the pendulum swung the other way, the Library using more of these prepared cards than usual. The number of cards multi-graphed, as reported above, is greater by 14,594 than the figure for 1922. This is largely due to the fact that since February, 1923, we have multigraphed five extra copies of every author card, exclusive of most analytics, to send to other libraries which wish to purchase them. These cards are being subscribed for by the University of Chicago, the University of Illinois, and the University of Michigan. Two copies are still being held in reserve for any other libraries desiring them. In 1923, 13,746 "L.C." cards had their "call-numbers" and "accession numbers" multigraphed on them, as against 8,796 in 1922.



In accordance with an agreement made by several libraries to furnish copy for analytics to the Library of Congress, we prepared copy for analytical cards for *La Petite Illustration, roman-théâtre, nouvelle séries*, no. 1-78. Copy for the next two volumes is now being prepared. The Catalogue Department prepared, at the request of a Committee of the Modern Language Association, a list of photostats of rare books in the Library. Other libraries were requested to take similar action, and to file their lists in the Library of Congress.

The accessioning, classifying, and cataloguing of books of the Wing Foundation have continued through the year. Volumes in the Foundation now number 1,586 (exclusive of the 3,793 volumes received by bequest from Mr. Wing), and nearly all of these have been catalogued with the exception of the early sixteenth-century books. As stated in last year's Report, the Wing books are catalogued for the Official Author Catalogue, the Public Author Catalogue, and the Subject Catalogue. In addition, the main card is duplicated for a Wing Catalogue, added cards are duplicated if needed, and some special cards are made. Cards will show what printers are represented in the collection, and which of their works are to be found there; what books printed in a certain year and at a certain place are to be found in it; who formerly owned the books; what unusual bindings are to be found and the work of what binders; what engravers and illustrators are represented; and, of course, what the collection contains on printing and the allied arts.

In reporting a year ago on the recataloguing situation we stated that practically all the books remaining unrepresented in the Public Author Catalogue had been catalogued on the temporary cards, with the exception of certain sets of periodicals, state and government documents, series classed together, etc., and that work on these omissions could start soon. Considerable progress on this final lot has been made in 1923, but it has been less than we had hoped to be able to report, and the year closes with the task uncompleted. Owing to the increased number of current accessions and to the fact that the cataloguing force

was no larger than in previous years, only 2,588 titles of these omitted sets have been recatalogued. As closely as can be estimated, this is about half of the total remainder reported a year ago.

The Public Author Catalogue now contains 271,845 cards, representing 172,650 titles and 38,158 analytics. These are the permanent cards; it contains in addition 17,560 temporary cards.

#### PHYSICAL CHANGES

In the spring we were able to commence to use the east room on the second floor as the new exhibition quarters. All the printed books and manuscripts, which have been housed for many years on the first floor in the room called in common parlance the "Museum," were transferred to the newly provided quarters. Temporary exhibition cases had been obtained, book-cases erected to meet present needs, and tables, chairs, and other furnishings were installed. In June the first exhibition in this room, the display of book bindings previously noted in this Report, was opened to the public. The "Museum" room was transferred to the Edward E. Ayer Collection, which for some time past has been much cramped for room, the books in some of the sections standing in double rows on the shelves. About 2,400 volumes were moved to the new room, greatly improving the facilities for service as well as the appearance of this valuable Collection. Several of the portraits of notable North American Indians, painted by E. A. Burbank, were also transferred from the other Ayer rooms and hung in the new quarters, and the exhibit cases formerly used for the Library's general exhibits were left in the room to be used for the display of material from the Ayer Collection. The Edward E. Ayer Collection now has more commodious quarters than it has ever had before, and it is believed these will be adequate and satisfactory for a number of years to come.

#### THE BINDERY

The operations associated with the binding and repairing of the books, as has been pointed out in previous annual reports, fall into two distinct groups. One comprises the details con-

nected with the designation of the nature and kind of binding to put on books received unbound, and the assembling of the requisite parts and numbers of periodical publications, the withdrawal of worn or broken volumes from the shelves for necessary repairs, etc., the delivery to, and the receipt of this material from, the Bindery, and the keeping of systematic records of these facts. These operations are performed by members of the Library staff.

The Bindery proper deals exclusively with the second group of operations, i.e., those having to do with the technical treatment of a book by the binders from the time of its receipt in an unbound condition until its return, newly bound or repaired, to the Library assistants. In the Bindery it is collated, assembled by signatures, sewed, bound in cloth, leather, pigskin, or board cover, gilded, stamped and labeled, etc. All of this, of course, is done by skilled artisans under the direction of an experienced chief.

During the year, 3,367 books and pamphlets were newly bound, as compared with 2,947 in 1922; 1,006 repaired and relettered, as compared with 663 last year; 1,010 maps were mounted on muslin; 154 book and document boxes were made. As in former years, the Bindery has performed many services whose direct results contribute to keeping our books in good present condition and to their length of life. Under these miscellaneous services fall such activities as the making of periodical binders and holders, the covering of publications printed on the multigraph, the repairs of the genealogical indexes and shelf-lists, the making of dummies from strips of cardboard, the cutting up of Library of Congress proofsheets, etc. The Bindery, as in past years, has supplied the Library with a variety of devices and apparatus which add greatly to ease, economy, and convenience of service.

Under the direction of the Head of the Bindery, 35,353 catalogue cards and guides were printed on the multigraph, 500 copies of library publications printed on the multigraph and bound, and over 60,000 official forms, blanks, and application slips printed.

#### THE LIBRARY STAFF

The number of authorized positions in the classified staff, that is, positions for which appropriations are annually made, was thirty-four, the same number as in 1922. Six members resigned during the year, fewer, I am happy to say, than in any other recent year. Included in the number were LeRoy E. Gray, assistant in the Department of Genealogy and Local History, who had been connected with the Library continuously since 1914, except for the period covering military service in this country and overseas; Miss Bernice Cunningham, who had served effectively three years in the Catalogue Department; and John C. Nichols, A.B., assistant in the Order Department, who joined the staff in January and resigned in November.

Additions to the staff include Mrs. Mary W. Ferris, assistant in the Department of Genealogy and Local History; and Miss Ethel Owen, Miss Gertrude Blair, and Miss Augusta Brotman, all to the Catalogue Department. There has, of course, been in addition the usual procession of pages, but their comings and goings are not here recorded. We have had vacancies in the staff for a smaller total amount of time than for several years past, the reporting period closing with only one position vacant. Except for an automobile accident that befell H. L. Youngren, of the Public Service Department, in consequence of which he was absent from the Library for five months, we have had no serious or prolonged illness.

The Annual Conference of the American Library Association, held at Hot Springs, Arkansas, the last week in April, was presided over by your Librarian, who served as president of the Association for the year 1922-23. He took for the subject of his presidential address: "The Expanding Responsibilities of the American Library Association."

The Illinois Library Association held its annual meeting this year at Peoria, September 26-28. It was attended by the Librarian and Dr. Pierce Butler, both of whom participated in the program of the Reference Section.

As in previous years, the Librarian has been invited from time to time to address various local clubs and other organizations on subjects relating more or less directly to the Library, its collections, and the service it is prepared to render. He has accepted all such invitations when possible, welcoming these opportunities to inform the people of Chicago and vicinity of the truly remarkable character of this free public institution. On New Year's Day, 1923, he gave an address, in his capacity as president of the American Library Association, at the exercises held in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Chicago Public Library.

Another year has but added to the kindness, consideration, and generous support accorded me by the Board of Trustees, and I cannot close this survey of the year's activities without at least this brief expression of appreciation.

The loyalty, faithfulness, and ability of the Staff, to which it has been my pleasure and duty to call the Board's attention on previous occasions, has been no whit less marked during the past twelve months, and I wish again to commend them to your care and consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. UTLEY, *Librarian*

# STATISTICS OF PRINCIPAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS 1923

## I. NUMBER OF READERS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	36,683
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	13,167
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	571
4. Exhibition Rooms (Manuscripts, Incunabula, Book Plates, etc.) . . . . .	4,680
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	535
	55,636

## II. RECORDED USE OF BOOKS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	65,582
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	86,746
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	2,631
4. Exhibition Rooms (Manuscripts, Incunabula, Book Plates, etc.) . . . . .	538
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	3,353
	158,850

## III. BOOK SELECTION AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATIONS

1. Titles investigated . . . . .	12,496
2. Titles selected . . . . .	2,681
3. Volumes represented by titles selected . . . . .	4,049
4. Official lists of selected titles typed and submitted to the Committee on Books . . . . .	154
5. Order cards typed or written . . . . .	2,848
6. Bibliographical questions investigated and answered for other libraries and for readers at a distance . . . . .	153

## IV. CLASSIFICATION

1. Purchases . . . . .	4,130
2. Gifts . . . . .	833
3. United States documents . . . . .	999
4. Gifts and gift continuations, for current use only . . . . .	1
	5,963

## V. CATALOGUING (CURRENT ACCESSIONS)

1. New titles . . . . .	3,778
2. Volumes represented by foregoing titles . . . . .	4,406
3. Analytics . . . . .	665
4. New volumes of continuations . . . . .	1,549
5. New cards prepared:	
a) For Public Author Catalogue . . . . .	6,674
b) For the Subject Catalogue . . . . .	7,185
c) For the Official Author Catalogue . . . . .	7,347
d) For the Official Name List . . . . .	2,738
e) For the Wing Catalogue . . . . .	2,755
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Total new cards prepared and revised . . . . .	26,699

## VI. RECATALOGUING (NEW PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE)

1. Titles . . . . .	225
2. Volumes . . . . .	275
3. Analytics . . . . .	100
4. Number of cards prepared . . . . .	584
5. Name List Cards . . . . .	645
6. Temporary cards . . . . .	2,588

## VII. PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE NEW PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE

1. Titles . . . . .	172,650
2. Volumes . . . . .	262,842
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards . . . . .	36,761
4. Analytics . . . . .	38,158
5. Cross-references . . . . .	33,257
6. Number of cards . . . . .	271,845
7. Temporary cards . . . . .	17,560

## VIII. STATISTICS OF CARDS FILED IN THE LIBRARY CATALOGUES AND INDEXES

1. Public Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added . . . . .	7,255
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled . . . . .	1,876
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Total cards in this Catalogue . . . . .	271,845
2. Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added . . . . .	8,938
b) Extra subject cards filed for departmental use . . . . .	4,209
c) Tabbed subject-heading guides deducted . . . . .	3,738
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Total cards in this Catalogue . . . . .	77,800

3. Alphabetical Index to Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	108
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	9,837
4. Official Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	7,980
b) New cards substituted for old.....	575
c) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled.....	5,610
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	296,291
5. Official Name List:	
a) New cards added.....	3,122
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled.....	614
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	112,192
6. Wing Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	514
b) New volumes.....	670
c) New cards.....	2,658
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	3,424
7. Library of Congress "Proof-Sheet" Catalogue:	
New entries filed.....	44,357
Total cards in this Catalogue.....	636,778

## IX. PREPARATION OF BOOKS FOR BINDING, REPAIRS, ETC.

1. Volumes prepared, recorded, and delivered to the Bindery:	
a) New acquisitions.....	1,687
b) Volumes removed from the shelves for repair, etc.....	840
2. Volumes returned from the Bindery, newly bound, rebound, repaired, etc.....	2,419

## X. BINDERY

1. Bindery:	
a) Volumes bound in half-morocco.....	227
b) Volumes bound in cloth.....	2,559
c) Volumes of newspapers bound in buckram.....	174
d) Pamphlets bound in "Newberry Binding".....	407
Total newly bound volumes.....	3,367
e) Volumes repaired and relettered.....	1,006
f) Volumes on which "call-number" was gilded.....	3,195
g) Volumes on which the names of the Library was gilded...	3,441
h) Maps mounted on cloth.....	1,010



<i>i</i> ) Illustrations, plates, charts, etc., "guarded" . . . . .	5,681
<i>j</i> ) Book plates pasted in new and rebound books . . . . .	6,184
2. Multigraph Printing:	
<i>a</i> ) Catalogue cards and guides multigraphed . . . . .	35,353
<i>b</i> ) Library publications printed: number of copies . . . . .	500
<i>c</i> ) Library forms, blanks, application slips, etc., multigraphed	60,000
3. Supplies:	
<i>a</i> ) Blank catalogue cards cut from stock and punched . . . . .	15,000
<i>b</i> ) Memorandum slips cut from stock . . . . .	22,000

#### XI. INCREASE IN THE LIBRARY

1. Purchases . . . . .	4,130
2. Gifts:	
<i>a</i> ) Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	833
<i>b</i> ) Classed without accessioning . . . . .	10
<i>c</i> ) British India—public documents . . . . .	150
<i>d</i> ) United States—public documents . . . . .	999
3. Ayer Collection . . . . .	583
4. Wing Foundation . . . . .	381
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Total pieces . . . . .	7,086

#### XII. CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

1. Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	330,833
2. Classed without accessioning . . . . .	225
3. British India—public documents . . . . .	2,151
4. United States—public documents . . . . .	10,937
5. East Asiatic Collection . . . . .	21,654
6. Ayer Collection . . . . .	42,399
7. Wing Bequest . . . . .	3,793
8. Wing Foundation . . . . .	1,586
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Total volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc. . . . .	413,578

### XIII. STATISTICS OF THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY, 1923

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

#### CONTENTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SECTIONS

	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1922	Volumes and Pamphlets Transfers	Volumes and Pamphlets Added 1923	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1923
General Reference.....	2,541	0	48	2,589
Periodicals.....	17,552	0	203	17,755
Newspapers.....	4,910	0	158	5,068
Academies.....	2,334	0	10	2,344
Philosophy.....	4,176	-2	59	4,233
Religion.....	16,962	-1	274	17,235
Church History.....	11,029	0	123	11,152
Biography.....	13,021	-8	266	13,279
Genealogy.....	6,966	+2	132	7,100
History.....	40,735	+2	977	41,714
Geography and Travel.....	10,371	-1	151	10,521
Economics.....	22,068	-2	315	22,381
Sociology.....	4,809	0	57	4,866
Education.....	11,229	0	92	11,321
Civil Government.....	14,117	0	264	14,381
Law and Legislation.....	16,725	0	155	16,880
Science and Technology..... (inc. old N)*	16,251	0	73	16,324
Military and Naval Arts.....	3,334	0	18	3,352
Sports.....	1,028	0	2	1,030
Theater.....	650	-1	14	663
Music.....	13,118	-1	73	13,190
Thomas Collection.....	566	0	0	566
Fine Arts.....	10,742	+2	175	10,919
Language.....	10,227	+4	462	10,693
Literature.....	32,823	-2	670	33,491
Literary Biography.....	2,554	+5	100	2,659
Bibliography.....	18,527	-4	252	18,775
Totals.....	309,365	-7	5,123	314,481

\* Three volumes of old N were reclassified.

## XIV. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1923

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

	Vols. Pams. Dec. 31, 1923
1. Classified sections (carried) . . . . .	314,481
2. Incunabula in the General Library . . . . .	248
3. E. E. Ayer Collection (including 18 incunabula) . . . . .	42,399
4. Bonaparte Library (including 14 incunabula) . . . . .	18,212
5. East Asiatic Collection . . . . .	21,654
6. John M. Wing Foundation (including 578 incunabula) . . . . .	1,586
7. John M. Wing Bequest (including 4 incunabula) . . . . .	3,793
8. United States documents: Government classification . . . . .	8,331
9. Unclassed lots (estimated):	
a) Bibliographical Museum . . . . .	1,132
b) Bonaparte supplement . . . . .	702
c) Pamphlet material (accessioned) . . . . .	1,014
d) Reserved duplicates . . . . .	26
Total . . . . .	413,578

XV. NAMES OF DONORS, 1923

	Vols.	Pams.
Aborn, Everett A., Chicago .....		I
Aby, <i>Dr.</i> Franklyn Stanton, Chicago.....	II	
Adams, <i>Dr.</i> N. H., Chicago .....	I	
Albright, <i>Miss</i> Evelyn M., Chicago .....		I
American Canoe Association, Providence, <i>R.I.</i> .....	I	
American Relief Clearing House, Paris .....	I	
American Scandinavian Foundation, New York .....	I	I
Andrews, <i>Dr.</i> Frank T., Chicago .....	5	I
Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island, <i>Ill.</i> .....	14	5
Avery, <i>Miss</i> Clara A., Chicago .....		I
Ayer, Edward E., Chicago..... I map, 8 typescripts	24	9
Bahai Library Committee, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	I	
Ballou, Howard M., Honolulu, <i>H.I.</i> .....		2
Banegas Galván, <i>Rt. Rev.</i> Francisco, Bp. of Querétaro, Mexico, <i>D.F.</i> .....	2	
Barber, <i>Mrs.</i> John Orson, Winnetka, <i>Ill.</i> ..... I photograph		
Barney, John W., Chicago.....	4	
Barthing, <i>Miss</i> W., Chicago .....		2
Barton, George P., Altadena, <i>Cal.</i> .....	I	
Barton, <i>Rev.</i> William E., Oak Park, <i>Ill.</i> .....	72	10
Bastian, W. E., and Co., Colombo, <i>Ceylon</i> .....		I magazine
Bennett, Frank I., Chicago .....		3
Betten, <i>Rev.</i> F. S., Cleveland, <i>Ohio</i> .....		I
Blanchard, <i>Mrs.</i> Helen N., Chicago.....	2	
Blanke, John H. D., Chicago.....	8	
Blatchford, Paul, Chicago .....		I
Blish, <i>Mrs.</i> James K., Kewanee, <i>Ill.</i> .....	18	
Bolger, Mosser and Willaman, Chicago.....	I	
Bourdillon, <i>Mrs.</i> Agnes, Oxford, <i>Eng.</i> .....	7	
Bramhall, John P., Chicago..... 2 broadsides		
Brockton, <i>Mass.</i> , Centennial Committee .....	I	
Browning, D. P., Lewisburg, <i>Ky.</i> .....		I
Burton, Clarence M., Detroit, <i>Mich.</i> .....		I
Butler, <i>Dr.</i> Pierce, Chicago .....		3
Carpenter, Frederic Ives, Chicago .....	21	30
Catholic Educational Association, Columbus, <i>Ohio</i> .....	11	
Chalmers, William J., Chicago .....	6	
Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York.....	I	
Champion, Edouard, Paris, <i>France</i> .....		I

	Vols.	Pams.
Chicago Law Institute, Chicago . . . . .	48	
Chicago Literary Club, Chicago . . . . .		I
Chicago Tribune, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Clark, William Andrews, Jr., Los Angeles, <i>Cal.</i> . . . . .	I	
Cleveland Foundation, Cleveland, <i>Ohio.</i> . . . . .		I
Cliff Dwellers, Chicago . . . . .		I
Coffin, Percival Brooks, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Cole, Francis R., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Cole, George Watson, San Gabriel, <i>Cal.</i> . . . . .		3
Coltrin, C. W., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Commission on Commerce and Marine . . . . .		I
Cook, William W., New York . . . . .	I	
Cortright, <i>Mrs.</i> W. H., Homer, Calhoun County, <i>Mich.</i> . . . . .		3
Cox, <i>Mrs.</i> Le Roy B., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Cravens, <i>Miss</i> Drusilla L., Madison, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . .	I	
Croffut, <i>Mrs.</i> W. A., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	I	
Crow, <i>Mrs.</i> Martha Foote, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Deane, Ruthven, Chicago . . . . . newspaper clipping		2
Dempster, Mary G., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Dill and Collins Co., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Dinwiddie, Oscar, Lowell, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . . I typewritten MS		
Donnelley, The Reuben H., Corporation, Chicago . . . . .	5	
Doran, George H., Co., New York . . . . .	I	
Dudley, R. E. . . . .	I	
Elliott, W. C., Reynoldsville, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .		I
Explorers Club, New York . . . . .		6
Fall, Charles G., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	I	
Federal Trade Information Service, New York . . . . .		I
Fergus, Robert C., Chicago . . . . .		I
Franciscan Educational Conference, St. Mary's Monastery, Herman, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	2	
Freer, <i>Miss</i> Cora F., Chicago . . . . .		18
Gary, Elbert H., New York . . . . .	I	
Gillmore, Emma Wheat, <i>M.D.</i> , Chicago . . . . . I oil painting		
Glendining, Messrs., & Co., London . . . . . I map		
Gnosis, Chicago . . . . .		12
Goodhart, <i>Mrs.</i> Henrietta L. McCormick, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Gookin, Frederick W., Chicago . . . . .	69	245

	Vols.	Pams.
Grand Lodge of Iowa, Cedar Rapids, <i>Iowa</i> . . . . .	I	
Gresham, Otto, Chicago . . . . .	2	
Gress, Edmund G., New York . . . . .	I	
Grolier Club, New York . . . . .	I	4
Grout, H. W., Waterloo, <i>Iowa</i> . . . . .	I	
Hall, <i>Mrs.</i> Lewis R., Chicago . . . . .	5	
Hanson, Frederic P., Chicago . . . . .	6	
Hanson, J. C. M., Chicago . . . . .		I
Harrington, Burton, Chicago . . . . .	I	newspaper
Harrison, <i>Dr.</i> W. K., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Heartman, Charles F., Perth Amboy, <i>N.J.</i> . . . . .	2	
Hess, <i>Mrs.</i> John A., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Hobbs, Franklyn, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Hoover, C. Guy, Chicago . . . . .	2	I6
Ickes, <i>Mrs.</i> Harold, Winnetka, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	7	2
Illinois Library Extension Division, Springfield, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		I
James, H. K., Alameda, <i>Cal.</i> . . . . .		I
Japan Paper Co., New York . . . . .	I	portfolio
Japan Society, New York . . . . .		I
Jipson, <i>Dr.</i> N. W., Chicago . . . . .	2	photographs
Johnston, <i>Mrs.</i> Lysander, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Jordan, Scott, Chicago . . . . .	37	
Judson, <i>President</i> Harry Pratt, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Kennedy, <i>Mrs.</i> Horace M., Winnetka, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	55	
Kimball, F. A. A., Tucson, <i>Ariz.</i> . . . . .		I
Kimber, S. A., Cambridge, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	I	
La Follette, <i>Hon.</i> Robert M., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .		2
Lanston Monotype Machine Co., Philadelphia . . . . .		I
Leader Publishing Co., Staunton, <i>Va.</i> . . . . .	I	newspaper
League of Nations Non-partisan Association, New York . . . . .		I
Leffingwell, <i>Rev.</i> C. W., Pasadena, <i>Cal.</i> . . . . .	I	
Look, <i>Mrs.</i> William H., Shullsburg, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	I	
McMurtrie, Douglas C., Greenwich, <i>Conn.</i> . . . . .	2	I
Martin, Horace H., Chicago . . . . .	I	I
Mary Fidelis, <i>Sister</i> , Chicago . . . . .	I	I
Mason, William S., Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		I

	Vols.	Pams.
Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco, <i>Cal.</i> .....	I	
Medici Society, London.....	I	
Merrill, William Stetson, Chicago.....	I	newspaper
Monahan, James J., Chicago.....	2	
Moore, Samuel C., Chicago Heights, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Moss, Jesse L., Chicago.....	I	13
Mulsinger, George A., Chicago.....	13	
Murphy, Claudia Q., New York.....	I	
Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York	2	2
National Catholic Welfare Council, Washington, <i>D.C.</i>		
		63 unb. pts. of periodicals and books
National Committee on Mathematical Requirements, Hanover, <i>N.H.</i> .....	I	
National Story Tellers' League, Chicago.....	I	I
New York Farmers, New York.....	I	I
Nichols, John C., Chicago.....	I	I
Nijgh & Van Ditmar's Publishing Co., Ltd., Rotterdam, <i>Holland</i>	I	
Nitche, J. H., Chicago.....	I	I
North, F. S., Chicago.....	I	
Observer, The, London.....	I	
O'Hara, John Myers, New York.....	I	
Paltsits, Victor H., New York.....	I	
Pan American Union, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	I	2
Paper Maker's Journal, London.....	I	
Parry, <i>Prof.</i> John J., Urbana, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Patterson, Otis, Canyon City, <i>Ore.</i> .....	2	2
Perkins, <i>Mrs.</i> Margaret Head, Chicago.....	2	
Philadelphia. Central High School. Mary Gaston Barnwell Foundation.....	I	
Philippine Commission of Independence, Manila, <i>P.I.</i> .....	I	
Pillsbury, Albert E., Cambridge, <i>Mass.</i> .....	I	
Polk, R. L., and Co., Chicago.....	I	
Powers, William P., Los Angeles, <i>Cal.</i> .....	I	
Purinton, <i>Lt. Col.</i> H. G., Chicago.....	7	I
Ransom, Will, Chicago.....	2	
Ray, W. O.....	I	
Reynolds, E. G., Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> .....	I	chart
Reynolds, Joseph H., Chicago.....	I	

	Vols.	Pams.
Ringer, Robert L., Chicago .....		I
Rockefeller Foundation, New York .....		I
Rockefeller, Laura Spelman, Memorial, New York .....		I
Roundy, W. N., Davenport, <i>Iowa</i> .....	I	
Rowe, L. S., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	I	
Ruggles, Henry S., Wakefield, <i>Mass.</i> .....		2 prints, 2 photos
Ruiz y Flores, <i>Most Rev.</i> Leopoldo, Abp. of Michoacan, Mexico, <i>D.F.</i> .....		2
Sanborn, <i>Mrs.</i> Victor C., Chicago .....	194	222
Sayers, Alfred H. P., Chicago .....	3	
Schaffner, <i>Dr.</i> Margaret A., Chicago .....		16
Schirmer, G., New York .....	23	
Schwob, Maurice, Nantes, <i>France</i> .....		I
Scott, George E., Chicago .....	I	
Second Church of Christ, Scientist, Chicago .....	I	
Sergel, Charles H., Chicago .....	I	
Sharpe, Henry D., Providence, <i>R.I.</i> .....		I
Sheldon, E. E., Chicago .....	I	
Shepard, <i>Mrs.</i> Jennie O., Chicago .....	2	
Shields, <i>Mrs.</i> Ella Glenn, Chicago .....	I	
Sidea, Ray, Chicago .....	I	
Skinner, <i>Miss</i> Frederika, Chicago .....	106	9
Spencer, <i>Mrs.</i> Anna Garlin, New York .....	I	
Sprague, Phineas Warren, Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....	I	
Stone, Lee A., <i>M.D.</i> , Chicago .....		I
Supao, Ting, Worcester, <i>Mass.</i> .....	I	
Sutton, John Gough, Richmond, <i>Ind.</i> .....	I	chart
Taylor, A. R., Co., Memphis, <i>Tenn.</i> .....	I	
Taylor, <i>Mrs.</i> Harriet, Chicago .....		I
Theurer, R. W., Co., Chicago .....	61	
Thompson, Slason, Chicago .....	2	
Thorpe, Merle, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....		prints
United Typothetae of America, Chicago .....	I	
Updike, D. B., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....	I	portfolio
Utley, George B., Chicago .....	5	6
Van Petten, E., Colton, <i>Cal.</i> .....		I
Vennema, John, <i>Consul General</i> , Chicago .....	I	
Vicuna, <i>Señor</i> Don Francisco Rivas, Berne, <i>Switzerland.</i> .....	2	



	Vols.	Pams.
Walker, <i>Dr.</i> James W., Chicago . . . . .		1
Warrick, John A., Chicago . . . . .		2
Washburn, <i>Mrs.</i> Edward, Chicago . . . . .	10	
Welles, E. Stanley, Newington, <i>Conn.</i> . . . . .		1
Western Theological Seminary, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Wheat Council of the United States . . . . .	1	
Wilder, F. J., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	1	
Wilson, H. W., Co., New York . . . . .		1
Wilson, <i>Mrs.</i> Samuel G., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Wood, Lyman H., Chicago . . . . .		1
Wyman, <i>Mrs.</i> Richard H., Embreeville, <i>Tenn.</i> . . . . .	1	
Young Men's Christian Association, New York . . . . .	2	
Zimmerman, <i>Dr.</i> L. M., Baltimore, <i>Md.</i> , Friends of . . . . .		1
Academies, colleges, museums, universities, and other educa- tional institutions . . . . .	72	72
American and foreign libraries 3 maps, 1 photostat, 7 broadsides	160	197
Charitable, religious, and other social organizations . . . . .	32	6
Commercial, financial, and political organizations . . . . .	10	4
Firms, publishing companies, etc. . . . .	2	13
Foreign governments . . . . .	197	10
Genealogical, historical, and other patriotic organizations 1 photostat	18	18
Railway corporations . . . . .		5
United States government . . . . .	999	
United States, municipal governments . . . . .	12	8
United States, state governments . . . . . 1 broadside	68	38
Anonymous . . . . . 1 newspaper, 2 genealogical charts	6	5

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, NOT INCLUDING THE  
JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION,  
DECEMBER 31, 1923

Bank stock.....	\$ 28,000.00
Bonds.....	1,046,742.98
Loans secured by real estate.....	282,532.44
Contracts for sale of real estate.....	64,620.90
Balance to credit at the bank.....	22,232.85
The expenditure for books, periodicals, and fittings of the Library from its foundation to date amount to.....	964,593.85

REPORT OF THE JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1923

Cash on hand, January 1, 1923.....	\$	1,987.12	
Receipts for the year amounted to.....		13,790.55	
Bonds matured.....		30,450.00	
		<u>          </u>	\$ 46,227.67
Expenditures:			
Books.....	\$	11,049.06	
Salary of Custodian (part salary).....		1,800.00	
Purchase of Bonds.....		29,643.21	
		<u>          </u>	42,492.27
			<u>          </u>
Cash on hand, December 31, 1923.....	\$		3,735.40
This fund now amounts at par value to:			
Bonds and Stocks.....	\$	239,426.25	
Cash.....		1,534.27	
		<u>          </u>	\$240,960.52
Statistics, December 31, 1923:			
Number of volumes received John M. Wing Bequest.....		3,793	
Collection acquired on History of Printing, Incunabula, etc....		1,586	
		<u>          </u>	
Total number of volumes.....			5,379

















THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY

KANSZ  
1912

Report of the Trustees  
of the Newberry Library  
for the Year  
1924



Chicago  
1925



FOUNDER

**Walter Loomis Newberry**

1804-1868

Of whom it may be said, as truly as Anthony à Wood said of Sir Thomas Bodley: "By his noble and generous endeavours he hath been the occasion of making hundreds of public writers, and of increasing in an high degree the commonwealth of learning."



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## TRUSTEES OF THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY, 1924

MR. HORACE H. MARTIN.....	Elected November 4, 1901
MR. JOHN A. SPOOR.....	Elected January 11, 1904
MR. JOHN P. WILSON, JR.....	Elected January 3, 1911
MR. EDWARD L. RYERSON.....	Elected March 6, 1911
MR. FREDERIC I. CARPENTER.....	Elected February 3, 1913
MR. ANDREW C. McLAUGHLIN.....	Elected April 6, 1914
†MR. CHARLES H. HULBURD.....	Elected April 6, 1914
MR. JOHN W. SCOTT.....	Elected May 1, 1916
MR. ALBERT H. WETTEN.....	Elected December 5, 1916
MR. HORACE S. OAKLEY.....	Elected April 1, 1918
MR. ROBERT P. LAMONT.....	Elected December 4, 1922
MR. MELVIN A. TRAYLOR.....	Elected December 4, 1922
†MR. WILLIAM P. SIDLEY.....	Elected January 21, 1924
MR. ARTHUR C. L. BROWN.....	Elected December 1, 1924

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## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 31, 1924

*To His Excellency, Len Small,*

*Governor of the State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois:*

SIR: In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled: *An Act to encourage and promote the establishment of free public libraries in the cities, villages, and towns in this State* (Illinois), approved June 17, 1891, under which this corporation is organized, the Trustees of The Newberry Library herewith transmit their thirty-third annual report, showing the progress and operations of the Library during the year 1924.

Mr. Charles H. Hulburd, a valued member of the Board of Trustees, died on January 14, 1924, and this loss is keenly felt by all his associates. He had been a member of this body since 1914, and his varied and extensive business experience was always unselfishly placed at the service of the Library. His sound judgment and wise counsel are signally missed. A Memorial Minute, expressive of the Board's appreciation of Mr. Hulburd's long service, will be found elsewhere in this Report.

Mr. William P. Sidley was elected a Trustee at the January meeting of the Board, but shortly after his election he found, to the deep regret of the Board, that certain obligations to which he was committed would regularly prevent him from attendance at the meetings of the Trustees, in consequence of which he felt compelled to resign. At the December meeting of the Board, Mr. Arthur C. L. Brown was elected a Trustee.

The Annual Report of the Librarian, appended hereto, contains the statistics of the Library for the past year, including those of general administration, accessions, attendance, etc., together with the names of donors and the number of their respective gifts. It shows that the Library continues to perform services of a high

educational value to the general public and to provide resources of increasing importance to the scholarly investigator. It is gratifying to report that, on numerous occasions during the year, the Library has had the especial privilege of being of direct aid and service to various public bodies and officials engaged in important public work.

In addition to the acknowledgment that has been officially made to those who have made gifts to the Library, the Trustees desire, in this Report, to express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness that has been of such benefit to this institution.

A statement of the assets of The Newberry Library on December 31, 1924, also the expenditures for books, pamphlets, maps, and fittings of the Library, from its foundation to date, will be found as an appendix to this Report. There is also appended a report of the operations of the John M. Wing Foundation of the Library for the year 1924.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. RYERSON, *President*

## MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF MR. CHARLES H. HULBURD

For the second time within the year, the Board of Trustees are called upon to record the passing of an honored and valued member of their body. Mr. Charles Henry Hulburd, a Trustee of The Newberry Library since April 6, 1914, died at his home in this city on January 14, 1924.

In ordering spread upon the minutes of the Board this recognition of the death of our late associate, we desire to express warm appreciation of Mr. Hulburd's services in connection with the work of the Library and our keen sense of the loss which we and the institution have sustained.

Mr. Hulburd was born at Stockholm, New York, on May 28, 1850. After graduating from Oberlin College and from law school at New York University, he came to Chicago, and for more than fifty years has been closely allied with the growth and development of this city.

During the period of his trusteeship of this Library, he was a member of several important committees and served for a number of years as chairman of the Committee on Administration. But not only by his work on committees were his services valued, for, because of his wide business experience and intimate knowledge of affairs, his counsel was often sought and his opinion and judgment carried weight.

The Trustees, deeply conscious of their loss, wish to record this expression of appreciation of Mr. Hulburd's services and their sorrow at the severing of a valued relationship.

“Certainly there is nothing which renders a Library more recommendable than when every man findes in it that which he is in search of, and could no where else encounter.”—GABRIEL NAUDÉ, interpreted by JOHN EVELYN, 1661.

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*December 31, 1924*

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## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Board of Trustees of The Newberry Library:*

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted the thirty-eighth annual report of the Librarian and the fifth which it has been my privilege to make. The statistics given in the text and in the several appendixes are taken from the official records currently maintained by the heads of departments and other responsible assistants.

### BOOK SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

A total of 12,698 titles have been investigated and passed upon, as against 12,496 in the year 1923, and of this number 3,161, or 24 per cent, were decided upon as suitable for acquisition, as against 2,681 in 1923. The bibliographical and clerical work involved in this investigation, as has been stated in previous reports, has the following direct objects: (1) to learn whether or not a given title or edition is already in the Library; (2) if it is not in the Library, to ascertain from authoritative bibliographies or other sources whether its importance is such as to justify its acquisition; (3) if found desirable for acquisition, to list it accurately under title, author, date, and place of publication, and to submit it to the Committee on Books for final consideration before ordering.

The funds available for purchase of books during the year 1924 have been a little larger than for several preceding years, and this increase has had a gratifying effect both on the quality and on the quantity of our purchases. Prices of new books still show no tendency to decrease, but the Library has been fortunate in obtaining a considerable number of highly desirable antiquarian and other out-of-print items at exceptionally reasonable prices. This has been due in large part to the book-buying trip to Europe of Dr. Pierce Butler, of the Library staff, and to the connections he

has made on this and two previous trips with English and Continental dealers.

During the year 200 booklists were prepared and submitted to the Committee on Books for approval, and from these approved lists the orders of the year have been placed. Of these lists, 158 were for the general collections, and 42 for the John M. Wing Foundation.

The Library has been, as in previous years, the recipient of many gifts. These are specifically reported in an appendix but, although it is difficult to make such distinction, a few are of such noteworthy value and importance as to require at least brief mention here. The Friday Club of Chicago, which has frequently in the past thirty years made noteworthy gifts to the Library, presented early in the year a fine example (formerly the Huth copy) of one of the rarest musical books in English, Nicholas Yonge's *Musica Transalpina . . . . Madrigales Translated of foure, five, and six Parts, . . . . with the first and second Part of La Verginella made by Maister Byrd, vpon two Stanz's of Ariosto . . . .* London, 1588. Only one or two pieces of secular music had previously been printed in England, and the success of these translations of Yonge from the Italian seems to have been great and immediate; so great, apparently, that most copies of the book were worn out, leaving few complete and well-preserved copies in existence. The word "madrigal" is used in this work, it is believed, for the first time in English.

Professor Edgar J. Goodspeed presented to the Library from his own personal collection a piece of papyrus written about 150 A.D. It is a fragment of a private account, in Greek, and is one of a considerable group of papyri from Kom Ushim, purchased by Dr. Goodspeed about 1896. It is the only piece of papyrus possessed by the Library, and is highly prized as an illustration of an important step in the long development of writing and printing.

Mr. Horace S. Oakley presented a remarkable example of book-making, a volume not of printed sheets, but composed entirely of woven silk, both text and illustrations being produced by

the loom. In style it follows the illuminated manuscripts of the fourteenth, fifteenth, and sixteenth centuries. The book, *Livre de Prières*, executed at Lyon, in 1886, is not only very much of a bibliographical curiosity, but a piece of exquisite workmanship and in immaculate condition.

Mr. Frederic I. Carpenter has generously continued to provide a fund for the purchase of items for the Edmund Spenser collection, and 22 volumes have thus been added, including a copy of the 1617 edition of Spenser's *Works*. Mrs. William P. Wright, of this city, gave 178 volumes, among which were many of value and usefulness. The Peabody Institute of Baltimore, presented (on request) a duplicate set of its scholarly and highly useful *Catalogue*, in eight volumes.

The Library has been more than ordinarily fortunate this past year in filling gaps in some of the collections on which it is placing special emphasis. For example: (1) 117 items were added to its books printed in English before 1641; these, of course, not being bought for date primarily, but because they contained texts relevant to the main interests of the Library, these additions bringing our holdings in this class well past the eight-hundred mark; (2) 32 pieces were added to the collection of American Revolutionary War pamphlets, bringing our holdings up to nearly 700 different items; (3) 38 new anti-slavery items were obtained, several of which closed gaps in partially filled series; (4) 52 American Almanacs, between 1731 and 1834, chiefly Ames, Lowe, and Hutchins, were added to those secured in recent years; (5) 17 "lifetime" editions, chiefly first, of the plays of English restoration dramatists, 1660-1700, were obtained. Other accessions include several emblem books added to our already fairly extensive collection, about a dozen Latin works of English and Continental writers of the sixteenth century, more especially treatises on rhetoric and poetics, and the filling of 27 heretofore incomplete sets on various subjects, some of which have been on our *desiderata* list for ten years or more.

Among the more notable books acquired by purchase are the following: (1) Ammianus Marcellinus, *The Roman Historie* . . . .

tr. by Philemon Holland, 1609 (William Morris's copy, bearing his bookplate); (2) Bacon, Francis, *The Historie of the Raigne of King Henry the Seventh*, 1632, the first edition, with the scarce portrait of Henry by Payne; (3) Blake, William, *Illustrations of the Book of Job*, 1825, proof copy on India paper; (4) Camden, William, *The Annales*, 1625, first edition of the first English translation; (5) Cooper, Andrew, *Στρατολογία, or the History of the English Civil VVars . . . .* 1662; (6) Cotta (or Cottey) John, *The Infallible, True and Assured Witch; or, The Second Edition of the Tryall of Witchcraft*, 1624; (7) Daniel, Samuel, *The Whole Workes of . . . . in Poetrie*, 1623, 2 vols. in 1; (8) Elyot, Sir Thomas, *The Boke Named The Gouvernour*, 1553 (the Library obtained in 1923 his *The Image of Governance*, 1541); (9) Fabyan, Robert, *The Chronicle of . . . . , which he nameth The Concordaunce of Histories*, 1559; (10) Florio, John, *The Worlde of Wordes, or Most Copious and Exact Dictionarie in Italian and English*, 1698 (revised and reissued in 1611 under the title *Queen Anna's New World of Words*, a copy of which is in the Bonaparte Collection); (11) Fox, John, *Actes and Monuments* [Book of Martyrs] 1583, 2 vols. in 1, fourth edition; (12) Guazzo, Stefano, *The Civile Conuersation . . . .* tr. out of French by G. Pettie, London, Richard Watkins, 1581 (signature of Gabriel Harvey on the title-page. Apparently only one other copy of this rare first edition is in a public library, i.e., Signet Library, Edinburgh); (13) [Heywood, Thomas] *A Preparative to Studie: or, The Vertue of Sack . . . .* 1641; (14) Howell, James, *Θηρολογία, The Parley of Beasts; or, Morphandra, Queen of the Enchanted Iland . . . .* 1660; (15) *Imitatio Christi. Of the Imitation of Christ . . . .* tr. by Thomas Rogers, 1628; (16) Kirkman, Francis, comp. and ed., *The Wits, or, Sport upon Sport*, 1672 (selections from Shakespeare, Fletcher, Jonson, Shirley, and others); (17) Lefevre, Raoul, *The Ancient Historie of the Destruction of Troy*, 1617; (18) Legh, Gerard, *The Accedence of Armorie*, 1612; (19) Lombard, Peter, Abp. of Armagh, *De Regno Hiberniae*, Louvain, 1632; (20) Markham, Ger-vase, *The Way to Get Wealth . . . .* 1675-76; (21) Nenna, Giovanni-Battista, *Nennio; or, A Treatise of Nobility . . . . Done*

into English by William Jones, 1595 (a sonnet by Edmund Spenser first appears in this work); (22) [Patten, William] *The Calender of Scripture*, 1575; (23) Seneca, Lucius Annaeus, *Seneca, his Tenne Tragedies, tr. into Englysh*, 1581; (24) [Tasso, Torquato] *Godfrey of Bulloigne, or, The Recoverie of Ierusalem, Done into English . . . by Edward Fairefax*, 1600; (25) [Wesley, Samuel] *Maggots; or, Poems on Several Subjects, never before Handled*, 1685.

The custodian of the John M. Wing Foundation, Dr. Pierce Butler, was, as previously stated, sent to Europe again this past summer, and again was able to find much desirable material which would have been difficult to locate and obtain except through such personal search, and nearly all of it at much less than the usual second-hand catalogue prices. His trip of 1923 was devoted mainly to the purchase of fifteenth-century books for the Wing Foundation; this year he was commissioned to search also for desirable books for the general library. Most of the books printed in English before 1641, the American Revolutionary War pamphlets, the broken sets completed, and the long standing *desiderata* obtained, which are commented on elsewhere in this report, are results of Dr. Butler's trip. This experience justified more emphatically than ever the value of special-subject lists supplementary to the regular card catalogue. Our list of early English books, compiled by Miss Stearns, and the list of American Revolutionary War pamphlets by Miss Lapham, were of very great service in connection with book-buying, and although it is difficult to find time outside of the demands of routine work for the compilation of such lists, it is hoped that the Library may be able to continue its policy and issue, from time to time, additional lists compiled by competent members of the staff. In addition, Dr. Butler obtained for the Wing Foundation 127 fifteenth-century books, and considering the increasing difficulty in finding suitable items (since our collection is so much larger), this year's purchases, both in quality and in price, represent a greater achievement than either previous trip. This year's accessions bring the number of our incunabula to 1,058. The rapid growth of this collection has been emphatically brought to our attention

by the recent issuance of a multigraphed list of our fifteenth-century books, compiled by Pierce Butler. In 1919, when the first list was issued, 270 editions were recorded. The new list shows 953 editions, from 391 presses, 78 cities, and 9 countries, and while the list was being multigraphed, 105 editions were received too late to be incorporated. In arranging fifteenth-century books for the shelves, the model established by Robert Proctor has been followed; that is, the order is chronological. The various countries are taken up in the order in which printing was introduced within their borders, and under each country the cities are arranged on the same principle. The presses of each city appear in the order of their establishment, and the books of each press according to the date of their publication, so far as this is ascertainable. Books which cannot be dated are entered last under the press that issued them.

Interesting as the development of a library of representative fifteenth-century books is proving to be, the securing of desirable material in other fields within the scope of the Foundation has been steadily pursued and, as in previous years, important examples of printing in other periods, including recent printing, type specimen books, and material bearing on the general history of the æsthetics of printing have been obtained, both by gift and by purchase.

Among the books of outstanding rarity, value, and importance which deserve special mention among the year's acquisitions for the Wing Foundation are the following: (1) *Biblia Latina*, Venice, Nicolas Jenson, 1476, the Duke of Sussex copy, afterward owned by Charles Whittingham of the Chiswick Press; (2) *Bible*, Philadelphia, Robert Aitken, 1782-81, the first English Bible printed in America, and one of the rarest issues of the press in America, not more than forty copies probably being in existence; (3) Anianus, *Comptus Manualis cum Commento*, Rouen, Regnault, 1500, according to competent bibliographical authority the only known copy; (4) Chaucer, Geoffrey, *Canterbury Tales*, London, Pynson [1490], a fragment of 77 leaves with 24 fine illustrations, our first example of English woodcuts of the fifteenth cen-

tury; (5) *Missale Pragense*, Bamberg, Sensenschmidt, 1489; (6) Estienne, Henri, *Francofordiense Emporium, sive Francofordienses Nundinae*, Frankfort, Stephanus, 1574, an item of special interest to Chicago bookmen, the Frankfort Book Fair (for which this volume is our main historical record) being the subject of the notable bibliographical monograph compiled by a Chicago scholar, James Westfall Thompson, and printed by a Chicago typographer under the auspices of the Caxton Club of this city; (7) Petrarco, Francesco, *Libri degli Huomini Famosi*, Pogliano, Felicianus ed Ziletus, 1476; (8) *Ordinarius Benedictinus Bursfeldensis*, Marienthal, Fratres Vitae Communis [1474], printed by the monastery which, it is believed by many authorities, purchased Gutenberg's printing press and material; (9) Thwrocz, Johannes de, *Chronica Hungarorum*, Augsburg, Ratdolt [1490] (the Fairfax Murray copy); (10) Peckham, Johannes, Abp. of Canterbury, *Prospectiva Communis*, Milan, Petrus de Corneno [1481], a fine copy, with marginal diagrams uncropt, of this first printed work on the theory of perspective; (11) *Etymologicum Magnum*, Venice, Kallierges, 1499, remarkable for its typographical ornaments of distinctly Byzantine design; (12) Mirk, John, *Liber Festivalis* (in English), Westminster, Wynkyn de Worde, 1499, with original colophon and mark in excellent condition, a rare feature in an English fifteenth-century vernacular; (13) Petity, Abbé de, *Bibliothèque des Artistes et des Amateurs*, 3 vols., Paris, 1766, containing a section of great importance on the types of Fournier le Jeune; (14) Grafton, Richard, *Chronicle . . . of Englande . . .*, London, Tottle & Toye, 1569, the first edition with its interesting mention of the invention of printing and with woodcuts by Virgil Solis; (15) Gomez de Castro, Alvaro, *De Rebus Gestis a Francisco Ximenio*, Compluti, Andreas de Angulo, 1569; (16) Elsevier, Daniel, *Catalogus Librorum qui in Bibliopolio . . . Venales Ex-tant*, 7 pts. in 1 vol., Amsterdam, 1674, a book which will always be a primary source of knowledge for the bibliographer of the Elsevier press. Two fairly good runs of printing periodicals have also been obtained, namely, *Printing Times*, London, 1870-85, and *La Fonderie Typographique*, Paris, 1889-1909. Of type-specimen

books, 221 have been acquired during the year, the earliest a Caslon of 1734.

Among the important additions to the Edward E. Ayer Collection are the following: (1) Van Laer, A. J. F., ed., *Documents Relating to New Netherland, 1624-26, in the Henry E. Huntington Library*, published by the Library, 1924, a gift to Mr. Ayer, this copy containing the signatures of Mr. Huntington and the entire library staff, and by Mr. Ayer presented to the Ayer Collection; (2) *A Transcript of the Fort Sutter Papers . . . .*, New York, The De Vinne Press, 1921, the introduction and title-pages being printed and the documents typewritten; (3) *Case of the Merchants and Others Interested in the Lands in the Province of Georgia*, London, 1785; (4) *Transactions of the Oregon Pioneer Association*, [1873]-1918; (5) Society for the Propagation of the Faith, Quebec [Ser. I] *Rapport sur les Missions*, 1839-74, an almost perfect set, wanting only two numbers, the first and the fourth; [Ser. II] *Annales de la Propagation de la Foi . . . .*, 1877-1919; (6) *Gazeta del Gobierno de Mexico*, 1810-21, and *Gazeta Imperial de Mexico*, 1821-22 (bound in 26 vols.); (7) Allard, Carel, *Atlas Minor sive Tabulae Geographicae*, Amstelodami, [1682?]; (8) Senex, John, *A Map of Virginia according to Captain John Smith's Map, published Anno 1606 Also of the Adjacent Country called by the Dutch Niew Nederlant, Anno 1630, 1735*. This is probably the map belonging to "A Short Account of the First Settlement of Virginia, Maryland . . . .," 1735.

In overland journeys there have been added 24 printed volumes. In addition we have received typewritten copies of the journeys of William Oscar Carpenter (gift of his son, Mr. Frederic Ives Carpenter), David DeWolf, William Earnshaw, William W. Gilbert, and Benjamin David Wilson, a pioneer of southern California. Also the Collection has obtained a photostat copy (from the original in the Henry E. Huntington Library) of the manuscript diary of Joseph Warren Wood, who went from Walworth, Wisconsin, to California, in 1849 and returned in 1852; and finally, as a gift from its author, the original manuscript journal of Mr. A. F. Brooks, a Chicago artist, now resident of



Winnetka, who crossed the plains in 1859 and returned by sea on the outbreak of the Civil War to enlist in his native state, Ohio.

Five narratives of Indian captivity have been added to the Collection, of special importance being the *History of the Voyages and Adventures of John Van Delure . . . .* Montpelier, 1812. We have also acquired typewritten copies of documents, either unpublished or printed only in newspapers, or other out-of-the-way places, about 1,500 pages, relating to General Custer, most of them in connection with the Little Big Horn fight. Also copies of several diaries and journals, from originals in the Minnesota Historical Society, of expeditions into the Sioux Country in 1862, '63 and '64.

To our collection of photographic copies of rare manuscripts and printed books in the Mayan languages, made by Mr. William Gates, to which considerable notice was given in last year's report, have been added 119 titles, or 182 volumes and pamphlets.

The Ayer Collection already possessed twenty editions of Jonathan Carver's *Travels*, and this past year the number was increased by the acquisition of an apparently unrecorded third English edition, dated 1780, instead of 1781, as usual. We also obtained a copy of Carver's *A Treatise on the Culture of the Tobacco Plant*, London, 1779; a manuscript translation of his *Travels* into Dutch, by J. B. J. Breton, early nineteenth-century; a manuscript on vellum of *A Plan of Carver's Grant from the Nawdowissie Indians*; and photostat copies of the two original Carver manuscripts in the British Museum. All of which, of course, gives additional significance and importance to our Jonathan Carver collection.

Notable increase has been made in our collection of transcripts. Especially worthy of mention is the acquisition of Mr. Irving Berdine Richman's collection of transcripts relating to the early history of California, acquired by him while writing his *California under Spain and Mexico, 1535-1847*. This splendid collection contains over 7,500 pages of transcripts from the archives of Spain and Mexico, as well as a few from Great Britain and some from the Sparks and Lowery collections of the United States. This fills a gap in our documentary material, as our transcripts

on early California were very few. Another important gap, now being filled, consists of documents from the Mexican archives, relating to the early history and beginnings in Texas, selected by Professor Charles W. Hackett, of the University of Texas. About one-half of the Mexican transcripts this year are from the Richman Collection, the rest are Hackett documents. The Spanish transcripts have come partly from the Archives of the Indies, the archives at Simancas, and the Archivo Historico Nacional at Madrid. The transcripts from Simancas consist of correspondence between the Spanish ministers at Paris and London, with a few from Philadelphia, and the Spanish secretary of state. They cover the years from 1767 to 1829, throwing much light upon our own Revolution, and the Mexican war of independence. Accessions for the year: Spanish archives, 2,854 documents (30,358 pages); Mexican archives, 524 documents (10,503 pages); total transcript pages now in the Library, 138,480.

In connection with the transcripts, some years ago we received a handwritten copy of the full report of the Abbé Cavelier in regard to LaSalle's last expedition. This copy was very illegible, and this year we received a photostat copy. With this copy came two covering letters which were not with the first copy. They were written by the French officer who made this copy of the report, who was to have led what seemed to be a relief expedition which was abandoned upon the news of war in Europe, and who afterward got into trouble with the governor of Newfoundland, the Baron de la Hontan.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

The total number of readers recorded as using the Library during the past year was 59,489, an average of 4,957 a month, or of 192 a day for the 309 days of 1924, on which it was open for use. This total yearly attendance is an increase of 3,853 over 1923. October was the heaviest month in point of attendance, with 5,573 persons; June, the lightest, with 4,399. The number of volumes used by readers was 184,462, an increase of 25,612 volumes over 1923. The number of volumes on the open shelves in

the general reading-room is now 13,498. The number of new books placed on the open shelves was 871, but as several collective editions of authors' works, totaling 1,207 volumes, were removed to the stacks to make place later for other works, there is a net decrease of 336 volumes at present in our open-shelf collection. No accurate count of the number of these books consulted is practicable, as readers are constantly withdrawing and replacing them without bringing them to the delivery desk. As stated in recent reports, approximately 50 per cent of the general reference work is done with the material in the open-shelf collection, and the work represented in the other 50 per cent is that which calls for the real resources of the Library.

Illustrative of the nature of information asked for and furnished, we list here a few topics taken more or less at random from the records kept of this service:

Conscription in American history

Bibliography of racial groups in the United States

Bibliography of manuscript and printed diaries

Vocal exercises in use before 1750

Political influence of the Jesuits in New France

Attitude of the eighteenth century toward the Reformation

Population of Palestine at the time of Christ

List of names of claimants in the French spoliation claims

Junior high schools

Early American newspaper editorials

Federalist party

History of American newspaper in colonial times

Italian dialects

New England witchcraft

Italian and Irish folk-songs

The author of a history of baggage in all ages made good use of our material, presenting to the Library a copy of the publication in which acknowledgment is made for service received.

A professor in a local university went through our collections thoroughly to obtain illustrations showing the administration of justice in various countries and periods.

The photostat service, inaugurated about two years ago, through which it is possible for patrons to obtain at a moderate cost photostatic reproductions of literary material in the Library is more and more appreciated, and is availed of by a steadily increasing number of persons, especially those residing at a distance from Chicago, and, others who cannot conveniently come to examine the original material. In several instances entire volumes have been photostated.

The Department of Genealogy and Local History has maintained its accustomed popularity, 25 per cent of the total number of readers for the year being recorded there. More than a dozen genealogical-research workers use our collections practically daily, and, as stated in recent reports, their professional investigations could not be conducted in Chicago were it not for this department of The Newberry Library. In addition, many individuals, as heretofore, have used the Library's material for establishing claims to membership in patriotic societies, in compiling ancestral charts, and in making various studies involving accurate and detailed local historical data.

The service rendered by the Ayer Collection has been substantially along the same lines as in previous years, most of the requests relating to the Indians, their languages, customs, religions, and ceremonies. There have been several instances of intensive and exhaustive use of the resources of the Collection, as, for instance, when a professor from an eastern university made the trip to Chicago during the summer expressly to study certain subjects in the Ayer Collection and found so much of value to him that he spent two entire weeks here. Some of the most important photostat service rendered by the Library was, as heretofore, in connection with the Ayer Collection.

The public service of the Wing Foundation also has continued substantially along the lines described in last year's report. The number of readers and the character of the books they ask for are very gratifying, and indicate that the resources of the Library are becoming more widely known among both groups that the Foundation is designed to serve—practical printers, and students

of typographical history and art. There has been also a notable increase in the number of internationally prominent typographers who have visited the Library during the past year. The Foundation is so frequently mentioned in printing-trade journals, in one connection or another, that it is becoming a natural thing for these men to give it an important place on their program whenever they visit the city. Since many of them are themselves active collectors of books on typography, they are able to bring to our notice valuable material which otherwise we might easily overlook.

The local chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts, officials of the United Typothetae of America, and members of the faculty of the Graphic Arts Department of the Art Institute maintain their interest in the work of the Foundation and render valuable service to the custodian on many occasions, through their accurate technical knowledge of the printing trade.

*Mail and telephone inquiries.*—Complete statistics are not kept of information given inquirers over the telephone, nor of the letters written in response to requests for literary and historical data from persons living at a distance, or unable to visit the Library, but we have current record of 1,792 telephone calls satisfactorily answered, and of 431 written communications sent out from the Librarian's office, containing carefully compiled data supplied by reference assistants. Both these forms of service constitute a part of the daily routine, and should receive due consideration in estimating the usefulness of the Library to the community.

*Inter-library Loans.*—We received sixty-seven applications asking for the loan of eighty-seven volumes. Some of these requests were for books which the Library did not possess, and our general and special obligations toward scholars in Chicago obliged us to decline a number of requests. Extenuating circumstances, however, seemed to warrant exceptional consideration in a number of cases, and the Library loaned, for a limited period, usually two weeks, thirty books to nineteen other institutions.

*Exhibitions.*—There have been five exhibitions during the year: (1) At the first exhibition in the main exhibition room cer-

tain of our rare Bibles chosen to show the development of the English version were displayed. Portraits of early translators and other illustrative material accompanied the Bibles and helped to emphasize the more important steps in the development of the text from Anglo-Saxon times to the present. The Library has an exceptionally good collection of rare Bibles, most of the versions being represented by the most desirable edition, and an exhibition of them never fails to attract considerable public interest.

2. The Ayer Collection recently obtained photographs of about 150 of the paintings of Indian life by Grace Hudson, of Ukiah, California, and these made a very attractive exhibit and one of popular appeal. As Lena M. McCauley expressed it, in commenting on the exhibit in the *Chicago Evening Post*, "Her canvases interpret scenes from Pomo Indian life, the smiles and tears of Pomo babies, the grace and charm of the young women, and the dignity and matured gravity of the old men and wrinkled women."

3. Photographs of the Indian chiefs who attended the Indian Congress at the Omaha Exposition in 1898 formed another of the year's exhibits in the Ayer Collection. These photographs, fifty-two in number, taken by F. A. Rinehart, of Omaha, are striking pieces of portraiture, and were keenly enjoyed and appreciated by all who saw them.

4. The exhibit of the "Fifty Books of 1923," on which comment was made in last year's report, was so signally successful that the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts arranged to have Chicago included as one of the "ports of call" for the "Fifty Books of 1924." Permission was asked and given to have the exhibit again held at The Newberry Library. The books came here from Indianapolis, were placed on exhibition September 22, and remained until October 18, when they went on to Cleveland. The last four days covered the period of the annual convention of the United Typothetae of America, held here in Chicago, and a number of delegates made special trips to the Library to see both the exhibit and the John M. Wing Foundation. This year an exhibition of contemporary commer-

cial printing, also selected and arranged by the American Institute of Graphic Arts, was shown in conjunction with the "Fifty Books." It was artistic, colorful, but withal practical, and drew fully as much attention and comment as did the display of books. During the period of the exhibits they were visited, as last year, by several evening groups of executives from various printing houses of the city, and by classes from the Art Institute and from apprentice schools.

5. Picture writing of the ancient Mexicans formed the last exhibit of the year in the Ayer Collection. The material exhibited, although naturally in large part in facsimile, included a number of original pieces, drawn on maguey paper, several of which undoubtedly antedate the conquest of Mexico by Cortes, and which were consequently produced without any European influence.

*Publications.*—The following publications were prepared and issued:

1. Report of the Trustees of The Newberry Library for the year 1923. 49 pages. Printed from type. 1,000 copies.

2. Check List of Books Printed during the Fifteenth Century, compiled by Pierce Butler, of the Library Staff. 129 pages. Multigraphed. 500 copies.

Of these and former publications of the Library, a total of 1,383 copies were distributed to persons and institutions known to be directly interested in the subject-matter.

#### TECHNICAL WORK AND PROCESSES

During 1924 a total of 12,044 books, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., were added to the permanent collections. The total number of volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc., in all departments of the Library on December 15, 1924, amounted to 425,622. Of the number added in 1924, 5,206 were acquired by purchase from the general book appropriation. These purchases do not include 4,651 items added to the Ayer Collection, and 767 to the Wing Foundation. Selected gifts amounted to 931 volumes, and 489 volumes of United States government documents were permanently deposited.

The Catalogue Department reports show that 4,449 new titles have been catalogued in complete form, as against 3,778 in 1923. Cards for 1,917 titles were multigraphed, as against 1,420 in 1923, this work involving the actual multigraphing of 27,686 cards. These titles represent works for which the printed cards of the Library of Congress were not procurable. The Library used 15,716 "L.C." cards, which was about the same number as in 1923; 15,716 as against 15,790, to be exact. We reported last year that our multigraphed cards were subscribed for by three university libraries, and to this number have been added Northwestern University and the University of Texas. Three copies of each card multigraphed are being held in reserve to meet the need of any other libraries which may wish to subscribe.

Since the beginning of the year the acquisitions of the Ayer Collection have been catalogued by the general Catalogue Department of the Library, the custodian of the Collection thus being relieved of this work. The plan has worked well and will be continued. The cataloguing of the Wing Foundation is not yet up to date, as it was hoped it would be, as the year's acquisitions were larger than anticipated. A considerable number of incunabula are catalogued only on the multigraphed check list recently issued, but this will answer the purpose for a reasonable time. Volumes of the Wing Foundation now number 2,353 (exclusive of the 3,793 volumes received by bequest from Mr. Wing).

A year ago we reported that about 2,500 omitted sets remained to be recatalogued. This work is now practically done, all these titles now being represented in the Public Author Catalogue on temporary cards. As opportunity offers these temporary cards can be replaced by fuller and more permanent cards, but this work is not pressing, for most of the needs of the patrons of the Library are met by the temporary forms.

The Public Author Catalogue now contains 280,598 cards, representing 177,299 titles and 39,150 analytics. These are the permanent cards; it contains in addition 20,685 temporary cards.



## THE BINDERY

The operations associated with the binding and repairing of the books, as has been pointed out in previous annual reports, fall into two distinct groups. One comprises the details connected with the designation of the nature and kind of binding to be put on books received unbound, and the assembling of the requisite parts and numbers of periodical publications, the withdrawal of worn or broken volumes from the shelves for necessary repairs, etc., the delivery to, and the receipt of this material from, the Bindery, and the keeping of systematic records of these facts. These operations are performed by members of the Library staff.

The Bindery proper deals exclusively with the second group of operations, i.e., those having to do with the technical treatment of a book by the binders from the time of its receipt in an unbound condition until its return, newly bound or repaired, to the Library assistants. In the Bindery it is collated, assembled by signatures, sewed, bound in cloth, leather, pigskin, or board cover, gilded, stamped, labeled, etc. All of this, of course, is done by skilled artisans under the direction of an experienced chief.

During the year, 4,889 books and pamphlets were newly bound, as compared with 3,367 in 1923; 1,063 repaired and re-lettered, as compared with 1,006 last year; 1,149 maps were mounted on muslin; 100 book and document boxes were made. As in former years, the Bindery has also performed many other services whose direct results contribute to keeping our books in good present condition and to their length of life. Under these miscellaneous services fall such activities as the making of periodical binders and holders, the covering of publications printed on the multigraph, the repairs of the genealogical indexes and shelf-lists, the making of dummies from strips of cardboard, the cutting up of Library of Congress proof-sheets, etc. The Bindery, as in past years, has supplied the Library with a variety of devices and apparatus which greatly add to the ease, economy, and convenience of service.

Under the direction of the Head of the Bindery, 46,794 catalogue cards and guides were printed on the multigraph, 500 copies of the Library publications printed on the multigraph and bound, and about 68,000 official forms, blanks, and application slips printed.

#### THE LIBRARY STAFF

The number of authorized positions in the classified staff, that is, positions for which appropriations are annually made, was thirty-eight; four more than in 1923. There were only four resignations during the year: Miss Elfrida Harder, catalogue reviser, Miss Ethel Owen, and Mrs. Katherine T. Steele, both of the Catalogue Department, and Mr. H. L. Youngren of the Public Service Department.

Additions to the staff include Mrs. Louise Ferguson, Mrs. Ethel Corbin, and Miss Leon Luther, all to the Catalogue Department, Mr. Rollin Silver to the Order Department, and Mr. Ralph A. Ulveling to the Public Service Department. There has, of course, as in previous years, been the usual procession of pages, but their comings and goings are not here recorded. There has been somewhat less than the usual amount of absence through illness, only one case covering any considerable time.

The Annual Conference of the American Library Association was held at Saratoga Springs, New York, the last week in June, and was attended by the Librarian. He also attended the conference of the Illinois Library Association at Bloomington, in October, and was elected president for the coming year.

The Librarian has made about the usual number of local addresses during the past year, served on various local committees, and has been glad, in these and other ways, to spread as much as possible information as to the quality of service which The Newberry Library is prepared to render. A number of articles about various phases of our work have appeared in local newspapers, and we have appreciated the friendly co-operation of the representatives of the press.

For the continued kindness and unfailing spirit of courtesy and generosity which the Librarian has received at all times from the members of his Board, and which have made his official duties and relations not only possible but exceedingly agreeable, he is deeply grateful.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. UTLEY, *Librarian*

# STATISTICS OF PRINCIPAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS 1924

## I. NUMBER OF READERS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	38,039
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	15,198
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	497
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	5,190
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>595</u>
Total readers . . . . .	59,519

## II. RECORDED USE OF BOOKS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	66,528
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	112,538
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	2,403
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	299
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>2,694</u>
Total volumes . . . . .	184,462

## III. BOOK SELECTION AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATIONS

1. Titles investigated . . . . .	12,698
2. Titles selected . . . . .	3,161
3. Volumes represented by titles selected . . . . .	4,793
4. Official lists of selected titles typed and submitted to the Committee on Books . . . . .	200
5. Order cards typed or written . . . . .	3,036
6. Bibliographical questions investigated and answered for other divisions of the Library service, for other libraries, and for readers . . . . .	43

## IV. CLASSIFICATION

1. Purchases . . . . .	5,206
2. Gifts . . . . .	928
3. United States documents . . . . .	489
4. Gifts and gift continuations, for current use only . . . . .	3
5. Ayer Collection . . . . .	4,651
6. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>767</u>
Total volumes and pamphlets classed . . . . .	12,044

## V. CATALOGUING (CURRENT ACCESSIONS)

1. New titles catalogued and revised.....	4,449
2. New volumes catalogued and revised:	
a) Volumes represented by above titles.....	5,533
b) Volumes of continuations.....	1,434
3. New analytics (included in titles).....	619
4. New cards prepared:	
a) For the Public Author Catalogue.....	7,660
b) For the Official Author Catalogue.....	8,518
c) For the Subject Catalogues.....	8,635
d) For the Official Name List.....	3,024
e) For the Wing Catalogue.....	1,103
f) For the Ayer Catalogue.....	210
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Total new cards prepared and revised.....	29,150

## VI. RECATALOGUING (PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE)

1. Titles.....	482
2. Volumes represented.....	258
3. Analytics (included in titles).....	328
4. Number of cards prepared.....	794
5. Number of temporary cards prepared.....	3125
6. Name-list cards.....	376

## VII. PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE

1. Titles.....	177,299
2. Volumes.....	269,844
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	42,412
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	39,150
5. Cross-references.....	34,019
6. Number of cards.....	280,598
7. Number of temporary cards.....	20,685

## VIII. STATISTICS OF CARDS FILED IN THE LIBRARY CATALOGUES AND INDEXES

1. Official Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	9,561
b) New cards substituted for old.....	585
c) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	6,972
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	305,685

2. Public Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	8,753
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	1,732
Total cards in this catalogue.....	280,598
3. Official Name List:	
a) New cards added.....	3,453
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	476
Total cards in this catalogue.....	115,645
4. Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	11,543
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	12,965
c) Cards deducted.....	775
Total cards in this catalogue.....	88,568
5. Alphabetical Subject Catalogue for Genealogy and Local History:	
a) New cards added.....	3,595
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	83
Total cards in this catalogue.....	13,432
6. Wing Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	166
b) New volumes.....	165
c) New analytics (included in titles).....	7
d) New cards.....	846
e) Cards revised and refiled.....	6
Total cards in this catalogue.....	4,270
7. Library of Congress "Proof-Sheet" Catalogue:	
New entries filed:	
a) Under authors.....	36,638
b) Under added entries.....	2,650
Total cards in this catalogue.....	676,066

#### IX. PREPARATION OF BOOKS FOR BINDING, REPAIRS, ETC.

1. Volumes delivered to the Bindery:	
a) New acquisitions (including serials and newspapers).....	2,362
b) Volumes removed from shelves for repair, etc.....	1,288
2. Volumes returned from the Bindery, newly bound, rebound, and repaired.....	3,236

## X. BINDERY

1. Binding:	
a) Volumes bound in half-morocco . . . . .	297
b) Volumes bound in cloth . . . . .	3,573
c) Volumes of newspapers bound . . . . .	365
d) Pamphlets bound in "Newberry Binding" . . . . .	654
Total newly bound volumes . . . . .	4,889
e) Volumes repaired and relettered . . . . .	1,063
f) Pamphlet boxes . . . . .	100
g) Volumes on which "call-numbers" were gilded . . . . .	5,109
h) Book plates pasted in books . . . . .	9,782
i) Volumes on which name of the Library was gilded . . . . .	4,996
j) Maps mounted on cloth . . . . .	1,149
k) Illustrations, plates, charts, etc., "guarded" . . . . .	5,946
2. Multigraph Printing:	
a) Catalogue cards and guides . . . . .	6,078
b) Total cards . . . . .	46,794
c) Library forms, blanks, application slips, etc., multigraphed . . . . .	68,850
d) Library publications printed . . . . .	500
3. Supplies:	
a) Blank catalogue cards cut from stock and punched . . . . .	10,000
b) Memorandum slips cut from stock and punched . . . . .	21,000

## XI. INCREASE IN THE LIBRARY

1. Purchases . . . . .	5,206
2. Gifts:	
a) Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	824
b) Classed without accessioning . . . . .	10
c) British India—Public Documents . . . . .	97
d) United States—Public Documents . . . . .	489
3. Ayer Collection . . . . .	4,651
4. Wing Foundation . . . . .	767
Total pieces . . . . .	12,044

## XII. CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

1. Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	336,863
2. Classed without accessioning . . . . .	235
3. British India documents (1912—date) . . . . .	2,248
4. United States public documents . . . . .	11,426
5. East Asiatic Collection . . . . .	21,654
6. Ayer Collection . . . . .	47,050
7. Wing Bequest . . . . .	3,793
8. Wing Foundation . . . . .	2,353
Total volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc. . . . .	425,622

### XIII. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1924

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

#### CONTENTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SECTIONS

	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1923	Volumes and Pamphlets Transfers	Volumes and Pamphlets Added 1924	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1924
General Reference . . . . .	2,589	+1	132	2,722
Periodicals . . . . .	17,755	0	315	18,070
Newspapers . . . . .	5,068	0	280	5,348
Academies . . . . .	2,344	0	13	2,357
Philosophy . . . . .	4,233	-1	76	4,308
Religion . . . . .	17,235	+1	244	17,480
Church History . . . . .	11,152	0	136	11,288
Biography . . . . .	13,279	-5	270	13,544
Genealogy . . . . .	7,100	0	198	7,298
History . . . . .	41,714	+8	1,291	43,013
Geography and Travel . . . . .	10,521	+1	176	10,698
Economics . . . . .	22,381	-3	243	22,621
Sociology . . . . .	4,866	+2	33	4,901
Education . . . . .	11,321	0	95	11,416
Civil Government . . . . .	14,381	-5	253	14,629
Law and Legislation . . . . .	16,880	0	147	17,027
Science and Technology . . . . . (inc. old N)*	16,234	-2	73	16,395
Military and Naval Arts . . . . .	3,352	0	21	3,373
Sports . . . . .	1,030	0	3	1,033
Theater . . . . .	663	0	19	682
Music . . . . .	13,190	0	98	13,288
Thomas Collection . . . . .	566	0	.....	566
Fine Arts . . . . .	10,919	-3	142	11,058
Language . . . . .	10,693	+1	276	10,970
Literature . . . . .	33,491	+16	1,130	34,637
Literary Biography . . . . .	2,659	+1	108	2,768
Bibliography . . . . .	18,775	0	365	19,140
Totals . . . . .	314,481	+12	6,137	320,630

\* Three volumes of old N were reclassified.



XIV. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1924  
(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

	Vols. Pams. Dec. 31, 1924
1. Classified sections (carried).....	320,630
2. Incunabula in the General Library.....	248
3. E. E. Ayer Collection (including 18 incunabula).....	47,050
4. Bonaparte Library (including 14 incunabula).....	18,212
5. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
6. John M. Wing Foundation (including 736 incunabula).....	2,353
7. John M. Wing Bequest (including 4 incunabula).....	3,793
8. United States documents: Government classification.....	8,820
9. Unclassified lots (estimated):	
a) Bibliographical museum.....	1,120
b) Bonaparte supplement.....	702
c) Pamphlet material (accessioned).....	1,014
d) Reserved duplicates.....	26
Total.....	425,622

XV. NAMES OF DONORS, 1924

	Vols.	Pams.
Aby, <i>Dr.</i> Franklin Stanton, Chicago . . . . .	12	1
Alden, <i>Mrs.</i> E. J., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Alden, Frank W., New York City . . . . .	1	
America Press, New York City . . . . .		83
American Type Founders Co., Jersey City, N. J. . . . .	1	
Anderson, P., Chicago . . . . .	1	3
Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	5	
Ayer, Edward E., Chicago . . . . . 4 typescripts, 1 MS, 1 map.	22	28
Banks, <i>Col.</i> Charles E., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Barnet, <i>Mrs.</i> James Blackstone, Chicago . . . . .	2	
Bartlett, E. E., New York City . . . . .		1
Bartlett, F. E., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Batchelder, Mark D., Peoria, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Bay, J. C., Chicago . . . . .		1
Becker, Alex, Chicago . . . . .	2	
Berwick y de Alba, <i>Duque de</i> , Madrid . . . . .	2	
Bieber, R. P., St. Louis, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .		1
Birinyi, Louis K., Cleveland, <i>Ohio</i> . . . . .	1	
Blanchard, <i>Mrs.</i> Helen N., Chicago . . . . .	8	
Boni & Liveright, New York City . . . . .	1	
Brassinne, <i>Prof.</i> Joseph, Liège, <i>France</i> . . . . .		1
Brennan, W. I., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		1
Brown, <i>Dr.</i> Elmer E., New York City . . . . .	1	
Brown, Henry J., London, <i>England</i> . . . . .	3	
Burchard, Edward L., Chicago . . . . .	1	1
Butler, <i>Dr.</i> Pierce, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Canada Department of Mines . . . . .		1
Canson & Montgolfier, New York City . . . . .	1	
Carnovale, Luigi, Chicago . . . . .		1
Carpenter, Frederic Ives, Chicago . . . . . 1 typescript	80	45
Carr, <i>Mrs.</i> Henry J., Scranton, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .		2
Cary, <i>Mrs.</i> Henry N., Chicago . . . . .	3	
Cashman, Claude L., Galesburg, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . . 2 prints		
Chalmers, William J., Chicago . . . . .	9	
Chandabwi, <i>His Royal Highness and the Princess of</i> , Bangkok . .	15	
Chassell, M. C., Wyoming, <i>Iowa</i> . . . . .		1
Chicago Architectural Exhibition League, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Chicago Daily News, Chicago . . . . .	6	1
Chicago Historical Society, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Chicago Literary Club, Chicago . . . . .		1

	Vols.	Pams.
Clark, William Andrews, Jr., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> .....	I	
Comrie, Frank M., Chicago.....		I
Comrie, Frank M. Co., Chicago.....		I
Cox, Walter C., Chicago.....	89	
Crichton, <i>Capt.</i> A. V., London, <i>Eng.</i> .....	I	
Cusack, Wm. H., Chicago.....	I	
Davidson, Edward B., Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Davis, Walter G., Portland, <i>Me.</i> .....	I	
Day, James B., & Co., Chicago.....	I	
Deane, Chas. E., Chicago.....	3	
Deane, Ruthven, Chicago.....	I engraving, 2 maps	3
Depew, <i>Hon.</i> Chauncey M., New York.....	I	
De Salvio, A., Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> .....		I
Dodge, Olive E., Chicago.....	3 typewritten pages MSS	
Doughty, Arthur G., Ottawa, <i>Canada</i> .....	I	
Ebert, George W., Arlington Heights, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Erskine, O. R., South Bend, <i>Ind.</i> .....	I	
Ewing, Thomas, New York.....		I
Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago.....		6
Fisher, Fred, Chicago.....	83	
Fordham, <i>Sir</i> Herbert, Odsey, Ashwell, Baldock, <i>Eng.</i> .....		I
Forstall, <i>Miss</i> Gertrude, Chicago.....	2	
Geer, Wm. J., Racine, <i>Wis.</i> .....	2 typewritten pages MSS	
Gibbs, Howard A., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....		2
Gnosis, Chicago.....		I
Goodspeed, <i>Prof.</i> Edgar J., Chicago fragment of a Greek Papyrus, 150 A.D.		
Goodspeed, <i>Dr.</i> Thomas W., Chicago.....	I	I
Haddad, <i>Rev. Exarch</i> John, Chicago.....		I
Hardy, Francis A., Chicago.....	typewritten MSS	
Hauberg, Marx D., Hillsdale, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Haupt, <i>Rev.</i> Wm. H., Chariton, <i>Iowa</i> .....	I	
Henry, <i>Miss</i> Alice, Chicago.....	I	I
Heusser, Albert H., Paterson, <i>N. J.</i> .....	3 autograph letters	
Historical society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> .....		I
Hitchcock, Frederick H., New York City.....	I	
Hollem, Howard, Chicago.....	2	
Holman, Alfred L., Chicago.....	typewritten MSS	I
Ickes, <i>Mrs.</i> Harold, Hubbard Woods, <i>Ill.</i> .....	88	

	Vols.	Pams.
Jenkins, <i>Mrs.</i> G. R., Chicago . . . . .	I	4
Jenks, <i>Mrs.</i> Wm. S., Chicago . . . . .	4	4
Kahn, Otto H., New York . . . . .		I
King, Edward S., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Kittredge, W. A., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Kline, Samuel J., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .	I	
Kneeland, <i>Mrs.</i> L. M., Chicago several hundred old theater programs		
Koch, Theodore W., Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		I
Laboratory Press, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	I	
Lanston Monotype Corporation Ltd., London . . . . . 5 broadsides	I	
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS, NOT INCLUDING THE  
JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION,  
DECEMBER 31, 1924

Bank stock.....	\$ 28,000.00
Bonds.....	1,263,699.53
Loans secured by real estate.....	12,977.00
Contracts for sale of real estate.....	61,258.48
Balance to credit at the bank.....	28,777.48
The expenditure for books, periodicals, and fittings of the Library from its foundation to date amounts to.....	996,084.90



REPORT OF THE JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1924

Cash on hand, January 1, 1924.....	\$	3,735.40
Receipts for the year.....		12,184.04
		<u>15,919.44</u>
Expenditures:		\$ 15,919.44
Books and part salary of custodian.....	\$	11,624.54
Sundries.....		1,030.26
Purchase of bonds.....		1,485.00
		<u>14,139.80</u>
Cash on hand, December 31, 1924.....	\$	1,779.64
This fund now amounts at par value to:		
Bonds and stocks.....	\$	240,911.25
Cash.....		1,779.64
		<u>\$242,690.89</u>
Statistics as of December 31, 1924:		
Number of volumes received, John M. Wing Bequest.....		3,793
Number of volumes acquired by the Foundation.....		2,353
Total number of volumes.....		<u>6,146</u>











THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY

Report *of the* Trustees  
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Of whom it may be said, as truly as Anthony à Wood said of Sir Thomas Bodley: "By his noble and generous endeavours he hath been the occasion of making hundreds of public writers, and of increasing in an high degree the commonwealth of learning."



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## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 31, 1925

*To His Excellency, Len Small,  
Governor of the State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois:*

SIR: In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled: *An Act to encourage and promote the establishment of free public libraries in the cities, villages, and towns of this State* (Illinois), approved June 17, 1891, under which this corporation is organized, the Trustees of The Newberry Library herewith transmit their thirty-fourth annual report, showing the progress and operations of the Library during the year 1925.

Twice during the year the Board has met with grievous loss. Mr. Frederic Ives Carpenter, who had been a Trustee since 1913, and who had rendered invaluable service to this institution, especially in the field of book selection, died January 28. Mr. Horace Hawes Martin, senior member of the Board in length of service, its second vice-president, and for the past eleven years chairman of its Committee on Books, died on October 19. The loss of these public-spirited gentlemen, generous and unselfish in their service, mature and reliable in their judgment, is most keenly felt by their associates. Memorial Minutes, expressive, so far as words can be, of the Board's appreciation of their long and faithful service, will be found elsewhere in this Report.

At the December meeting of the Board, Mr. William A. Craigie, Mr. Charles Y. Freeman, and Mr. George S. Payson were elected Trustees.

The Annual Report of the Librarian, appended hereto, contains the statistics of the Library for the past year, including those of general administration, accessions, attendance, etc., together with the names of donors and the number of their respective gifts. It shows that the Library continues to perform

services of a high educational value to the general public and to provide resources of increasing importance to the scholarly investigator. It is gratifying to report that, on numerous occasions during the year, the Library has had the especial privilege of being of direct aid and service to various public bodies and officials engaged in important public work.

The Trustees wish to record here their hearty appreciation of the still further generosity of Mr. Edward E. Ayer, who has, during the past year, added substantially to his already generous provision toward the establishment of endowment funds for the maintenance of the superb collection which he gave to the Library in 1911. The income from these several funds, when they become available, together with the amounts appropriated, further assure the adequate maintenance of, and addition to, this remarkable collection on the subject of the North American Indian.

In addition to the acknowledgment that has been officially made to those who have made gifts to the Library, the Trustees desire, in this Report, to express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness that has been of such benefit to this institution. Especially do they wish here to express high appreciation of a generous bequest made to the Library by their honored and valued associate, the late Frederic Ives Carpenter.

A statement of the assets of The Newberry Library on December 31, 1925, also the expenditures for books, pamphlets, maps, and fittings of the Library, from its foundation to date, will be found as an appendix to this Report. There is also appended a report of the operations of the John M. Wing Foundation of the Library for the year 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. RYERSON, *President*



## MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF MR. FREDERIC I. CARPENTER

Frederic Ives Carpenter, son of William O. and Lucetta Spencer Carpenter, was born at Monroe, Wisconsin, November 29, 1861. He prepared for college in the Chicago public schools. In 1885 he was graduated from Harvard University. After a year of travel in France and Germany, he studied at the Union College of Law, of Chicago, for the year 1886-87. He never practised law. It was the wish of his family that he should be familiar with the business in which his father had been engaged; and accordingly he went to Menominee, Michigan, and entered the offices of Kirby-Carpenter Lumber Company. But the passion for scholastic work was too strong; he returned to Chicago in 1892 and entered the post-graduate department of the University of Chicago, and in 1895, took his Doctor's Degree, presenting as his thesis a study on "Metaphor and Simile in Minor Elizabethan Drama." The following year he entered the faculty of the University of Chicago where he continued as docent, assistant professor, associate professor, and professor, until 1911.

During the period of his University connection, his activities found outlet in editing, with introductory notes, Leonard Cox's *The Arte or Crafte of Rhetoryke*, being a reprint of the 1530 edition; Ben Jonson's *The Case is Altered*, and Lewis Wager's *Life and Repentance of Mary Magdalene*, 1567; in writing his helpful *Outline Guide to the Study of English Lyric Poetry* (1897); and in editing, with discriminating notes, a selection of English Lyric Poetry (1500 to 1700), and a volume of selections from the works of Lord Byron.

The death of his father cast upon Professor Carpenter business obligations demanding so much of his time, that in 1911 he reluctantly resigned from the faculty of the University.

In February, 1913, Professor Carpenter was elected a member

of this Board and was immediately placed upon the Book Committee and continued as a very active member of that Committee until his death. His services to the Library cannot be overstated.

He realized in a very exceptional way that this Library's primary object is, to the extent of its means, the accumulation of all material, and in particular source material, important for the examination and thorough study by scholars of the subjects embraced within the scope of the Library. His especial interest was in English Literature and its history. In his knowledge of that literature and history, and particularly of the literature of the Elizabethan period, he was as well founded as any American scholar of his generation, and that knowledge was intimate, sympathetic, and vital. He devoted a large amount of his time and energy to the work of book selection and, in addition, after he became a trustee, prepared his *Reference Guide to Edmund Spenser* (1923), part of which was verified and proof-read in the rooms of the Newberry Library. This work is a monument of scholarship and orderly arrangement, and has been acclaimed both in America and in England as a model of form and of substance. And it is due to his advice and to his generous donations that our Spenser collection is among the foremost in the country. His book donations to the Library were chiefly in the fields of early English prose fiction and Spenseriana and comprise 466 volumes, 198 pamphlets, and two manuscripts.

He was a frequent contributor to the philological magazines, and he participated in the plans and deliberative proceedings of the important learned societies whose field is the field of English literature.

Even in the painful hours of his last illness, when he knew that death was near, his thoughts dwelt on this Library and he spoke with satisfaction of the boon it will be to future generations which have the taste and the leisure to profit by its treasures.

In addition to his thorough equipment as a trustee of this Library and the seriousness with which he rendered his services and his industry, he was an ideal co-worker with the other members of this Board. The courtesy and fairness with which he

would state his views, the power to recognize the merit in the views of others, and to make concessions, and his agreeable personality were as marked as his ability and industry, and this Board has lost a sympathetic associate, the Newberry Library a devoted servant, and the community a loyal citizen; and in the memory of his work we shall find inspiration and courage to endeavor to give to this Library that high usefulness which was so clear to his vision and so near to his heart.

He died after a long illness at his home in Chicago on January 28, 1925. He was married in 1888 to Emma, daughter of C. W. Cook, of Chicago, who, with one son, survives him.

## MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF MR. HORACE H. MARTIN

Horace Hawes Martin, for twenty-four years a Trustee of the Newberry Library, died at his home at Lake Forest, October 19, 1925. He was born at Olean, New York, September 24, 1855, and there spent his early boyhood. For his academic and collegiate education he went to Racine, Wisconsin, and entered the Racine School and College, an institution modeled precisely after the Winchester School in England. The traditional classical and cultural curriculum furnished there was especially adapted to his tastes and aptitudes, and in all probability, also, it affected, if it did not mold, the interests of his later life. After leaving college, he entered the Harvard Law School, where he supported himself, in whole or in part, by tutoring less forward or less capable classmates. Upon graduation from the Law School in 1880, he came to Chicago and began work as a law clerk in the firm of Dexter, Herrick, and Allen. For a time he was a member of the firm of Swift, Jones, and Martin, and then, after Mr. Dexter's death, of Herrick, Allen, Boyesen, and Martin. In later life and at the time of his death, he was a member of Scott, Bancroft, Martin, and McLeish. These professional associations are in themselves evidence of Mr. Martin's high standing at the bar.

Very early in his professional career, he showed exceptional skill in the preparation of briefs and in that work he seems to have made his first deep impression on his colleagues and fellow-workers. One who is well acquainted with his progress at the bar has said that at a comparatively early day he was recognized as the best brief-writer in Chicago. Before long he was recognized as a lawyer unusually well versed not only in the precedents but in the principles and philosophy of the law. He brought to his daily tasks professional skill, and also aptitude and inclination for intensive scholarship. As the years went by and his responsi-

bilities increased, he was distinguished in his profession as a man of very unusual erudition, with retentive memory stored with a vast amount of useful and available information—a lawyer also to whom the law appealed as a field of historical and philosophical study. In many ways, his chosen profession was peculiarly well suited to his talents. He had little real zeal for the competition and struggle of the courtroom, but in the profound study and learned presentation of fundamental principles his work was of a very high order. His command of language—from first to last, one may venture to say, he was a man of letters—and his passion for exact and accurate expression were displayed in the preparation of such legal documents as required precise and, on occasion, elaborate statement. He was possessed, too, of much plain sense and keen insight. These qualities enabled him to grasp and appreciate the perplexing problems of practical business; his learning, great as it was, was not unmanageable. His counsel in complicated cases was highly valued. Especially in his later and more mature years he was often successful under difficult circumstances in bringing his clients and their opponents to agreement, settling disputes not so much by mere legal compromise as by pointing out the way of substantial right and justice; though a man of convictions and strong feelings he was not inclined to allow partisanship to obstruct propriety and the essential merits of a controversy. He was, in fine, a successful as well as a high-minded and learned lawyer.

The exacting demands of professional life at no time dulled his fine appreciation of non-professional learning. He was fond of books and year by year stored away more information about them. After the labors of the day, his recreation was to turn the leaves of book catalogues to discover rare items of interest to the collector. Though not a great collector, that is to say, not one who devoted a great deal of time and money to the purchase of rarities, he built up a large and fine library of his own, covering a wide field, for all literature attracted him, but especially rich in general biography and English literature of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. He had knowledge about books, such knowl-

edge as the eager treasure-hunter acquires, but unlike many anxious and feverish collectors, he loved books chiefly for what they contained. A beautiful book and a rare one delighted him; but he took even greater pleasure in the wisdom or the beauty of its message. His devotion to books was in the main due to his love of beauty, eagerness for information, and deep appreciation of the philosophy of life and the art of living, as philosophy, art, and beauty appear in the writings of great masters of thought and expression. With a very unusual memory which was quickened and strengthened by absorbing interest, his mind was stored with an amount of information simply amazing to his friends; and yet he never sought to impress them with his learning or to refute them rudely. His erudition was no burden to himself and no barrier to friendship and cordial companionship. His knowledge, like his character, was essentially human, genial, and generous. He could be critical without being censorious.

His greatest pleasure was to make use of his knowledge and his possessions in the service of others. Fond of books, he was even fonder of his friends, and was always eager to lend volumes from his library, a severe test of unselfishness. Desirous of opening to others the same sources of enjoyment and recreation which meant so much to himself, he gave time and thought to the Lake Forest Library, in the development of which he was greatly interested. He chose books for it with thoughtful discrimination. At Christmas time he commonly carried to the Library quantities of children's books, for even in such things he took delight, and this is probably the most significant illustration of the width of his literary interest, the depth of his character, and the sincerity of his human feeling. Similar thought and attention were given to the Library of the University Club, and as a result that Library became an essential part of the Club life; it is useful and is used; it has in addition, a certain distinction which only a man of distinction could impress upon it. In the work for these libraries, he displayed very unusual catholicity of taste and a judicious appreciation of the limitations, as well as the capacity and interest of the general reader; he was not intent, as one might fear a book-

lover and scholar would be, upon filling the shelves of a general circulating library with materials that would be of little use to the average person seeking pleasure and recreative reading.

Mr. Martin was elected to the Board of Trustees of the Newberry Library in 1901. He was immediately placed on the Book Committee and in 1914 became the chairman of the Committee, a position which he held until the day of his death. With the exception of one year, 1910, he was also during his total term of service a member of the Committee on Administration. In 1911 he was elected to the vice-presidency of the Board, and continued by successive elections to hold this position till the end.

He was deeply interested in the Library and gave to it much thoughtful attention. His work on the Book Committee was of a special and inestimable value, and of this the Trustees desire to make particular acknowledgment. It is scarcely necessary to say that in the making of a library, the importance of knowledge and good judgment in the selection of books is a matter of supreme importance. By the selection of books the degree of usefulness of the library is determined and its character is fashioned; furthermore, the selections made in one year or in one decade influence, if they do not predetermine, the additions made in the after years and after decades; in other words, the lines of growth in any one year or in any one period are in considerable measure fixed and are always suggested by the accretions of an earlier period. The quality and the very nature of a library come from the thought that men put into its up-building, till in the course of time it comes to have almost a personality of its own, a personality which is in some real sense a transfusion from the characters of the men that make it. The quarter-century in which Mr. Martin served this Library was in a peculiar sense a formative period; for the Library was still young and impressionable, taking on definite qualities. Mr. Martin brought to his task a vast store of bibliographical information and a wide knowledge of literature. He showed on all occasions a discriminating judgment and in addition a sound common sense which was not sicklied o'er with a pale cast of unusable erudition. In working for other libraries

he knew instinctively what were the requirements of the general casual reader; in his work for the Newberry he displayed keen appreciation of what a library devoted to research, creative scholarship, and general intelligent reference should be. He did much to impress upon the Newberry the mold of his own generous, judicious, catholic, and scholarly spirit. In consequence of this wisdom and unselfish interest, the Library and the community have been well served and will be served in years to come, for the influence and unselfishness of such work do not perish.



“Certainly there is nothing which renders a Library more recommendable than when every man findes in it that which he is in search of, and could no where else encounter.”—GABRIEL NAUDÉ, interpreted by JOHN EVELYN, 1661.



## THE LIBRARY STAFF

*December 31, 1925*

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## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Trustees of The Newberry Library:*

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted the thirty-ninth annual report of the Librarian and the sixth which it has been my privilege to make. The statistics given in the text and in the several appendixes are taken from the official records currently maintained by the heads of departments and other responsible assistants.

### BOOK SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

A total of 9,652 titles have been investigated and passed upon as against 12,698 in the year 1924, and of this number 4,683, or 42 per cent, were decided upon as suitable for acquisition, as against 3,161 in 1924. In comparison with last year's record the Book Selection Department thus shows a marked improvement in its index of efficiency. While the gross labor has been decreased by 3,046 titles (a 25 per cent reduction), the number of useful titles was increased by 1,522 (nearly one-half), and the lost motion ratio reduced from 76 to 58 per cent. This result has been achieved largely through continuity in assistance in the department and the consequent bringing to bear of good memory on the work, which has considerably cut down the number of titles for which search through the catalogues had to be made.

The appropriation for the purchase of books has been fortunately gradually increased in the past three or four years, and this increase, as reported last year, has had a gratifying effect both on the quantity and the quality of our purchases. The Library has obtained during the year not only the best of the current publications in its scope, but has also added an exceptional number of out-of-print and antiquarian books which have filled conspicuous gaps in our collections. During the year 111 booklists were prepared and submitted to the Committee on Books for approval, and from these approved lists the orders for

the year were placed. Of these lists 91 were for the general collections, and 20 for the John M. Wing Foundation. Purchases for the Edward E. Ayer Collection are not included in these lists.

The Library has been, as in previous years, the recipient of many valuable gifts, and these are specifically reported in an appendix to this report. Three items added to our Edmund Spenser Collection were purchased with money provided by the late Frederic Ives Carpenter. Mrs. Carpenter and her son, Frederic Ives Carpenter, Jr., have also made a noteworthy gift to our Spenser Collection, generously presenting the Library all the material relating to Edmund Spenser in Mr. Carpenter's private library, of which the Newberry Library did not previously possess copies. Altogether 38 volumes and bound pamphlets, most of them rare and difficult to find—the out-of-the-way material, which Mr. Carpenter's life-time search for Spenser items had enabled him to pick up one by one both in this country and in Europe—have in this way been acquired and added to our Spenser collection. These come to us very truly as a further memorial to Frederic Ives Carpenter and a visible reminder of his great interest in this Library and particularly its collections in the field of early English literature.

Mrs. James H. Campbell, of Grand Rapids, presented two holograph letters of Walter Loomis Newberry. It will be recalled that Mrs. Campbell presented sixteen of Mr. Newberry's letters in 1922, and these are valued additions to that group.

As in previous years, several authors have very kindly presented copies of their own works to the Library. It is gratifying to record that in a number of instances a part of the work of preparing the publication in question was done at the Library, assisted by its literary resources, and that this aid has been kindly acknowledged in introduction, footnotes, or appendix.

A number of printing firms and individuals engaged in fine printing have remembered The John M. Wing Foundation with books, brochures, broadsides, announcements, and the like, all of which materially add to the practical value and usefulness of our rapidly-growing typographical collection.

The Library has passed through nearly forty years of its history without possessing a book-plate worthy of the name to mark the books bought from the general fund. Through the generosity of Mr. John A. Spoor this deficiency has been supplied and the Library now has an appropriate and handsome bookplate, designed and engraved by Sidney L. Smith, of Boston, one of the foremost living creators of bookplates. The plate carries the portrait of Walter Loomis Newberry, a facsimile of his signature, the motto of the Library, the date of its founding, and symbols suggestive of History and Literature, the two principal subjects of the Library's collections.

Of the books purchased during the year, exclusive of periodicals and continuations, 374 were added to our collection on slavery and the war between the states; 299 relate to music; 112 were American local histories; 211 were family histories; 64 dealt with English topography; 108 were English plays, chiefly of the period 1660-1750; 76 were United States army registers, all from a collection made by an army officer, some now very difficult to obtain; 27 were Icelandic texts; 43 "life-time" or early editions of DeFoe; 31 of a similar character of Swift; and no less than 87 were English books printed before 1641 (34 of them before 1600). In the purchase of these older and rarer books the needs of our readers for the new works relevant to the specialized fields of the Library have by no means been neglected, as 1,085 of the year's purchases were volumes which have been published less than eighteen months.

Among the more notable books acquired by purchase for the general collections are the following: (1) Augustinus, Saint [Miscellaneous Treatises in Latin]. A manuscript written in England, probably at St. Albans, early in the XII century. This is our first specimen of English book hand. (2) Bruni, Leonardo, Aretino, *The Historie . . . . concerning the Warres betweene the Imperialles and the Gothes . . . . translated by Arthur Goldyng . . . .*, 1563. (3) Bandello, Matteo, *Certaine Tragicall Discourses . . . . Translated by Geoffrey Fenton . . . .* 1567. (4) Boswell, James, *The Life of Samuel Johnson, LL.D.*, 2 vols., 1791, first edition. The copy

formerly owned by Frances Boscawen with her autograph. (5) Byrd, William, *Psalmes, Sonets, & Songs of Sadnes and Pietie, made into Musicke of Five Parts*. . . . , 1588. (6) Froissart, Jean, . . . . *The Cronycles of Englande, Fraunce, Spayne* . . . . *Translated by John Bouchier, Lorde Berners* . . . . 2 vols. in 1, 1525. (7) Hall, Edward, *The Vnion of the Two Noble and Illustre Famelies of Lancastre & Yorke* . . . . 1550. First edition with Grafton's continuation. (8) Monipennie, John, *The Abridgement or Summarie of the Scots Chronicles* . . . . , Edinburgh, 1633. (9) Polo, Marco, . . . . *Le Meravigliose cose del Mondo per lui Uedute* . . . . , Venice [1555]. (10) Shakespeare, William, *The Plays and Poems* . . . . , edited by Samuel Johnson, Philadelphia, 1795-96, 8 vols. First American edition of Shakespeare's works and the first published outside of the British Isles. (11) *De Rebus Gestis*, Oxford, 1640. A little work of an author who signed himself "E. S.," and who, it is thought, may be Edmund Spenser. This later edition supplements the edition printed by Henry Binneman, in London, about 1582, a copy of which was given to the Library in 1922 by Mr. Carpenter. (12) Vergilius Maro, Publius . . . . *Eclogues, with his Booke De Apibus concerning the Government and Ordering of Bees*, 1633. (13) Trogus Pompeius, *Thabridgment of the Histories of* . . . . *Collected and Wrytten in the Laten Tonge, by the Famous Historiographer Iustine, and Translated into English by Arthur Goldyng*, 1564. (14) Sallustius Crispus, C. *Workes* . . . . *contayning The Conspiracie of Cateline, the Warre of Iugurth* [etc.], 1629. (15) *Cato Variiegatus; or Catoes Morall Distichs: Translated* . . . . *by Sr. Richard Baker*, 1636. (16) *The Bible, that is, the Holy Scriptures contened in the Olde and Newe Testament* . . . . London, Christopher Barker, 1576. An earlier edition of the Geneva version than the Library previously possessed. (17) *The New Testament in Englishe, after the Greeke Translation annexed with the Translation of Erasmus in Latin* . . . . London, Thomas Gualtier, 1550. Fourth edition of Tyndale's English version with the translation of Erasmus in Latin. (18) *The New Testament* . . . . *faithfully translated into English* . . . . *By the English Colledge then Resident in Rhemes* . . . . , Antwerp, 1600.



Second edition of the Roman Catholic version of the New Testament in English. (19) *The New Testament of Our Lord and Saviour . . . .* London, 1631, black letter. (20) *Inivncions geven, by the Most Excellent Prince, Edward the Sixte, . . . . to all and Singuler his louyng Subiectes* [1547]. (21) *Certaine Sermons Appoynted by the Queenes Maiestie to be Declared and Readde . . . . euery Sunday and Holy Daye . . . .*, 1574. (22) Calvin, Jean, *The Comentaries of, vpon the first Epistle of Sainct Ihon, and vpon the Epistle of Jude . . . . Tr. into Englishe by W. H.* [1560?]. (23) Luther, Martin, *Commentarie of, vpon the Epistle of S. Paul to the Galathians*, 1577. (24) *Trans-Continental, A Newspaper published daily on the Pullman Hotel Express between Boston and San Francisco*, edited by W. R. Steele. Complete file of 12 issues, May 24 to July 4, 1870. This newspaper was written, printed, and published aboard the first through trans-continental train. The train carried the representatives of the Boston Board of Trade.

The Library also acquired a collection of about 1,200 Dutch historical pamphlets of the sixteenth, seventeenth, and eighteenth centuries, many of them dealing with Dutch colonial matters in America.

From the very first we have endeavored in the acquisition of typographical material for the John M. Wing Foundation to maintain a just proportion between old books and later works which describe, explain, and illustrate these primary sources. But as it is always more important to have available the original data than secondary interpretation of that data, we have from the first laid particular emphasis upon the acquisition of the monuments of the early press. Our progress along this line has been summarized in previous annual reports, the three book-buying trips to Europe of Dr. Butler, the custodian of the Foundation, contributing very markedly to the results achieved. During the past year, however, it has seemed advisable to transfer our interest to the accumulation of secondary works and we have been especially fortunate, for this purpose, in the appearance in the market of a large amount of such matter. Two important printer's libraries were sold at auction in New York and certain

London dealers have also issued special catalogues of typographical material. From all these sources our purchases during the past year have been so extensive that our collection of secondary material has attained such a point that it will probably be well for a number of years to devote again the major portion of our resources to the further acquisition of original material.

Included in the year's purchases for the Wing Foundation are 179 type specimen books and approximately four hundred works of general and special bibliography, treatises on the invention of printing, and histories of the press in local districts. Yet with this emphasis on the acquisition of secondary material, as necessary working tools in the use of the original source material already accumulated, we have not failed to take advantage of several unusual opportunities which have arisen for acquiring a number of outstanding works of extreme rarity and importance.

Among such acquisitions may be mentioned the following: (1) Lyndewood, William. *Constitutiones Provinciales*, Oxford, Theodoric Rood [1483]. A press and a city heretofore unrepresented in our collection, to say nothing of the value of the text of this old English classic. (2) Innocentius VIII, pope. *Bulla Canonisationis Sancti Leopoldi*. Vienna (Printer of the 1482 Vocabulista) [c. 1485]. Our first Austrian incunabulum. (3) *Sermones Sensati*, Gouda, Gerardus Leeu, 1482. A new press and a new city. (4) *Brevarium Monasticum Sancti Benedicti*, ed. Bartholomaeus de Mantua, Venice, Andreas Torresanus, 1491. A tiny incunabulum,  $3\frac{1}{4} \times 2\frac{3}{8}$  inches, which we do not find described by any bibliographer. (5) Dürer, Albrecht, *Des . . . Herrn Maximillians . . . zu Lob und ewiger Gedächtniss*, Vienna, Raphael Hofhalter [1559]. (6) Straet, Jan van der (Stradanus) *Nova Reperta*, Antwerp [1600?]. One of the 19 engravings, showing the interior of a printing shop, is a source document of the utmost importance. (7) *Horae B. V. Mariae ad usum Romanum*, Paris, 1505, and *Heures à l'usage de Rome*, Paris [c. 1524], both from the press of Jean Hardouin, the former uncolored, the latter with miniatures by Germain Hardouin. The Wing Foundation also acquired new and immaculate copies of the folio *Dante*,

Chelsea, 1900, and the *Faerie Queene*, Chelsea, 1923, both from the Ashendene Press, and done in the type copied from the Subiaco *Lactantius*, of 1465, a copy of the original edition of which was acquired in 1923 and is now cherished as one of our most precious possessions.

Much work has also been accomplished in bibliographical investigation both of what we have and of what we may best acquire to round out our collections. The catalogue record of our incunabula has been completed and revised and substantial progress made toward a census of all the sixteenth-century woodcut books in the various departments of the Library. The latter, of course, must be completed before we can attempt any extensive purchases in this important field of typographical development.

Among the important additions to the Edward E. Ayer Collection are the following: (1) Apianus, Petrus, *Cosmographie*, Antwerp, G. Bontio, 1545. (2) Casas, Bartolomé de las, *Newe Welt. Warhafftige Anzeigung . . . .* n.p., 1597. (3) Gibson, James, *Journal of the late Siege . . . . of Louisbourg*. London, J. Newbery, 1745. (4) *Treaty held . . . . at the Town of Lancaster with some Chiefs of the Six Nations . . . .* July, 1748. Philadelphia, B. Franklin, 1748. (5) Penn, John . . . . *Proclamation* [prohibiting settlement on lands not yet purchased of the Indians], Philadelphia, Hall and Sellers, 1773. Broadside. (6) *Shocking Murder by the Savages of Mr. Darius Barber's Family in Georgia . . . .* n.p., n.d. Broadside. (7) Hadley, Lewis F., *Indian Sign Talk*. [Chicago, 1893.] (8) Scoresby, William. *Seven Log Books Concerning the Arctic Voyages of . . . .* New York, 1917. Facsimiles of the original manuscripts. Gift of the Explorers' Club of New York. (9) *The Death Song of the Cherokee Indians*. London(?), c. 1790. English words and music.

The Ayer Collection's already extensive collection of narratives of Indian captivity has been increased by the addition of the following items during the year: (1) Fleming, William, *Eine Erzählung von den Trübsalen . . . . so geschehen an William Fleming und dessen Weib Elizabeth*. Germanto[w]n, C. Sauer, 1756. (2) Bickerstaff's *Almanack for . . . . 1788 . . . . To which is added*

*A Surprising Account of the Discovery of a Lady who was taken by the Indians in the year 1777 . . .* [signed, Abraham Panther], Norwich, J. Trumbull, [1787]. (3) [Panther, Abraham], *A very Surprising Narrative of a Young Woman . . . Taken by the Indians . . .* n.p. 1812. (4) Davis, John, *The Post-Captain; or, The Wooden Walls Well Manned . . .* London, T. Tegg, 1806. (5) Another edition of the foregoing, Brooklyn, Spooner & Slight, 1813, which contains the captivity of Thomas Keith. (6) *Indian Anecdotes and Barbarities. . . .* Barre, Mass. Gazette Office, 1837. (7) *Narrative of the Extraordinary Life of John Conrad Shafford . . .* New York, C. L. Carpenter, 1841. (8) Stratton, R. B., *Captivity of the Oatman Girls . . .* Salem, Ore., 1909.

To the collection of overland journeys the following have been added: (1) Ables, T. J., Letter giving an account of trip across the plains. Oct. 12, 1857. Typewritten copy. (2) Ashley, Mrs. Algeline (Jackson), Diary of . . . crossing the plains. 1852. Typewritten copy. (3) Cox, C. C. *Notes and Memoranda of an Overland Trip from Texas to California in the year 1849*. Photostat copy of the MS. (4) Hofstatler, —; Diary of an overland journey from the Trinity River, Texas, to California, 1867. Photostat copy from the original in the Henry E. Huntington Library. (5) Newcomb, Silas. Journal of an overland trip to California and Oregon, 1850-51. Photostat copy. (6) Standage, Henry. Journal of . . . with the Mormon Battalion, 1846-47. Typewritten copy. (7) Wilkinson, J. A. Journey across the plains in 1859. MS.

The Ayer Collection has also acquired twenty small original drawings by Awa Tsireh, otherwise known as Alfonso Roybal, a San Ildefonso Indian, showing the various dances given at the pueblo of San Ildefonso, and one large drawing, about 3×5 feet, of the Eagle Dance, which has been framed and permanently hung. These drawings, as elsewhere stated in this report, have constituted an important feature of one of the year's exhibitions.

Among the manuscripts acquired are: (1) Buckner, Washington P., Account of a Voyage on the Ship *Constitution* from New York to Manila Bay. 1844. (2) Pennsylvania. Commonwealth.

Land warrant to Samuel Pleasants . . . signed by Benjamin Franklin, June 21, 1787. (3) Logan, James. Letter to John Wright and Samuel Blunston. Philadelphia, Sept. 2, 1799. (4) Gaines, Edmund Pendleton, A.L.S. to Governor Pickens of Alabama regarding a treaty with the Creek and Seminole Indians, Creek Agency, July 4, 1825. (5) Jesup, Thomas Sidney, L.S. to Governor C. C. Clay of Alabama, Tampa, Nov. 17, 1836.

In exchange relations with the Henry E. Huntington Library we have received from that institution photostats of twenty-one printed colonial treaties with the Indians, of nineteen portolan atlases, and of six portolan charts, and have sent to that library photostats of originals in the Ayer Collection of eight manuscript Indian treaties on vellum, three printed colonial treaties, nine portolan atlases, twelve portolan charts, and a copy of Leonardo Dati's *La Spera* of the early fifteenth century. We have also received from the New York Public Library a photostatic copy of Lescarbot's *La Conversion des Sauvages* [1610], and have sent it a photostat of our copy of the same author's *Relation Derniere*, 1612.

To our transcripts we have added during the year 12 volumes (5,449 pages) from the Mexican archives and 1,159 documents (13,252 pages) from the Spanish archives. These additions make the total number of pages of transcripts now in the Collection 157,181.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

The total number of persons recorded as using the Library during the past year was 51,892, an average of 4,324 a month, or of 167 a day for the 308 days of 1925 on which it was open for use. This total yearly attendance is a decrease of 7,597 over 1924. January was the heaviest month in point of attendance, with 4,964 readers; June the lightest, with 3,453. The largest attendance, 305, was on November 6, the smallest, 38, on December 24. Day attendance was 34,483; evening attendance, 17,409. The number of volumes used by readers was 188,497, an increase of 4,035 over 1924. The largest number of books, 1,395, was used on March 21; the smallest number, 181, on September 7. Daytime

use of books was 112,001; evening use, 76,496. According to the foregoing figures the evening readers seem to have made more extensive use of the Library's resources than did the day readers, for 33 per cent of the readers in the evenings used 40 per cent of all the books used. The number of volumes on the open shelves in the general reading room is 13,595, very little change in number from last year. Seven hundred fifty-four new books were added and 657 withdrawn. No accurate count of the number of these books consulted is practicable, as readers were constantly withdrawing and replacing them without bringing them to the delivery desk. As stated in previous reports, approximately 50 per cent of the general reference work is done with the material in the open-shelf collection, and the work represented in the other 50 per cent is that which calls forth the real resources of the Library.

The photostat service begun about three years ago, through which it is possible for patrons, either in Chicago or at a distance, to obtain at a moderate cost photostatic reproductions of literary material in the Library, has grown so rapidly that now it is one of the most important features of our public service. The work done runs the whole gamut, from the copying of a single crest or coat of arms to the reproduction of entire volumes for kindred institutions, such as the exchanges elsewhere reported between this Library and the Henry E. Huntington Library and the New York Public Library. To the latter institution we are loaning, a volume at a time, our photostatic reproduction of the twelve volumes of Joseph Hunter's *Chorus Vatum Anglicanorum*, obtained from the British Museum in 1916, in order that that library may make photostatic copies for itself, and at the same time for the Library of Congress, Yale University Library, and the Library of the University of Pennsylvania.

The wider use of our resources by advanced students and by persons engaged in authorship, is commented on by Mr. Merrill, in his report as Head of our Public Service Department. The almost daily use of the Library by students at Crane Junior College, who are pursuing courses in history, has led to certain modifications in the arrangement of reference material better

to meet their needs, and we foresee the possibility of further use of our material by junior college students, as this recently established branch of our school system is extended.

The Department of Genealogy and Local History has maintained its accustomed popularity, 26.5 per cent of the total number of the year's readers being recorded there. More than a dozen professional genealogical research workers use our collection practically daily, and, as stated in recent reports, their professional investigations could not be conducted in Chicago were it not for this department of The Newberry Library. In addition, many individuals use our material for establishing claims to membership in patriotic societies, in compiling ancestral charts, and in making various studies involving accurate and detailed local historical data.

Early in the year the major portion of the bound volumes of music scores, of which the Library possesses some 6,500 volumes, was transferred from the first-floor stacks to a room on the fourth floor, especially equipped to give more convenient service to advanced students of music. A piano was also placed in the room to be available for those who wished to try out pieces of music found in our collection. This service has been availed of by enough serious students to encourage us in the belief that the experiment warrants further development.

The service rendered by the Ayer Collection has been substantially along the same lines as in previous years, but the number of readers served is about 18 per cent larger than in 1924. Most of the requests naturally relate to the Indians, their languages, customs, religions, and ceremonies. Some of the most important photostat service rendered by the Library was, as heretofore, in connection with the Ayer Collection.

In its public service the Wing Foundation has also shown an enlargement of the work described in previous reports rather than extension into new fields. Among our readers are typographical designers, and bibliographers, as well as many students and craftsmen of the printing arts. Several prominent bookmen from out of town have appeared in the course of the year and

many pupils from the local schools have made group visits with their teachers, as regular class exercises.

*Mail and telephone inquiries.*—Complete statistics are not kept of information given inquirers over the telephone, nor of the letters written in response to requests for literary and historical data from persons living at a distance, or unable to visit the Library, but we have current record of 1,419 telephone calls satisfactorily answered, and 523 written communications sent out from the Librarian's office, containing carefully compiled data supplied by reference assistants. Both these forms of service constitute a part of the daily routine, and should receive due consideration in estimating the usefulness of the Library to the community.

*Inter-library loans.*—We received sixty-six applications asking for the loan of 142 volumes. Some of these were for books which the Library did not possess, and our general and special obligations toward scholars in Chicago obliged us to decline a number of requests. Extenuating circumstances, however, seemed to warrant exceptional consideration in a number of cases, and the Library loaned, for a limited period, usually two weeks, sixty-three books to thirty other institutions.

*Exhibitions.*—Five exhibitions have been held during the year, three in the main exhibition room on the second floor and two in the rooms of the Edward E. Ayer Collection.

1. The first exhibition of the year in the Ayer Collection was of Indian treaties, both manuscript and printed. Documents shown covered the period from 1677, when a treaty was made with the Virginia Indians, down to the early seventies of the last century when the United States Government ceased making treaties with the Indians. In this exhibit were included fifteen printed colonial treaties, six of them with Franklin imprints, seven original manuscripts on vellum of treaties between the Oneida Indians and the State of New York, one vellum manuscript treaty of 1805 between the United States and the Wyandot and other Indians made to clear the title to the lands in the Western Reserve, one manuscript treaty in the handwriting of Thomas



Paine, a report on a Cherokee treaty written by John Howard Payne, and a treaty negotiated by Albert Pike between the Confederate States of America and certain western tribes.

2. The second exhibition in the Ayer Collection, still on display as the year closes, is of Indian dances. It includes some twenty drawings of Awa Tsireh, the acquisition of which is elsewhere mentioned in this report, some Indian drawings of Hopi Kachinas, copies of Iroquois dance masks by R. A. Grider, prints of Indian dances by Catlin, Maximilian, Schoolcraft, and drawings by Baron von Waldeck, Karl Bodmer, and Frank Blackwell Mayer.

3. The first exhibition installed in the new equipment in the main exhibition room, mentioned elsewhere in this report, was a collection of European travel posters and early travel books. This display was set up in June and remained until September. The bright lithographed posters, arranged in the wall cases, gave a pleasing bit of color that set off nicely the more somber hues of the veterans holding the places of honor in the floor cases.

4. The posters and the travel books gave way to the third annual loan exhibit of the "Fifty Books" of the year, and the second annual exhibit of "Commercial Printing," both arranged and sent about the country under the auspices of the American Institute of Graphic Arts. These exhibits were held here from September 21 to October 15. This display of the fifty "Best Books" of the year is becoming a regular annual affair, not only for Chicago but for The Newberry Library, as all three of these exhibitions have, upon invitation, been held here. The interest in them is steadily increasing from season to season. This year the exhibits were not only visited by many appreciative individuals, but also by numerous groups which came by special arrangement. All these groups were accompanied by experts or instructors who lectured to them on the various features of the exhibits, in addition to the brief talks given either by the librarian or some member of the staff.

5. The year closes with an exhibit of some one hundred and

twenty-five of our fifteenth-century books chosen to illustrate the development of the printed book during its first fifty years, 1450-1500. This exhibition, largely composed of choice material from the John M. Wing Foundation, was arranged by, and the catalogue of it compiled by, Dr. Pierce Butler, the Custodian of the Foundation. A private view, preceding the public opening, was held on the evening of November 6, and Professor James Westfall Thompson, of the University of Chicago, gave an illuminating lecture on "The Invention of Printing." He very kindly repeated this lecture at the Library, on the evening of November 25, to a group of 140 graduate students of the history and literature departments of the University of Chicago. Several other groups have also visited the exhibition by special arrangement. An effective poster, announcing this exhibition, was designed and printed by Mr. Ernst Detterer, head of the department of the school of printing arts of the Art Institute of Chicago, and displayed in the libraries, bookshops, and other appropriate places about town.

*Publications.*—The following publications were prepared and issued:

1. Report of the Trustees of The Newberry Library for the year 1924. 47 pages. Printed from type. 1,050 copies.

2. Staff Directory, Revised to June 1, 1925. 8 pages. Multigraphed. 75 copies.

3. List of the Publications of The Newberry Library, 1919-24. 8 pages. Multigraphed. 200 copies.

4. The First Fifty Years of the Printed Book: 1450-1500. Notes descriptive of an exhibition. 17 pages. Printed from type. 1,500 copies.

5. Class B— Religions, Philosophy of Religion, Folk-Lore, Ethnic Religions. 237 pages. Multigraphed. 150 copies. A check-list of the Library's holdings in these subjects.

Of these and former publications of the Library, a total of 2,320 copies were distributed to persons and institutions known to be directly interested in the subject matter.

## TECHNICAL WORK AND PROCESSES

During 1925 a total of 8,504 books, pamphlets, and manuscripts was added to the permanent collections, bringing the total number in all departments of the Library on December 15, 1925, to 434,086. Of the number added in 1925, 5,134 were acquired by purchase from the general book appropriation. These purchases do not include 1,452 items added to the Ayer Collection and 604 to the Wing Foundation. Selected gifts amounted to 705 volumes and 609 volumes of United States Government documents were permanently deposited.

The Catalogue Department reports show that 5,163 new titles have been catalogued in complete form, as against 4,449 in 1924. Cards for 2,549 titles were multigraphed, as against 1,917 in 1924, this work involving the actual multigraphing of 37,181 cards. These titles represent works for which the printed cards of the Library of Congress were not procurable. The Library used 19,225 "L.C." cards, as against 15,716 in 1924. Our multigraphed cards are subscribed for by six libraries, and two sets for the last year and three sets for the year preceding are held in reserve to meet the needs of any other institutions which may wish to subscribe.

The general Catalogue Department has continued to catalogue the acquisitions of the Ayer Collection. This work is practically up to date, and considerable progress has been made in cataloguing the Wing Foundation acquisitions. Nearly all books added to the general collections during the year are already catalogued.

The Public Author Catalogue now contains 291,069 cards, representing 182,787 titles and 40,428 analytics. These are the permanent cards; it contains in addition 24,471 temporary cards.

## THE BINDERY

The operations associated with the binding and repairing of the books, as has been pointed out in previous annual reports, fall into two distinct groups. One comprises the details connected with the designation of the nature and kind of binding to be put

on books received unbound, and the assembling of the requisite parts and numbers of periodical publications, the withdrawal of worn or broken volumes from the shelves for necessary repairs, etc., the delivery to, and receipt of this material from the Bindery, and the keeping of systematic records of these facts. These operations are performed by members of the Library staff.

The Bindery proper deals exclusively with the second group of operations, i.e., those having to do with the technical treatment of a book by the binders from the time of its receipt in an unbound condition until its return, newly bound or repaired, to the Library assistants. In the Bindery, it is collated, assembled by signatures, sewed, bound in cloth, leather, pigskin, or board cover, gilded, stamped, labeled, etc. All of this, of course, is done by skilled artisans under the direction of an experienced chief.

During the year 4,651 books and pamphlets were newly bound, as compared with 4,889 in 1924; 1,056 repaired and re-lettered, as compared with 1,063 last year; 1,255 maps were mounted on muslin; 235 book and document boxes were made. As in former years the Bindery has also performed many other services whose direct results contribute to keeping our books in good present condition and to their length of life. Under these miscellaneous services fall such activities as the making of periodical binders and holders, the covering of publications printed on the multigraph, the repairs of the genealogical indexes and shelf-lists, the making of dummies from strips of cardboard, the cutting up of Library of Congress proof-sheets, etc. The Bindery, as in past years, has supplied the Library with a variety of devices and apparatus which greatly add to the ease, economy, and convenience of service.

Under the direction of the Head of the Bindery, 56,148 catalogue cards and guides were printed on the multigraph, 150 copies of a Library publication, consisting of 237 pages, were printed on the multigraph and bound, and about 83,700 official forms, blanks, and application slips were printed.

### EXHIBITION ROOM

During the year the Exhibition Room on the second floor has been provided with new equipment throughout. This has included ten flat-top floor exhibit cases, and thirty-two wall cases, so constructed that they may be used to display either books or prints, maps or other similar objects. The walls of the room have been paneled, the structural pillars encased and paneled, and the steam radiators also encased. Tables, benches, chairs, attendant's desk, and other pieces of furniture, in keeping with the general scheme for the room, have also been especially provided. The room and its furnishings are in grey fumed oak, with natural finish, waxed, similar in general effect to the rooms of the John M. Wing Foundation, which are adjacent. The installation of the new equipment was completed in June and the room was at once put into public service, the first exhibition being one of travel posters and early travel books commented on elsewhere in this report.

### THE LIBRARY STAFF

The number of authorized positions in the classified staff, that is, positions for which appropriations are annually made, was forty; two more than in 1924. Five members of the staff resigned during the year: Miss Mary Keyes, Miss Gertrude Blair, Miss Leon Luther, Mrs. Ethel Corbin, and Rudolph Guenther, all of the Catalogue Department.

Additions to the staff, all to the Catalogue Department, include Miss Ruth Chandler, Miss Clara Ricketts, Miss Helen Young, Miss Hilda Rayson, and Miss Thelma Pons. Notwithstanding these changes, a full staff has been maintained the major part of the year, and the routine machinery has been less disrupted than in several recent years. There has been only one lengthy absence on account of illness.

The Annual Conference of the American Library Association was held at Seattle, Washington, the second week of July, and was attended by the Librarian, Miss Baker, head cataloguer, and Miss Dowle, Librarian's secretary. The Librarian, Mr. Merrill, head of Public Service Department, and Miss Dowle also attend-

ed the annual meeting of the Illinois Library Association, at Rockford, the middle of October. The Librarian has served as president of the state association during the past year. As usual, he has made a number of local addresses on the work of the Library, and served on several local committees, as well as on a number of committees in the American Library Association. On March 24 Miss Watson gave an address on "Bookbindings" before the College Club of Gary. Rather more than the usual number of articles in regard to various aspects of the Library's work have appeared in the local newspapers, and we again express our appreciation of the friendly co-operation of the representatives of the press.

The Librarian, in conclusion, wishes to express his sincere appreciation of the continued cordial co-operation and courtesy uniformly extended to him by every member of the Board of Trustees.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. UTLEY, *Librarian*

## STATISTICS OF PRINCIPAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS 1925

### I. NUMBER OF READERS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	31,775
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	13,756
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	591
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	4,787
5. John M. Wing Foundation . . . . .	846
6. Music Room . . . . .	<u>137</u>
Total readers . . . . .	51,892

### II. RECORDED USE OF BOOKS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	66,274
2. History and Genealogy . . . . .	115,233
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	2,789
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	161
5. John M. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>4,040</u>
Total volumes . . . . .	188,497

### III. BOOK SELECTION AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATIONS

1. Titles investigated . . . . .	9,652
2. Titles selected . . . . .	4,683
3. Volumes represented by titles selected . . . . .	6,990
4. Official lists of selected titles typed and submitted to the Committee on Books . . . . .	111
5. Order cards typed or written . . . . .	4,730
6. Bibliographical questions investigated, and answered, for other divisions of the Library service, for other libraries, and for readers . . . . .	132

### IV. CLASSIFICATION

1. Purchases . . . . .	5,134
2. Gifts . . . . .	705
3. United States documents . . . . .	609
4. Edward E. Ayer Collection . . . . .	1,452
5. John M. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>604</u>
Total volumes and pamphlets classed . . . . .	8,504

## V. CATALOGUING (CURRENT ACCESSIONS)

1. New titles catalogued and revised.....	5,163
2. New volumes catalogued and revised:	
<i>a</i> ) Volumes represented by above titles.....	5,656
<i>b</i> ) Volumes of continuations.....	1,088
3. New analytics (included in titles).....	1,015
4. New cards prepared:	
<i>a</i> ) For the Public Author Catalogue.....	10,339
<i>b</i> ) For the Official Author Catalogue.....	11,003
<i>c</i> ) For the Subject Catalogue.....	10,733
<i>d</i> ) For the Official Name List.....	3,514
<i>e</i> ) For the Wing Catalogue.....	921
<i>f</i> ) For the Ayer Catalogue.....	305
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Total new cards prepared and revised.....	36,815

## VI. RECATALOGUING (PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE)

1. Titles.....	243
2. Volumes represented.....	239
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	7,352
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	138
5. Number of cards prepared.....	412
6. Number of temporary cards prepared.....	3,786
7. Name-list cards.....	359

## VII. PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE

1. Titles.....	182,787
2. Volumes.....	276,692
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	49,764
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	40,428
5. Cross references.....	34,645
6. Number of cards.....	291,069
7. Number of temporary cards.....	24,471

## VIII. STATISTICS OF CARDS FILED IN LIBRARY CATALOGUES AND INDEXES

1. Official Author Catalogue:	
<i>a</i> ) New cards added.....	11,317
<i>b</i> ) New cards substituted for old.....	550
<i>c</i> ) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled	10,440
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	316,850



2. Public Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	10,471
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	1,895
Total cards in this catalogue.....	291,069
3. Official Name List:	
a) New cards added.....	3,661
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	528
Total cards in this catalogue.....	119,306
4. Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	11,598
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	10,389
c) Cards deducted.....	6,634
Total cards in this catalogue.....	93,532
5. Alphabetical Subject Catalogue for Genealogy and Local History:	
a) New cards added.....	2,140
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	81
Total cards in this catalogue.....	15,572
6. Wing Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	143
b) New volumes.....	181
c) New analytics (included in titles).....	19
d) New cards.....	687
e) Cards revised and refiled.....	54
Total cards in this catalogue.....	4,957
7. Ayer Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	159
b) New volumes.....	224
c) New analytics.....	10
d) New cards.....	301
8. Library of Congress "Proof-Sheet" Catalogue:	
New entries filed:	
a) Under authors.....	43,500
b) Under added entries.....	3,314
Total cards in this catalogue.....	722,880

## IX. PREPARATION OF BOOKS FOR BINDING, REPAIRS, ETC.

1.	Volumes delivered to the Bindery:	
	a) New acquisitions (including serials and newspapers) . . . . .	2,269
	b) Volumes removed from shelves for repair, etc. . . . .	1,238
2.	Volumes returned from the Bindery, newly bound, rebound, and repaired. . . . .	3,241

## X. BINDERY

1.	Binding:	
	a) Volumes bound in half-morocco . . . . .	320
	b) Volumes bound in cloth . . . . .	3,455
	c) Volumes of newspapers bound . . . . .	243
	d) Pamphlets bound in "Newberry Binding" . . . . .	633
	Total newly bound volumes . . . . .	4,651
	e) Volumes repaired and relettered . . . . .	1,056
	f) Pamphlet boxes . . . . .	235
	g) Volumes on which "call-numbers" were gilded . . . . .	5,124
	h) Bookplates pasted in books . . . . .	9,293
	i) Volumes on which name of the Library was gilded . . . . .	5,305
	j) Maps mounted on cloth . . . . .	1,255
	k) Illustrations, plates, charts, etc., "guarded" . . . . .	6,711
2.	Multigraph Printing:	
	a) Catalogue cards and guides . . . . .	8,917
	b) Total cards . . . . .	56,148
	c) Library forms, blanks, application slips, etc., multigraphed	83,700
	d) Library publications . . . . .	425
3.	Supplies:	
	a) Blank catalogue cards cut from stock and punched . . . . .	5,000
	b) Memorandum slips cut from stock and punched . . . . .	25,000

## XI. INCREASE IN THE LIBRARY

1.	Purchases . . . . .	5,134
2.	Gifts:	
	a) Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	700
	b) Classed without accessioning . . . . .	5
	c) British India—Public Documents . . . . .	0
	d) United States—Public Documents . . . . .	609
3.	Edward E. Ayer Collection . . . . .	1,452
4.	John M. Wing Foundation . . . . .	604

## XII. CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

1. Entered in the Accession Record.....	342,657
2. Classed without accessioning.....	240
3. British India documents (1912-date).....	2,248
4. United States public documents.....	12,035
5. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
6. Edward E. Ayer Collection.....	48,502
7. John M. Wing Foundation.....	2,957
8. John M. Wing Bequest.....	3,793
Total volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc.....	434,086

## XIII. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1925

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

### CONTENTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SECTIONS

	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1924	Volumes and Pamphlets Transfers	Volumes and Pamphlets Added 1925	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1925
General Reference.....	2,722	+3	74	2,799
Periodicals.....	18,070		145	18,215
Newspapers.....	5,348		157	5,505
Academies.....	2,357	+1	14	2,372
Philosophy.....	4,308	-29	67	4,346
Religion.....	17,480	-6	174	17,648
Church History.....	11,288		132	11,420
Biography.....	13,544	-1	306	13,849
Genealogy.....	7,298	-1	211	7,508
History.....	43,013	+45	1,352	44,410
Geography and Travel.....	10,698	+7	169	10,874
Economics.....	22,621	-7	188	22,802
Sociology.....	4,901		22	4,923
Education.....	11,416	-1	115	11,530
Civil Government.....	14,629		367	14,996
Law and Legislation.....	17,027		182	17,209
Science and Technology.....	16,395	-54	29	16,370
Military and Naval Arts.....	3,373	-1	161	3,533
Sports.....	1,033		8	1,041
Theater.....	682		29	711
Music.....	13,288		299	13,587
Thomas Collection.....	566	0	0	566
Fine Arts.....	11,058	-1	123	11,180
Language and Philology.....	10,970		176	11,146
Literature.....	34,637	+4	973	35,614
Literary Biography.....	2,768	+1	112	2,881
Bibliography.....	19,140		254	19,394
Totals.....	320,630	-40	5,839	326,429

XIV. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1925  
(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

	Vols. and pphs. Dec. 31, 1925
1. Classified sections (carried).....	326,429
2. E. E. Ayer Collection (including 18 incunabula).....	48,502
3. Bonaparte Library (including 14 incunabula).....	18,212
4. East Asiatic collection.....	21,654
5. John M. Wing Foundation (including 794 incunabula).....	2,957
6. John M. Wing Bequest (including 4 incunabula).....	3,793
7. United States Documents: Government classification.....	9,429
8. Unclassified lots (estimated):	
a) Bibliographical museum (including 248 incunabula).....	1,368
b) Bonaparte supplement.....	702
c) Pamphlet material (accessioned).....	1,014
d) Reserved duplicates.....	26
Total.....	434,086

XV. NAMES OF DONORS, 1925

	Vols.	Pams.
Adams, Randolph G., Ann Arbor, <i>Mich.</i> . . . . .	1	
Adams, Spencer L., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Ahern, <i>Miss M. E.</i> , Chicago . . . . .		1
Allen, Mortimer O., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Andersen, Arthur O., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Ayer, Edward E., Chicago . . . . . 1 map, 4 photographs	22	8
Baldwin, Evelyn B., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> , box of MS material and typewritten MS . . . . . 5 photostats		16
Banning, <i>Miss Kate</i> , Cincinnati, <i>Ohio</i> . . . . .	1	
Barnhart Bros. and Spindler, Chicago . . . . .		6
Batchelder, Samuel F., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .		1
Bates, Albert C., Hartford, <i>Conn.</i> . . . . .		1
Bay, J. Christian, Chicago . . . . .	5	
Behrends, <i>Mrs. Cora E.</i> , Dallas, <i>Tex.</i> . . . . .		1
Bent, George P., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .	1	
Berliner Bibliophilen-Abend, Berlin, <i>Germany</i> . . . . .	1	
Blakely Printing Co., Chicago . . . . .		10
Bone, Robert Edgar, Tallula, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Bransfort, C. W., Owensboro, <i>Ky.</i> . . . . .	1	
Brown, <i>Prof. Arthur C. L.</i> , Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Buchanan, E. S., Mt. Kisco, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		1
Burchard, Edward L., Chicago . . . . .		1
Burton, <i>Dr. Ernest DeWitt</i> , Chicago . . . . .	1	
Campbell, <i>Mrs. James H.</i> , Grand Rapids, <i>Mich.</i> 2 original letters written by W. L. Newberry		
Canada-Geological Survey—Dept. of Mines . . . . .	1	1
Carpenter, Frederic Ives, Chicago . . . . .	3	
Carpenter, <i>Mrs. Frederic Ives</i> , Chicago . . . . .	38	1
Chandler, Milford, Chicago . . . . . 30 photographs		
Chatfield-Taylor, H. C., Lake Forest, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Chicago Architectural League, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Chicago Civic Opera Co., Chicago . . . . .	4	
Chicago Daily News, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Chicago Literary Club, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Childs, James B., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .		1
Clark, William Andrews, Jr., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .	1	
Clarke, <i>Mrs. Helen A.</i> , Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .		7
Cliff Dwellers, Chicago . . . . .		1
Cody, Luther M., Frostproof, <i>Fla.</i> . . . . .		1
Coe, W. R., New York City . . . . .	1	

	Vols.	Pams.
Cole, George Watson, Pasadena, <i>Calif</i> .....		I
Cook, W. Burt, Jr., Brooklyn, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		typewritten MS
Corbett, E. Clark, Clarion, <i>Pa.</i> .....		I
Crane, Verner W., Providence, <i>R.I.</i> .....		I
Crone, Frank L., Kendallville, <i>Ind.</i> .....	I	
Cushing, Mrs. W. T., Chicago....	1	pkg of geneal. MS material
Custer, Milo, Bloomington, <i>Ill.</i> .....		2
Denig, Dr. Rudolf, New York City.....	I	
Dixon, Dr. Joseph K., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> .....		I
Donnelley, R. R. & Sons Co., Chicago.....	I	
Dossert, Mrs. Frank G., New York City.....	I	
Downing, Lena Allen, Chicago.....		I
Dulaney, Benjamin L., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	I	
Dutt, R. N., Calcutta, <i>India</i> .....		2
Ehrich, H. E., New York City.....	I	
Engelhardt, Rev. Zephyrin, Santa Barbara, <i>Calif.</i> .....	I	
Evans, Mrs. E. T., Decatur, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Explorers' Club, New York City.....	8	
Farnam, H. W., New Haven, <i>Conn.</i> .....	I	
Farrell, Rev. Colman, Atchison, <i>Kan.</i> .....		I
Felch, W. Farrand, Mt. Gilead, <i>Ohio.</i> .....		I
Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago.....		3
Fink, Z. S., Grinnell, <i>Iowa.</i> .....	I	
Fisher, Prof. Irving, New Haven, <i>Conn.</i> .....	I	
Fox, Dr. Howard, New York City.....	I	
Freund, H. C., Chicago.....		I
Funston, Edmund B., Racine, <i>Wis.</i> .....		I
Gay, Capt. Jesse Bishop, San Francisco, <i>Calif</i> —typewritten MSS		
Gibbs, Howard A., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....		I
Gibbs, Robert A., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> .....	I	
Goble, Geo. W., Urbana, <i>Ill.</i> .....	2	charts
Gordon, Dr. A. H., Chicago.....	I	
Graham, Dr. Alexander, Charlotte, <i>N.C.</i> .....		2
Graham, Mrs. D. W., Chicago.....		typewritten MS
Green, Miss Mary Pomeroy, Chicago.....	13	
Gregory, Mrs. Robert B., Chicago.....	27	
Griffin, Harry L., Lafayette, <i>La.</i> .....		I
Hammon, Mrs. F. W., River Forest, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Harrassowitz, Otto, Buchhandlung, Leipzig, <i>Germany.</i> .....	2	I

	Vols.	Pams.
Harrison, Fairfax, Belvoir, Fauquier County, <i>Va.</i> .....	1	
Heath, D. C., and Co., New York City.....		1
Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery, San Marino, <i>Calif.</i> ..... 5 maps	34	8
Higley, <i>Mrs.</i> Elmer E., Ames, <i>Iowa</i> .....	4	
Holman, Alfred L., Chicago.....		1
Horch, <i>Mrs.</i> Nettie, New York City.....	1	
Howell, John, San Francisco, <i>Calif.</i> .....	1	
Howland, Henry R., Buffalo, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		1
Huling, <i>Miss</i> Caroline A., Chicago.....	5	
Humphrey, <i>Mrs.</i> Willard, Morrison, <i>Ill.</i> .....		1
Humphreys, <i>Miss</i> Letitia A., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> .....	1	
Hunter, <i>Rev.</i> Edwin G., Wilmette, <i>Ill.</i> .....	1	1
Insull, Samuel, Chicago.....	1	
Isbell, Harry C., Chicago.....		1
Jager, Julius, Chicago.....	1	
Jenkinson, R. C., Newark, <i>N.J.</i> .....	1	
Johnson, <i>Mrs.</i> D. H., Milwaukee, <i>Wis.</i> .....	1	
Johnson, Grafton, Greenwood, <i>Ind.</i> .....	1	
Kamm, <i>Mrs.</i> Jacob, Portland, <i>Ore.</i> .....	1	
Kaufmann, J. C., Chicago.....	3	
Kennerley, Mitchell, New York City.....	1	
Lanston Monotype Machine Co., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> .....		1
Leach, F. Phelps, East Highgate, <i>Vt.</i> .....	1	
Lee, Ivy L., New York City.....		1
Leffingwell, <i>Rev.</i> C. W., Pasadena, <i>Calif.</i> .....	1	
Leymarie, A.-Leo., Paris, <i>France.</i> .....		5
Loomis, N. H., Omaha, <i>Neb.</i> .....		1
Loring, <i>Miss</i> Katharine P., Pride's Crossing, <i>Mass.</i> .....	1	
Lovi, <i>Miss</i> Henrietta, Chicago.....	1	
Ludourse, Matthias R., Chicago.....	1	
Mather, William G., Cleveland, <i>Ohio.</i> .....	1	
Matter, <i>Dr.</i> O. E., Maywood, <i>Ill.</i> .....		1
Mecham, John Lloyd, New York City.....	1	
Meis, Henry J., Pontiac, <i>Ill.</i> .....		1
Merrill, Wm. Stetson, Chicago.....	2	
Metropolitan Opera Co., New York City.....		1
Minns, <i>Miss</i> Susan, Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....	1	
Morrison, <i>Mrs.</i> Frank A., Indianapolis, <i>Ind.</i> .....		1

	Vols.	Pams.
Moss, Jesse L., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York City . . . . .	5	1
Myers, Albert Cook, Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .		2
New York Times, Western Advertising Office, Chicago . . . . .	15	
Noble, Henry H., Essex, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .	2	8
O'Sheridan, <i>Mrs.</i> Mary Grant, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Otis, Philo A., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Otis, William A., Winnetka, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Palmer, William L., Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	2	
Parkhurst, <i>Mrs.</i> C. E., Cicero, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		1
Parsons, John A., Troy, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	1	
Peabody, Augustus S., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Perkins, Fellows and Hamilton, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Perry, <i>Mrs.</i> Arthur H., Chicago . . . . .	1	1 autograph letter
Perry, <i>Mrs.</i> Lewis H., Upper Montclair, <i>N.J.</i> . . . . .		2
Pettingell, Frank H., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . .	1	1 genealogical chart
Phillips, <i>Mrs.</i> J., Chicago . . . . .	26	
Photo-Engravers Association, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Pollard, Albert A., Chicago . . . . .	3	14
Pratt, <i>Miss</i> Effie L., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Priddat, <i>Mrs.</i> Rosabelle E., Chicago . . . . .	1	1
Reeves, Harold, London, <i>England.</i> . . . . .	5	1
Remey, Charles Mason, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	2	1
Reser, <i>Dr.</i> Wm. M., Lafayette, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . .		1
Roberts, <i>Rev.</i> George, D.D., Lake Forest, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Roden, Carl B., Chicago . . . . .		1
Roosevelt Memorial Association, New York City . . . . .		4
Rosenberger, Jesse L., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Roumanian Legation, London, <i>England.</i> . . . . .	2	1
Rowland, Dunbar, Jackson, <i>Miss.</i> . . . . .	1	
Rudge, W. E., Printing House of, New York City . . . . .	2	
St. Bride Foundation Institute, London, <i>England.</i> . . . . .		1
Sampson, <i>Mrs.</i> Lotta Briggs, Mechanicsville, <i>Md.</i> . . . . .		1
Sauer, E. H., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		1
Schmidt, <i>Mrs.</i> Minna, Chicago . . . . .		1
Schoff, Wilfred H., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	1	
Seattle Press Club, Seattle, <i>Wash.</i> . . . . .	1	
Sellers, Edwin J., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	1	



	Vols.	Pams.
Sergel, Charles H., Chicago.....	I	
Seymour, H. J., San Francisco, <i>Calif.</i> .....	I	
Shamis, Thomas, Chicago.....	5	20
Shepard, <i>Mrs.</i> Jennie O., Chicago.....	2	
Shields, <i>Mrs.</i> Ella G., Chicago.....		genealogical chart
Shivaji Literary Memorial Committee, Dadar, Bombay, <i>India</i> ..	I	
Siamese Legation, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	II	
Sikes, <i>Mrs.</i> Geo. C., Chicago.....	I	
Skirven, Percy G., Baltimore, <i>Md.</i> .....		I
Smith, <i>Mrs.</i> C. Francis, Westfield, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		I
Sotheran, Henry, and Co., London, <i>England</i> .....	I	
Spingarn, <i>Col.</i> J. E., Amenia, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		I
Steinbrecher, John, Chicago.....	I	
Stephens, <i>Miss</i> Kate, New York City.....	I	
Stevens, B. F., and Brown, London, <i>England</i> .....	I	
Stewart, <i>Miss</i> Mabel, Flint, <i>Mich.</i> .....		2
Stoddard, Francis R., New York City.....	I	
Stone, <i>Dr.</i> Lee A., Chicago.....		I
Stringer, <i>Hon.</i> Laurence B., Lincoln, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Taylor, Wm. H. C., Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> .....	I	
Thompson, Slason, Chicago.....	I	
Times-Mirror Printing and Binding House, Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> ..		2
Torrey, Frederic C., Narberth, <i>Pa.</i> .....	I	
Troutbeck Press, Amenia, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		I
Tucker, C. E., Chicago.....		4
United Typothetae of America, Chicago.....	2	
Utley, George B., Chicago.....	3	I
Van Deventer, <i>Miss</i> I. C., Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> .....		I
Van Roosbroeck, Gustave L., New York City.....		2
Veblen, Andrew O., East San Diego, <i>Calif.</i> .....	I	
Vidoloff, <i>Rev.</i> Z. D., Chicago.....		4
Vollintine, Grace, Chicago.....	I	
Wadepuhl, <i>Prof.</i> Walter, Urbana, <i>Ill.</i> .....		I
Ward, Artemus, Estate of, New York City.....	I	
Weis, Frederick L., Lincoln, <i>R.I.</i> .....		2
White, George B., Chicago.....	I	MS
Whitehouse, <i>Lieut.</i> N. O., Newport, <i>R.I.</i> .....		I
Wilcox, William A., Scranton, <i>Pa.</i> .....		I
Williams, <i>Miss</i> Anna P., Chicago.....	I	3

	Vols.	Pams.
Williams, <i>Dr.</i> Charles C., Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .	1	
Wood, Charles B., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Worthington, <i>Miss</i> Harriet E., St. Louis, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .	1	
Worthy Paper Co. Assn., Mittineague, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	2	13
Academies, colleges, museums, universities, and other educa- tional institutions . . . . .	58	43
American and foreign libraries . . . . . 6 broadsides	117	140
Charitable, religious, and other social organizations . . . . .	19	8
Commercial, financial, and political organizations . . . . .	28	17
Firms, publishing companies, etc. . . . .	4	
Foreign governments . . . . .	40	8
Genealogical, historical, and other patriotic organizations 2 prints	27	39
Railway corporations . . . . .	2	9
United States, municipal governments . . . . .	6	10
United States, state governments . . . . .	27	11
Anonymous . . . . .	5	1

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, NOT INCLUDING THE JOHN  
M. WING FOUNDATION, DECEMBER 31, 1925

Bank stock.....	\$	28,000.00
Bonds.....		1,314,815.78
Loans secured by real estate.....		4,000.00
Contracts for sale of real estate.....		74,425.00
Balance to credit at the bank.....		27,957.00
The expenditure for books, periodicals, and fittings of the Library from its foundation to date amounts to.....		1,031,051.87

REPORT OF THE JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1925

Cash on hand, January 1, 1925.....	\$	1,779.64
Receipts for the year.....		<u>12,687.04</u>
		\$ 14,466.68
<b>Expenditures:</b>		
Books and part of custodian's salary.....	\$	11,821.38
Sundries.....		41.33
		<u>11,862.71</u>
Cash on hand, December 31, 1925.....	\$	2,603.97
<b>This fund now amounts at par value to:</b>		
Bonds and stocks.....	\$	240,746.25
Cash.....		<u>2,603.97</u>
		\$243,350.22
<b>Statistics as of December 31, 1925:</b>		
Number of volumes received, John M. Wing Bequest.....		3,793
Number of volumes acquired by the Foundation.....		<u>2,957</u>
Total number of volumes.....		6,750









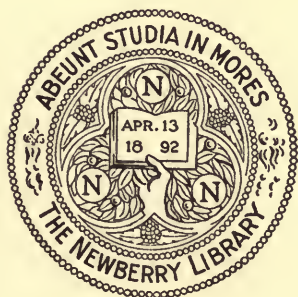






THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY

Report of the Trustees  
of the Newberry Library  
for the Year  
1926



Chicago  
1927



FOUNDER

**Walter Loomis Newberry**

1804-1868

Of whom it may be said, as truly as Anthony à Wood said of Sir Thomas Bodley: "By his noble and generous endeavours he hath been the occasion of making hundreds of public writers, and of increasing in an high degree the commonwealth of learning."



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## TRUSTEES OF THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY, 1926

†MR. JOHN A. SPOOR.....	Elected January 11, 1904
MR. JOHN P. WILSON, JR.....	Elected January 3, 1911
MR. EDWARD L. RYERSON.....	Elected March 6, 1911
MR. ANDREW C. McLAUGHLIN.....	Elected April 6, 1914
MR. JOHN W. SCOTT.....	Elected May 1, 1916
MR. ALBERT H. WETTEN.....	Elected December 5, 1916
MR. HORACE S. OAKLEY.....	Elected April 1, 1918
MR. ROBERT P. LAMONT.....	Elected December 4, 1922
MR. MELVIN A. TRAYLOR.....	Elected December 4, 1922
MR. ARTHUR C. L. BROWN.....	Elected December 1, 1924
MR. WILLIAM A. CRAIGIE.....	Elected December 7, 1925
MR. CHARLES Y. FREEMAN.....	Elected December 7, 1925
MR. GEORGE S. PAYSON.....	Elected December 7, 1925

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\* Charter member, April 13, 1892.

## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 31, 1926

*To His Excellency, Len Small,*

*Governor of the State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois:*

SIR: In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled: *An Act to encourage and promote the establishment of free public libraries in the cities, villages, and towns of this State (Illinois)*, approved June 17, 1891, under which this corporation is organized, the Trustees of The Newberry Library herewith transmit their thirty-fifth annual report, showing the progress and operations of the Library during the year 1926.

The Library suffered a severe loss in the death, on October 15, of Mr. John Alden Spoor, senior member of the Board of Trustees in length of service. Mr. Spoor had served as a Trustee since 1904, was for many years a member of the Committee on Books, and at the time of his death was chairman of the Finance Committee and a member of the Committee on Administration. He was always active and aggressive in promoting the interests of the Library, and his associates on the Board will long keenly miss his exceptional ability and experienced business judgment. A Memorial Minute expressive of their appreciation of his valued services and of their sense of deep loss is set forth elsewhere in this Report.

The Annual Report of the Librarian, appended hereto, contains the statistics of the Library for the past year, including those of general administration, accessions, attendance, etc., together with the names of donors and the number of their respective gifts. It shows that the Library continues to perform services of a high educational value to the general public and to provide resources of increasing importance to the scholarly investigator. It is gratifying to report that each year a number of books are

published which acknowledge in introduction, footnotes, or appendix assistance received from the literary resources of the Library.

In addition to the acknowledgment that has been officially made to those who have made gifts to the Library, the Trustees desire, in this Report, to express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness that has been of such benefit to this institution.

A statement of the assets of The Newberry Library on December 31, 1926, also the expenditures for books, pamphlets, maps, and fittings of the Library, from its foundation to date, will be found as an appendix to this Report. There is also appended a report of the operations of the John M. Wing Foundation of the Library for the year 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. RYERSON, *President*

## MINUTE ON THE DEATH OF MR. JOHN A. SPOOR

John Alden Spoor was elected a Trustee of The Newberry Library January 11, 1904. From that time until his death on October 15, 1926, after a long and painful illness borne with the utmost courage, he gave himself without stint to the interests and affairs of the Library.

He was a member of the Committee on Administration from 1904 to 1910; of the Committee on Books from 1904 to 1925; and of the Committee on Investments and Finance from 1911 to 1926. Of this last Committee he was chairman for four years.

In all of these capacities his great and varied talents were effectively displayed.

Not only was he a leader in the business and financial worlds, he was also a most discriminating reader of the best in English literature. His collection of books was well known, being especially noted for the valuable editions of the works of Lamb, Keats, Shelley, and other English writers it contained.

In 1903 he privately published a Bibliography of the first editions of Charles and Mary Lamb.

But he was not merely a collector; the books he gathered he read, studied, and remembered—loved.

His energy was dynamic, and when, after mature consideration, he decided upon a course of action, for him there was no evasion, no turning back.

To know him was a privilege; to work with him, a lesson and an inspiration; to possess his friendship, a delight.

Through his death the Library has sustained a loss of which we must be constantly aware.

“Certainly there is nothing which renders a Library more recommendable than when every man findes in it that which he is in search of, and could no where else encounter.”—GABRIEL NAUDÉ, interpreted by JOHN EVELYN, 1661.

## THE LIBRARY STAFF

*December 31, 1926*

### I. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

The Librarian

Gertrude E. Dowle, Secretary to the Librarian

Helen Feltskog

### II. PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT

Wm. Stetson Merrill, A.B., Head of the Department

Cara D. Durkee

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Roland Dietz

Mae I. Stearns

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Donn Marsh

Edwin E. Willoughby, A.M.

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Ethel M. Winter

Helmar Winblad

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Ruth Chandler

Thelma Pons

Grace Gilman

Hans Dorn

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Rollin P. Silver

Marion MacIntosh, A.B. †

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VI. JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION

Pierce Butler, Ph.D., Custodian\*

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VIII. CARE AND PROTECTION OF THE BUILDING

Ingve Soderstrom, Head

\* Service divided between the John M. Wing Foundation and the Book Selection and Order Department.

† Service divided with the Public Service Department.



## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Trustees of the Newberry Library:*

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted the fortieth annual report of the Librarian and the seventh which it has been my privilege to make. The statistics given in the text and in the several appendixes are taken from the official records currently maintained by the heads of departments and other responsible assistants.

### BOOK SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

A total of 10,467 titles have been investigated and passed upon, as against 9,652 in the year 1925, and of this number, 3,223, or 33 per cent, were decided upon as suitable for acquisition. The bibliographical and clerical work involved in this investigation, as has been stated in previous reports, has the following direct objects: (1) to learn whether or not a given title or edition is already in the Library; (2) if it is not in the Library, to ascertain from authoritative bibliographies or other sources whether its importance is such as to justify its acquisition; (3) if found desirable for acquisition, to list it accurately under author, title, date and place of publication, and to submit it to the Committee on Books for final consideration before ordering.

During the year ninety-five booklists were prepared and submitted to the Committee on Books for approval, and from these approved lists the orders for the year were placed. Of these lists seventy-one were for the general collection and twenty-four for the John M. Wing Foundation. Purchases for the Edward E. Ayer Collection are not included in these lists.

The appropriation annually made for the purchase of books has been gradually increasing in recent years, as stated in last year's report, and the amount available for 1926 was, to our gratification, somewhat larger than that for 1925. We were con-

sequently able to purchase a considerably larger number of books, including some extremely desirable and choice items, highly important to scholars, but which, save for an increased appropriation, we could not have acquired. It is undeniably the part of wisdom to acquire as rapidly as possible and as largely as funds permit good working copies, with text undamaged, of those highly important early published works in the fields of history and literature which each year are becoming scarcer and each year commanding higher market prices. Professor George H. Palmer, of Harvard, has emphasized, in words that cannot be bettered, the necessity for undelayed action in acquiring this class of material, so keenly sought for by private collectors as well as by libraries: "The cost of such books is very great and it constantly and rapidly rises. A narrowing supply makes this inevitable. Every time such books are sold a good proportion of them go into some public library, from which they never emerge. Each year, therefore, diminishes the number open to purchase, while the desire to possess them grows with the spread of wealth and refinement. A few rich men have doubled their permanent price in a single year."<sup>1</sup>

Dr. Pierce Butler, of the Library staff, was again sent to Europe to buy books, and although his chief efforts were directed to the acquisition of early printed material for the Wing Foundation, some of the finest books added to the general collection were secured by him during this trip.

The gifts of the year have been numerous and appreciated and a detailed report of them will be found as usual in an appendix to this report. As in previous years, several authors have very kindly presented copies of their own works to the Library, and it is gratifying to record that in a number of instances a part of the work of preparing the publication in question was done at the Library, assisted by its literary sources, and that this aid has been kindly acknowledged in introduction, footnotes, or appendix.

Although it is difficult to discriminate, a few of the gifts of the year are of such value and importance as to require at least brief mention here.

<sup>1</sup> George H. Palmer, *Notes on a Collection of English Poetry*.

Through the Japanese Embassy at Washington, the Library received a complete set of the Chinese publication, the *Ku Chou Pien* and supplement, in sixty-eight volumes in thirteen containers, the gift of the Association for the Publication of the *Ku Chou Pien*, Tokyo.

From the George D. Smith Book Company, Incorporated, of New York, the John M. Wing Foundation received, through the courtesy of the president of the Company, Mr. R. J. C. Lingel, formerly an assistant in this Library, a copy of Xenophon's *De Cyri Institutione*, printed in Philadelphia in 1806 by William Poyntell and Company. This is the first Greek book printed from the first Greek type cast in this country, and is consequently an item of very great interest to the Wing Foundation. This is the copy formerly owned by the well-known collector, the late Thomas Jefferson McKee.

W. C. Cox & Company, of this city, donated 545 directories of various cities, towns, and counties of the United States and Canada, useful to our reference department in general and to our genealogical department in particular.

Mrs. Alexander A. McCormick gave five large scrapbooks, carefully compiled, of newspaper clippings dealing with the civic and political career of her late husband, material which will be extremely helpful to the future historian of Chicago.

Mr. George S. Payson gave to the Ayer Collection a rare little item written by his father, George Payson, under the nom de plume of Ralph Raven, entitled *Golden Dreams and Leaden Realities* (New York, 1853). The book deals with the author's experiences in California in the gold-rush days. Mr. Payson has made other gifts as well during the year, including twenty-three volumes dealing with the experiences of aviators in the world-war.

Mr. Evelyn B. Baldwin, of Washington, D.C., gave the Library a typewritten copy of his account of the Walter Wellman polar expedition to Franz-Josef Land, 1908-9, of which expedition he was second in command. He has also given to the genealogical department considerable typewritten material relating to the Baldwin and other families.

Printers and printing firms in Chicago and elsewhere have continued to remember the John M. Wing Foundation through the donation of well-printed books, pamphlets, brochures, announcements, and the like, all of which materially add value and usefulness to our typographical collection.

In the purchases of the year substantial additions have been made to several of the special collections which we are attempting to build up, and which, therefore, we are especially pleased to see materially strengthened from year to year. One hundred sixty items were added in one purchased lot to our collection on slavery, and about fifty items were added by scattered miscellaneous purchases; 108 volumes of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries deal with the topography and local history of the Netherlands; a group of 16 volumes was added to our collection on the religions and philosophies of the peoples of India; 593 volumes of travelers narratives, accounts of voyages, etc., were added in one purchased lot; 90 English books printed before 1641 were acquired; and about a dozen political pamphlets of the American Revolution. Special effort has been made to fill gaps in our periodical files, and we have been reasonably successful in this undertaking.

Among the more notable books acquired by purchase for the general collections are the following: (1) Chaucer, Geoffrey, *Workes*, London, 1561. A fine copy of the extremely rare issue containing twenty-two woodcuts which had been used by Pynson in his editions of 1490 and 1526. (2) [Aylmer, John] *An Harborowve for Faithfull and Trewe Subiectes, agaynst the late blowne Blaste, concerninge the Governmēt of Wemen*, Strasborowe [1559]. (3) [Ponet, John] *A Shorte Treatise of politike Pover*, London, 1556. (4) Guevara, Antonio de, *Libro aureo de Marco Aurelio*, Sevilla, 1533. The original of *The Dial of Princes*. (5) Lloyd, Lodowick, *The Pilgrimage of Princes, penned out of sundry Greeke and Latine Aucthours*, London [1573]. (6) Bishop, John, *Beautifull Blossomes gathered . . . . from the best Trees of all Kyndes*, London, 1577. (7) White, Thomas, *A Sermō preached at Pawles Crosse . . . . in the Time of the Plague*, London, 1578. (8) Florio, John, *Second Frutes*, London, 1591. (9) Cicero, Marcus Tullius,

*The Bokes of Duties*, London, 1556. The translation by Nicolas Grimalde. (10) Day, Angell, *The English Secretary*, London, 1599. (11) Lydgate, John, *The Life and Death of Hector*, London, 1614. (12) Urquhart, Sir Thomas, *The Discovery of a Most precious Jewel*, London, 1652. (13) Forde, Emmanuel, *The famous, pleasant and delightful History of Ornatus and Artesia*, London, 1683. (14) *London's Love to the Royal Prince Henrie*, London, 1610. (15) Northampton, Henry Howard, Earl of, *A Defensative against the Poyson of Supposed Prophecies*, London, 1620. (16) Camões, Luiz de, *The Lusiad* . . . . *put into English by Richard Fanshaw*, London, 1655. (17) Pordage, Samuel, *Poems upon several Occasions*, London, 1660. (18) *Gesta Romanorum* [English translation] 1689. (19) Lucanus, Marcus Annaeus, *Lucans Pharsalia* . . . . *translated into English verse by Sir Arthur Gorges*, London, 1614. (20) Melton, Sir John, *A sixe-folde Politician*, London, 1609. Attributed to John Milton, father of the poet. (21) [Ashley, Robert] *Almansor the Learned and Victorious King that conquered Spaine*, London, 1627. (22) Bacon, Roger, *Le Miroir d'Alguimie*, Lyon, 1557. (23) Du Bec-Crespin, Jean, *The Historie of the Great Emperour Tamerlan*. . . . *newly translated by H. M.*, London, 1597. (24) Googe, Barnaby, *The Whole Art and Trade of Hvsbandry*, London, 1614. (25) Veel, Robert, *New Court Songs and Poems*, London, 1672. (26) *The Newest Collection of the choicest Songs with musical Notes*, London, 1673.

The Library also acquired during the year two choice English county histories, which it has previously lacked, namely: Shaw, Stebbing, *History and Antiquities of Staffordshire*, London, 1798-1801, 2v.; and Hoare, Sir Richard Colt, *History of modern Wiltshire*, London, 1822-44. 6v. It also obtained a copy of Pyne, W. H., *History of the royal Residences*, London, 1819. 3v.

In previous years we have acquired from time to time, either in the original edition or in facsimile reprint, several of the Acts and Laws of the Colony of Rhode Island. In 1926 we added to this collection: *Acts and Laws* . . . . 1745, Newport, 1745 (original, except title-page in facsimile); and facsimile reprints of *Acts and Laws, 1705*, and *Acts and Laws, 1719*. These are, of course,

highly important to the student of early Rhode Island history. In the field of bibliography we added José T. Medina's *Biblioteca Hispano-Americana* (1493-1810), Santiago de Chile, 1898-1907, 7v., one of the rare and small-editioned bibliographical monuments of this mature scholar which we have heretofore lacked.

For the purchase of books in the European market, Dr. Pierce Butler, was, as has been previously stated, again sent abroad last summer, spending ten weeks in London, Oxford, Cambridge, Paris, Frankfurt, Munich, Vienna, Lugano, and Milan. Notwithstanding the rapid advance in prices for which the past two years have been notable, he was able to secure for us many rare volumes at an unexpectedly low cost. The most outstanding of these purchases was one which we never could have obtained except for his presence and prompt action. The purchase in question is a manuscript from Sir Sidney Lee's library, *A Dutifull Defence of the Lawfull Regiment of Weomen*, written by Henry Howard, Earl of Northampton, about 1580. In reporting on this unpublished treatise, which is of great importance for the Elizabethan specialist and for the student of political thought as well, Dr. Butler wrote: "The virulent attack of John Knox on Mary Tudor had included a denial of the right of any woman to hold sovereignty. This argument Northampton attempts to refute as a tribute to Queen Elizabeth, and in his argument he enters upon a theoretical discussion which has been called the first serious presentation of the political rights of woman."

The main purpose of Dr. Butler's trip, however, was the purchase of fifteenth-century books for the John M. Wing Foundation, and in this he was extremely successful. In 1925, as we pointed out in our report of a year ago, we transferred our attention for a time to the accumulation of subsidiary works for the Foundation, and although a few early printed books were secured, the greater part of our 1925 acquisitions were type-specimen books, treatises on the invention of printing, histories of the press in local districts, and works of general and special bibliography. We collected so effectively in these fields that we felt warranted

in returning in 1926 to the acquisition of examples of early presses; in fact, the shift in the incunabula market made it clear that this was positively our duty. That we were justified in this program seems apparent from the fact that with this year's book funds, and by anticipating to some extent the Foundation's funds for 1927, Dr. Butler's recommendations enabled us to secure 194 fifteenth-century items from 111 presses, showing 277 different faces of type. Four of the cities represented are new to us, as are 91 of the texts, 30 of the presses and 97 of the type faces. The cost of these books seems to average approximately 40 per cent of current catalogue prices. Their acquisition brings the total number of our incunabula to about 1,300.

Among the more notable items acquired in this lot are the following: (1) [Fridolin, Stephan] *Schatzbehälter*, Nuremberg, A. Koberger, 1491. An uncolored copy showing in their full beauty the ninety-six woodcuts designed by Michael Wohlgemuth, the master of Dürer. (2) Calandri, Philippo, *Arithmetica*, Florence, Morgiani and Magonza, 1491. The first of all arithmetic books and a masterpiece of Italian woodcut decoration. (3) Vincent of Beauvais, *Speculum Naturale*, Nuremberg, A. Koberger [1486], 2v. folio. (4) the same author's *Speculum Historiale*, Venice, Hermann Lichtenstein, 1494. These two works are of extreme importance for their text, an encyclopedic summary of the data and beliefs of the later Middle Ages in the whole field of exact knowledge. (5) Sprenger, Jacob (latinized as Henricus Institor), *Malleus Maleficarum* [Speyer, P. Drach, 1485]. (6) Molitor, Ulrichus, *De Lamiis et Pythonicis Mulieribus* [Reutlingen, J. Otmar, 1498], two monumental sources for the history of witchcraft, the second being also famous for its fine illustrations. (7) Vergil, *Opera cum Donati Landini . . . et Calderini commentariis*, Nuremberg, A. Koberger, 1492. Our first complete fifteenth-century Vergil, an author whose popularity has put copies of his book among the scarcest volumes of the incunabula period. (8) Ximenes, Francisco, *Pastorale*, Barcelona, P. Posa, 1495. (9) Alberti, Leone Battista, *De Re Aedificatoria*, Florence, N. Laurentius, 1485. The first edition of the most important book on

Renaissance architecture. (10) Rainerus de Pisis, *Pantheologia*, Augsburg, G. Zainer, 1474. 2v. folio. In the coeval monastic binding are included large fragments of a late thirteenth-century Hebrew manuscript of the Pentateuch. (11) *Evangelia* (Italian translation of the Gospels), Venice, J. Guerinus, 1478. Apparently the only surviving copy of this edition. (12) Higden, J., *Polychronicon*, Westminster, Wynkyn de Worde, 1495. The Brooke copy. The first English book to contain printed music. (13) Stratham, Nicolas, *Abridgement of the Statutes*, Rouen, Guill. le Tailleur for R. Pynson of London [1491]. E. Gordon-Duff's copy. (14) *Preces festuales II* (in Hebrew), Casalmaggiore, Joshua Solomon, 1486. (14) Albertus Magnus, *Sermones* [Eltville, M. Bechtermünze, 1475]. If this book was not printed at Eltville, it must have been the first product of Drach's press at Speyer. (15) Rolewinck, W., *Fasciculus Temporum*, Rougemont, H. Wirzburg, 1481. (16) Bede, Venerable, *Repertorium Auctoritatum*, Cologne, H. Quentell, 1495. (17) Joannes Gallensis, *Summa Collationum*, Ulm, J. Zainer, 1481. (18) Robertus Lincolniensis (Robert Grosseteste, Bishop of Lincoln), *Commentaria super Aristotelem*, Venice, B. Locatellus, 1494. (19) William, of Heytesbury, *De Sensu composito et diviso*, Venice, B. Locatellus, 1494. The last four are our first fifteenth-century examples of the works of these English authors.

Mr. Henry L. Bullen, librarian of the American Type Founders Company, of Jersey City, in an address recently said that these questions were applied to every purchase made for their library: "Will it add to the knowledge of the history of printing and allied arts? Will it serve as a model of art and craftsmanship to students of typography? Will it tend to memorialize or honor predecessors in our profession or printers now living who have advanced the art in any manner? Will it enhance the appreciation by the general public of printing as an art and influence?"<sup>1</sup>

These questions express admirably our own attitude toward purchases for the John M. Wing Foundation.

Among the important additions to the Edward E. Ayer Col-

<sup>1</sup> *Inland Printer*, February, 1926.



lection are the following: (1) Apianus, Petrus, *Cosmographie*, Anvers, Jean Bellere, 1581. (2) [Grau y Monfalcon, Juan], *Justificacion de la conservacion y comercio de las Islas Filipinas*. Al . . . . *Señor Don Juan de Palafox y Mendoza* [Mexico (?) 1640 (?)]. (3) *A Letter to a Member of P——t of G——t B——n* . . . . London, 1713. A very rare pamphlet relating to Louisiana and the letters patent granted to Crozat by Louis XIV in 1712. (4) Pennsylvania (Province), *Votes and Proceedings* . . . . 1758 [1759, 1760]. Philadelphia, Printed by B. Franklin, 1759 [-1761], 3v.

To the collection of overland journeys, in which Mr. Ayer has taken peculiar and special interest since the early days of his collecting, the following items have been added: (1) Fisk, James L., *Report of an Expedition to Montana in 1864 for the Protection of Emigrants*. Photostat from a manuscript copy made for Captain Fisk in 1892. (2) McKnight, George S., *California 49er*. Perrysburg, Ohio, 1903. Account of a journey which in its true "overland" features started from San Antonio. (3) [Snelling, William Joseph], *Tales of Travel west of the Mississippi, By Solomon Bell* [pseud.] Boston, 1830. A rare little piece, dealing with the expeditions of Lewis and Clark and Stephen Harriman Long, and the Indian captivity of John Rogers Jewitt.

In addition to the last title in the foregoing paragraph, which is a "captivity" item as well as an "overland journey," the Ayer Collection has added the following items to its extensive collection of narratives of Indian captivity: (1) Hubbard, Robert, *Historical Sketches of Roswell Franklin and Family*, Dansville, N.Y., 1839. (2) Kelly, Fanny, *Narrative of my Captivity*, Chicago, 1891. (3) Nourse, H. S., *Mrs. Mary Rowlandson's Removes*, Worcester, Mass., 1899. (4) Williams, John, *The Redeemed Captive*, Greenfield, 1800.

Among the manuscripts acquired are: (1) Clinton, George, Governor of New York, *A talk to the Wolf tribe of the Oneida Nation*, New York, November 13, 1790. A.L.S. (2) Dudley, Joseph, Governor of Massachusetts, *Memorial to Her Majesty's Board of Ordinance concerning an expedition against Nova Scotia*, Boston,

October 24, 1709. Signed also by Francis Nicholson and Samuel Vetch. (3) Gookin, Charles, Deputy Governor of Pennsylvania, Letter to Col. Nicholson and Col. Vetch, Philadelphia, June 17, 1709. (4) Edwards, Henry, of Newfoundland, *Memorial to Col. Samuel Vetch, adjutant general of Her Majesty's forces* [1709]. (5) Vetch, Samuel, Contemporary copies of four letters to the governors of Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and New York, April 30, 1709. The last two are signed also by Francis Nicholson. (6) Vetch, Samuel, *Instructions to Captain Pickering*, Boston, May 3, 1709. Official contemporary copy. (7) Pickering, Captain, *The war and manner yt. St. Johns [Newfoundland] was taken according to ye best information could gett of Both French & English*. Endorsed June, 1709. (8) Lister, Christ, Letter to Samuel Pringle inclosing a copy of a letter from the Board of Ordinance [London] February 14, 1709-10. (9) Lambestye, Marquis de, *Histoire des Caraïbes*, . . . [c.1760]. (10) Calendar of the American Fur Company papers in the New York Historical Society; 1,976 type-written pages. (11) Waldeck, Jean Frédéric, Comte de, *Journal, Mexico, Mars, 1826-Septembre, 1829*; 349 pages. The acquisition of this diary was of particular interest to the Collection, as it already contained much manuscript material by Count Waldeck, including note-books, lists and descriptions of his drawings, as well as several hundred sketches, drawings, and paintings on Mexican archaeology.

To its already excellent group of portolan atlases, the Ayer Collection added an unfinished atlas of the sixteenth century by Battista Agnese, whose work is represented by other examples. This atlas is of twelve leaves on vellum.

In the annual report for 1923 a note of some length was made of the photographic copies of rare books and manuscripts in the Mayan languages, made for us by Mr. William Gates, of Charlottesville, Virginia, from material in his own superb collection. During the past year 38 titles, which have been bound in 65 volumes, have been added. To date we have received 181 titles, which have been bound in 253 volumes.

The Edward E. Ayer Ptolemy Collection, originally formed by

Henry Stevens, of London, from whom it was purchased by Mr. Ayer, has received an important addition in a photostat copy of the "Wilton Codex," consisting of twenty-seven ancient traditional maps illustrating the *Geographia* of Ptolemy. The photostat is from the original in the Henry E. Huntington Library, a manuscript on vellum, done in an Italian hand about 1460.

The Collection has acquired another large water-color painting by Awa Tsireh, the young San Ildefonso Indian artist, who is also known as Alfonso Roybal. This painting represents the Bear Dance, contains fifteen large figures, and is about 3×10 feet in size. It has been framed and hung in the reading-room of the Ayer Collection.

To the collection of transcripts we have added during the year 225 documents (9,083 pages) from the Spanish archives, and eight volumes (3,019 pages) from the Mexican archives. These additions make the total number of pages of transcripts now in the Collection 169,283. We have also added this past year transcripts of 174 letters (1,029 pages) written to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions by missionaries among the Indians in the Northwest (Wisconsin, Minnesota, and the Dakotas). In date they range from about 1830 to 1845.

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

The total number of persons recorded as using the Library during the past year was 54,025, an average of 4,502 a month or of 174 a day for the 308 days of 1926 on which it was open for use. This total yearly attendance is an increase of 2,133 over 1925. February was the heaviest month in point of attendance, with 5,442 readers; August, the lightest, with 3,877. The largest attendance, 368, was on February 27; the smallest, 73, on December 24. Day attendance was 34,854; evening attendance, 19,171. The number of volumes used by readers was 209,606, an increase of 21,109 over 1925. This is the largest recorded use of books in any year since the division of the field between this Library and the John Crerar Library, and the transfer to the latter of the books in science, including the medical collection. The largest

number of books, 1,398, was used on January 2; the smallest number, 132, on December 24. Daytime use of books was 113,943; evening use, 95,663.

Mr. Merrill, head of the Public Service Department, in his report to the Librarian, points out the satisfaction which certain university professors who make regular and systematic use of the Library express upon the resources and facilities for research here afforded. They appreciate the alcove or cubicle study tables reserved for them from day to day on which books they are using are held until they have finished with them; they enjoy the atmosphere of quiet research, more or less absent from their university libraries, where the presence in large numbers of undergraduates makes such quiet impossible; they value highly the approach to completeness of some of our collections, which gives them access, when they need it, to the full literature of the subject they are investigating, and which thus saves them from wasting their time in having to consult one book here, another book there. The Newberry Library is particularly rich in sets of periodicals, many of which, because they are costly and would be used only by a few advanced students and professors, are not acquired by the local universities. These advantages of the local reference libraries more than compensate these specialists for the time, trouble, and expense of frequent trips to use the Newberry or the John Crerar libraries.

The use of our files of bound newspapers is constant. One reader recently spent the better part of two weeks, coming every day, industriously combing the files of Chicago newspapers for the past fifty years and more, seeking for notices of the performances of plays based upon Dickens' works. Antislavery newspapers, like *The Liberator*, are studied for the history of pre-war public opinion. Painstaking readers frequently spend days in going through newspaper files, which are brought to them by the truck load.

One request for material shows how inadequately not only our library, but the average public or reference library, is catalogued along certain lines. The request was for works showing

ancient and medieval architecture *in colored plates*. There was no other way to find this material than to examine one work on architecture after another to find colored plates. The call for illustrations showing certain subjects is constant, and often specifically for *colored* illustrations. Yet catalogues, whether in this or any other library, so far as we are aware, give no closer reference to this material than subject cards on which mention is made, in the collation, of the presence of colored plates. We have adopted, on subject cards for recent books acquired, a heading "Illustrated Books—Specimens, reproductions, etc. in Color," but of course some of the best books in the Library containing colored plates, acquired in the past, are not at present listed under this heading. A catalogue, or even a check list, of the most useful books containing colored plates in the libraries of this country would be an invaluable tool to the reference department of every library.

Service through the photostat continues to grow. Some of the apparently most appreciated service to patrons is rendered through the supply of photostatic reproduction of some manuscript or printed material in the possession of the Library. Important work has been done for the New York Public Library, the Henry E. Huntington Library, the Great Northern Railway, the Historical Section of the Army War College at Washington, and several other institutions, as well as for a large number of private individuals. The source material of the Ayer Collection has played the larger part in this phase of our activities.

During the year the New York Public Library has proceeded in its work of making for itself, and also for the Library of Congress, Yale, and the University of Pennsylvania, photostatic copies of Hunter's *Chorus Vatum Anglicanorum* from our photostat made in 1916 from the original manuscript in the British Museum. The volumes are lent one at a time, and of the set of twelve, work has been completed on nine. The Director of the New York Public Library, commenting on this undertaking in his report for 1925-26, said: "The public spirit of the Newberry Library, therefore, had put at the service of scholars in four addi-

tional centers of research what hitherto had been available only at one point in this country.”

The Wing Foundation continues to serve an ever widening circle of craftsmen and students. Reporting on this work, Dr. Pierce Butler, the Custodian, states:

Of the individual readers, the greater part come, of course, for information on some definite point, but many others pursue extensive studies over a larger period. Typical of the subjects investigated by such readers during the past year may be mentioned: (1) Early paper-making. (2) French typographical styles, 1790-1810. (3) The bibliography of cancelled leaves in the light of seventeenth-century printing-office practice. (4) The economic effect of new inventions in printing methods. (This last subject won for the student a Master's degree.) (5) Peculiarities of text in the fifteenth-century editions of the Bible, etc. But this specialized collection with its source material of monuments of printing and its subsidiary apparatus of books of all sorts relating to the art renders a service whose value must be estimated by its quality rather than by a quantitative measure of the number of readers who use it. An illustration of this is shown in the organization, by their own initiative, of a study group of some twenty-five young typographers of the city. Though they visit the Foundation but once a month, the members of this group are apparently devoting much time and attention on the outside to preparation for an effective use of the material when they do come. On our side the Library has endeavored to preserve the spontaneity of this movement by providing every facility of access to our material, but urging the class to provide their own lectures and expositions. The actual process worked out is this: The leader of the particular meeting comes several days beforehand and decides with our assistance what books he wishes to use. These volumes are then taken, before the meeting, to the spare exhibition cases in the Music Room and displayed with suitable labels under glass, and, when it is practicable, a few extra specimens of lesser value arranged on a table for free handling.

*Mail and telephone inquiries.*—Complete statistics are not kept of information given inquirers over the telephone, nor of the letters written in response to requests for literary and historical data from persons living at a distance, or unable to visit the Library, but we have current record of 1,625 telephone calls satisfactorily answered, and of 581 written communications sent out from the Librarian's office, containing carefully compiled data supplied by reference assistants. Both these forms of service con-

stitute a part of the daily routine, and should receive due consideration in estimating the usefulness of the Library to the community.

*Interlibrary Loans.*—We received ninety-four applications asking for the loan of 153 volumes. Some of these requests were for books which the Library did not possess, and our general and special obligations toward scholars in Chicago obliged us to decline a number of requests. Extenuating circumstances, however, seemed to warrant exceptional consideration in a number of cases, and the Library loaned, for a limited period, usually two weeks, 123 books to forty-three other institutions.

*Exhibitions.*—Seven exhibitions have been held during the year, four in the main exhibition room on the second floor and three in the rooms of the Edward E. Ayer Collection.

1. The year 1926 opened with the exhibition of fifteenth-century books chosen to illustrate the development of the printed book during its first fifty years, 1450–1500, carried over from the previous year.

2. The exhibit noted above gave way in early spring to a display of books on gardens and gardening, husbandry and old herbals. The Library makes no attempt to gather books on the practical problems of modern gardening as a science, or as a branch of the agricultural field, but it has in times past gathered a considerable number of rare and curious books, many with fine colored plates, on the literature of gardening and husbandry in the preceding four centuries, and a selection of this material made an attractive display.

3. In the fall for four weeks came the "Fifty Books" of the year, the fourth of this series, together with the third exhibition of "Commercial Printing," both arranged and sent about the country under the auspices of the American Institute of Graphic Arts.

4. Oriental manuscripts followed these loan exhibits, and as the year closes we have on display the choicest of the Library's holdings in the illuminated manuscripts of the past three or four hundred years of such cultures and races as the Chinese, Japanese,

Tibetan, Sanskrit, Pali, Persian, Arabic, Hebrew, Turkish, Armenian, and Ethiopic. In the winter of 1922-23 the Library held an exhibit of its Western manuscripts, which was generally considered one of the most beautiful displays of recent years, but in many respects our Oriental manuscripts excel those of the Western lands.

5. The exhibition of prints of Indian dances in the Ayer Collection with which the year 1925 closed was carried for several weeks into 1926.

6. Books, prints, maps, and charts illustrating early voyages and travels, all drawn from material in the Ayer Collection, was the second exhibit of the year in the Ayer Collection. This gave opportunity for displaying the rare editions of De Bry, Hakluyt, Hulsius, Purchas, and the English, French, and Italian narrations of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

7. The year closes with an exhibition in the Ayer Collection of photographs of Klamath and Hupi Indians by Alice Palmer.

*Publications.*—The following publications were prepared and issued:

1. Report of the Trustees of The Newberry Library for the year 1925. Printed from type; 1,000 copies.

2. Italian Books in The Newberry Library, by George B. Utley. Reprinted by the Library from *Italica*, May, 1926; 200 copies.

3. English as an International Language: a Selected List of References, Compiled by Lois Holladay, under the supervision of William Stetson Merrill; 500 copies multigraphed.

Of these and former publications of the Library, a total of 1,320 copies were distributed to persons and institutions known to be directly interested in the subject matter.

#### TECHNICAL WORK AND PROCESSES

During 1926 a total of 9,671 books, pamphlets, and manuscripts was added to the permanent collections of the Library, bringing the total number in all departments on December 15, 1926, to 443,757. Of the number added in 1926, 6,814 were ac-



quired by purchase from the general book appropriation, as against 5,134 in 1925. These purchases do not include 610 items added to the Edward E. Ayer Collection and 222 to the John M. Wing Foundation. Selected gifts amounted to 778 volumes, and 1,247 volumes of United States government documents were permanently deposited.

The Catalogue Department reports show that 5,584 new titles have been catalogued in complete form, as against 5,163 in 1925. Cards for 2,194 titles were multigraphed, compared with 2,549 in 1925, this work involving the actual multigraphing of 35,368 cards. These titles represent works for which the printed cards of the Library of Congress were not procurable. The Library used 21,554 "L.C." cards as against 19,225 in 1925. These figures show that fortunately we were able to avail ourselves to a greater degree than in 1925 of the cataloguing done by the Library of Congress, and consequently were correspondingly relieved of the expense and task of doing our own cataloguing independently.

The general Catalogue Department has continued to catalogue the acquisitions of the Ayer Collection, and this work is practically up to date. Nearly all of the Wing Foundation books are now either catalogued or in process of being catalogued, except the incunabula, which at the present time are catalogued only in the multigraphed check list. We hope to have at least a part of these represented by cards in the Public Author Catalogue during the coming year. The cataloguing of accessions for the year to the general collections is practically done to date.

In May we began the cataloguing of the Prince Bonaparte Collection of European Linguistics, some 19,000 volumes. Heretofore our only catalogue has been the printed check list compiled by Victor Collins in 1894, which he modestly termed "Attempt at a Catalogue." That arrangement is by linguistic groups and the catalogue is usable and fairly satisfactory to the student who approaches the collection from the subject point of view. It is not so convenient to one who approaches from the author point of view with the wish to learn what the collection contains by a specific author. Therefore, it has seemed desirable to have a card

catalogue of the collection and to have these cards distributed in our general catalogues. Cards for 4,092 volumes have been already completed and filed. Library of Congress cards are used, of course, as far as possible.

The Public Author Catalogue now contains 301,397 cards, representing 188,220 titles and 41,035 analytcs. These are the permanent cards; it contains in addition 26,530 temporary cards.

#### VAULT FOR AYER COLLECTION

During the year a fireproof vault has been constructed expressly for the Ayer Collection, and the choicest part of that remarkable gathering of manuscripts, printed books, original drawings, charts, etc., has been transferred to it. The vault is situated adjacent to the west room of the Ayer Collection and contains three floors, one on the level of the rooms of the Collection, one below, and one above. At present only the division on the collection level has been equipped for use, but when glass-front steel bookcases are installed on the two other levels also, the capacity of the vault will be approximately 8,000 volumes, enough surely to provide for the growth of the Collection's rarities for years to come. Although the entire building is considered fireproof and all possible precautions are taken against fire, it is nevertheless gratifying to feel that this additional safety is now provided for the excessively rare and in many cases irreplaceable treasures possessed in this superb collection of Americana and North American Indian material.

#### THE BINDERY

The operations associated with the binding and repairing of the books, as has been pointed out in previous annual reports, fall into two distinct groups. One comprises the details connected with the designation of the nature and kind of binding to be put on books received unbound, and the assembling of the requisite parts and numbers of periodical publications, the withdrawal of worn or broken volumes from the shelves for necessary repairs, etc., the delivery to, and the receipt of this material from, the

Bindery, and the keeping of systematic records of these facts. These operations are performed by members of the Library staff.

The Bindery proper deals exclusively with the second group of operations, i. e., those having to do with the technical treatment of a book by the binders from the time of its receipt in an unbound condition until its return, newly bound or repaired, to the Library assistants. In the Bindery it is collated, assembled by signatures, sewed, bound in cloth, leather, pigskin, or board cover, gilded, stamped, labeled, etc. All of this, of course, is done by skilled artisans under the direction of an experienced chief.

During the year 4,114 books and pamphlets were newly bound, as compared with 4,651 in 1925; 958 repaired and relettered, as compared with 1,056 last year; 1,141 maps and charts were mounted on muslin; 131 book and document boxes were made. The slightly reduced output for 1926 was due to the serious illness for about three months of the foreman of the Bindery, and the inevitable slowing up of the work during his enforced absence; but as he has recovered his health, operations are now proceeding at the normal rate.

As in former years, the Bindery has also performed many other services whose direct results contribute to keeping our books in good present condition and to their length of life. Under these miscellaneous services fall such activities as the making of periodical binders and folders, the covering of publications printed on the multigraph, the repairs of the genealogical indexes and shelf-lists, the making of dummies from strips of cardboard, the cutting up of Library of Congress proofsheets, etc. The Bindery, as in past years, has supplied the Library with a variety of devices and apparatus which add greatly to the ease, economy, and convenience of service.

Under the direction of the Head of the Bindery, 66,500 catalogue cards and guides were printed on the multigraph; 184 pages, 500 copies of each page, of a Library publication (which is not yet completed and therefore not referred to elsewhere in this report) were printed on the multigraph; and about 99,400 official forms, blanks, and application slips were printed.

#### THE LIBRARY STAFF

The number of authorized positions in the classified staff, that is, positions for which appropriations are annually made, was forty-two; two more than in 1925. Three members resigned during the year: Ralph A. Ulveling, of the Public Service Department, and Miss Clara Ricketts and Miss Helen Young, of the Catalogue Department.

Additions to the staff include Miss Grace Gilman and Mrs. Mary Kennedy to the Catalogue Department, Miss Marion MacIntosh to the Book Selection Department, and Frederick S. Cook to the Public Service Department. A full staff has been maintained the major part of the year. There have been no cases of serious illness.

The Annual Conference of the American Library Association, celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of that national organization, was held the first week of October in Atlantic City and Philadelphia, and was attended by the Librarian and Miss Baker, Head Cataloguer. The Librarian and Miss Dowle, Librarian's Secretary, attended the Conference of the Illinois Library Association at Mount Vernon in May. The Librarian has given several addresses out of town during the year, and about the usual number of addresses and informal talks to various groups and organizations in Chicago.

Approaching the completion of seven years of service in The Newberry Library, the Librarian appreciates increasingly as the years pass the unfailing co-operation and kindness shown to him by every member of the Board of Trustees.

GEORGE B. UTLEY, *Librarian*

## STATISTICS OF PRINCIPAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS 1926

### I. NUMBER OF READERS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	32,258
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	15,288
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	509
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	5,344
5. Music Room . . . . .	77
6. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>649</u>
Total Readers . . . . .	54,025

### II. RECORDED USE OF BOOKS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	71,594
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	132,208
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	2,195
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	792
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>2,817</u>
Total Volumes . . . . .	209,606

### III. BOOK SELECTION AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATIONS

1. Titles investigated . . . . .	10,467
2. Titles selected . . . . .	3,223
3. Volumes represented by titles selected . . . . .	4,411
4. Official lists of selected titles typed and submitted to Committee on Books . . . . .	95
5. Order cards typed or written . . . . .	3,261
6. Bibliographical questions investigated, and answered, for other divisions of the library service, for other libraries, and for readers . . . . .	115

### IV. CLASSIFICATION

1. Purchases . . . . .	6,814
2. Gifts . . . . .	778
3. United States Documents . . . . .	1,247
4. Ayer Collection . . . . .	610
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	<u>222</u>
Total volumes and pamphlets classed . . . . .	9,671

## V. CATALOGUING (CURRENT ACCESSIONS)

1. New titles catalogued and revised.....	5,584
2. New volumes catalogued and revised:	
a) Volumes represented by above titles.....	7,023
b) Volumes of continuations.....	1,255
3. New analytics (included in titles).....	534
4. New cards prepared:	
a) For the Official Author Catalogue.....	10,845
b) For the Public Author Catalogue.....	10,329
c) For the Subject Catalogue.....	11,914
d) For the Official Name List.....	3,931
e) For the Wing Catalogue.....	2,199
f) For the Ayer Catalogue.....	<u>1,075</u>
Total new cards prepared and revised.....	40,293

## VI. RECATALOGUING (PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE)

1. Titles.....	405
2. Volumes represented.....	682
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	2,849
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	64
5. Number of cards prepared.....	739
6. Number of temporary cards prepared.....	2,059
7. Name-list cards.....	1,044
8. Bonaparte Collection (volumes).....	4,092

## VII. PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE AUTHOR CATALOGUE

1. Titles.....	188,220
2. Volumes.....	284,680
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	52,613
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	41,035
5. Cross-references.....	35,548
6. Number of cards.....	301,397
7. Number of temporary cards.....	26,530

## VIII. STATISTICS OF CARDS FILED IN THE LIBRARY CATALOGUES AND INDEXES

1. Official Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	10,883
b) New cards substituted for old.....	782
c) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled.....	<u>3,013</u>
Total cards in this catalogue.....	327,565

2. Public Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	10,328
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled	2,040
Total cards in this catalogue.....	301,397
3. Official Name List:	
a) New cards added.....	4,980
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled	799
Total cards in this catalogue.....	124,226
4. Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	16,061
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions and refiled	3,125
c) Cards deducted.....	442
Total cards in this catalogue.....	109,151
5. Alphabetical Subject Catalogue for Genealogy and Local History:	
a) New cards added.....	1,945
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	129
Total cards in this catalogue.....	17,517
6. Wing Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	437
b) New volumes.....	471
c) New analytics (included in titles).....	41
d) New cards.....	2,119
e) Cards revised and refiled.....	47
Total cards in this catalogue.....	7,076
7. Ayer Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	406
b) New volumes.....	434
c) New analytics.....	20
d) New cards.....	1,053
e) Revised cards.....	7
8. Library of Congress "Proof-Sheet" Catalogue:	
New entries filed:	
a) Under authors.....	43,040
b) Under added entries.....	876
Total cards in this catalogue.....	766,796

## IX. PREPARATION OF BOOKS FOR BINDING, REPAIRS, ETC.

1. Volumes sent to the Bindery:	
a) New acquisitions (including serials and newspapers) . . . . .	2,059
b) Volumes removed from shelves for repairs, etc. . . . .	841
2. Volumes returned from Bindery, newly bound, rebound, and repaired . . . . .	
	2,519

## X. BINDERY

1. Binding:	
a) Volumes bound in half-morocco . . . . .	279
b) Volumes bound in cloth . . . . .	3,182
c) Volumes of newspapers bound . . . . .	200
d) Pamphlets bound in "Newberry Binding" . . . . .	453
e) Volumes repaired and relettered . . . . .	958
f) Pamphlet boxes . . . . .	131
g) Volumes on which "call-numbers" were gilded . . . . .	4,357
h) Bookplates pasted in books . . . . .	7,816
i) Volumes on which name of the Library was gilded . . . . .	5,222
j) Maps mounted on cloth . . . . .	1,141
k) Illustrations, plates, charts, etc., "guarded" . . . . .	5,663
2. Multigraph Printing:	
a) Catalogue cards and guides . . . . .	13,234
b) Total cards . . . . .	66,500
c) Library forms, blanks, application slips, etc., multigraphed . . . . .	99,400
d) Library publication (number of copies) . . . . .	500
3. Supplies:	
a) Blank catalogue cards cut from stock and punched . . . . .	16,000
b) Memorandum slips cut from stock and punched . . . . .	25,000

## XI. INCREASE IN THE LIBRARY

1. Purchases . . . . .	6,814
2. Gifts:	
a) Entered in the Accession Record . . . . .	772
b) Classed without accessioning . . . . .	6
c) United States—Public Documents . . . . .	1,247
3. Ayer Collection . . . . .	610
4. Wing Foundation . . . . .	222



## XII. CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

1. Entered in the Accession Record.....	350,243
2. Classed without accessioning .....	246
3. British India documents (1912-date).....	2,248
4. United States public documents .....	13,282
5. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
6. Ayer Collection.....	49,112
7. Wing Bequest.....	3,793
8. Wing Foundation.....	3,179
Total volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc. ....	443,757

## XIII. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1926

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

### CONTENTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SECTIONS

	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1925	Volumes and Pamphlets Transfers	Volumes and Pamphlets Added 1926	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1926
General Reference.....	2,799		54	2,853
Periodicals.....	18,215		309	18,524
Newspapers.....	5,505		182	5,687
Academies.....	2,372		31	2,403
Philosophy.....	4,346		92	4,438
Religion.....	17,648	+ 6	221	17,875
Church History.....	11,420	- 1	168	11,587
Biography.....	13,849	+ 1	474	14,324
Genealogy.....	7,508	+ 2	262	7,772
History.....	44,410	+ 12	2,017	46,439
Geography and Travel.....	10,874	- 1	412	11,285
Economics.....	22,802		388	23,190
Sociology.....	4,923		23	4,946
Education.....	11,530	- 1	99	11,628
Civil Government.....	14,996	+ 10	444	15,450
Law and Legislation.....	17,209	- 1	149	17,357
Science and Technology (inc. old N)	16,370	- 18	59	16,411
Military and Naval Arts.....	3,533		123	3,656
Sports.....	1,041	+ 1	16	1,058
Theater.....	711		28	739
Music.....	13,587	+ 3	168	13,758
Thomas Collection.....	566			566
Fine Arts.....	11,180	+ 11	163	11,354
Language and Philology.....	11,146		263	11,409
Literature.....	35,614	+ 15	882	36,511
Literary Biography.....	2,881		127	3,008
Bibliography.....	19,394	+ 2	437	19,833
Totals.....	326,429	+ 41	7,591	334,061

## XIV. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1926

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

	Vols. and pphs. Dec. 31, 1926
1. Classified sections (carried).....	334,061
2. E. E. Ayer Collection.....	49,112
3. Bonaparte Collection.....	18,213
4. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
5. John M. Wing Foundation.....	3,179
6. John M. Wing Bequest.....	3,793
7. United States documents: government classification.....	10,676
8. Unclassified lots (estimated):	
a) Bibliographical museum.....	1,327
b) Bonaparte supplement.....	702
c) Pamphlet material (accessioned).....	1,014
d) Reserved duplicates.....	26
Total.....	443,757

## XV. NAMES OF DONORS, 1926

	Vols.	Pams.
Abbott, William P., Suffern, <i>N.Y.</i> .....		1
Adams, Randolph G., Ann Arbor, <i>Mich.</i> .....		1
Adams, Joseph, Chicago.....	10	
Adams, Katharine K., Chicago.....	1	
Ames, Jennie M., Cleveland, <i>Ohio.</i> .....		1
Association for the Publication of the <i>Ku Chou Pien</i> , Tokyo, <i>Japan.</i> .....	68	
Atkins, William, Lincoln, <i>Ill.</i> .....	5	5
Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island, <i>Ill.</i> .....	10	
Ayer, Edward E., Chicago.....	12	2
Baldwin, Evelyn B., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> typewritten MS; 11 typewritten pamphlets		
Ball, George A., Muncie, <i>Ind.</i> .....	1	
Bay, J. Christian, Chicago.....		2
B'Nai B'Rith Magazine, Cincinnati, <i>Ohio.</i> .....	2	
Berwick y de Alba, <i>Duque de</i> , Madrid, <i>Spain.</i> .....	1	
Bishop, Wm. W., Ann Arbor, <i>Mich.</i> .....		1
Bradt, Mrs. Bertha Glidden, De Kalb, <i>Ill.</i> .....	2	
Bransford, C. W., Owensboro, <i>Ky.</i> .....	4	
Brooks, Sidney, New York City.....	1	
Brown, Alexander, and Sons, Baltimore, <i>Md.</i> .....	1	

	Vols.	Pams.
Buck, <i>Mrs.</i> Randolph, Hubbard Woods, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	I	
Buknud, M., Lahore, <i>India.</i> . . . . .	I	
Burke, Caroline E., Seattle, <i>Wash.</i> . . . . .	I	
Bushnell, David I., Jr., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .		I
Carnovale, Luigi, Chicago . . . . .	2	
Castle, George P., Honolulu, <i>H.I.</i> . . . . . 4 charts; 4 broadsides		
Caxton Magazine, London, <i>England.</i> . . . . .	I	
Cermak, <i>Hon.</i> Anton J., Chicago . . . . .	I	2
Chamberlin, T. C., Chicago . . . . .		I
Chandler, Milford, Chicago . . . . . 30 photographs		
Chicago Literary Club, Chicago . . . . .	2	
Chile, Embassy of, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .		2
Claypool, <i>Mrs.</i> , Chicago . . . . .	I	
Cliff Dwellers, Chicago . . . . .		I
Cole, Geo. Watson, Pasadena, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		I
Conway, G. R. G., Mexico, <i>D.F.</i> . . . . .		I
Cortright, <i>Mrs.</i> Alice Messenger, Homer, <i>Mich.</i> . . . . .	I	
Courtright, <i>Dr.</i> Dudley V., Circleville, <i>Ohio.</i> . . . . .	I	
Cox, Benjamin L., Chicago . . . . .	3	
Cox, W. C., and Co., Chicago . . . . .	545	
Craigie, <i>Prof.</i> W. A., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Cummings, <i>Rev.</i> J. E., Milan, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		2
Curtis, L. A., Wakefield, Mass. . . . .		I
Curtis, Wesley L., Lincoln, <i>Neb.</i> . . . . .	I	
Curtiss, <i>Mrs.</i> Josie D., Marengo, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	I	
Dawson, Ernest, Los Angeles, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		2
Deane, Ruthven, Chicago . . . . .	I	
De Forest, <i>Miss</i> Charlotte B., West Medford, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	I	I
Depew, <i>Hon.</i> Chauncey M., New York City . . . . .	I	
Devereux, Henry K., Wickliffe, <i>Ohio.</i> . . . . .	I	
Dies, Edward J., Chicago . . . . .		I
Dixon, <i>Dr.</i> Joseph Kossuth, Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .		I
Donnelley, R. R., & Sons Co., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Dragoo, Ruth Morgan, Pittsburg, <i>Kan.</i> . . . . .		I
Dusenbery, <i>Mrs.</i> Rebecca P., St. Louis, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .	I	
Dwelly, E., West Ewell, Surrey, <i>England.</i> . . . . .		I
Eckstorm, <i>Mrs.</i> Fannie H., Brewer, <i>Me.</i> . . . . .		2
Ellis, James A., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Erving, Henry W., Hartford, <i>Conn.</i> . . . . .	I	
Ewing, Thomas, Yonkers, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		I



	Vols.	Pams.
McCormick, <i>Mrs.</i> Alexander A., Chicago . . . . .	5	scrap books
McMurtrie, Douglas C., New York City . . . . .	1	1
McPherson, <i>Mrs.</i> Wm. W., Chicago . . . . .	3	5
Mahoney, <i>Mrs.</i> L. A., Moline, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		17
Martin, <i>Dr.</i> Franklin H., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Megan, Charles P., Chicago . . . . .		1
Meister, <i>Mrs.</i> Leila von, Bad Homburg, <i>Germany</i> . . . . .		1
Merrill, Wm. Stetson, Chicago . . . . .		1
Merrill, Samuel, Cambridge, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	1	
Metcalf, H. H., Concord, <i>N.H.</i> . . . . .	1	
Meyer, <i>Dr.</i> Harold I., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Milner, <i>Rev.</i> D. C., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Moore, Hale, Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		1
Moore, Vivian L., Chicago . . . . .		1
Moses, <i>Hon.</i> G. H., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	1	
Munro, George W., West Lafayette, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . .	1	chart
Munroe, Henry S., Litchfield, <i>Conn.</i> . . . . .	2	
Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York City . . . . .	7	2
National Arts Club, Gramercy Park, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .	1	2
Noble, E. M., Denton, <i>Md.</i> . . . . .	1	
O'Hara, John M., New York City . . . . .	2	2
Olschki, Leo S., Florence, <i>Italy</i> . . . . .	1	
Orebaugh, David A., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Paschall, Edward E., Herndon, Fairfax County, <i>Va.</i> . . . . .	1	
Payson, George S., Chicago . . . . .	26	
Peabody, Augustus S., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Poland, Consul General of, Chicago . . . . .		1
Powel, T. Rowland, Aberystwyth, <i>Wales</i> . . . . .	1	
Pynson Printers, Inc., New York City . . . . .	1	
Rahder, <i>Dr.</i> J., Brussels, <i>Belgium</i> . . . . .	1	
Remy, Charles Mason, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	1	
Ridout, <i>Mrs.</i> Grant, Chicago . . . . .		1
Rockefeller, Laura Spelman, Memorial, New York City . . . . .		2
Rockefeller Foundation, New York City . . . . .	2	
Roewade, R., Montclair, <i>N.J.</i> . . . . .		1
Roosevelt Memorial Association, New York City . . . . .		1
Roullier, <i>Miss</i> Alice, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Rush, Sylvester R., Omaha, <i>Neb.</i> . . . . .	1	

	Vols.	Pams.
Russell, Albert B., Iliion, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .	1	
Rutherford, Mildred L., Athens, <i>Ga.</i> . . . . .	1	
Schalkenbach, Robert, Foundation, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .	1	
Schock, Mrs. D. R., Lakewood, <i>Ohio.</i> . . . . .	1	
Schwimmer, Miss Franciska, Chicago . . . . .		1
Shamis, Thomas, Chicago . . . . .	4	
Shepard, Mrs. Jennie O., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Shirley, John Cofer, bequest from, late of Chicago . . . . .	3	
Sitherwood, Mrs. Frances G., Bloomington, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Sjöstrand, Erik, Chicago . . . . .		2
Smith, Geo. D., Book Co., New York City . . . . .	1	1
Smith, W. Thomas, Evansville, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . .	1	
Sotheran, Henry, and Co., London, <i>England.</i> . . . . .	1	
Spell, Lota M., Austin, <i>Tex.</i> . . . . .		1
Spingarn, J. E., Amenia, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		2
Stenstrand, August J., Chicago . . . . .	15	4
Stewart, Miss Mabel, Flint, <i>Mich.</i> . . . . .		7
Stuttler, Boyd B., Charleston, <i>W.Va.</i> . . . . .	1	
Storke, C. A., Santa Barbara, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		1
Taylor, Mrs. Harriet, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Thomas, M. H., Troy, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		1
Thompson, Slason, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Thompson, Stith, Bloomington, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . .	1	
Tibbles, Charles E., Chicago . . . . .		1
Tideman, George T., Chicago . . . . .		1
Torrey, Clarence A., Dorchester, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .		1
Tregaskis, James, London, <i>England.</i> . . . . .		1
Union League Club, Chicago . . . . .	1	
United Typothetae of America, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Utley, George B., Chicago . . . . .	1	1
Verein Berliner Buchdruckerei, Berlin, <i>Germany.</i> . . . . .	1	
Virkus, Frederick A., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Vogt, Mrs. Mary M., St. Louis, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .	1	
Walker, Dr. James W., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Washburn, Benjamin, Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .		1
Waterman, Fred L., Davenport, <i>Iowa.</i> . . . . .		1
Watts, Mrs. James T., Chicago . . . . .	2	
Weaver, Dr. George H., Chicago . . . . .	1	

	Vols.	Pams.
Wilcox, Wm. A., Westerly, <i>R.I.</i> .....		I
Willard, <i>Miss</i> Mary F., Chicago.....	IO	2
Williams, <i>Dr.</i> George C. F., Hartford, <i>Conn.</i> .....	I	
Winchester, W. F., Greenfield, <i>Ind.</i> .....	I	
Wood, Wm. Allen, Indianapolis, <i>Ind.</i> .....		I
Woodcox, Benjamin F., Battle Creek, <i>Mich.</i> .....	I	
Woodworth, George W., Cedarburg, <i>Wis.</i> .....	I	
Wroth, Lawrence C., Providence, <i>R.I.</i> .....		I
Academies, colleges, museums, universities, and other educational institutions.....	47	44
American and foreign libraries.....	92	188
Charitable, religious, and other social organizations.....	15	6
Commercial, financial, and political organizations.....	44	17
Firms, publishing companies, etc.....	11	3
Foreign governments.....	I map	38 6
Genealogical, historical, and other patriotic organizations.....	24	20
Railway corporations.....	I	I
United States, municipal governments.....	8	I
United States, state governments.....	53	60
Anonymous.....	20	3

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, NOT INCLUDING THE JOHN  
M. WING FOUNDATION, DECEMBER 31, 1926

Bank stock .....	\$ 28,000.00
Bonds.....	1,269,541.19
Loans secured by real estate.....	47,250.00
Contracts for sale of real estate.....	31,125.00
Balance to credit at bank.....	24,894.22
The expenditure for books, periodicals, and fittings of the Library from its foundation to date amounts to.....	1,065,759.45



REPORT OF THE JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1926

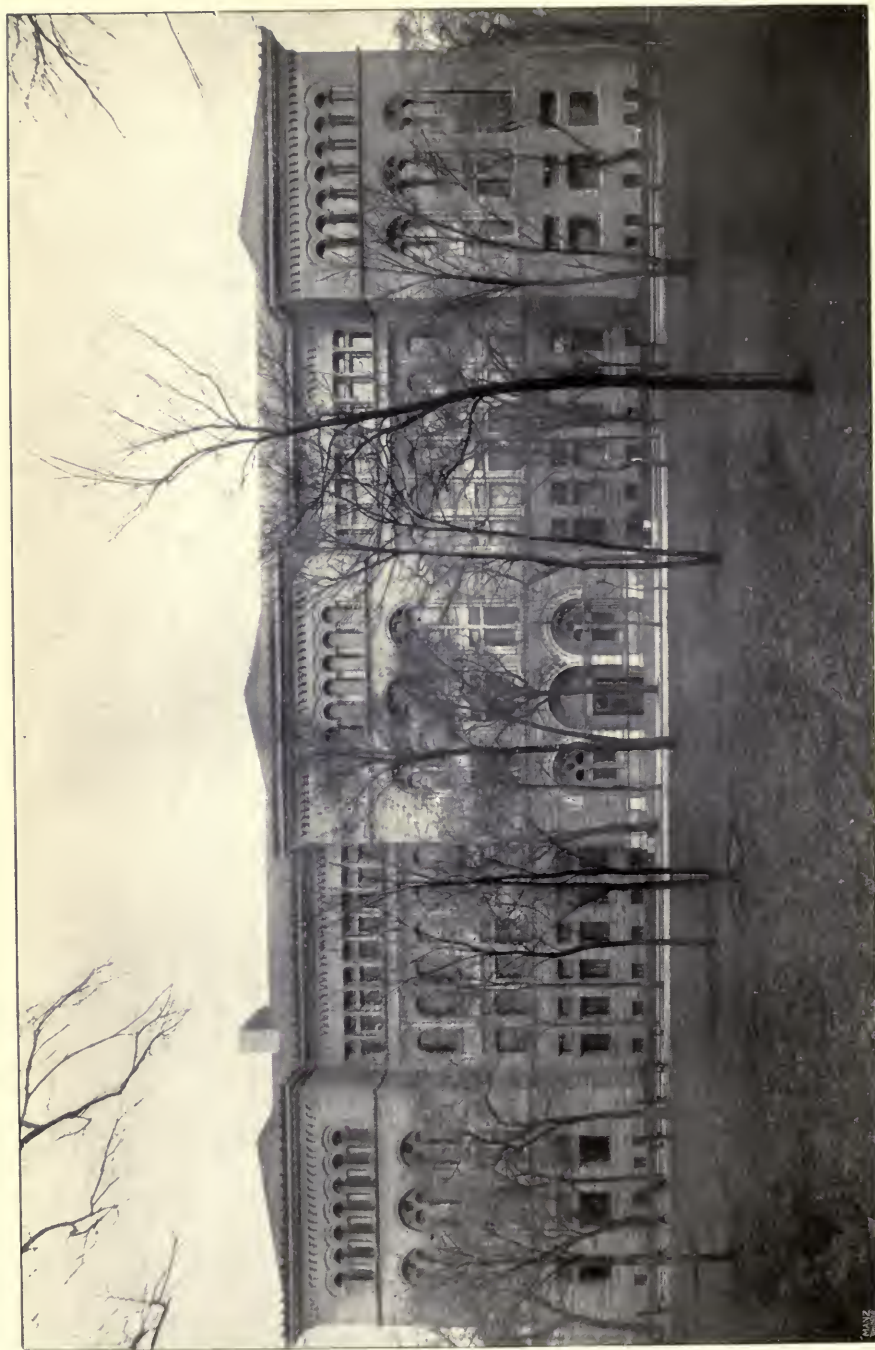
Cash on hand, January 1, 1926.....	\$ 2,603.97	
Receipts for the year.....	12,777.56	
Loan from general fund.....	1,000.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 16,381.53
Expenditures:		
Books and part of custodian's salary.....	\$ 13,752.81	
Sundries.....	18.75	
	<u>          </u>	13,771.56
Cash on hand, December 31, 1926.....	\$ 2,609.97	
This fund now amounts at par value to:		
Bonds and stocks.....	\$240,946.25	
Cash.....	2,609.97	
	<u>          </u>	\$243,556.22
Statistics as of December 31, 1926:		
Number of volumes received in John M. Wing Bequest.....		3,793
Number of volumes acquired by the Foundation.....		<u>3,179</u>
Total number of volumes.....		6,972











THE NEWBERRY LIBRARY

Report of *the* Trustees  
of *the* Newberry Library  
*for the* Year  
1927



Chicago  
1928





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**Walter Loomis Newberry**

1804-1868

Of whom it may be said, as truly as Anthony à Wood said of Sir Thomas Bodley: "By his noble and generous endeavours he hath been the occasion of making hundreds of public writers, and of increasing in an high degree the commonwealth of learning."



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MR. JOHN P. WILSON.....	Elected January 3, 1911
MR. EDWARD L. RYERSON.....	Elected March 6, 1911
MR. ANDREW C. McLAUGHLIN.....	Elected April 6, 1914
MR. JOHN W. SCOTT.....	Elected May 1, 1916
MR. ALBERT H. WETTEN.....	Elected December 5, 1916
MR. HORACE S. OAKLEY.....	Elected April 1, 1918
MR. ROBERT P. LAMONT.....	Elected December 4, 1922
MR. MELVIN A. TRAYLOR.....	Elected December 4, 1922
MR. ARTHUR C. L. BROWN.....	Elected December 1, 1924
MR. WILLIAM A. CRAIGIE.....	Elected December 7, 1925
MR. CHARLES Y. FREEMAN.....	Elected December 7, 1925
MR. GEORGE S. PAYSON.....	Elected December 7, 1925

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## REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

CHICAGO, DECEMBER 31, 1927

*To His Excellency, Len Small,*

*Governor of the State of Illinois, Springfield, Illinois:*

SIR: In accordance with the provisions of an act entitled: *An Act to encourage and promote the establishment of free public libraries in the cities, villages, and towns of this State* (Illinois), approved June 17, 1891, under which this corporation is organized, the Trustees of The Newberry Library herewith transmit their thirty-sixth annual report, showing the progress and operations of the Library during the year 1927.

Mr. Edward E. Ayer, whose remarkable benefactions to The Newberry Library have been the source of deep and lasting gratification alike to the patrons and to the Trustees of this institution, died at Pasadena, California, on May 3 of this year, in his eighty-sixth year. Mr. Ayer was one of the charter members of this Board, serving in that official capacity from the incorporation of the Library in 1892 until he resigned in 1911, the year in which he presented to it his superb library of manuscripts, prints, drawings, and printed books relating to the North American Indians. By this magnificent gift and by his endowments to the collection, which will eventually become available, and by his faithful and untiring thoughtfulness for, and services to, this institution, he has rendered to scholarship and to general education far-reaching benefits which will be permanently appreciated and perpetually remembered.

The Annual Report of the Librarian, appended hereto, contains the statistics of the Library for the past year, including those of general administration, accessions, attendance, etc., together with the names of donors and the number of their respective gifts.

The most fitting and appropriate use of the Library continues to be that made of it by the faculty and students, particularly the graduate students, of our local universities and other educational institutions. But a considerable proportion of its patronage is, of course, by independent investigators who have no formal academic connection or affiliation, and, as in the past, the Library has had the satisfaction to be of frequent practical assistance to various bodies and officials who are engaged in important public work. It is gratifying, as on previous occasions, to report that each year a number of books are published which acknowledge in introduction, footnotes, or appendix assistance received from the literary resources of the Library.

From time to time during the year various groups representing varied interests in the industrial, civic, artistic, and literary life of Chicago have held discussions, attended lectures and other gatherings at the Library, which occasions have given them apparently appreciated opportunities to avail themselves of the resources there gathered and made available for public use. While this is not an innovation of the year, these meetings have been rather more frequent this year than in past years, and we hope that in the future this province of our activities may be yet further utilized and developed.

In addition to the acknowledgment that has been officially made to those who have made gifts to the Library, the Trustees desire, in this Report, to express their appreciation of the thoughtfulness that has been of such benefit to this institution.

A statement of the assets of The Newberry Library on December 31, 1927, also of the expenditures for books, pamphlets, maps, and fittings of the Library, from its foundation to date, will be found as an appendix to this Report. There is also appended a report of the operations of the John M. Wing Foundation of the Library for the year 1927.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD L. RYERSON, *President*



## THE LIBRARY STAFF

*December 31, 1927*

### I. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

The Librarian

Gertrude E. Dowle, Secretary to the Librarian

### II. PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENT

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Ralph McComb

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Eden Peterson

Mrs. W. F. Van Buskirk

Ferris Randall

Frederic S. Cook

Denver Watts

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Nelson Marklund, Head of Classification Department

Helen A. Fowler, B.L.

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Lillian Tarnow

Mrs. Louise C. Ferguson

Augusta Brotman

Ruth Chandler

Thelma Pons

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## REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

*To the Trustees of The Newberry Library:*

GENTLEMEN: Herewith is submitted the forty-first annual report of the Librarian and the eighth which it has been my privilege to make. The statistics given in the text and in the several appendixes are taken from the official records currently maintained by the heads of departments and other responsible assistants.

### GIFTS

As in previous years, a number of valuable and important and useful books and periodicals and some manuscript material have been given to the Library. In number they amount to 839 volumes and other accessioned pieces, and a detailed record of them will be found in an appendix to this report. All gifts have, of course, been acknowledged by the Librarian on behalf of the Trustees. Although it is difficult to discriminate, a few gifts are of such importance and value as to require at least brief mention here.

The Friday Club of Chicago, that long-established organization of prominent women of this city, which has given so many rare and valuable books to the Newberry Library in past years, again remembered us most pleasantly with the gift of two extremely valuable volumes in the field of early English literature. These are: (1) *The xiiii Bukes of Eneados of the Famose Poete Virgill Translatet out of Latyne Verses into Scottish Metir, bi the Reuerend Father in God, Mayster Gawin Douglas, Bishop of Dunkel. Imprinted at London, 1553.* The first edition of the first translation of Vergil into a language of the British Isles. (2) *The Anatomy of Melancholy: What it is, With all the Kindes, Causes, Symptomes, Prognosticks, and Severall Cvres of it . . . By Democritus Junior.*

[Robert Burton] Oxford, 1624. The first folio edition of this famous classic of English literature.

The Hispanic Society of America, from their headquarters in New York, presented 88 volumes of their own publications. They deal with Spanish history, literature, art, music, and early travel and exploration. Scholarly in treatment, beautifully printed and well bound, they are extremely valuable to our collections and will be serviceable to our readers.

Mr. Sigmund Zeisler gave to the Library a collection of orchestral scores and sheet music belonging to his wife, the late Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler.

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Coolidge, of Washington, who has been the liberal patron of music to the Library of Congress, subscribed for The Newberry Library to the ten-volume limited edition of the music of Claudio Monteverdi, which is being edited and superbly printed in Italy under the supervision of G. F. Malipiero.

Mrs. Henry C. Purmort, of Chicago, presented a copy of the memorial edition of the Society of Mayflower Descendants in the State of Illinois, compiled under her personal auspices in memory of her husband.

Mr. Henry Justin Smith, of the *Chicago Daily News*, presented twenty-eight miscellaneous volumes, and Mr. Joseph Adams, fifteen volumes. All of these were acceptable additions to our collections in history, literature, and music.

Printers and printing firms in Chicago and elsewhere have continued to remember the John M. Wing Foundation through the donation of well-printed books, pamphlets, brochures, announcements, and the like, all of which materially add value and usefulness to our typographical collection.

Authors have, as in the past, kindly presented copies of their own works to the Library, and it is gratifying again to record, as in previous years, that in a number of instances a part of the work of preparing the publication in question was done in the Library, assisted by its literary resources, and that this aid has been appreciatively acknowledged in introduction, footnotes or appendix.

## BOOK SELECTION AND ACQUISITION

A total of 14,004 titles have been investigated and passed upon, as against 10,467 in the year 1926, and of this number 4,719, or 33.6 per cent, were decided upon as suitable for acquisition. During the year 99 book lists were prepared and submitted to the Committee on Books for approval, and from these approved lists the orders for the year were placed. Of the lists 92 were for the general collection and 7 for the John M. Wing Foundation. Purchases for the Edward E. Ayer Collection are not included in these lists.

The Library has been fortunate, in its book selection, in having the expert assistance of specialists in several fields. Some of the results of this assistance are:

1. About 125 carefully chosen volumes have been added to its collections in Ancient History.

2. Our collections in English history, with particular reference to the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, have been carefully studied, and in consequence 225 volumes and 650 pamphlets dealing with these periods have been added. And when one considers the attention which The Newberry Library has devoted to British history and politics ever since the institution was founded forty years ago, the acquisition of so much new material in one year is a noteworthy achievement and could not have been accomplished without this expert assistance. The same specialist has prepared lists and recommended as worthy of purchase some five hundred additional titles in these fields, and we hope that in the next year or two copies of many of these books may be located and bought.

3. Professor A. C. L. Brown, of Northwestern University, and a Trustee of The Newberry Library, went abroad in the spring for a six months' leave of absence to study. He generously devoted considerable time searching for books in Irish or in Scottish Gaelic, and as a result our collections in this field are enriched by 397 volumes and 60 pamphlets. Working from Chicago, through second-hand catalogs, he has recommended and the Library

has bought 328 volumes on the history and topography of Ireland, on Wales and the Welsh, and on Gaelic language and literature.

Most of these books written in Irish (or in Scottish Gaelic) are by competent students who are endeavoring to turn to current literary use the surviving Celtic dialects of their nationalities. Most of them are, therefore, in a sense, propaganda documents of which by their very nature few copies will be permanently preserved. In this collection the Library secures apparatus indispensable to the student of Celtic philosophy, as well as a series of documents of great interest for the future historian of the politics and literature of the present Celtic renaissance.

Perhaps the rarest item in the whole collection is a large bundle of news sheets, broadside proclamations, and the like issued in Dublin during the Easter Revolution of 1916. Such papers, being contraband at the time, were for the most part destroyed. As possession of this literature was usually interpreted as complicity in the revolution, the owners themselves destroyed it without waiting for it to fall into the hands of the authorities.

4. The Library has also been fortunate in the services of a prominent local musical critic in building up its music collection. Early in the year about 70 volumes in French about music and musicians were obtained, and later in the year a similar list of 180 volumes in German was ordered. A list containing 41 titles in Italian has lately been ordered.

From 1920 to 1926, inclusive, about a thousand pieces, volumes and pamphlets, but chiefly the latter, were added to our collection on slavery in the United States. In 1927, by a combination of fortunate circumstances, 932 items, chiefly pamphlets, were acquired. Our collection, it will be readily seen, is rapidly acquiring significance and importance and is by way of becoming one of the most extensive in the country.

Special efforts have been made to obtain official large-scale topographical maps of the principal countries of Europe, and during the year we have received those of Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, and Sweden.

Those of Italy were the gift of the Italian government, through the kind offices of the Italian Consul in Chicago. Some are in sheets, and some are in atlas form, and some in folders. Altogether there are about 675 sheets.

We have been particularly fortunate in adding during the past year a considerable number of books relating to southern families and southern local history, and as many of the families of Chicago and vicinity trace their ancestry to Virginia and the Carolinas, generally with Kentucky or southern Indiana as a stopping-place for a generation or two, this southern-family material is extremely welcome to many of our patrons. Records of southern families are rare, "but," added a genealogist to the Librarian one day, when discussing this matter, "I have found the Newberry to be as complete as any in respect to books of this character."

Among the more notable rare books acquired by purchase for the general collections are the following: (1) Dante Alighieri, *La Divina Commedia* (Venice, 1507). A beautiful edition with one hundred fine wood-cuts. (2) Petrarch, *Opere con Nvove Spositione* (Lyon, 1574). (3) Bartholomaeus Anglicus, *De Proprietatibus Rerum* (London: Thomas Berthelet, 1535). The English translation by John of Trevisa. (4) Castiglione, Baldassare, *De Curiali sive Aulico Libri quatuor* (London: John Day, 1571). The first edition printed in England. The Library has also the first edition of the first English translation, that by Thomas Hobby, 1588. (5) Balbani, N., *A President to the Nobilitie of Court and Countrey . . . put into English by W. Crashaw*, 1612. (6) Tyndale, William, *A Briefe Declaration of the Sacraments*, London [1550]. (7) Sylvester, Joshua, *The Parliament of Vertues Royal* (London, 1614). (8) Xenophon, *The History of . . . . Containing the Ascent of Cyrus into the Higher Countreies . . . . Translated by John Bingham* (London, 1623). (9) [Serres, Jean de] *The Three Parties of Commentaries . . . . of the Civill Warres of Fraunce, . . . . tr. out of Latine into English by Thomas Timme* (London, 1574). (10) Prynne, William, *A Short Demurrer to the Jewes Long*

*Discontinued Remitter into England* (London, 1655-56). Two parts. (11) La Sere, J. P. de, *The Secretary in Fashion: or, A Compendious and Refined Way of Expression in all Manner of Letters . . . . tr. into English by J. Massinger*, 1640. (12) Magnus, Johannes, *Historia . . . . de Omnibus Gothorum Sueonumque Regibus . . . . Opera . . . . O. Magni . . . . in Lucem Edita* (Rome, 1554). (13) Leo Medicus Hebraius, *Dialoghi di Amore* (Venice: Aldus, 1552). (14) Amboise, Adrian d', *Discovers ov Traicté des Devises* (Paris, 1620). (15) Saur, Abraham, *Theatrum Orbium* (Frankfort-am-Mayn, 1610). (16) *The Larves, Resolutions of Womens Rights; or The Larves Provision for Woemen* (London, 1632). (17) Great Britain—Parliament, 1628. *The Diurnall Occurrences of Every Dayes Proceeding since . . . . the twentieth of January . . . . [to] the tenth of March, A.D. 1628* (London, 1641). (18) Great Britain—Parliament, 1640-41. *Speeches and Passages . . . . from the third of November, 1640, to . . . . June, 1641* (London, 1641).

Two twentieth-century books worthy of special notice are: (1) Martin, Fredrik R., *The Miniature Painting and Painters of Persia, India, and Turkey, from the Eighth to the Eighteenth Century* (London, 1912), 2 vols. (2) Miguélez, P., *Catalogo de los Codices Españoles de la Biblioteca del Escorial* (Madrid, 1917-25). 2 vols.

The Library also secured, thanks to the watchful eye of Professor W. A. Craigie, a well-preserved fragment of a fifteenth-century manuscript of the Bible in Latin. The text runs from Gen. 5:7 to Job 29:10. It is dated 1433.

The Library added one item of importance to its Edmund Spenser Collection, in which the late Frederic Ives Carpenter took such an active interest. This was the third edition of *De Rebus Gestis Britanniae Commentarioli Tres*, written by "E.S.," and which competent Spenserian scholars attribute from internal evidence to Edmund Spenser. This edition was printed at Amberg (Bavaria), 1607. Of the three other editions known, the Library has the first, London, n.d. (probably ca. 1582), and the fourth, Oxford, 1640, lacking only the second, Hamburg, 1598.



EDWARD E. AYER COLLECTION

Although it is more appropriately in the province of the President of the Board of Trustees to comment, as he has fittingly done, on the death of Mr. Edward E. Ayer, the Librarian cannot pass this section of his report without recording his own sense of personal loss in the passing of this good friend of The Newberry Library. His intimate association with this public-spirited citizen of Chicago and of the country at large is a cherished treasure of the memory, and so long as this superb collection stands ready of service to the public, so long will the remembrance of its great-hearted donor be preserved in the memory of those whose privilege it was to know him and stand within the circle of his friends.

Notable accessions to the Edward E. Ayer Collection are somewhat fewer than usual, but we have nevertheless acquired some very interesting and useful material.

In the field of reproduction of manuscript maps we have this year succeeded in getting a copy of the first series of *The Crown Collection of Photographs of American Maps*, edited by Archer B. Hulbert. Privately printed, 1907-9. This makes our set of the Hulbert reproductions complete. We have also received photographic copies of the manuscript maps from the French, Spanish, and Portuguese archives selected by Professor Louis F. Karpinski, of the University of Michigan, during the past year. About five hundred of these maps are from the national archives of France and cover the period of exploration and also that of the American Revolution. Over two hundred maps and a Vaz Dourado portolan atlas are from the archives of Spain; and a few maps, a portolan atlas by Joas de Lisboa, two by Vaz Dourado, and one by Lazaro Luis are from Portugal. As we have no original atlases by these men, the reproductions are very welcome.

Among the manuscripts acquired are: (1) *Libro de la Descripción Población y Conquista de las Provincias del Paraguay y Rio de la Plata*. . . . 18th century. (2) Salcedo, Luis de, *Estracto del Diario de la Navegación y Operación de la Esquadro y Egercito* . . . *Mandado por Don Pedro Zevallos*, 1776. (3) Edwards, Ninian, Governor of Illinois, A letter to Governor Isaac Shelby of Ken-

tucky, expressing his fear of a British attack, and giving an estimate of the Indians under British influence. A.L.S. (The Collection also contains five other autograph letters from Governor Edwards to Governor Shelby, 1813-14.) (4) Ulloa, Leon, *Relación Historial y Geografica de las Republicas de la America Española* (Havana, 1830). (5) Sumner, Joseph, Jr., *Trip to the Far West, January 11-November 30, 1856*. Contemporary copy. The title reads as if this were an account of an overland journey, but it is a trip from Boston, mostly by railway, to Illinois and Iowa. (6) Catlin, George, A letter to Professor Harper in answer to inquiries relative to the Piegan massacre of January 23, 1870, n.p., n.d. A.L.S. (7) Franklin, Benjamin, The life of Benjamin Franklin—an autobiographical manuscript. Photostat copy of the original manuscript in the Henry E. Huntington Library. (8) *The Bailly Papers*. [Calendar of the papers of Alexis Bailly, fur trader, 1820-98. Prepared under the direction of Grace Lee Nute, St. Paul, 1926]. Typed on 268 cards. (9) Taylor, Augustus F., Copy of his diary on trip to California by sailing vessel in 1849. Typewritten.

*Overland journeys*.—Although the first four of these might be placed with the manuscripts, as they are photostatic and typewritten copies of unprinted material, their subject matter places them more appropriately here. (1) McGaffey, Joseph [*Journal of a Voyage to California by Sea and by Land, February 24-June, 1849*.] Photostat copy of original manuscript belonging to Mr. J. Wyatt McGaffey, Chicago, 1927. This party went by sea from Massachusetts to Corpus Christi, Texas, from there overland to Laredo, Texas, and from there through Parras and Durango to Mazatlan, where they took ship for San Francisco. (2) Preston, Leander, *Items of Travel . . . Across the Plains in 1860 and 1861 from Strawberry Point, Iowa, to Yuba City, California*. Typewritten copy, Ukiah, California, 1927. This diary is very incomplete. The missing leaves, it is stated, were torn out and sent back as a guide to relatives coming west. (3) Redman, J. T., *Reminiscences and Experiences on my Trip across the Plains to*

*California sixty-one years ago . . . . Marshall, Mo., June 17, 1924.* Typewritten copy. (4) Burch, John Chilton, *Missouri to California in 1850 . . . . From the original manuscript written for the Association of Territorial Pioneers of California in 1879.* Typewritten copy. (5) Hancock, Samuel, *The narrative of Samuel Hancock, 1845-1860* (New York, 1927). (6) Read, George Willis, *A Pioneer of 1850 . . . . edited by Georgia Willis Read* (Boston, 1927). (Gift from Miss Georgia Read to the Ayer Collection.)

The following books are of somewhat exceptional interest: (1) *In the Senate of the United States, 14th December, 1804. A Treaty concluded between the United States of America and the Creek Nation of Indians.* This treaty was rejected by the Senate, February 2, 1805. (2) Plimpton, F. B., *The Lost Child; or, The Child Claimed by Two Mothers. A Narrative of the Loss and Discovery of Caspar A. Partridge among the Menomonee Indians . . . .* (Cleveland, 1852). The only important captivity acquired this year. (3) Lynch, James, *With Stevenson to California, 1846.* [Privately printed, 1896?]

An interesting gift received this year was a bronze replica of the medal which Black Partridge returned to Captain Heald in Fort Dearborn, August 14, 1812.

To the collection of transcripts we have added during the year 178 documents (8,417 pages) from the Spanish archives, and 2,105 pages from the Mexican archives. We have also added this year transcripts of 278 letters (1,165 pages) written to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions by missionaries among the Indians in the Northwest. These additions make the total number of pages of transcripts now in the Collection 181,999.

The increasing use of our Spanish and Mexican transcripts is a matter of gratification to the Library. Historical students, not only of Chicago and the immediate vicinity, but farther away, are constantly becoming better acquainted with their historical interest and importance.

Additions to the John M. Wing Foundation have been considerably below normal, due to the fact that, as stated in last year's report, the Foundation's funds for 1927 were to some extent anticipated by purchases made by Dr. Butler, the custodian, in his European book-buying trip of 1926. The total number of volumes and other accessioned pieces for the year is 104. The more notable items are the following:

(1) Dante Alighieri, *La Divina Commedia* [with the commentary of Christoforo Landino], (Venice: O. Scot, 1484). The Library has now five editions of Dante printed in the fifteenth century. (2) *Kalendar für 1484* (Reutlingen: Michael Greyf, 1483). A broadside sheet containing fine wood-cut ornaments. This is our first specimen of this characteristic class of fifteenth-century productions. (3) Three trial pulls of one of the fifteenth-century editions of the *Biblia Latina* produced by Anton Koberger at Nuremberg. No other similar specimen seems to be on record. (4) Murner, Thomas, *Logica Memorativa* (Strassburg, 1509). The peculiar interest of this volume to the Foundation is that it contains the profile outline of three types which were evidently drawn from the form by accident during the process of printing. Our only positive knowledge of the body size and shape of the types used by early printers is derived from such accidental traces. An elaborate study has recently been published of the six specimens of this sort which occur in books of the British Museum. (5) Plutarch, *Épitomé ou Abrégé des Vies des Notables . . .* [translated by Phillippe Danfrie and Richard Breton] Paris, 1588, Vol. 1 (all published). This volume is printed in a famous type (*caractères de civilité*) of which the Library had no previous specimen. Type designers today are greatly interested in books of this class. (6) Type specimen broadside of Voskens & Clerk, Amsterdam, 1707. Apparently the only copy extant. (7) Guerin, Maurice de, *The Centaur. Translated by George B. Ives* (New York: Montague Press, 1915). This is generally regarded as the finest book designed by Bruce Rogers. One hundred twenty-five

copies printed. (8) LeClert, Louis, *Recherches et Notes pour Servir à l'Histoire du Papier* (Paris, 1927), 2 vols.

The Wing Foundation subscribes to a number of expensive and rare series, of which the three following are perhaps the most noteworthy examples: (1) Geisberg, Max, ed., *Der Deutsche Einblatt-Holzschnitt in der Ersten Hälfte des XVI Jahrhunderts*. Vol. 27 was the last received. (2) Schramm, A., ed., *Der Bilderschmuck der Frühdrucke*. Seven volumes have been received to date. (3) Schreiber, W. L., ed., *Handbuch der Holz- und Metallschnitte der XV Jahrhunderts*. Two of the projected volumes have been received.

Reporting on the work of the Foundation, Dr. Pierce Butler, the Custodian, states:

"The public service of the Wing Foundation has shown a marked advance both in the number of persons assisted and in the quality of work accomplished. We have continued our close co-operation with local and national associations of typographic experts. A committee of the Chicago Society of Typographic Arts assisted in the preparation of two exhibitions of modern material belonging to the Foundation, and, as in previous years, we served as host to the traveling exhibitions prepared by the national American Institute of Graphic Arts. In connection with these various activities many special groups held evening meetings and lectures at the Library. A special temporary exhibition of Wing material was also set up for demonstration purposes at the request of a group of students of fine printing who conducted their class at the Library during the early spring. A larger class, organized this autumn as a direct result of last year's success, is now meeting weekly. The attendance at the last meeting of the present class was 180 individuals.

"During the summer we were called upon to furnish material and advice for the historical sections of an educational film, "The Romance of Printing," which was prepared for the United Typothetae of America, the national association of employing printers. Another piece of extension work of the Foundation's activities was carried out when the Custodian was called upon, in

April, to deliver a series of lectures on early printed books at the state universities of Kansas, Oklahoma, and Missouri and at the Art Institute at Kansas City. Similarly, Mr. McMurtrie's popular treatise on the history of printing, *The Golden Book*, recently published, made liberal use of Wing material; no less than 49 of the 72 plates are reproductions taken from books belonging to the Foundation. Much material for the text also was prepared by the Custodian and by Mr. E. E. Willoughby, who is also a member of the Library staff and thoroughly familiar with the resources of the Foundation."

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

The total number of persons recorded as using the Library during the year was 52,415, an average of 4,368 a month or of 170 a day for the 308 days of 1927 on which it was open for use. This total yearly attendance is a decrease of 1,610 over 1926. December was the heaviest month in point of attendance, with 5,309 readers; September the lightest, with 3,311. The largest attendance, 285, was on February 26; the smallest, 81, on September 5. The day attendance was 33,220; evening attendance, 19,195. The number of volumes used by readers was 191,128, a decrease of 18,478 over 1926. The largest number of books, 1,291, was used on November 25; the smallest number 166, on December 24. Day-time use of books was 112,915; evening use, 78,213.

The use of the Library's material through the main reading room is so typical of that of preceding years that little can be said by way of special comment. Several research workers, engaged by publishing firms, have spent sometimes weeks at a time in locating, abstracting, and copying material to be used in forthcoming school books. A professor from a neighboring university, assisted by his secretary, has spent many days during the year following up and checking countless references to books covering a period upon which he is writing a book. Certain readers have spent periods varying from a day to a week or more in examining files of bound newspapers. The Library serves as an ultimate source of information upon certain inquiries sent to newspapers.

For example, editors have passed on to us such questions as: What was the earliest appearance of elephants in European warfare? Date of exhumations by a mob at St. Denis during the French Revolution? Legend of the founding of Marseilles.

In October we placed together, as on special reserve, easily accessible from the reading-room, about 400 volumes prescribed for reading by students attending University College, the downtown department of the University of Chicago. Many of the volumes were purchased especially for the collection and some are considerably out of the ordinary field and scope of the Library. Many, however, will be suitable for our regular collections after they have served the student use for which they were purchased. They have not been used as much or as frequently as was hoped for and expected.

The call for pictures of historic events, persons, and remains continues to absorb more time and labor than it should in this age of indexes, finding-lists, and other labor-saving devices. The need of an adequate index to illustrations is still unfilled.

The photostat continues to play an increasingly large part in library service. This is true all over the country. Although the Library does not as yet possess and operate a machine of its own, the arrangements with a downtown commercial company are proving in the main satisfactory, for the time at least. The Genealogical Department and the Ayer Collection play the larger part in this domain of our activities.

The Department of Genealogy and Local History has maintained its accustomed popularity, both with the general public and with professional genealogists. More than a dozen professional genealogical research workers use our collections steadily, practically daily, and, as stated in previous reports, their professional investigations could not be conducted in Chicago were it not for this department of The Newberry Library. In addition, many individuals use our material for establishing claims to membership in patriotic societies, in compiling ancestral charts, and in making various studies involving accurate and detailed local historical data.

The activities of the Ayer Collection and of the Wing Foundation are considered elsewhere in this report.

*Mail and telephone inquiries.*—Complete statistics are not kept of information given inquirers over the telephone, nor of the letters written in response to requests for literary and historical data from persons living at a distance or unable to visit the Library, but we have current record of 1,767 telephone calls satisfactorily answered, and 641 written communications sent out from the Librarian's office, containing carefully compiled data supplied by reference assistants. Both these forms of service constitute a part of the daily routine and should receive due consideration in estimating the usefulness of the Library to the community.

*Interlibrary loans.*—We received ninety-one applications asking for the loan of 197 volumes. Some of these were for books which the Library did not possess, and our general and special obligations toward scholars in Chicago obliged us to decline a number of requests. Extenuating circumstances, however, seemed to warrant exceptional consideration in a number of cases, and the Library loaned, for a limited period, usually two weeks, 133 books to forty-three other institutions. During the year the Library borrowed ten volumes from other institutions.

*Exhibitions.*—The four following exhibitions have been held during the year in the main exhibition room:

1. Books printed by William Morris at the Kelmscott Press. Arranged in co-operation with the Chicago Chapter of the American Institute of Graphic Arts.

2. Books and prints illustrative of costume in various times and countries.

3. The fourth annual exhibition of "Fifty Books" of the year and the third exhibition of "Commercial Printing," both arranged and sent out under the auspices of the American Institute of Graphic Arts.

4. Books printed by the later private presses of England. Arranged in co-operation with the Society of Typographic Arts.

The two following exhibitions have been held in the rooms



of the Edward E. Ayer Collection: (a) Prints and Drawings of Western Indians. (b) Prints and Drawings of Indian Design.

*Publications.*—The following publications were prepared and issued:

1. The Report of the Trustees of The Newberry Library for the year 1926. Printed from type; 1,000 copies.

2. Books Printed by William Morris at the Kelmscott Press. Prepared by the Exhibition Committee of the American Institute of Graphic Arts, Chicago Chapter, and distributed at the exhibition of the Kelmscott Press publications.

3. Manuscript Maps in the Edward E. Ayer Collection, compiled by Clara A. Smith, custodian of the Collection. 101 pages. Multigraphed; 500 copies.

4. Notes on the Historical Source Material in the Edward E. Ayer Collection on the North American Indian. 8 pages. Printed from type.

5. Books Printed by the Later Private Presses of England. Prepared by the Exhibition Committee of the Society of Typographic Arts, and distributed at the exhibition of private press publications.

Of these and other publications of the Library, a total of 3,835 copies were distributed to persons and institutions known to be directly interested in the subject matter.

#### TECHNICAL WORK AND PROCESSES

During 1927 a total of 9,876 books, pamphlets, and manuscripts were added to the permanent collections of the Library, bringing the total number in all departments on December 15, 1927, to 453,599. Of the number added in 1927, 6,618 were acquired by purchase from the general book appropriation, as against 6,814 in 1926. These purchases do not include 1,583 items added to the Edward E. Ayer Collection and 104 to the John M. Wing Foundation. Selected gifts amounted to 839 volumes, and 732 volumes of United States government documents were permanently deposited.

The Catalogue Department reports show that 5,878 new

titles have been catalogued in complete form as against 5,384 in 1926. Cards for 2,705 titles were multigraphed, compared with 2,194 in 1926, this work involving the actual multigraphing of 42,342 cards as against 35,368 in 1926. These titles represent works for which the printed cards of the Library of Congress were not procurable. The Library used 19,873 "L.C." cards as against 21,554 in 1926. These figures mean that we were not able to avail ourselves of the cataloguing done by the Library of Congress quite to the extent that we were able in 1926, and that consequently we were obliged to do a little larger percentage of our cataloguing independently. We are still sending our multigraphed cards to six subscribing libraries and holding two extra sets in reserve for possible future subscribers.

In accordance with an agreement made some five years ago by several libraries to furnish copy for analytics to the Library of Congress, we prepared this last year copy for analytical cards for *La Petite Illustration, roman, nouvelle séries*, Nos. 68-114, and *théâtre, nouvelle séries*, Nos. 109-54, covering everything published in these series in 1924 and 1925, and sent it to the Library of Congress in April.

The cataloguing of accessions for the year is practically done to date. This applies not only to the books in the general collections, but to the accessions of the Ayer Collection and the Wing Foundation. The work of cataloguing the Prince Bonaparte Collection of European Linguistics has progressed during the year. Of the 19,000 volumes in the Collection, 8,414 have been catalogued and cards representing them are now in the Public Author Catalogue. Library of Congress cards are, of course, used as far as possible.

The Public Author Catalogue now contains 314,399 cards, representing 194,654 titles and 41,720 analytics. These are the permanent cards; it contains in addition 28,760 temporary cards.

#### BINDERY

The operations associated with the binding and repairing of the books, as has been pointed out in previous reports, fall into

two distinct groups. One comprises the details connected with the designation of the nature and kind of binding to be put on the books received unbound, and the assembling of the requisite parts and numbers of periodical publications, the withdrawal of worn or broken volumes from the shelves for necessary repairs, etc., the delivery to, and receipt of, this material from the Bindery, and the keeping of systematic records of these facts. These operations are performed by members of the Library staff.

The Bindery proper deals exclusively with the second group of operations, i.e., those having to do with the technical treatment of a book by the binders from the time of its receipt in an unbound condition until its return, newly bound or repaired, to the Library assistants. In the Bindery it is collated, assembled by signatures, sewed, bound in cloth, leather, pigskin, or board cover, gilded, stamped, labeled, etc. All of this, of course, is done by skilled artisans under the direction of an experienced chief.

During the year 5,579 books and pamphlets were newly bound, as compared with 4,114 in 1926; 1,910 repaired and re-lettered, as compared with 958 last year; 1,376 maps and charts were mounted on muslin; 137 book and document boxes were made. Included in the repair work, mentioned in the foregoing sentence, were 645 volumes of newspapers, the bindings of which had become badly broken and worn, and the repair of which has made a marked improvement in our facilities for doing reference work involving old newspaper files.

As in former years, the Bindery has also performed many other services whose direct results contribute to keeping our books in good present condition and to their length of life. Under these miscellaneous services fall such activities as the making of periodical binders and folders, the covering of publications printed on the multigraph, the repairs to the genealogical indexes and shelf-lists, the making of dummies from strips of cardboard, the cutting up of Library of Congress proofsheets, etc. The Bindery, as in past years, has supplied the Library with a variety of devices and apparatus which add greatly to the ease, economy, and convenience of service.

Under the direction of the Head of the Bindery, 65,832 catalogue cards and guides were printed on the multigraph; 61 pages, 500 copies of each page, of a library publication (completing Manuscript Maps in the Edward E. Ayer Collection, the multigraphing of which was begun in 1926) were printed on the multigraph, and about 109,000 official forms, blanks, and application slips were printed.

Mr. John Schoenenberger, who has been head of the Bindery for over thirty years, and who has rendered capable and faithful service, retired in June, and his son, Emil J. Schoenenberger, who has been assistant in the Bindery for a number of years, was appointed in his place.

#### LIBRARY STAFF

The number of authorized positions in the classified staff, that is, positions for which appropriations are annually made, was forty-six; four more than in 1926. Three members resigned during the year: Miss Grace Gilman and Miss Marion MacIntosh, of the Catalogue Department, and Mr. Rollin Silver, of the Book Selection Department.

Additions to the staff include Mrs. Ruth Lapham Butler, assistant in the Ayer Collection, Miss Mary Keyes and Miss Helen Jennings, to the Catalogue Department, and Miss Elizabeth Dorcas and Ludwig Schüz, to the Book Selection Department. A full staff has been maintained the greater part of the year. Two members met with painful accidents which incapacitated them for several weeks, but full recovery in both cases has been achieved. Otherwise there have been no cases of serious illness.

The Annual Conference of the American Library Association, held in June in Toronto, was attended by the Librarian and by Miss Dowle, Librarian's secretary. Dr. Butler served as Chairman of the College and Reference Section of the Illinois Library Association Conference in Joliet in October, and Miss Dowle also attended.

The Librarian was generously granted a leave of absence with pay by the Board of Trustees, and, accompanied by his wife,

spent three months in Europe, sailing immediately after the Toronto Conference and returning the early part of October. Together with a number of other American librarians, he attended the Fiftieth Anniversary Conference of the British Library Association at Edinburgh, being one of the five official delegates from the American Library Association, by virtue of being an ex-president of that organization.

For the opportunity thus given him to take advantage of these pleasant and profitable experiences and for all the kindly co-operation and other courtesies of the year he wishes again to express his grateful appreciation to the Board of Trustees.

GEORGE B. UTLEY, *Librarian*

## STATISTICS OF PRINCIPAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS 1927

### I. NUMBER OF READERS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	28,211
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	15,882
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	618
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	7,030
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	674
	52,415

### II. RECORDED USE OF BOOKS

1. Principal Reference Division . . . . .	70,045
2. History and Genealogy Division . . . . .	111,126
3. E. E. Ayer Americana and North American Indian Collection . . . . .	2,808
4. Exhibition Rooms . . . . .	2,956
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	4,193
	191,128

### III. BOOK SELECTION AND BIBLIOGRAPHICAL INVESTIGATIONS

1. Titles investigated . . . . .	14,004
2. Titles selected . . . . .	4,719
3. Volumes represented by titles selected . . . . .	5,850
4. Official lists of selected titles typed and submitted to the Committee on Books . . . . .	99
5. Order cards typed and written . . . . .	4,964
6. Bibliographical questions investigated, and answered, for other divisions of the library service, for other libraries, and for readers . . . . .	64

### IV. CLASSIFICATION

1. Purchases . . . . .	6,618
2. Gifts . . . . .	839
3. United States documents . . . . .	732
4. Ayer Collection . . . . .	1,583
5. Wing Foundation . . . . .	104
	9,876

## V. CATALOGUING (CURRENT ACCESSIONS)

1. New titles catalogued and revised.....	5,878
2. New volumes catalogued and revised:	
<i>a</i> ) Volumes represented by above titles.....	7,442
<i>b</i> ) Volumes of continuations.....	1,262
3. New analytics (included in titles).....	618
4. New cards prepared:	
<i>a</i> ) For the Official Author Catalogue.....	12,927
<i>b</i> ) For the Public Author Catalogue.....	12,916
<i>c</i> ) For the Subject Catalogue.....	13,691
<i>d</i> ) For the Official Name List.....	4,414
<i>e</i> ) For the Wing Catalogue.....	3,656
<i>f</i> ) For the Ayer Catalogue.....	695
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Total new cards prepared and revised.....	48,299

## VI. RECATALOGUING (PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE)

1. Titles.....	1,023
2. Volumes represented.....	1,735
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	2,804
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	112
5. Number of cards prepared.....	2,255
6. Number of temporary cards prepared.....	2,230
7. Name-list cards.....	1,636
8. Bonaparte Collection (volumes).....	8,414

## VII. PRESENT CONTENTS OF THE PUBLIC AUTHOR CATALOGUE

1. Titles.....	194,654
2. Volumes.....	294,401
3. Volumes represented by temporary cards.....	55,417
4. Analytics (included in titles).....	41,720
5. Cross references.....	36,796
6. Number of cards.....	314,399
7. Number of temporary cards.....	28,760

## VIII. STATISTICS OF CARDS FILED IN LIBRARY CATALOGUES AND INDEXES

i. Official Author Catalogue:	
<i>a</i> ) New cards added.....	13,104
<i>b</i> ) New cards substituted for old.....	1,818
<i>c</i> ) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	2,202
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	340,203

2. Public Author Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	13,002
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	2,778
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	314,399
3. Official Name List:	
a) New cards added.....	5,963
b) Cards removed for improvements and additions, and refiled	1,917
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	130,189
4. Subject Catalogue:	
a) New cards added.....	14,485
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	872
c) Cards deducted.....	135
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	123,501
5. Alphabetical Subject Catalogue for Genealogy and Local History:	
a) New cards added.....	2,170
b) Cards revised and refiled.....	192
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	19,687
6. Wing Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	631
b) New volumes.....	756
c) New analytics.....	22
d) New cards.....	3,180
e) Cards revised and refiled.....	58
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	10,256
7. Ayer Catalogue:	
a) New titles.....	125
b) New volumes.....	127
c) New analytics.....	15
d) New cards.....	420
e) Revised cards.....	2
8. Library of Congress "Proof-Sheet" Catalogue:	
New entries filed:	
a) under authors.....	50,830
b) under added entries.....	702
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Total cards in this catalogue.....	818,328



IX. PREPARATION OF BOOKS FOR BINDING,  
REPAIR, ETC.

1.	Volumes delivered to the Bindery:		
	a) New acquisitions (including serials and newspapers).....		2,654
	b) Volumes removed from the shelves for repair, etc.....		2,446
2.	Volumes returned from the Bindery, newly bound, rebound, and repaired.....		4,468

X. BINDERY

1.	Binding:		
	a) Volumes bound in half-morocco.....		708
	b) Volumes bound in cloth.....		4,009
	c) Volumes of newspapers bound.....		346
	d) Pamphlets bound in "Newberry Binding".....		516
	Total newly bound volumes.....		5,579
	e) Volumes repaired and relettered.....		1,910
	f) Pamphlet boxes.....		137
	g) Volumes on which "call-numbers" were gilded.....		6,039
	h) Bookplates pasted in books.....		10,688
	i) Volumes on which the name of the Library was gilded.....		9,232
	j) Maps mounted on cloth.....		1,376
	k) Illustrations, plates, charts, etc., "guarded".....		7,361
2.	Multigraph Printing:		
	a) Catalogue cards, including guides.....		9,128
	b) Total number of cards.....		65,832
	c) Library forms, blanks, application slips, etc.....		109,000
	d) Library publications printed.....		500
3.	Supplies:		
	a) Blank catalogue cards cut from stock and punched.....		20,000
	b) Memorandum slips cut from stock and punched.....		28,000

XI. INCREASE IN THE LIBRARY

1.	Purchases.....		6,618
2.	Gifts:		
	a) Entered in the accession record.....		827
	b) Classed without accessioning.....		11
	c) British India—Public Documents.....		1
	d) United States—Public Documents.....		732
3.	Ayer Collection.....		1,583
4.	Wing Foundation.....		104
	Total pieces.....		9,876

## XII. CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY

1. Entered in the Accession Record.....	357,654
2. Classed without accessioning.....	257
3. British India documents (1912 to date).....	2,249
4. United States public documents.....	14,014
5. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
6. Ayer Collection.....	50,695
7. Wing Bequest.....	3,793
8. Wing Foundation.....	3,283
Total volumes, pamphlets, manuscripts, etc.....	453,599

## XIII. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1927

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

### CONTENTS OF THE CLASSIFIED SECTIONS

	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1926	Volumes and Pamphlets Transfers	Volumes and Pamphlets Added 1927	Volumes and Pamphlets December 31, 1927
General reference.....	2,853	o	58	2,911
Periodicals.....	18,524	o	228	18,752
Newspapers.....	5,687	o	130	5,817
Academies.....	2,403	+ 5	115	2,523
Philosophy.....	4,438	+ 4	75	4,517
Religion.....	17,875	+ 8	229	18,112
Church history.....	11,587	- 2	232	11,817
Biography.....	14,324	+ 2	365	14,691
Genealogy.....	7,772	- 1	240	8,011
History.....	46,439	+16	1,829	48,284
Geography and travel.....	11,285	+12	250	11,547
Economics.....	23,190	-18	425	23,597
Sociology.....	4,946	o	58	5,004
Education.....	11,628	o	179	11,807
Civil government.....	15,450	- 1	614	16,063
Law and legislation.....	17,357	- 1	183	17,539
Science and technology (inc. old N)	16,411	-64	79	16,426
Military and naval arts.....	3,656	o	38	3,694
Sports.....	1,058	o	12	1,070
Theatre.....	739	o	16	755
Music.....	13,758	+ 1	251	14,010
Thomas Collection.....	566	o	o	566
Fine arts.....	11,354	+10	159	11,523
Language and philology.....	11,409	+12	326	11,747
Literature.....	36,511	+49	974	37,534
Literary biography.....	3,008	+1	98	3,107
Bibliography.....	19,833	-1	294	20,126
Total.....	334,061	+32	7,457	341,550

## XIV. STATISTICS OF THE LIBRARY, 1927

(BY SUBJECTS AND CLASSES)

	Vols. and pphs. Dec. 31, 1927
1. Classified sections (carried).....	341,550
2. E. E. Ayer Collection.....	50,595
3. Bonaparte Collection.....	18,213
4. East Asiatic Collection.....	21,654
5. John M. Wing Foundation.....	3,283
6. John M. Wing Bequest.....	3,793
7. United States documents: government classification.....	11,408
8. Unclassified lots (estimated):	
a) Bibliographical Museum.....	1,260
b) Bonaparte supplement.....	702
c) Pamphlet material (accessioned).....	1,013
d) Reserved duplicates.....	27
Total.....	453,599

## XV. NAMES OF DONORS, 1927

	Vols.	Pphs.
Abbey, Mrs. Edwin A., London, <i>England</i> .....		
Adams, Joseph, Chicago.....	15	
Adams, Randolph G., Ann Arbor, <i>Mich.</i> .....		2
Ahern, Mary Eileen, Chicago.....	3	
Alden, Mr. and Mrs. Emmons J., Chicago.....	1	
Aldrich, Wm. S., Gary, <i>Ind.</i> .....	1	1
Allen, T. E., W. Roxbury, <i>Mass.</i> .....	1	
Amsbary, Wallace Bruce, Chicago.....		1
Angle, Paul M., Springfield, <i>Ill.</i> .....		2
Arnold, I. N., Kolona, <i>Iowa</i> .....		1
Atkins, William, Lincoln, <i>Ill.</i> .....		1
Augustana Book Concern, Rock Island, <i>Ill.</i> .....	3	
Avery, Clara A., Chicago.....	1	
Ayer, Edward E., Chicago..... 2 typescripts, 19 photos	14	80
Ayer, Mrs. Edward E., Chicago..... 1 typescript		
Babbitt, Mrs. F. S., Ypsilanti, <i>Mich.</i> .....	1	
Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, Baltimore, <i>Md.</i> , Cen- tenary Medal rooth anniversary		
Barlow, Marion, Chicago.....	1	
Bassett, J. Colby, Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....		1
Bay, J. Christian, Chicago.....		3
Beethoven Association, New York City.....	1	
Belz, Mrs. Margaret C., Chicago.....	1	

	Vols.	Ppns.
Bloomfield, Leonard, Columbus, <i>Ohio</i> . . . . .	I	
Boston Latin School Association, Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .	I	
Bronford, C. W., Owensboro, <i>Ky.</i> . . . . .	I	
Brooks, Mrs. William F., Minneapolis, <i>Minn.</i> . . . . .	I	
Brown, Brig. General W. C., Denver, <i>Colo.</i> . . . . .		2
Brumstead, A. P., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Butler, Emily O., Estate of, Fox Meadow, Hartsdale, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . .	I	
Cantwell, Edgar H., Chicago . . . . .	3	
Cantwell, Edward, Chicago . . . . .	9	
Carnovale, Luigi, Rome, <i>Italy</i> . . . . .	I	
Castle, G. P., San Francisco, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		2 charts
Cermak, Hon. Anton J., Chicago . . . . .	I	2
Chamberlin, T. C., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Chase, Florence A., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Chicago Daily News, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Cody, Luther M., Frostproof, <i>Fla.</i> . . . . .		I
Cole, George Watson, Pasadena, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		I
Cole, Robert F., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	I	
Cole, Mrs. Rossetter G., Saline, <i>Mich.</i> . . . . .	I	
Cook, William W., New York City . . . . .	I	
Coolidge, Mrs. Elizabeth S., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	4	
Cornwall, Dr. Edward E., Brooklyn, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		2
Cox, Dr. James W., Albany, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .	I	
Cushing, Mrs. William T., Chicago . . . . .		2
Deane, Charles E., Chicago . . . . .	12	
Delavan, Dr. D. Bryson, New York City . . . . .	I	
Dowle, Gertrude E., Chicago . . . . .		3
Dorland, Dr. W. A. Newman, Chicago . . . . .		I
Eames, Wilberforce, New York City . . . . .	I	
Ellis, Arthur M., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Engelhardt, Rev. Zephyrin, Santa Barbara, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .	2	
Ewing, Thomas, New York City . . . . .		3
Field, Mrs. Wentworth G., Chicago . . . . .	9	
Fischer, J., and Brother, New York City . . . . .		5
Fisher, Mrs. Charles F., Kewanee, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .		Mss notes
Fisk, Mr. and Mrs. Horace E., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Foulke, William D., Richmond, <i>Ind.</i> . . . . .	I	
Fowler, Helen, Chicago . . . . .	I	
Friday Club of Chicago . . . . .	2	
Furst, J. H., Company, Baltimore, <i>Md.</i> . . . . .	I	

	Vols.	Pphs.
Garden Club of America, New York City.....		37
Garraghan, Rev. G. J., St. Louis, <i>Mo.</i> .....		I
Gildart, Lt. Charles R., Chicago.....	1	chart
Gill, Blanche A., Quincy, <i>Ill.</i> .....	I	
Gooch, F. A., New Haven, <i>Conn.</i> .....	I	
Gordon, Dr. H. L., Newark, <i>N.J.</i> .....		I
Grant, Blanche C., Taos, <i>N.M.</i> .....	I	
Henry, Prof. Augustin, Dublin, <i>Ireland.</i> .....	I	
Henry E. Huntington Library and Art Gallery, San Gabriel, <i>Calif.</i> .....		5 photostats
Hertz, Hon. Emanuel, New York City.....		2
Highland, Scotland G., Clarksburg, <i>W.Va.</i> .....		I
Higley, Mrs. Elmer E., Ames, <i>Iowa</i> .....		Typewritten Mss
Hill, John Wilson, Chicago.....	2	
Hispanic Society of America, New York City.....	88	I
Holling, H. G., Chicago.....		I
Holman, Alfred L., Chicago.....	2	charts
Holt, Frank L., New York City.....		I
Hook, James W., New Haven, <i>Conn.</i> .....	I	
Hostetler, Mrs. Max A., Shelton, <i>Neb.</i> .....	I	
Hughes, T.....	I	
Ingham, Alice, Chicago.....		Typewritten Mss
Italy-Consulate General, Chicago.....	2	2
Jain, C. R., Lucknow, W.P., <i>India</i> .....	I	I
Jennings, Helen, Chicago.....		I
Jennings, John T. Wilson, Chicago.....		2 blue prints
Johnson, George H., Cleveland Heights, <i>Ohio</i> .....	I	I
Keogh, Dr. Chester H., Chicago.....	I	
King, M. H., Chicago.....	I	
Krause, Flora Helm, Chicago.....	I	
Lanston Monotype Corporation, Ltd., London, <i>England.</i> .....	I	
Leffingwell, Rev. C. W., Pasadena, <i>Calif.</i> .....	I	
Leonard, Arthur G., Chicago.....	I	
Leonard, Mr., Joplin, <i>Mo.</i> .....	I	I
Lester, J. William, Gary, <i>Ind.</i> .....		Typewritten Mss
Liège. Université, Liège, <i>Belgium.</i> .....	5	I
Linweave Association, Springfield, <i>Mass.</i> .....	I	
Lipps, Oscar Hiram, Fort Lapwai, <i>Idaho</i> .....		2
Lloyd, Mrs., Chicago.....	I	

	Vols.	Ppfs.
Locke, Mrs. E. W., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Lockwood, Frank C., Phoenix, <i>Ariz.</i> . . . . .	I	typescript
Lowenstein, Henry P., Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> . . . . .		I
Luckey, Dr. Leonard W. A., New York City . . . . .	I	
Lunt, Cornelia G., Evanston, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	I	
Lyons, A. W., Stromsbury, <i>Neb.</i> . . . . .		5
McCormick, Chauncey, Chicago . . . . .	I	
McGoorty, Judge John P., Chicago . . . . .		2
McIlwaine, Mabel, Chicago . . . . .		I
McMurtrie, Douglas C., Chicago . . . . .	2	
McPherson, Mrs. William W., Chicago . . . . .	I	I
Marklund, Nelson, Chicago . . . . .	3	
Martyn, Charles, New York City . . . . .		2
Marvin, Dwight E., Summit, <i>N.J.</i> . . . . .	I	
Mason, George A., Chicago . . . . .		I
Mason, Tryphena J., Estate of, Battle Creek, <i>Mich.</i> . . . . .	I	
Mather, William G., Cleveland, <i>Ohio.</i> . . . . .	I	
Maxwell, C. J., Dallas, <i>Tex.</i> . . . . .	I	I
Mayer, Mrs. Levy, New Haven, <i>Conn.</i> . . . . .	I	
Merrill, Wm. Stetson, Chicago . . . . .	I	I year's subscription
Merrymount Press, Boston, <i>Mass.</i> . . . . .		I
Miller, Mrs. A. H., Chicago . . . . .		I
Mitchell, Dora Otis, Annapolis, <i>Md.</i> . . . . .		I
Mitten, Thomas E., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	I	
Monahan, J. T., Chicago . . . . .	10	I
Moore, Mrs. Vivian Lyon, Chicago . . . . .	3	
Morgan, Mrs. C. P., Chicago . . . . .		I
Morris, Mrs. Seymour, Winnetka, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	I	
Moss, Jesse L., Chicago . . . . .	I	
Museum of the American Indian, Heye Foundation, New York City . . . . .	2	I Photostat Ms
Nijhoff, Wouter, The Hague, <i>Netherlands.</i> . . . . .	I	
Norton, Mrs. Mary L., Vallejo, <i>Calif.</i> . . . . .		2
Oakley, Horace S., Chicago . . . . .		I
Ozman, Mrs. A. L., Moskee, <i>Wyo.</i> . . . . .	I	
Pack, Charles L., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	I	
Pan American Union, Washington, <i>D.C.</i> . . . . .	I	
Parmelee, Wm. B., Chicago . . . . .		2
Perkins, E. A., Manila, <i>Philippine Islands.</i> . . . . .		2

	Vols. Pbps.	
Pierce, Catherine, Chicago.....	64	photos
Pierce, Imogene S., Chicago.....	4	I
Pillsbury, Mrs. Charles S., Minneapolis, <i>Minn.</i> .....	I	
Pivány, Eugene, Budapest, <i>Hungary</i> .....		I
Poole, Frederick A., Jr., Chicago.....	2	
Post, Louis F., Washington, <i>D.C.</i> .....	I	
Powers, William H., Chicago.....		I
Primm, J. O., Lincoln, <i>Ill.</i> .....		I
Prussing, Eugene E., Chicago.....	I	
Purmort, Mrs. Henry C., Chicago.....	I	
Read, Georgia Willis, New York City.....	I	
Rey, Agapito, Bloomington, <i>Ind.</i> .....		I
Reichner, Herbert, Vienna, <i>Austria</i> .....		I
Reynolds, Henry S., New York City.....	I	
Ricketts, C. L., Chicago.....	I	
Robertson, Alexander F., Staunton, <i>Va.</i> .....	I	
Rodenbach, C. H., Chicago.....	3	I
Rolfe, Ellsworth, Chicago.....	I	
Savage, Mrs. Mary T., Cleveland, <i>Ohio</i> .....	I	
Schoch, Alfred D., Chicago.....	I	
Scott, Andrew V., Chicago.....	4	
Scott, Mrs. W. T., Chrisman, <i>Ill.</i> .....		I
Seligman, Edwin R., New York City.....	2	
Sellers, Edwin Jaquett, Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> .....	I	
Seymour, Ralph Fletcher, Chicago.....		I
Shannon, J. B., Kansas City, <i>Mo.</i> .....		I
Shastid, Dr. Thos. H., Superior, <i>Wis.</i> .....	I	
Shepard, Mrs. Jennie O., Chicago.....	2	
Shields, Mrs. Ella Glenn, Chicago.....		I
Smith, Clara A., Chicago.....	2	
Smith, Henry J., Glencoe, <i>Ill.</i> .....	28	
Smothers, Edgar R., St. Louis, <i>Mo.</i> .....		2
Sondheim, Moriz, Frankfurt am Main, <i>Germany</i> .....	I	
Spell, Lota M., Austin, <i>Tex.</i> .....		I
Spivey, Thomas S., Beverley Hills, <i>Calif.</i> .....	5	
Stephens, Kate, New York City.....	I	
Stewart, Mabel, Flint, <i>Mich.</i> .....		Typewritten Mss
Storer, Dr. Malcolm, Boston, <i>Mass.</i> .....	I	
Taft, Oren Byron, Trustees of the Estate of the late, Chicago..	I	
Tanner, Dr. H. B., Eastland, <i>Tex.</i> .....		I

	Vols.	Ppns.
Tatum, Mrs. Richard P., Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	1	
Taylor, Mrs. Harriet, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Thompson, James W., Chicago . . . . .		1
Thompson, Mrs. Ora, Camp Point, <i>Ill.</i> . . . . .	1	
Thompson, Slason, Chicago . . . . .	1	
United Typothetae of America, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Untermeyer, Mr. and Mrs. Louis, New York City . . . . .	1	
Utley, George B., Chicago . . . . .		5
Vella, Ted C., Alexandria, <i>Egypt.</i> . . . . .	3	
Virkus, F. A., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Ward, Rev. George K., Bronxville, <i>N.Y.</i> . . . . .		1
Wharton, Mrs. Susanna Parrish, Philadelphia, <i>Pa.</i> . . . . .	1	
Wheeler, Frank Pomeroy, Chicago . . . . .	1	
Wooldridge, Clifton R., Chicago . . . . .		2
Wyller, Fru Lea, Stabekk, pr. Oslo, <i>Norway.</i> . . . . .	3	
Youngren, Harry L., Chicago . . . . .	1	
Zeisler, Sigmund, Chicago. <i>Orchestral scores and sheet music from the collection of the late Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler</i>		
Academies, colleges, museums, universities, and other educa- tional institutions . . . . .	28	33
American and foreign libraries . . . . .	54	99
Charitable, religious and other social organizations . . . . .	23	38
Commercial, financial, and political organizations . . . . .	21	18
Genealogical, historical, and other patriotic organizations . . . . .	19	8
Firms, publishing companies, etc . . . . .	6	3
Foreign governments . . . . .	39	8
Railway corporations . . . . .	2	1
United States, municipal governments . . . . .	3	1
United States, state governments . . . . .	25	29
Anonymous . . . . .	8	2



STATEMENT OF ASSETS, NOT INCLUDING THE JOHN  
M. WING FOUNDATION, DECEMBER 31, 1927

Bank stock.....	\$	28,000.00
Bonds.....		1,360,902.03
Loans secured by real estate.....		84,250.00
Contracts for sale of real estate.....		22,275.00
Balance to credit at bank.....		52,289.79
The expenditure for books, periodicals, and fittings of the Library from its Foundation to date amounts to.....		1,119,634.67

REPORT OF THE JOHN M. WING FOUNDATION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1927

Cash on hand, January 1, 1927.....	\$	2,609.97	
Receipts for the year.....		13,164.19	
Loan from general fund.....		1,200.00	
		<u>          </u>	\$ 16,974.16
<b>Expenditures:</b>			
Books and part of custodian's salary.....		14,727.36	
Custodian's traveling expenses in 1926....		1,174.50	
		<u>          </u>	15,901.86
Cash on hand, December 31, 1927.....			\$ 1,072.30
<b>This fund now amounts at par value to:</b>			
Bonds and stocks.....		\$239,346.25	
Cash.....		1,072.30	
		<u>          </u>	\$240,418.55
<b>Statistics as of December 31, 1927:</b>			
Number of volumes received in John M. Wing Bequest.....			3,793
Number of volumes acquired by the Foundation.....			<u>3,283</u>
Total number of volumes.....			7,076







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