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REPORT OF THE MAINE LIBRARY COMMISSION.

To His Excellency, the Governor of Maine, and the Honorable Council:

Under the provisions of the statute a statement of the work of the Library Commission should be transmitted to you each year.

Although the Commission was established in 1899 only three of such statements have been published, the first in 1900, the second in 1901 and the third in 1903. Since 1903 the work of the Commission has so greatly increased and the opportunities for further service are so numerous that it has seemed advisable to make this report for the years 1915-16 not only a report but a handbook of general library information.

The statute prescribes for the Commission two fields of endeavor, the establishment of traveling libraries and the encouragement and assistance of free public libraries. The body of this report, therefore, is divided into two sections, one headed "Traveling Libraries" and the other "Free Public Libraries." The other two divisions of the report contain this introductory statement and the library laws of the state.

The Commission notes with great pleasure the growth of library activity throughout the state, and special attention is called to the increased demand for traveling libraries, the organization of new libraries, the erection of new buildings and the new life and spirit apparent in the older associations.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY E. DUNNACK,
Secretary.

II. TRAVELING LIBRARIES.

A. IN GENERAL.

The Maine Federation of Women's Clubs through its committee on traveling libraries first advocated the systematic undertaking of this means of education by the state itself at a public hearing in the Capitol in February, 1897. The able and persistent efforts of Miss Lucia H. Connor and her associates finally secured in 1899 the passage of the law which (with amendments) is now contained in section eight of chapter three of the Revised Statutes of 1916. (See p. 67 of this report.)

Under the provisions of the statute a traveling library may contain not more than fifty volumes and may remain in a community for a period not longer than six months. The law also fixes the fee of five cents a volume which shall be paid by the borrowers to cover express and other charges and provides that the books shall be loaned free of charge to the citizens of the town in which the library is located.

The following circular of information, prepared by the Commission, has been widely distributed throughout the state.

MAINE LIBRARY COMMISSION.

THE STATE TRAVELING LIBRARIES.

Each regular traveling library contains late and standard fiction, and history, biography, travel and juvenile books, new or in good condition, all ready for circulation and accompanied by a simple charging book. The libraries are packed in a convenient case made for the purpose and are shipped by express to any part of a town. The state pays all transportation charges both to and from the place of destination and the only expense is the fee, which is \$2.50 for the use of a library of fifty volumes for six months. There are also libraries on special subjects, of twenty-five volumes each, the fee for which is \$1.25 for six months.

HOW TO OBTAIN A LIBRARY.

To secure a traveling library it is only necessary to write to the State Librarian at Augusta and ask for lists of traveling libraries and application blanks. Upon receipt of the request lists of some of the libraries on hand will be sent from which a library may be chosen and the application blank filled out and forwarded to the State Librarian together with the fee, and a library will be promptly

forwarded to the address given. It is well in selecting a library to name a second choice in case the first should go out before the application is received.

In a town where there is a free public library, the application may be signed by the librarian thereof, and where there is no free public library the application is signed by four or five residents who act as a board of trustees and see that the library is properly taken care of and returned in due season.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES.

"Special" libraries are made up containing books upon some one country or subject, for instance, Germany, Russia, Music, etc. There are also Juvenile libraries and libraries of twenty-five and fifty books for the upper Grammar grades and High schools. Many of the latter are made up on request as near like the lists submitted as possible. These as well as the regular libraries are invaluable in supplementing the work of the public libraries, the schools, educational institutions, literary societies, clubs, etc. No fee is charged for the use of the books in a traveling library, and all fines for over detention go to the trustees having the library in charge.

Rules prescribed by the Commission for the circulation of the books and instructions to librarians to guard against the spread of any contagious or infectious disease have both been printed in circular form. These rules and instructions are pasted on the inside of the cover of every traveling library case sent out from the office of the Commission. They are as follows:

RULES.

FOR THE CIRCULATION OF BOOKS.

- 1. Books lent to a public library may be circulated in accordance with its rules.
- 2. All books belonging to the Traveling Libraries must be loaned free of charge.
- 3. The library shall be kept at a convenient place and be open for delivering and returning books at such times as the trustees in charge shall direct.
- 4. After signing the agreement any resident of the town may draw books as long as he complies with the rules.

AGREEMENT.

Being a resident of ______ I hereby agree as a borrower from the Maine Traveling Libraries, to pay promptly any fines due from me for over-detention of books, or for injuries of any kind, beyond reasonable wear, to any book while it is charged to me.

- 5. One volume may be drawn by each reader and kept two weeks. No one taking books from the library shall have the right to transfer the same to any other person. All books shall be returned to the library at the end of the period for which they were loaned before being reissued.
- 6. A fine of one cent a day shall be paid for each book kept over time, and any money thus received shall be used under direction of the trustees for library expenses. No books shall be lent to anyone to whom a book or unpaid fine is charged.
- 7. Notes, corrections of the press, or marks of any kind on books belonging to the state are unconditionally forbidden; and all losses or injuries beyond reasonable wear, however caused, must be promptly adjusted to the satisfaction of the trustees by the person to whom the book is charged.
- 8. The person in charge of the library shall keep a record of each book taken therefrom, in the book furnished by the State, and return the same with the library.

CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

INSTRUCTIONS TO LIBRARIANS IN THE USE OF TRAVELING LIBRARIES.

It shall be the duty of any one having charge of a traveling library to exercise the highest degree of care and caution against the spread of contagious and infectious diseases by the use of these books.

No book shall be loaned to any family or member thereof where the smallpox, consumption, scarlet fever, diphtheria, measles or any other contagious or infectious disease is known to exist; nor shall a book be loaned where such diseases have existed until all danger is past and the premises and persons have been thoroughly disinfected.

No book shall be loaned to anyone during the period of recovery from any of these diseases.

A book that has been exposed to any contagious or infectious disease shall not be returned to the library nor shall it be mingled with the other books, but must be destroyed at once by burning.

In all cases where contagious or infectious diseases prevail to a great extent, the books from the traveling libraries may be withdrawn from circulation, and notice of such action sent to the State Librarian.

In case it becomes necessary to destroy any book, notice of such action should also be sent to the State Librarian.

Any and all books destroyed for the above reasons will be at the loss of the state.

As soon as a library is returned to the Commission office each book is naphtha-cleansed and, if necessary, carefully mended and repaired, new books are substituted for those unfit for further use, a new record book is prepared and the library is then ready for immediate shipment whenever application is made.

B. DETAILED DESCRIPTION.

1. "Regular."

The regular or general traveling libraries, as will be noted from the description in the foregoing copy of the commission circular, are designed to meet the needs of the general public and as great a variety of reading as is possible in a collection of fifty books is selected. Library No. 462 (see p. 10) is a good illustration of the diversity of material which a traveling library usually contains. are six juvenile books,—one distinctively for boys and one distinctively for girls,—two books dealing with outdoor life, one of biography, one of travel, two on the world war, two of household management, two on the training of children. one of interest to church aids and allied organizations, one on farm work, one on immigration, one ethical work and two books of general essays. The fiction also in this library was chosen for its wide appeal, there being a sociological novel, a detective story, a western story, humorous stories, etc.

2. "Special."

From the very beginning of the traveling library work special libraries, mostly of twenty-five volumes each, on particular countries or subjects have been available. These have been and still are used to a limited extent by study classes.

An experiment in other special lines is now being made. Early in January of this year, after much correspondence with experts in each particular subject, there were made up twelve libraries for children, four for mothers, twenty for teachers and two for home economics students. The character of the books selected is shown in the specimen lists which follow (p. 10). The demand for these libraries has exceeded the supply, and this is especially true in the children's department. While the new work has been in progress less than a year, in view of the fact that every library is now in use, the Commission feels that it has been more than justified in its venture.

3. "Special High School."

A special resolve of the last legislature (p. ——), of one thousand dollars for each of the years 1915 and 1916, provided for the purchase and circulation of books among the high schools of the state. The material was selected with the advice and assistance of the State Superintendent of Schools and covered the subjects usually taught in secondary schools (p. 14). The books are sent out under the same rules and regulations that govern the use of other traveling libraries.

The thirty-seven libraries, of fifty volumes each, made possible by this special appropriation have been in constant use during the school year and several were sent to summer camps for the vacation months of July and August. Eighty schools have had or are now having the use of these thirty-seven libraries. This means an available circulation in less than eighteen months of four thousand books among the secondary schools of the state. The need for such reference books as these traveling libraries supply can hardly be over-emphasized and is apparent from the statistics of high school libraries in the third section of this report.

4. "Specimen Lists."

REGULAR TRAVELING LIBRARY.

Allen. Anderson. Antin. Antin. Baynes. Bower. Brebner. Burnett. Burnham. Burroughs. Camp. Chase. Chittenden. Cleghorn. Crane. Cullom. Dawson.

Dell.

Cathedral singer. Electricity for the farm. Promised land. They who knock at our gates. Wild bird guests. Phantom herd. Master detective. Lost prince. Instead of the thorn. Under the apple trees. Danny the Freshman. Girl from the Big Horn Country. Anvil of chance. Spinster. Adventures in common sense. Way of the strong. Money making entertainments.

Bars of iron.

Elliott. Emerson. Foster. Fryer.

Glasgow. Hughes. Kelland. Kingsley.

Kinne & Cooley.

Kussy.

Locke.
Mackenzie.
Maher.
Maniates.

Mills.
McCutcheon.

Muller. Musset. Oppenheim. Porter.

Powell. Prouty.

Pyke. Sawyer. Singmaster. Spearman. Tompkins.

Turley.
Van Dresser.

Warwick.
Webster.
White.

Household hygiene.

Essays.

Rich man, poor man.

Mary Frances garden book.

Life and Gabriella. Clipped wings. Hidden Spring. Heart of Philura.

Foods and household manage-

ment.

Abyss.

Samaritan Mary. Mr. and Mrs. Pierce. Shepherd of the North.

Mildew manse. Mother-artist. Mr. Bingle.

A-B-C of national defense. Mr. Wind and Madam Rain. Care of the child in health.

Just David.

Fighting in Flanders.

Fifth wheel.

To Ruhleben—and back. Seven miles to Arden.

Emmeline.

Nan of Music Mountain. Seed of the righteous. Voyages of Captain Scott. Gibby of Clamshell Alley.

Unpretenders. Real adventure. God's puppets.

SPECIAL TEACHERS' LIBRARY.

Arnold.
Bagley.
Betts.
Betts.
Brownlee.

Bryant. Chubb.

Cox. Cubberley.

Denison. Earhart.

Forbush. Graves.

Reading: How to teach it. Classroom management.
Mind and its education.

Recitation.

Character building in school. How to tell stories to children.

Teaching English.

Literature in the common schools.

Rural life and education. Helping school children. Teaching children to study.

Manual of play.

Students history of education.

Gray.
James.
Johnston.
Judd.

Kern.
King.
Leake.
Lincoln.
McKeever.
Wayland.

Wilson. Wrav. Number by development.

Talks to teachers on psychology.

High school education.

Psychology of high school sub-

jects.

Among country schools. Social aspects of education. Industrial education. Everyday pedagogy.

Farm boys and girls.

How to teach American history.

Pedagogues and parents. Jean Mitchell's school.

SPECIAL HOME ECONOMICS LIBRARY.

Abbott.
Allen.
Anderson.

Bailey. Barron. Bevier.

Bevier & Usher.

Conley.
Elliott.
Frederick.
Hale.
Harrison.

Hulme and Hibberd.

Jordan. Kephart.

Kinne & Cooley.

Kinne & Cooley.

Ogden.
Olsen.
Stinson.
Talbot.
Terrill.
Thwing.
Watts.

Wilson ed.

On the training of parents.

Civics and health.

Study of modern painting. Farm and garden rule book. Lawns and how to make them.

The house.

Home economics movement.

Nutrition and diet. Household hygiene. New housekeeping. What women want. Home nursing.

Familiar garden flowers.
Principles of human nutrition.
Our Southern Highlanders.

Foods and household manage-

ment.

Shelter and Clothing. Rural hygiene. Pure foods. Garden mosaics. Modern household.

Household management.

The family.

Vegetable gardening.

Handbook of domestic science.

SPECIAL JUVENILE LIBRARY.

Abbott.

Frigates namesake.

Alcott. Alcott. Aesops fables. Eight cousins. Little men. Alcott.
Alcott.
Altsheler.
Andersen.
Andrews.
Aspinwall.
Bailey.

Bailey.
Baldwin.
Barbour.
Bennett.
Bigham.
Brooks.
Brown.
Browne.
Burgess.

Burnett. Carroll.

Cox.
Curtis.
Dana.
Dix.
Eastman.
Eggleston.
Eggleston.

Gilbert. Greene.

Grimm's.
Grimm's.
Grinnell.
Hall.
Hawthorne.
Holbrook.
Jackson.

Johnston.
Kingsley.
Kipling.
Kipling.
Kipling.
Lipling.
Lamb.

Lang. London. Lucia. Lucia.

Meadowcroft. Mulock. Otis. Little women.
Old-fashioned girl.
Young trailers.
Fairy tales.

Seven little sisters.

Short stories for short people. Girls' make-at-home things. Fifty famous stories retold.

Crimson sweater. Barnaby Lee. Merry animal tales.

Master of the strong hearts. In the days of the giants.

Wonderful chair.

Old Mother West Wind. Little Lord Fauntleroy.

Alice's Adventures in Wonder-land.

Another Brownie book. Grandpa's little girls. Two years before the mast.

Merrylips.
Indian boyhood.
Hoosier schoolboy.

Stories of American life and ad-

venture.

More than conquerors..

Legends of King Arthur and his

court.

Household tales. Popular tales.

Jack the young ranchman.

Boy craftsman.
Wonder book.
Hiawatha primer.
Nellie's silver mine.
Famous scouts.
Water babies.
Captains courageou

Captains courageous.

Jungle book.

Second jungle book. Tales from Shakespeare.

Tales from Shakespeare.
Blue fairy book.
Cruise of the Dazzler.
Peter and Polly in summer.
Peter and Polly in winter.
Boys life of Edison.

Boys life of Edison. Little lame prince.

Toby Tyler.

SPECIAL HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY.

Andrews. Bates.

Beard.

Beard. Becker.

Breasted and Robinson.

Butler. Cheyney. Cheyney.

Church.
Cooper.
Coulter.
Creasy.
Cross.
Dickens.
Dodd.

Duff.
Duncan.
Eliot.

Emery. Fling. Harrison.

Harrison. Houston. Houston.

Jordan.
Laughlin.
Long.
Mabie.
Mackaye.
Matthews.

Perkin & Kipping.

Pierce.
Porter.
Riddle.
Roberts.
Sadtler.
Scott.
Seignobos.
Shaler.
Snell.
Stewart.
Synge.

Courage of the Commonplace. Pageants and pageantry.

American government and politics.

Contemporary American history. Beginnings of the American peonle.

Outline of European history—Part I.

Household physics.

Readings in English History.

Readings in English History.

Vol. II.

Roman life in the days of Cicero. Craftsmanship of writing.

Plants.

Fifteen decisive battles. History of England. Nicholas Nickleby. Expansion and conflict. Text-book of physics. New knowledge.

Romola.

How to enjoy pictures.

Source book of Greek history.

Oliver Cromwell.

Queed.

Wonder book of light. Wonder book of magnetism.

Animal studies. Complete home. English literature.

Background of literature.

Jeanne d'Arc.

Oxford book of American essays.

Organic chemistry. Land we live in. Pollvanna.

Modern reader and speaker.

Children of the wild.

Chemistry of familiar things.

Rob Roy.

History of the Roman people. Nature and man in America. Elementary household chemistry. Chemistry and its borderland.

Social life in England.

Tolman.
Trafton.
Turner.
Van Dyke.
Wendell & Greenhough.
Wiggin.
Withington.

Hygiene for the worker.

Methods of attracting birds.
Rise of the new West.
Days off.
History of literature in America.
Rebecca of Sunnybrook Farm.
Book of athletics.

C. COOPERATION.

1. Colonial Dames.

The Colonial Dames of the State of Maine in 1910 advised Mr. Payson Smith, then State Superintendent of Schools, that twenty-five dollars had been voted by the Society for the placing of traveling libraries at rural school centres. The only conditions attached to the gift were that the money should be expended under the direction of the State Superintendent of Schools and that the poorer schools should be preferred. From 1911 to the present time fifty dollars has been given each year. As the fee for a regular traveling library is two dollars and a half, twenty communities are served with every fifty dollar gift. In the seven years since the first gift was made there have been circulated one hundred and thirty libraries, or a total of six thousand five hundred books.

2. Summer residents.

Traveling libraries have been sent to several of the towns in Maine through the generosity of former residents, or summer visitors. A more pleasing gift could scarcely be conceived. Cape Porpoise in Kennebunkport is a notable instance—a good friend from Massachusetts maintains two libraries all the year and in October of this year three were ordered, one being exclusively for children.

3. Women's clubs and others.

Much assistance has been rendered the Commission in the matter of getting information to the people by women's clubs and like organizations. The president of the Maine Federation of Women's Clubs has Commission circulars which she distributes as she sees need. The Home Economics Extension Representative of the University of Maine advertises the traveling libraries in her special line. The agents for rural education and other representatives

of the State Department of Education are continually bringing to the attention of teachers, superintendents and principals the various school and educational libraries.

4. Press.

The press of the state has cooperated with the Commission in a most enthusiastic and effective manner. Its newscolumns have been open to library items of every kind and its editorials and special articles of Commission activities and general library matters have created and aroused a deep interest in books. Such wise, helpful and consistent agitation cannot fail of marked success, and results are manifest in the increased demands for traveling libraries, a wider use of local libraries and a sturdy, healthful growth of library spirit.

D. NUMBER AND CIRCULATION.

During the years 1915 and 1916 the Commission has made up forty-one regular and one hundred special libraries, a total of one hundred and forty-one. It has broken up thirty regular and thirty-seven special. One library was lost when the building in which it was located was burned. The increase in the number of libraries available for use, therefore, is seventy-three—ten regular and sixty-three special.

The following comparative table sets forth the circulation by months for the years 1913, 1914, 1915 and 1916. It will be observed that the total circulation for 1915 and 1916 is six hundred and thirty-seven as against three hundred eighty-eight for the preceding two years, an increase of two hundred and forty-nine. The circulation of the regular libraries increased from three hundred seventeen to three hundred eighty-nine and of the specials from seventy-one to two hundred forty-eight. Taking the years 1915 and 1916 separately it will be noticed that the first year one hundred seventy-seven regular and seventy special libraries were sent out and this year two hundred twelve regular and one hundred seventy-eight special, a total increase of one hundred forty-three.

COMPARATIVE TABLE.

		1913			1914			1915			1916			
	Regular	Special	Total	Regular	Special	Total	Regular	Special	Total	Regular	Special	Total		
January February	25 19	1 0	26 19	19 13	0 2	19 15	27 8	7 5	34 13	17 20	22 30	39 50		
MarchAprilMayJune	13	3 2 4	12 15 21 10	10 13 6	1 4 1	11 17 7	13 3 12	2 2	14 5 14	14 10 13 15	5 3 10	25 15 16 25		
July . August . September .	6	1 2 2	8 8 7	6 5 13	3 0 6	9 5 10	11 11 11	3 1 3	14 12 14	31 10 7	9 6 10	40 16 17		
October November December	11	8 8 4	19 34 38	6 18 23	2 9 4	8 27 27	14 18 41	$\begin{array}{c}2\\16\\27\end{array}$	16 34 68	15 20 40	33 29 10	48 49 50		
Totals	179	38	217	138	33	171	177	70	247	212	178	39		

There are now one hundred and sixteen towns which have traveling library stations. A list follows, giving the number, kind and location of each library.

Town	Kind	APPLICANT
Acton	Regular	Mrs. J. H. Sanborn
Ashland	Teachers	W. H. Russell Somerset Academy
Athens	Special	Somerset Academy
Auburn	Regular	Meth. S. S.
Augusta	Regular	Augusta House
Augusta	Regular	Ferrington School
Augusta	Liuvenile	Webster School
Baldwin	Rogulor	Foot Roldwin Library
Bangor	Mothers	Nellie E. Brown
Barnard	Regular	II. L. Blanchard
Belgrade (Lakes)	Regular	Mrs. C. H. Austin
Belgrade (Lakes)	Special	Camp Abena
Belgrade (Lakes)	Juvenile	Camp Abena
Belgrade (Lakes)	Special	Camp Abena Camp Abena Jennie E. Bean John B. Curtis Free Public Libra: Eastern Mfg. Co.
Bradford	Regular	John B Curtis Free Public Libra
Brewer (South)	Regular (4)	Eastern Mfg. Co.
Bradford. Brewer (South). Brewer (South). Bridgton (North). Bridgton (North).	Regular	Pine Grove Grange
Bridgton (North)	Regular	Mrs. Lilla E. Marr
Brooks	S. H. S	Supt. of Schools
Brooks	Teachers	Supt. of Schools
Brownville	Regular	Mrs. A. P. Roberts Brownville Free Public Library
Brownville Brownville		
Brownville	Regular	George Lord
Bucksport	Regular	E. Me. Con. Seminary
Buxton	Regular (2)	Dorcas Society
Calais	Regular	Calais Free Library
Casco	S. H. S	High School
Brownville Bucksport Buxton Calais Caseo China Cooper Corinth (Fast)	Juvenile	Union Sunday School
Cooper	Regular	Mrs. Martha Day
Cooper Corinth (East) Cornish Denmark Denmark Denmark Denmark Denmark Denmark Denmark	School	Mrs. John A. Joy
Jornish	Noture	C E Cobb
Denmark	Juvenile (3)	C. E. Cobb
Denmark	H. S	C. E. Cobb
Denmark	Regular (2)	C. E. Cobb
Denmark	Special	Minnie J. Pingree
DIXINONG (INOLUM)	integuiar	I. D. Kimban
Oresden (Mills)	Regular	Mrs. Jasper S. Houdlette
EastbrookEden (Bar Harbor)	Regular	Marion B. DeMeyer Mrs. H. E. Jordan
Enfield (West)	S H S	W. H. Edminster
Exeter	S H S	Prin. H. S.
Exeter	Regular	Keyes Fibre Co.
Falmouth	Regular	Grange
Paramaft	Toochore	Supt. of Schools
Tranklin Freeport Fryeburg Fryeburg (Center) Farland	Regular	Schoodic Grange B. H. Bartol Library
Treeport	Teachers	B. H. Bartol Library
Tryeburg	. Regular	Mary E. Woodward Florence B. Baker
ryeburg (Center)	Regular	Florence B. Baker
Sarland	Pogular	Amy G. Hayden Garland Grange
Filead	Special	Supt. of Schools
Jorham (White Rock)	Regular	No. Gorham Library
Silead Gorham (White Rock) Gorham (S. Windham) Grand Isle	Regular	Little Falls Branch
Grand Isle	S. H. S	Joseph E. Feeney
Frand Lake Stream	S. H. S	Everett B. Coffin
Lampden Centre	Regular	Daniel H. Manning
iarmony	Juvenile	Mrs. W. S. Bemis
arpswell (South)	Regular	Artnur B. Dickey
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ndustry	Regular	Grange	
onesboro	S. H. S	Jonesboro	
onesboro	Juvenile	Corner School	
Kennebunkport (Cape Porpoise)	Regular (2)	Helen F. Ward	
Xennebunkport (Cape Forpoise)	Reguler	Postmaster	
agrange	Regular	Mrs Florence D Sawyer	
imestone	Regular	Mrs. Annie R. Everett	
imestone	S. H. S. (3)	Supt. of Schools	
Lisbon (Falls)	Special	High School	
atchneid	Regular	Mable L. Tucker	
ovell (North)	Regular	A B Garcelon	
Lubec (North)	Regular	Mrs. H. G. Avery	
Macwahoc Plantation	Regular	Miss Josephine O'Roak	
Madison	School	Blackwell Union S. S.	
Magalloway Plantation	Regular	Edith A. Wilson	
Mandaton	negular	Guy H Gove	
Mariaville	Regular	Mrs. Margaret Grover	*
Mattawamkeag	S. H. S	High School	
Mexico (Ridlonville)	S. H. S. (2)	Supt. of Schools	
Mexico (Ridlonville)	Juvenile	S. J. Rawson	
Mexico (Ridionville)	Teachers	S. J. Rawson	
Mexico (Ridionville)	Juvenile	Grade VIII	
Monmouth	Regular	Cumston Public Library	
Monticello	Regular	Mrs. Alma R. Weed	
Montville	Special School .	Supt. of Schools	
Mount Vernon	S. H. S	Supt. of Schools	
Mount Vernon	Peguler	Charles S. Allen	
Vew Sweden	Juvenile (2)	Supt. of Schools	
Newburg (Carmel)	Special	Mrs. Ada B. York	
Newcastle	S. H. S	Lincoln Academy	
Newport (North)	Mothers	Mrs. B. P. Patten	
Nobleboro	Regular	Gladys E. Trask	
Old Orchard (Ocean Park)	Regular (2)	Mrs Etta E Saveno	
Orient	Regular	Rev. E. F. West	
Orrington	Regular	Church Aid	
Oxford	Regular	Grange	
Palermo	Teachers	Supt. of Schools	
Perry	Regular	Grange	
Presque Isle	Teachers	Sunt of Schools	
Princeton (West)	Regular	Mrs. R. L. Carle	
Readfield	Juvenile	Camp Maranacook	
Readfield	S. H. S	Camp Maranacook	
Richmond	Regular	IN. H. Skeiton	
Rockport (West)	Regular	Mt. Pleasant Grange	
rniceton (West). Readfield. Readfield. Richmond. Rockland. Rockport (West).	S. H. S	Mrs. R. L. Carle Camp Maranacook Camp Maranacook N. H. Skelton Chas. R. Sylvester Mt. Pleasant Grange Potter Academy Sidney Grange D. J. Jones Broadway School High School Mrs. Oluf Tandberg F. F. Noyes Mrs. Eugene D. Chellis Supt. of Schools Supt. of Schools	
Sidney	Regular	Sidney Grange	
outh Portland	Juvenile	D. J. Jones	
South Portland	Juvenile	Broadway School	
Southport	Regular	Mrs Oluf Tandberg	
Starks	Regular	F. F. Noves	
Stetson	Regular	Mrs. Eugene D. Chellis	
Stockton Springs	S. H. S	Supt. of Schools Supt. of Schools	
Stonington	S. H. S	Supt. of Schools	
The Forks	Teachers	Supt. of Sciences Prin. of High School Miss L. D. Leffingwell Bass Harbor Library Union Circ. Library. Prin. of High School Grade IX. Miss Emily Rideout.	
Γremont (Bernard) Γremont (Bernard)	Regular. :	Ress Harbor Library	
Union	Regular	Union Circ. Library.	
Unity	S. H. S	Prin. of High School	
Vassalboro (North)	Juvenile	Grade IX.	
Vassalboro (North)	Juvenile	Miss Emily Rideout	
Vassalboro	S. H. S	Grade 1.A. Miss Emily Rideout Oak Grove Seminary Public Library Supt. of Schools Una Mae Mills	
Vinal Haven	Regular	Supt. of Schools	

Town	Kind	Applicant				
Waterville	Special	Mount Merici Academy				
Wells	S. H. S	Prin, High School				
Winn	. S. H. S	Winn High School				
Winslow	. Mothers	Mrs. Jas. L. Dean				
Winslow	. Mothers	Parent-Teachers Association				
Winterport	Regular (2)	Winterport Free Library				
Winterport	Dogulor	Suprice Crence				
Winthrop	Special	Thursday Club				
Winthrop	Special	Winthrop Literary Club				
York (Village)	Juvenile (2)	York Village S. S.				
Winthrop Winthrop York (Village) York (Village)	Teachers	Supt. of Schools				

E. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

1. Fees.

The following table shows the amounts received each month on account of traveling library fees, and paid over to the State Treasurer. The Commission does not have the use of any of this money, although the cost of sending the libraries is paid from the appropriation for traveling libraries.

	1	915	1	916	Т	otal
January	\$82	00	\$87	50	\$169	50
February	31	25	113	75	145	00
March	33	75	64	92	98	67
April	12	50	37	25	49	75
May	32	50	40	00	72	50
June	22	50	60	00	82	50
July	31	00	96	25	127	25
August	31	75	40	00	71	7 5
September	33	75	36	25	70	00
October	38	75	110	00	148	75
November	83	75	112	50	196	25
December	161	25	117	50	278	75
	\$594	75	\$915	92	\$1,510	67

2. Appropriation Account.

•			1915	1916	Total
Received from State Treasurer on acc school library appropriation of \$1,00	ount of sp	oecial high		\$ 990.52	\$1,757.05
Expended as follows:	1915	1916			
BooksViewsTotal	193.82	8.55	766.53	990.52	1,757.05
Received from State Treasurer on acc propriation for traveling libraries	ount of g of \$3,500	eneral ap-	\$2,842.08	\$3,291 48	\$6,133 56
Expended as follows:	1915	1916			
Books	148.73 275.72 27.62 66.12 291.67	296 07 476 11 78 26 314 76 513 90	7 1 3)	3,291 48	6,133 56
Received from State Treasurer on a priation for salary of Secretary of Expended as follows: Salary of Secretary	Commissi	on	\$300 00 300 00	\$300 00 300 00	\$600 00 600 00

III. PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

A. EXTENSION WORK.

1. Survey.

The work of encouraging the establishment of free public libraries and the assistance given them after establishment is so dependent upon a knowledge of the library facilities in the various towns of the state that an extended survey was deemed necessary in order that accurate data concerning the situation might be available at the office of the Commission.

As a preliminary to this work a list of libraries in the state was compiled from the Maine Register, handbook of the Maine Library Association and information on file at the State Library. From this list there appeared to be one hundred and seven tax supported free public libraries, with two towns appropriating money for the use of the library in an adjoining town, which meant a hundred and nine towns and cities enjoying free public library privileges, and over three hundred thousand people in the state deprived of such privileges.

The Maine Library Association at its annual meeting in October 1915 requested the Commission to compile statistics of all libraries in the state upon the plan adopted by the United States Bureau of Education. As this was just in line with what the Commission wanted the proposal was accepted. The first of the year nineteen sixteen a circular letter containing the following questionnaire was sent to all the libraries on the list previously compiled.

LIBRARY REPORT.

1.	Name of library	
2.	PostofficeCounty	
3.	Date of establishment	
4.	Name of librarian in full	
. 5.	Is it a general library, or is it scientific, e	educational, historical,
	theological, law, medical, etc	
. 6.	Is the library entirely free to the public	
	Is it free to the students of the college of	
	Is it free to the public for reference	
	Is a membership or subscription fee char	
7.	Does library lend books to people outsid	e of town in which it
•	is locatedUnder what con-	
8.	Number of books issued during past ye	ar for use outside of
	libraryHow	many from children's
	department or for juvenile use	
9.	Between what hours is the library open	
10.	Is the library closed Sundays and holiday	
11.	Number of bound volumes	
12.	Number of bound volumes added during]	past year
13.	Income for the past fiscal year:	
	(a) Appropriated by state, county of	
	(b) Allotment by institution or socio	•
	(c) Derived from permanent produc	
	(d) From all other sources	•
	(e) Total receipts for the year	\$
14.	Expenditures for the past fiscal year:	
	(a) For books and pamphlets	
	(b) For periodicals	•
	(c) For binding	
	(d) For rents	•
	(e) For light, heat, etc	
	(f) For salaries	
	(g) For all other purposes (except	
	ing)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	(h) Total expenditures for the year	
Sign	ature and title of officer	Postoffice and street
	making this report.	address.

This same schedule was also sent to all the high schools, academies and normal schools of the state.

In some instances two and three letters were sent before reply was received and many who did reply failed to fill out the blank in detail.

After every list of libraries that could be obtained had been exhausted a letter was sent to every town in the state, where it was thought no library existed. These letters were sent to selectmen, clergymen or other representative citizens asking if there was a public library of any kind in the town and, if so, to whom the Commission should write to obtain information about it.

The libraries reporting, whether in full or in part, are listed in these tables. Because of an inadequate system of bookkeeping many of the libraries were unable to give accurate statistics. The figures given do not cover the same period for all the libraries, but in each case are the statistics for a fiscal year during the years 1915 and 16. Libraries owned by granges and other organizations for the use only of the members of such organizations have not been included in these tables. There are included, however, libraries owned or supported by private individuals and open for public use.

The abbreviations used in column six of table one are: M., membership; F., free; S., subscription; Fr., free for reference; S. Fr., subscription, free for reference; M. Fr., membership, free for reference.

TABLE No. 1.
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY.

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Location.	Name.	Librarian.	Date of establishment.	Classification.	Free, subscription, free to members or for reference.	Distribution of hooks outside of city.	Boo'ts issued for home use.	Books issued for juvenile use.	Days open in week.	Number bound volumes.	Number volumes added during year.	LIBRARY
Auburn. Auburn East Livermore. Lewiston. Livermore. Mechanic Falls.	Lewiston Public Library	Albert R. Savage. Annie Prescott. Hattie E. Haines. Angie Etta Tracy Doris Quinnam. Kate L. Denison.	1875 1890 1901 1903 - 1898	Law. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Fr. Free Free Free Free Free	No Yes Yes Yes No No	57,512 16,701 67,942	5,261	3	19, 194	114 636 306 1,499 15 310	COMMISSION
		AROOSTOOK COUNTY	<i>r</i> .				,					•
wasnourn	Ashland Library Association. Caribou Public Library. Fort Fairfield Public Library. Cary Memorial Free Public Library Limestone Public Library. Presque Isle Free Library. Public Library. Garfield Library.	Sarah Atland Roberts. C. E. Hoit. Anna Barnes. Mrs. A. H. Damon Lucinda B. Marston Alice M. Phinney.	- 1895 1904 1912 1908 1916	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free Free Free Free Free	Yes Yes No Yes No Yes - Yes	9,606 11,000 34,179	2,332 6,421 	6 6 6 3 6 -	1,168 3,430 4,400 10,775 1,320 4800 350 320	28 206 200 1,014 150 288	

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

	'	1		I	I	ľ	1	1 1	1	1
Baldwin (East)	East Baldwin Library	Mrs. Anna H. Norton	1907	Gen.	Free	Yes.	1.735	-	1 1,500	102
Bridgton	Bridgton Public Library	Agnes M. Haskell	1895	Gen.	S. Fr.	Yes	7.875	876		
Bridgton (North)	North Bridgton Public Library	Supply	1875	Gen.	M. Fr.	Yes			2 1.200	200
Brunswick	Curtis Memorial Library	Mary Gardiner Gilman	1883	Gen.			30.000	7,158		
Cumberland (Center)	Cumberland Public Library	Mrs. Olin M. Hall.	1893	Gen.	ls.	No	856		1 72	
Freeport	B. H. Bartol Library	Annette Howland Aldrich.		Gen.		Yes	13,463		3 4.413	
	Baxter Memorial Library			Gen.		No	296		6 9,000	
	Stimson Memorial			Gen.	Free			l – 1	- 1,522	
Harpswell	Orr's Island Library	Ellen Chamberlain Mountfort		Gen.		No	1.597	218		
Harrison	Caswell Library	Mary Whitman Gray	1906	Gen.	Free	Yes	7,276		1 2,20	
Naples	Naples Public Library	Ella F. Clarke			S. Fr.	Yes	3,640			
New Gloucester	New Gloucester Public Library	Helen A. Mosely				No	4,000		2 6,000	
	Hamilton Place Library		1893	Gen.	Free	Yes		-	7 1.400	
	East Otisfield Library		_	-	_		_	_	- 1,000	
	Portland Public Library		1889	Gen.	Free	Yes	92.301	19,229		
	Maine Genealogical Society		1884	Hist.	Free	No			6 3.882	
Portland	Maine Historical Society Library	Evelyn L. Gilmore	1822	Hist.	M. Fr.	No.	_	_	6 25,000	
	Raymond Village Library			Gen.		No	l _		6 688	
	Scarboro Public Library					No	730	78		
Standish	Standish Library	Mrs. Mary E. Whitcomb			M. Fr.				- 1,000	
	Cumberland Mills Library		1879			Yes	10.163	- 1	2 7.11	
	Memorial Library						36,614		6 15,07	
	Windham Circulating Library Asso.				s.	Ŷes	600		1, 1,060	
	Merrill Memorial			Gen.		Yes	10,571		6 7.87	
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^{*} Fr. to high school.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

Farmington Cutler Memorial Mrs. Flora A. Brooks. Farmington Franklin County Law Library Asso. Byron M. Small. Kingfield Webster Library Association Mrs. Blanche R. Small. New Sharon New Sharon Public Library. Mrs. Daisy Brooks Caswell. Phillips Phillips Public Library. Albertine Butterfield. Rangeley Rangeley Public Library. Mrs. L. J. Kempton. Salem Charles Heath Library. Mrs. Lydia Wills.	1880 1859 1894 1908	Gen. Law Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free Free Free	Yes No Yes Yes No	30,000 - 2,650 8,912 - -	500 2,970 -	6 4,701 6 5,315 1 756	300 100 70 230 743
Rangeley Rangeley Rubit Library Mrs. Lydia Wills. Salem Charles Heath Library Mrs. Lydia Wills. Weld Weld Free Public Library Mrs. Emma A. Dummer. Wilton Wilton Free Public Library Lucy E. Palmer.	1904					-		
	1	1			1			1

TABLE No. 1—Continued.

HANCOCK COUNTY.

LOCATION.	Name	Librarian.	Date of Establishment.	Classification.	Free, subscription, free to members or for reference.	Distribution of books outside of city.	Books issued for home use.	Books issued for juvenile use.	Days open in week.	Number bound volumes.	Number volumes added during year.
* Brooklin. Brooksville. Bucksport. Castine. Eden (Bar Harbor) Ellsworth. Ellsworth. Gouldsboro. Hancock. † Lamoine. Mt. Desert Mt. Desert (Seal Harbor)	Ladies' Social Library. Robert A. Friend Memorial Library West Brooksville Library Association Buck Memorial Library Witherle Memorial Library Jesup Memorial Library. Ellsworth City Library. Hancock County Law Library. Prospect Harbor Free Public Library Hancock Point Library Association Lamoine Public Library Mt. Desert Library. Seal Harbor Public Library. Seal Harbor Public Library. Sargentville Library. Southwest Harbor Public Library. Bass Harbor Library.	Annie M. Dollard Cecil H. Farnham Alice B. Gardner Katherine F. Davenport Inez Suminsby Mary A. Hodgkins John F. Knowlton Mrs. Lula M. Strout Alice M. Peasley Edith C. Rice Mrs. Fannie Brown Pearl MacCrae Ernest O. Sugden Mrs. Martha C. Simmons Julia A. Lemont	1868 1900 1902 1887 1801 - 1897 1913 1914 1894 1890 1892 1876 1888 1900	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	S. Fr. Free Free Free Free Free Free S. Fr.	Yes No Yes No Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yoo Yes Yoo	2,907 25 1,000 6,354 19,000 - 1,040 177 - 4,602 1,000 12 1,332		2 1 1 6 2 7 2 6 1 6 7 2 1 6 7 2 7	3,000 3,600 2,000 6,376 5,300 11,000 6,500 3,000 985 1,500 454 3,200 2,815 450 2,000 2,700 4,069	141 90 25 146 179 264 - 100 125 100 430 100 39 - 75

^{*} Fr. to Students.
† From June 1 to October 1, 1916.

KENNEBEC COUNTY.

Augusta Clinton Gardiner Hallowell Monmouth Oakland Vassalboro (East) Waterville Waterville Wayne Winslow	Oakland Public Library Vassalboro Public Library	Julia M. Clapp. Mattie Greeley Higgins Mrs. Belle C. Berry. Annie F. Page Carolyn Pierce Sherman Helen A. Smiley. Mrs. Madeline Clark Cates. Jennie Merrylees Smith Miss L. E. McLain Mrs. Alice Palmer Chenery Jennie Paine Howard	1896 1900 1882 1842 1900 1904 1911 1896 1887 1910 1905 1916	Law Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Fr. Free Free Free Free Free Free Free F	No No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	30,304 24,501 11,000 6,091 - 42,764 1,600 4,242 3,500	5,000 - - 6,780 - 901	3 6 6 2 5 1	12,047 4,000 12,500 11,500 3,600 4,000 1,253 12,500 3,000 2,460 3,000	334 50 500 260 140 300 129 1,209 25
		KNOX COUNTY.									
Friendship. Isle au Haut North Haven Rockland Rockland Rockport St. George (Port	Camden Public Library Friendship Library Revere Memorial Library North Haven Library Rockland Public Library Knox County Bar and Library Asso. Rockport Public Library Port Clyde Free Library	Supply. Mrs. W. B. Coombs. Margaret B. Smith. Nancy Ingalls Burbank. Walter H. Butler. Mrs. Katherine M. Dunbar.	1914 1910 1898 1894 1875 1914	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Law Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free	No - No No No No	 24,616 -	5,722 - - - -	5 2 - 6 3 6 2 2	7,120 610 1,500 - 14,199 4,500 1,322 800	409 70 - 75 444 150 289 200
Union	South Thomaston Public Library. Union Circulating Library. Thomaston Public Library Vinal Haven Public Library Warren Free Public Library Matinicus Public Library.	Ida Hughes. Lizzie S. Levensaler Linda A. Jones. Elizabeth E. Burgess.	1911 1885 1898 - 1904	Gen. ,	S. Fr. S. Free Free Free Free		1,500 10,614 10,000	- !	1 1 2 3 1	478 850 7,038 5,000 2,447 400	17 15 94 80 63

Table No. 1—Continued.
LINCOLN COUNTY.

		EINCOLN COUNT	•								
Location	Name	Librarian	Date of Establishment.	Classification.	Free, subscription, free to members or for reference.	Distribution of books outside of city.	Books issued for home use.	Books issued for juvenile use.	Days open in week.	Number bound volumes.	Number volumes added during year.
Bremen	East Boothbay Free Public Library Boothbay Harbor Free Public Library Public Library. Skidompha Free Library. The Asa B. Richardson Library. Rutherford Library. Squirrel Island Library. Waldoboro Public Library Preble Public Library. Lincoln County Law Library.	Stella D. Hodgdon	1906 1916 1905 1913 - 1903 1904 1916	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free Free S. Fr. S. Fr. Free Free Fr.	No Yes Yes No Yes No Yes	2,000 8,947 - 6,148 20 - 3,916	-	2 2 2 1 - 1 6 -	1,365 2,512 300 4,195 489 - 1,500 3,180 2,000 2,000	138 - 100 - 40 128 -

^{*} Assists in support of Damariscotta Library.

OXFORD COUNTY.

		OXIOND COUNT									
Paris (West) Paris (West) Paris (West) Stow Stow Sumner (East) Upton Waterford	Andover Public Library Bethel Library Brownfield Public Library Ass'n Zadoc Long Free Library Dixfield Public Library Fryeburg Woman's Club Library Hamlin Memorial Hall Soldiers' Memorial Library Lovell Public Library Norway Public Library Freeland Holmes Library	Maude L. Thurston Grace Weeks. Lizzie L. Allen Gertrude Lufkin Davenport. Lucia B. Lakin. Georgia Abbott Clintie E. Shaw Charlotte Elizabeth Hobbs. Mrs. Addie D. Steward Mrs. Kate Starbird Walter L. Gray Mrs. Ella A. Wight A. T. Hollis. Mrs. May E. Emery Susan J. Jewett Marrietta E. Fernald Bertha M. Peaslee. Florence B. Rounds.	1893 1879 1897 1901 1911 1891 1893 1900 1915 - - 1873 1886 - - 1889 1903 - -	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free S. Free Free Free S. Fr. Free Fr. Free S. Free Fr. Free M. Fr. Free Free M. Fr.	No Yes Yes Yes Yes No	4,062 7,450 4,400 - 3,500 6,327 - 12,837 - 15 2,833	706 - - - 250 - - - 5,846	76 21 22 61 11 22 61 62 - 3 77 27 7	528 6,870 4,600 -350 1,729 1,917 1,800 2,600 1,100 1,566 8,500 4,382 1,200 4,623 498 -500 1,906	40 119 75 75 80 51 284 131 125 300 168 20 81 220 87
		PENOBSCOT COUNTY.						`			
Burlington Charleston Corinna Dexter Kenduskeag Lincoln Newport Old Town Orono	John B. Curtis Free Public Library Brewer Free Public Library Willing Workers' Library Tibbetts Library Stewart Free Library Dexter Town Library Case Memorial Library Lincoln Public Library Newport Public Library Old Town Public Library Orono W. C. T. U. Library Passadumkeag Public Library	Charles A. Flagg Mrs. Marta H. Richardson. Alice F. Sawyer Edith M. Lord Rena Fowler Della Bemis Winchester Lizzie S. Springall Mrs. Nellie L. Nason Jennie D. Coffin Mina S. Cary Amy Sprague Wood Abbie Josephine Wilson Harriet W. Whittier	1883 1915 1908 1913 - 1898 1881 1895 1879 1892 1890 1916	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Fr. Free Free Free Free Free Free Free F	No Yes Yes Yes No	64,389 6,512 15,028 6,755 25,757 9,848 9,501 19,916 15,600	1,202 - - - 6,194 - 1,005 5,552	1 2 1 6 6 1 2 2	43,323 1,500 3,685 200 1,500 6,176 12,031 700 2,054 3,121 6,397 3,150	$11,509 \\ 200 \\ 172$

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY.

LOCATION	Name -	Librarian	Date of establishment.	Classification.	Free, subscription, free to members or for reference.	Distribution of books outside of city.	Books issued for home use.	Books issued for juvenile use.	Days open in week.	Number bound volumes.	Number volumes added during year.	LIBRARY (
Dover* Foxcroft	Brownville Free Public Library	Mary E. Averill	1897 - 1913 1903 1909 1909	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	S. Fr. Free Free Free Free Free	Yes No No Yes Yes Yes	1,872 - 3,309 11,776 13,558 3,500	- - -		10,707 - 1,646 5,063 1,600 1,200	$\frac{345}{513}$	OMMISSION.

* Assists in support of Dover library.

SAGADAHOC COUNTY.

BathSagae GeorgetownDear	en Free Librarydahoc County Law Libraryrborn Librarymond Library Association	Walter S. Glidden	$\frac{1887}{1910}$		Free M. Free S. Fr.	Yes Yes Yes	39,172 28 - -	6,888 - 25 -	$ \begin{array}{c c} 6 & 20,244 \\ 6 & 4,276 \\ - & 300 \\ 6,714 \end{array} $	739 293 5
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SOMERSET COUNTY.

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Anson (North) St	tewart Public Library	John M. Getchell	1899	Gen.	Free	Yes No	3,700	374	2 2,557	90
CanaanP	rescott Free Library	Nellie Tibbetts	1905	Gen.	Free	No	_	50	2 1.350	172
FairfieldL	awrence Library	Mrs. Anna R. Reed	-	Gen.	Free	Yes	18,133	50 4.783	$\begin{array}{ccc} 2 & 1,350 \\ 3 & 7,926 \end{array}$	-
FairfieldG	ood Will Home Library	Edmund Arthur Freeman		Gen.		No	3.885		5 13,200	860
Hartland H	Iartland Free Library	Nellie Wade Halev	1903	Gen.	Free	Yes	3,885 5,673	_	2 2.643	40
Jackman Ja	ackman Library	Grace Ella Haggan	1912	Gen.	Free	No	- 1	- 1	7 –	_
MadisonM	Iadison Public Library	Emma F. Clark	1907	Gen.	Free	Yes	- 1	-	4 4,639	469
	haw Library			Gen.	Free	No	_	-	1 1,000	
Norridgewock N	Jorridgewock Public Library	Mrs. R. A. Whitney	1904	Gen.	Free Free Free	Yes	2,000	- 1	2 3,600	100
PalmyraP	almyra Public Library	Lewis W. Frost	_	Gen.	Free	No	2,000	- 1	3 1.400	90
Pittsfield P	ittsfield Public Library	Minnie Porter	1904	Gen.	Free	Yes	19,203	- 1	6 6,614	290
Ripley C	rocker Free Library	H. Stanley Raymond	1897	Gen.	Free	Yes	! -	- 1	2 1.813	87
Skowhegan F	ree Public Library	Mrs. Fanny J. Cabot	1889	Gen.	Free	Yes	25,011	- 1	6 14,000	404
Solon So	olon Public Library	Mrs. Alston Rowell	1909	Gen.	Free'	Yes	5,720	-	1 1,467	137
	-						1 1		'	

WALDO COUNTY.

	1	1		ſ	i	1		1		
Belfast	Belfast Free Library	Annie Leonora Barr	1887		S. Fr.		28,018	3,923		501
Frankfort	Waldo Pierce Reading Room	Mrs. Rosa Tait	1894		Free		3,835	-	3 1,763	48
Islesboro	Islesboro Free Library	Alice L. Pendleton	1902		Free		6,240	200		75
Palermo	Dinsmore Public Library	* Thomas Dinsmore	1905	Gen.	Free		1,410	350	6 2,485	90
Searsport	Carver Memorial Library	Mildred E. Shute	1910	Gen.	Free		3,659		3 3,048	80
Troy	North Troy Reading Club	Gertrude M. Cook			M. Fr.	-	- 1	-	- 345	-
Troy	Troy Corner Reading Club	Mrs. M. V. B. Mitchell	1884	Gen.	S.	No No	-	- 1	6 625	_
Winterport	Winterport Free Library	Jane Emerson Thayer	1895	Gen.	Free	No	-	- 1	1 3,030	
•	1]		J			1			

^{*} Deceased.

Table No. 1—Concluded.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Location	Name	Librarian	Date of establishment.	Classification.	Free, subscription, free to members or for reference.	Distribution of books outside of city.	Books issued for home use.	Books issued for juvenile use.	Days open in week.	Number bound volumes.	Number volumes added during year.
Harrington Jonesboro Jonesport Lubec Machias. Milbridge	Woodland Public Library. Free Library and Reading Room Cherryfield Public Library. Columbia Falls Library Danforth Free Public Library Lincoln Memorial Library. East Machias Public Library Ass'n Peavey Library. Harrington Library Public Library Peabody Memorial Lubec Public Library. Porter Memorial Library. Porter Memorial Library. Milbridge Public Library.	Alice L. Delaney. Mrs. Mary G. Wakefield. Supply. Rena Thompkins. Mary Malloch Linnie S. Harris. Mrs. Virginia Paine Kemps. Mrs. Alice Riley Coffin. Frank H. Schoppee. Mrs. D. D. Kelley. I. W. Case. Mary O. Longfellow Elizabeth Warren Ward.	1894 1898 1915 - 1868 1874 1893 1912	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	M. Fr. Free Free S. Fr. S. Fr. Free Free Free Free Free Free S. Fr. Free	Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No No Yes Yes No No No No No Yes	8,706 11,950 1,200 200 - - 500 18,540 1,454 - - - - 1,668	3,485 2,546 150 75 - - - - - - - - - 380	1 2 2 2 6	1,264 1,557 11,362 1,240 225 1,203 3,500 2,077 11,900 1,500 1,500 4,500 4,500 4,400	42 265 408 40 - 178 60 42 400 47 14 - 100 57 150

YORK COUNTY.

Alfred. Parsons Memorial Library Mary C. Emerson. Biddeford. Biddeford Public Library Emma Hatch. Buxton. Buxton Grange Library Ruth L. Leavitt. Cornish. Cornish Library Association Carrie Brackett Haley. Bliot. William Fogg Library. Mrs. M. Louise Foye. Hollis (Center) Hollis Center Library. Mary Ellen Bradbury. Kennebunk. Public Library Ass'n or Kennebunk- Kennebunkport. Public Library Ass'n or Kennebunk-	1862 1909 1842 1907 1886	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free Free M. Fr	Yes Yes No Yes Yes Yes Yes	7,208 43,541 - 6,185 - -	8,708 - -		6,845 16,287 - 2,000 7,256 800 8,000	933 - 50
Kittery port and vicinity Rice Public Library Eleanor L. Lovell Lebanon Free Public Library Nellie E. Chamberlain Limington Davis Memorial Library Carrie Small Plaisted. Old Orchard Free Public Library Laura E. Hamilton Parsonsfield Parsonsfield Public Library Mrs. Clara P. M. Lord Falls). North Parsonsfield Public Library Carrie P. Merrill	1898 1895 1898 1908	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free S. Fr. M.	Yes Yes Yes	9,552 1,076	-	$-rac{3}{2} \\ 1 \\ 1$	11,083 2,793 2,000 4,891 3,511 500	100 135 105
Parsonsfield (Kezar Falls Circulating Library Supply Saco Dyer Library John Haley Sanford Sanford Public Library Bentley Aveyard Sanford Springvale Public Library Mrs. Isadora Dexter South Berwick Fogg Memorial Library Ella Wilson Ricker Wells (Ogunquit) Free Memorial Library Grace Evelyn Weare York (Harbor) York Library Florence Varrell York York Public Library Effic Nicholson Cox	1881 1898 1908 1895 1897 1888	Gen. Gen. Gen. Gen.	Free Free Free Free Free S. Fr.	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes No No No	37,000 12,000 15,600 3,813 2,200	-	1 6 6 5 * 2 6	1,700 19,000 5,000 2,500 8,118 4,000 2,500 1,341	200 300 124 470

^{*} Six in Summer.

TABLE No. 2.
ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY.

	Inc	OME FO	R PAST F	ISCAL YE.	AR.		E	XPENDITU	res fo	R PAST	Fiscal Y	EAR.	
Name of Library.	Appropriated by state, county or city.	Allotment by institution or society.	Derived from permanent pro- ductive funds.	From all other sources.	Total receipts for the year.	For books and pamphlets.	For periodicals.	For binding.	For rents.	For light, heat, etc.	For salaries.	For all other purposes (except for building).	Total expenditures for the year.
Androscoggin Law Library, Auburn	500 00 275 00		190 00	234 26	500 00 3,174 26	361 16 460 00	- 112 50	- 141 45	-	388 62	1,701 33	2 00 355 91	363 16 3,159 81
East Livermore Lewiston Public Library, Lewiston	550 00 5,510 76		-	175 61	725 61 5,510 76	289 05 1,213 07		- 183 20	174 96 -	_ 495 35	152 50 2,636 00		713 38 5,510 76
Washburn Memorial Library, Liver- more Mechanic Falls Public Library, Me- chanic Falls	- 181 11	-	25 00 -	- 19 85	25 00 200 96		İ	-	-	- 23 98	10 00 50 00		25 00 180 2:

^{*} Includes \$493.99 for building and grounds.

AROOSTOOK COUNTY.

Ashland Library Ass'n., Ashland Caribou Public Library, Caribou	50 0đ 1,100 00		-	- 28 40	50 00 1,138 40	30 00 225 50	- 26 00	 15 00	-	- 153 40	50 00 635 00	- 33 25	80 00 1,088 75
Fort Fairfield Public Library, Fort Fairfield	1,000 00	-	-	-	1,000 00	218 00	-	-	-	₹ 50 00	600 00	59 95	1,027 95
HoultonLimestone Public Library, Limestone	1,100 00 220 00	230 00	1,399 50	4 00	2,621 75 454 00	150 00	-	- 1	- 60 00	12 00		- 8 00	2,621 75 230 00
Presque Isle Free Library, Presque Isle Public Library, Washburn	Establis	hed in	1916.	296 48	1.396 48	104 72	28 85	85 	_	297 29 _	782 48 5 00	42 09	1,256 28
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LIBRARY COMMISSION.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.

East Baldwin Library, Baldwin	N		380 00	192 26	576 26	21 42	18 40	-	-	17 61	50 00	150 45	257 88
Bridgton Public Library, Bridgton No. Bridgton Public Library, Bridgton	No repo	20 00	_	21 84	41 84	30 00	_	_	_	5 00	_	_	35 00
Curtis Memorial, Brunswick	1,540 00	-	294 60	1,138 00	2,972 60	303 92	136 56	160 90	-	298 32	851 04	446 35	2,197 09
Cumberland Public Library, (Center)	_	_	_	50 00	50 00	25 00	_	_	_	_	25 00	_	50 00
B. H. Bartol Library, Freeport	550 00		160 00						-	91 11	308 00		716 63
Baxter Memorial Library, Gorham Stimson Memorial, Gray	1,489 78 No repo		126 47	12 57	1,628 82	290 65	71 44	103 46	-	573 52	546 50	43 25	1,628 82
The Orr's Island Library, Harpswell		r			496 31	25 00	10 00	-		73 11	325 00	-	433 11
Caswell Library, Harrison	150 00	_	-	-	150 00			-			-	-	-
Naples Public Library, Naples New Gloucester Public Library, New	-	_	-	-	141 50	70 90	3 50	- !	_	-	60 00	_	134 40
Gloucester	. 498 00	~	- 1	174 00	672 00	358 00	39 00	26 00		75 00	120 00	-	618 00
Hamilton Place Library, (Walnut Hill) North Yarmouth	Private	owner.	ohin			i _ !	12 00	_	_] _ :	_		12 00
East Otisfield Library Ass'n., Otisfield	No repo		•	_	_	_				_	_	_	12 00
Portland Public Library, Portland	6,050 00	I	7,508 20					550 00		1,209 67		963 24	
Maine Genealogical Society, Portland Maine Historical Society Library,	-	-	157 50	309 25	466 75	162 48	-	-	-	-	117 31	-	497 71
Portland	-	789 00	715 00	784 00		256 00		17 50	-	259 00	1,176 00	674 50	2,488 00
Raymond Village Library, Raymond.	_	31 56	59 92	1 79	14 92 93 27	25 02	9 62	-	-	7 10	5 00 26 00	35 15	14 62 93 27
Scarboro Public Library, Scarboro Standish Library, Standish	_	21 20	- 39 92	9 50			_	_	_	-	12 00		12 00
Cumberland Mills Library, Westbrook				arren Co.				51 98	300 00	83 27	-	- 1	435 25
Memorial Library, Westbrook	2,075 15	-	600 00	-	2,675 15	600 00	156 00	-	_	_	-	-	-
(Center) Windham	-	-	24 00	114 78				-		2 50		3 86	50 36
Merrill Memorial, Yarmouth	1,320 00	-	-	-	1,320 00	-	283 32	-	-	610 98	439 20	5 08	1,338 58
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TABLE No. 2.—Continued.

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

	Inc	OME FO	r Past I	ISCAL YE	AR.		Ex	PENDITUI	RES FOI	R PAST F	ISCAL YE	EAR.	
NAME OF LIBRARY.	Appropriated by state, county or city.	Allotment by institution or society.	Derived from permanent pro- ductive funds.	From all other sources.	Total receipts for the year.	For books and pamphlets.	For periodicals.	For binding.	For rents.	For light, heat, etc.	For salaries.	For all other purposes (except for building).	Total expenditures for the
Cutler Memorial, Farmington	900 00	-	-	-		390 00	-	25 00	-	218 82	630 00	-	1,263 82
Franklin County Law Library Ass'n., Farmington	500 00 150 00	-	-	9 06	500 00 159 06	350 00 47 78	8 25	-	50 00	i –	- 50 00	5 00	350 00 161 03
Sharon Phillips Public, Phillips Rangeley Public Library, Rangeley	1,034 00 440 00 600 00	-	40 00 - -	39 66 186 45 -	90 00 626 45	55 92 235 84 -	28 71	- 27 15	75 00	1 50 107 87	* 104 26 -	5 25 - -	62 67 578 83
Charles Heath Library, Salem	No inco 110 00 330 00	- '	- 49 65	54 27 -	164 27 379 65	71 34 250 05	13 00	- -	30 00 20 00	1 60 25 95	6 00 25 00 126 75	20 59 50 92	148 53 486 67

^{* \$26.00} paid by town.

HANCOCK COUNTY.

													
Ladies' Social Library, Bluehill Robert A. Friend Memorial Library.	25 00	_	40 22	134 45	199 67	8 99	14 15	-	_	18 50	50 00	81 30	172 94
Brooklin	-	70 00	-	72 50	142 50	60 00	-	-	-	2 50	13 OC	-	75 50
Brooksville	No repo				ļ								
Witherle Memorial, Castine	No repo 500 34		17 85	38 60	556 19	176 76	-	23 15	-	143 20	154 98	25 97	524 06
Jesup Memoriai Library, (Bar Harbor) Eden.	550 00		2,530 73			341 31			_		1,717 20	890 98	3,775 05
Ellsworth City Library, Ellsworth Hancock Co. Law Library, Ellsworth	191 00	_	252 36 -	447 17	1,497 41 500 00	328 00 463 00		_	_	100 88	482 25	146 90	1,085 40 463 00

HANCOCK[COUNTY-CGNCLUDED.

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Prospect Harbor Free Public Library, Gouldsboro	-	_	-	169 00	169 00	12 00	7 00	2 50	_	5 00	91 00	10 00	127 50
Hancock Point Library Ass'n., Hancock Lamoine Public Library Lamoine	No repo	rt.	_	26 43	* 26 43	4 06	4	40	_	_ [_	* 4 46
Mt. Desert Library, Mt. Desert		_	23 00	59 00	73 00		5 00		_	6 00	25 00	_	46 00
Seal Harbor Public Library, Mt.	·			250 00	250.00	31 56	30 00			12 00	119 50		193 06
DesertOrland Town Library, Orland	None.	-	-	250 00	250 00	None.	30 00	_	_	12 00	119 50	-	193 00
Sargentville Library, Sedgwick	_	_	5 00	60 00	65 00		-	-		5 00	31 00	10 00	81 00
Southwest Harbor Public Library, Southwest Harbor	50 00	50 00	-	50 00	150 00	75 00	25 00	-	-	30 00	25 00	20 00	175 00
Bass Harbor Library, (Bernard) Tre- mont	25 00	-	-	167 74	192 74	70 00	28 54	-	-	15 00	72 00	-	185 54
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KENNEBEC COUNTY.

Kennebec Law Library, Augusta Lithgow Library and Reading Room,	500 00	-	-	-	500 00	500 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	500 00
Augusta	1,100 00	_	2,155 40	123 85	3,379 25	604 63	_	_	_	334 58	1.385 00	978 13	3.302 34
Brown Memorial Library, Clinton	385 00	÷	200 00	-	585 00			-		-	200 00		200 00
Gardiner Public Library, Gardiner		_	25 00	99 00	1,444 00				-	352 00			1,424 00
Hubbard Free Library, Hallowell		-	950 00	150 00	1,250 00				- 1	131 87			946 87
Cumston Public Library, Monmouth.	198 18		118 78	47 20	364 16		16 50	-	- [_	75 00	183 42	303 41
Oakland Public Library, Oakland	1,100 00	-	-	- 1	1,100 00	- 1	-	-	- 1	-	-	-	_
Vassalboro Public Library, (East)	230 00	_	_	52 22	282 22	100 35	_	1 60	_	_	25 00	11 71	138 66
Free Public Library, Waterville		_	20 20		3,562 98			90 70	_	397 21			3,951 10
Waterville Woman's Ass'n., Waterville				52 50						_	· -	-	68 00
Wayne Library, Wayne	165 52	-	1 - 1	16 00	181 52				-	13 00			159 45
Winslow Public Library, Winslow	385 00		40 00	- 1	425 00	278 00	22 00	-	-	-	125 00	-	425 00
Charles M. Bailey Public Library,	200 00		104 55		204 55	160 00	05 10		F4 00	10.00	90 00	17 20	000 00
Winthrop †	200 00	_	104 55	-	304 55	160 23	25 10	-	54 00	12 00	38 00	17 30	306 63
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^{*} June 1 — October 1, Library burned in April.

[†] Formerly Winthrop Public Library.

TABLE No. 2.—Continued.

KNOX COUNTY.

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Name of Library.	Appropriated by state, county or city.	Allotment by institution or society.	Derived from permanent pro- ductive funds.	From all other sources.	Total receipts for the year.	For books and pamphlets.	For periodicals.	For binding.	For rents.	For light, heat, etc.	For salaries.	For all other purposes (except for building).	Total expenditures for the year.
Camden Public Library, Camden Friendship Library, Friendship Revere Memorial, Isle au Haut North Haven Library, North Haven Rockland Public Library, Rockland	660 00 35 00 - 2,200 00	- - -	- - 150 00 35 00	154 75 42 00 84 67 75 00 386 44	77 00 84 67 225 00	232 31 - 53 77 35 00 220 99	53 15 2 75 10 90 10 00 58 90	61 94 - - - 63 61	175 00 25 00 - - -	18 52 5 00 - 20 00 433 74	- 80 00	167 80 -20 00 -691 30	32 75 84 67 155 00
Knox County Bar and Library Ass'n., Rockland	500 00 220 00 -			- -	500 00 241 50 200 00	421 81 176 51 -	- - -	- - -	-	- - -	- 65 00 -	- - -	421 81 241 51
South Thomaston	150 00	-	8 59 498 50 -	12 91 61 89 30 00	21 50 709 39 30 00	122 41 10 00	- - -	- - 10 00	6 50 80 00 2 00	2 65 87 07 2 00	210 00 5 00	104 59	9 15 604 07 29 00
Haven. Warren Free Public Library, Warren. Matinicus Public Library, Matinicus Pl	550 00 110 00		252 50	28 65 23 77	578 65 386 27	206 01 53 72	46 40 None.	12 32 23 25	50 00	76 20 15 20		50 44 29 91	571 37 222 08

East Boothbay Free Public Library,													
Boothbay Harbor Free Public Library,	_	-	-	70 00	70 00	5 00	-	-	- 1	3 00	60 00	-	68 00
Boothbay Harbor	330 00			66 57	396 57	92 77	35 35	31 50	160 00	19 50	100 00	10 50	449 62
Public Library, Bremen	220 00		16. –	36 54	256 54	100 29	15 00	-	40 00	11 70	48 75	24 26	240 00
The Asa B. Richardson Library, Jefferson	None.						None.						
Newcastle	* 100 00	-	-	-	100 00		-	-		-			
Rutherford Library, South Bristol Squirrel Island Library, Southport	-	350 00		128 29 425 13	128 29 775 13		14 26	_	20 00	- 59 90	40 00 178 00	11 70 428 55	85 96 816 07
Waldoboro Public Library, Waldoboro Preble Public Library, Whitefield	Establis Establis						1						
Lincoln County Law Library, Wiscasset	250 00		-	-	250 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
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^{*} For use of Damariscotta Library.

OXFORD COUNTY.

Albany Public Library, Albany	None.					None.					1		
Andover Public Library, Andover	165 00	-	-	5 00	170 00	29 70	7 25	7 72	- 1	12 00	75 00	20 30	151 97
Bethel Library, Bethel	300 00	- 1	_	_ •	_		_		50 00	_	150 00	- 1	_
Brownfield Public Library Association.								Į				1	
Brownfield		-	_	5 00	55 00	46 13	_ 1	_	- 1	2 50	4 00	- 1	52 63
Zadoc Long Free Library, Buckfield	200 00		_		200 00		20 00	17 92	_	33 50	103 90		175 32
Dixfield Public Library, Dixfield			_	10 34	175 34	38 26	5 00		96 00		60 00	18 60	228 66
Fryeburg Woman's Club Library.		ł			110 01	00 -0	0 00			20 00	00 00	20 00	
Fryeburg		l _	_	115 00	115 00	60 00	-	_	_	20 00	25 00	- 1	105 00
Pierce Library, Hanover	_		_		-		_	_	15 00		15 00	_	30 00
Soldiers' Memorial Library, Hiram			_	_	100 00	70 00	_	_ [_		30 00	100 00
Lovell Public Library, Lovell		85 00	_	15 00	100 00		15 00	_ 1	_	_	5 00	45 00	100 00
Norway Public Library, Norway	770 00		_	70 00	840 00				_	_		_	796 49
Freeland Holmes Library, Oxford	110 00		_	5 94	115 94	10 00	23 50		_	16 00	40 00	22 24	111 74
Oxford County Law Library, (South)				0 01	110 01	10 00	20 00			10,00	10 00		**** ***
Paris Paris	500 00			_	500 00	500 00	_	_	_	_	_ 1		500 00
Paris. Paris Public Library, (South) Paris	330 00			8 77	338 77	175 80		_	60 00	_	60 00	_ 1	295 80
Prentiss Library, (West) Paris			21 00		21 00		- 1	-	00 00	-	10 00		21 00
Tremuss Library, (west) rans	. –	_	21 00	_ ,	21 00	11 00)		- 1	- 1	_ ,	10 00	- 1	21 00

TABLE No. 2.—Continued. OXFORD COUNTY—CONCLUDED.

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	Inc	OME FO	R PAST I	FISCAL Y	EAR.		E	XPENDITU	RES FO	R PAST	Fiscal Y		
Name of Library.	Appropriated by state, county or city.	Allotment by institution or society.	Derived from permanent pro- ductive funds.	From all other sources.	Total receipts for the year.	For books and pamphlets.	For periodicals.	For binding.	For rents.	For light, heat, etc.	For salaries.	For all other purposes (except for building).	Total expenditures for the
West Paris Public Library, (West) Paris Rumford Public Library, Rumford Stow Library Club, Stow Increase Library, (East) Sumner. Upton Public Library, Upton Waterford Library Ass'n, Waterford. Whitman Memorial (Bryant Pond), Woodstock.	50 00 1 650 00	owner	172 57 - - ship. - -	27 79 74 97 55 47 200 00	1,724 97 55 47	44 79 192 08 50 00 80 00	157 27 6 10 -	- 62 92 	36 00 - - -	3 89 324 35 - 96 80	840 00 -	77 23 67 85 -	111 43 1,653 75 123 95 176 80 181 74
	1	1	P	ENOBSC	OT COUN	TY.					1	'	
Bangor Historical Society Library, Bangor Public Library, Bangor. John B. Curtis Free Public Library, Bradford. Brewer Free Public Library, Brulington. Tibbets Library, Charleston. Stewart Free Library, Corinna. Dexter Town Library, Dexter. Case Memorial Library, Kenduskeag. Lincoln Public Library, Newport. Old Town Public Library, Newport.	None. 10,000 00 - 500 00 - 55 00 1,309 37 27 50 221 36 150 00	400 00 119 50 - - - - - -	235 44 - - - 2,365 00 225 00 - - -	15,454 24 10 00 228 40 	*410 00 847 90 None. ort. 3,318 32 1,628 87 42 50 221 36	80 60 - 60 00 399 67 25 00 145 72 324 93	73 54 - 45 00 43 60 - 9 50	44 14 120 04 - -	300 00 - - - - - -	1,200 00 190 00 59 95 - 437 10 291 89 3 60 - 10 70 170 65	150 00 222 25 - 247 00 674 32 - 75 00 75 00	No re 2,016 99 97 60 - -	*415 00 837 59 None. port. 2,850 23

PENOBSCOT COUNTY-CONCLUDED.

Orono W. C. T. U. Library, Orono Passadumkeag Public Library, Passa-	385 00 -	-	75 00	460 00	80 00	30, 00	-	96 00	61 25	177 20	25 55	460 00
dumkeagStetson Public Library, Stetson	Establi shed 55 00 -	1916.	8 50	63 50	-	-	-	6 00	-	18 00	-	62 00

^{*} Figures for nine months.

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY.

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Brownville Free Public Library,	į		1		i			1	}			}	
Brownville	200 00	-] - [55 53	255 53	5 30	-	- 1	100 00		52 00	2 30	159 60
Thompson Free Library, Dover	1,300 00	_	445 00	908 37	2,653 37	841 65	-	84 98	-	156 17	745 20	171 02	1,999 02
*Foxcroft	-	-	-	-	- (-	-	- 1	-	-	-	-	
Greenville Free Public Library.	i			i	17	[1	ſ	- 1	- 1	ĺ	
Greenville	100 00	-	-	32 81	132 81	99 25		· _	-	16 00	8 61	38 90	152 76
Guilford Memorial Library, Guilford	632 50		- 1	188 51	821 01	272 77	_	41 76	-	160 10	252 20	59 36	786 19
Milo W. C. T. U. Library, Milo	440 00	-	- 1	57 42	497_42	245 00	15 35	-	96 00	- 1	104 00	35 64	495 99
Monson Public Library, Monson	110 00	-	- 1	12 00	122 00	25 00	-		60 00	6 00	26 00	-	116 00
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^{*} Assists in support of Dover.

SAGADAHOC COUNTY. .

Patten Free Library, Bath	500 00 - Private owne	1,786 00 3,430 57	6,756 57 500 00 None.		131 80 -	392 79 1,125	00 4,141 45	6,773 68 500 00 None.
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TABLE No. 2.—Continued.

SOMERSET COUNTY.

	Inc	OME FO	R PAST I	ISCAL YE	AR.	Expenditures for Past Fiscal Year.									
Name of Library.	Appropriated by state, county or city.	Allotment by institution or society.	Derived from permanent pro- ductive funds.	From all other sources.	Total receipts for the year.	For books and pamphlets.	For periodicals.	For binding.	For rents.	For light, heat, etc.	For salaries.	For all other purposes (except for building).	Total expenditures for the year.		
Stewart Public Library (North) Anson Prescott Free Library, Canaan. Lawrence Library, Fairfield. Good Will Home Library, Fairfield Hartford Free Library, Hartland. Madison Public Library, Madison. Shaw Library, Mercer. Norridgewock Public Library, Norridgewock. Palmyra Public Library, Palmyra. Pittsfield Public Library, Pittsfield. Crocker Free Library, Skowhegan. Solon Public Library, Skowhegan.	105 00 138 80 1,105 59 - 127 02 160 00 - 150 00 55 00 1,353 00 935 00 160 00		- 20 00 20 25 1,002 00 33 21	30 70 12 64 2 34 387 82 20 20 970 71 - - 2 80 138 76 1 38	147 22 1,280 71 - 150 00 55 00 1,373 00 75 05 2,075 76	37 11 50 00 376 22 490 17 31 78 39 65 - 50 00 35 00 198 00 17 00 183 44 65 75	51 25 80 65 7 70 325 93 - 80 00 - 55 45	- - - 84 00 5 00	- - -	37 25 12 64 183 35 87 00 3 25 244 00 - 30 00 - 227 00 - 284 92 6 00	75 00 400 00 510 00 48 00 467 15 40 00 52 00 20 00 500 00 45 00 767 20 26 00	207 34 384 28 8 05 186 83 - 12 00 74 03 17 58	281 70 150 64 1, 433 18 1, 167 82 111 28 1, 280 71 - - 132 00 55 00 1, 101 00 67 00 1, 453 31 145 33		
				WALDO	COUNT	Y.									
Belfast Free Library, Belfast	101 00 330 00 385 00 110 00	-	1,695 50 - - - 4 04 - 96 35	154 57 300 00 140 00 191 82 No rep 12 25	330 00 140 00 580 86 ort.	264 54 53 00 88 00 110 00 49 31 - 88 74	35 50 12 00 15 00 9 90	18 00 13 00 - -	35 00 - - - 30 00	197 75 15 00 11 00 15 00 67 50		164 84 2 50 40 00 - 72 72 No rep - 27 00	1,676 91 300 00 330 00 140 00 497 43 ort.		

				WASILLIN	31011 00	,01111.							
Mayhew Library Association, Addison Woodland Public Library, Baileyville. Free Library and Reading Room, Calais Cherryfield Public Library, Cherryfield Columbia Falls Library, Columbia Falls Danforth Free Public Library,	180 00 935 00 55 00	- - -	504 00 - - -	- 60 25 - 4 50 - 82 13	80 00 240 25 1,439 00 59 50 None. 202 13	43 00 122 00 429 72 - 75 00 120 00	14 65 87 35 21 50 -	103 10 -	- - 20 00 -	9 80 209 24 3 00 -	25 00 104 00 493 34 15 00 - 51 00	- 12 55 106 82 - - 11 25	59 50 75 00
Danforth. • Library. Dennysville East Machias Public Library Ass'n, East Machias Public Library Ass'n, East Machias Peavey Library, Eastport. Harrington Library, Harrington. Public Library, Jonesboro. Peabody Memorial, Jonesport Lubec Public Library, Lubec. Porter Memorial Library, Machias Milbridge Public Library, Milbridge. Henry D. Moore Library, Steuben.	100 00	6 50 - - - - 500 00 - -	12 47 - 40 00 - -	- 88 25 - 14 00 - 49 00	118 97 43 24 1,008 25 47 55 33 00	162 80 23 42 8 00 499 06 - 40 00 22 00 100 00	20 00 9 75 -	-	25 00 60 00	12 50 - 375 75 - 12 80 8 00 115 92 1 00	50 00 - 336 00 - -	- 112 75 2 00 - 17 11 - -	1,15 00 None. 997 05 25 42 33 00 564 74 - 436 92 23 00 1,500 00
				YORK	COUNT	Υ.							
Parsons Memorial Library, Alfred Biddeford Public Library, Biddeford	2,420 00	_	623 31 1,200 00	67 99 152 52	691 30 3,772 52	300 00 758 23	35 00 252 45		-	37 98 478 29		163 60 380 29	686 58 3,625 17 None

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Parsons Memorial Library, Alfred	_	_	623 31	67 99	691 30	300 00			-	37 98			
Biddeford Public Library, Biddeford	2,420 00	-	1,200 00	152 52	3,772 52	758 23	252 45	155 89	-	478 29	1,600 00	380 29	3,625 17 None.
Buxton Grange Library, Buxton	100 00	}	_	13 25	None. 113 25	50 00	_	1 - 1	12 00	7 50	26 00		95 50
Cornish Library Association, Cornish William Fogg Library, Eliot	100 00	_	1,300 00					-	- "	112 00			1,225 00
Hollis Centre Library, Hollis Centre	-	-	4 00	45 00		22 00		- 07 05	-	4 00 190 50		228 17	$\begin{array}{c} 36 \ 00 \\ 1.344 \ 42 \end{array}$
Public Library, Kennebunk	550 00	-	750 00	-	1,300 00	315 54	_	37 25	- 1	190 30	314 90	220 17	1,344 42
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2. Mailing list.

The Commission is endeavoring to maintain an up-to-date mailing list of librarians, library trustees and others interested in library work. The list now contains about thirteen hundred names. It is typewritten on cards and arranged alphabetically, by towns. The need of such a list has long been felt by the Commission and the Maine Library Association, and its compilation will enable both these bodies to get into closer touch with all persons engaged in library work in the state. By continuous correspondence with the various libraries of the state the Commission plans to keep this mailing list in good working order.

3. Maine Library Bulletin.

A new arrangement of the bulletin issued by the Maine State Library has been made during 1916. Heretofore, items telling of the work of the Commission have been scattered at random through the bulletin. At the present time one section of the bulletin is given over exclusively to the Commission. By this separation into a special department, the work of the Commission is emphasized and brought into greater prominence. This change is especially appropriate at this time of increased circulation.

4. Institutes.

The second of the series of Library Institutes under the auspices of the Maine Library Commission was held during the spring of 1916. The places and dates selected were: Augusta, May 16; Rockland, May 18 and 19; Machias, May 23 and 24; and Bethel, May 25 and 26.

The Director and Instructor chosen was Miss Mary P. Farr, a graduate of the Drexel Institute Library School, of Philadelphia, Field Secretary and Organizer for the Maryland State Library Commission.

The meetings were in the form of Round Tables and were made as informal as possible. The librarians presented their problems and discussed the solution of them. The topics discussed were Problems of the small library; Book selection; Cooperation of schools and libraries; Pamphlet literature for small libraries; Interesting the boys and girls; Making the library a force in the community. Much enthusiasm was shown by all who attended and the session often extended beyond the allotted time.

A member of the Commission was present at each Institute and gave an address. There were addresses from local speakers at each place and many of the town people attended the sessions and took part in the discussions. In Rockland talks were given to the teachers and pupils of the high school. At Machias the students and teachers of the Washington State Normal School attended some of the sessions.

The Institute at Augusta followed the meeting of the State Association and was well attended, for many of the librarians remained for the session. At Rockland the librarians and trustees from Knox, Lincoln, Waldo and Sagadahoc counties attended. At Machias the libraries of Bangor, Jonesport, Calais, Eastport, Steuben and Woodland were represented. At Bethel the librarians and trustees from Bryant's Pond, Mechanic Falls, Yarmouth, Paris, Hanover, and Oxford attended.

The librarian and the people in each town prepared a cordial welcome for the visitors and contributed largely to the success of the Institutes by their cooperation in preparing and carrying out the program.

B. WORK OF THE LOCAL LIBRARIES.

The following statement of the work of the public libraries throughout the state is not intended to be a complete report of all the activities of Maine libraries for the last two years. It is a report, however, of the general information which the Commission has been enabled to gather through correspondence, visitation and press reports.

AUBURN.

The seventy-two collections of music, purchased in 1914 through the Chivers Bookbinding Co. of London, have been very satisfactory and much used.

The number of visitors to the library for the year ending March, 1916, was 60,235, the monthly average being 5,018, and the daily average 196. A considerable increase in the circulation of non-fiction, both in the juvenile and adult departments, is reported. Every pupil in the three upper classes at the High School has made use of books in

the library. This is in connection with certain required work in English and debating, and applies to the use of the catalog, reference books and particularly periodical indexes. On request, books are kept for class reference that might otherwise be taken from the library.

During the last summer a new book room, measuring 20 by 27 feet was made by building a brick partition across the cellar. It is to be used chiefly for United States documents, which are now so arranged in it as to be easily and quickly consulted.

AUGUSTA.

The trustees of the Lithgow library have placed on the western wall of the vestibule a bronze tablet in honor and memory of Llewellyn W. Lithgow, Esq., whose name the institution bears. The inscription upon the tablet reads as follows: "In memory of Llewellyn W. Lithgow. Born in Dresden, Maine, December 25, 1796. Died in Augusta, Maine, June 22, 1881. His public spirit and generosity laid the foundation of this library. His name will be held in grateful remembrance by the generations who receive its benefits."

The library has recently added to its books, at the request of the Augusta Parent-Teacher Association, the first twenty-six on the list recommended by the Home Educational Division and published by the United States Bureau of Education as a "Reading Course for Parents." The books are being widely circulated and read.

BAILEYVILLE.

At the annual meeting in March, 1916, the town increased the appropriation for the Woodland Public Library from three hundred dollars to six hundred and fifty dollars. The association raised during the winter about forty dollars.

BELFAST.

A story hour has been conducted every Saturday afternoon since January, 1916, by the Belfast Free Library. For this purpose, since the library building has no children's room, the school committee has allowed the use of

rooms in the new Peirce School. The story tellers are friends of the library, who have enjoyed entertaining audiences numbering from twenty-five to one hundred, the attendance varying according to the weather. One very evident result of these story hours is an appreciable increase of the juvenile patrons of the library.

Mr. Waldo B. Washburn has given to the library twentynine bound volumes of almanacs for the years 1793-1798, and 1800-1857, inclusive. Mr. Ira M. Cobe has presented "Universal Classic Manuscripts," a de luxe volume of photographic fac-similes from originals of rare documents and letters in the British Museum, and a valuable set of architectural books entitled "Colonial Architecture, The Georgian Period," in twelve volumes, consisting of measured drawings and illustrations of famous houses and churches in the United States.

BIDDEFORD.

The McArthur Library has received an increase of \$1,750 for the permanent fund. The story hour on Saturday mornings had an average attendance in 1915 of twenty-six and in 1916 twenty-three. The wild flower display from April to October was very beautiful; there were one hundred and forty native wild flowers registered on the bulletin for 1914 and two hundred and fifty for 1915. Eight traveling library stations have been established in the rural schools, the books being changed each term, and the teachers have most cordially cooperated in undertaking the extra work and care necessary. The idea is to make each rural school a neighborhood center for distribution of the books, so that people living far from the city may have some library advantages.

With the cooperation of the superintendent of schools and the teachers the pupils of the ninth grade and the Commercial school receive in the library, as part of their school course, one lesson each term on the use of reference books, and the use of the library in connection with reference work. Over a hundred students receive this instruction each year. The library met with an irreparable loss in the recent death of its greatest benefactor and friend, Robert McArthur,

whose generosity and encouragement have been the greatest factor in its growth for the past thirteen years.

BRADFORD.

The John B. Curtis Free Public Library was dedicated March 31, 1915. The new building and the money to maintain it were bequeathed to the town by the late John Bacon Curtis of Portland, for many years a resident of Bradford. The building is of mottled gray brick, with granite trimmings, concrete and granite foundation, copper roof, and is designed for a lasting monument, being practically fire-proof. In 1916 the town appropriated money toward the support of the library, thus becoming a free public library within the meaning of the law.

Mrs. Marta H. Richardson is librarian and there is a board of fourteen trustees, consisting of R. N. Doore, F. E. Pickering, H. K. Richardson, Newell Randall, J. B. DeWitt, W. R. Folley, T. H. Wentworth, R. S. Perry, H. L. Knowles, Nathan Elden, G. H. Williams, L. C. Vannah, M. A. Marshall, F. A. Bickford.

BREMEN.

The town has been given a bookcase valued at seventy-five dollars and a library of three hundred volumes. The Patriotic Club has taken hold of the matter and is raising funds to build a suitable room in the town hall as well as to add new volumes. The library is open every other Saturday afternoon.

BREWER.

Under the will of the late Frank H. Holyoke the Brewer Free Public Library has received \$3,975 to be used as a trust fund for the purchase of books. Fifty dollars has been received from the estate of Mrs. Alice H. Baldwin.

BRUNSWICK.

From the estate of Miss Augusta L. Curtis of New York City the Curtis Memorial Library has received six thousand dollars. W. J. Curtis has given one thousand dollars, the income to be used for the maintenance of the grounds.

The library is making a collection of material pertaining to the sea captains of Brunswick, their pictures, pictures of ships, logbooks, letters, anything relating to seafaring life. The library building was given to the town in memory of a sea captain, John Curtis of Brunswick. The collection is small as yet, but interesting and valuable.

CALAIS.

A handsome tablet of polished Red Beach granite has been set up in the reading room, commemorative of the three founders. The names inscribed in gilt letters are these,—James Shepherd Pike, Frederic Augustus Pike, Freeman Hale Todd. The first named gave by will a liberal endowment fund; the other two bequeathed, each, five thousand dollars for the erection of the building.

The library now includes over eleven thousand volumes and the reading room receives regularly thirty publications. The annual income from all sources is about fourteen hundred and fifty dollars.

CAMDEN.

At a meeting of the Camden Public Library trustees, held November 6, 1916, announcement was made that Mrs. Edward Bok, a summer resident, has presented to the town the Ocean House lot, corner of Main street and Atlantic avenue, for a site for a future library building and a public park for the town. The financial value of the gift may be realized from the fact that the lot has been held at a price of twelve thousand dollars. The Camden Public Library was founded in 1896, but has never had a building of its own. Mrs. Bok's gift will be an incentive to the erection of a fine new home for the library collection of seven thousand volumes.

CANAAN.

A lot has been given to the Prescott Free Library for the erection of a new building. The town has appropriated five hundred dollars for this purpose and former residents have offered assistance. The Prescott Free Library has been in existence since 1905, but has been housed in rented quarters.

CARMEL.

Interested citizens are agitating the formation of a library association. It is hoped that sufficient enthusiasm will be aroused to secure an appropriation for the new library at the next annual town meeting.

CASTINE.

Although the town has a resident population of less than a thousand the Witherle Memorial Library issued 6,634 books during the year ending April 1, 1916.

CHERRYFIELD.

Two new members have been added to the board of trustees and a greater interest in the library is being felt by the general public.

CLINTON.

The Brown Memorial Library is a free public library, open to the public three afternoons and evenings of each week. It is supplied with all the leading magazines and papers. The patrons of the library number five hundred and thirty-five.

DAMARISCOTTA.

The Skidompha Public Library has adopted the plan of a rent collection of twelve of the latest fiction every three months.

EDEN.

The Jesup Memorial Library at Bar Harbor is open Sunday afternoons from two to six for reading only. In order that the older people may enjoy a quiet afternoon it has been thought best to exclude younger people below the junior class in high school.

FAIRFIELD.

The desire of the Lawrence Library to cooperate with the public schools is shown by the fact that many of its books are ordered at the request of the teachers in the schools.

A traveling library station is maintained at Fairfield Centre.

FARMINGTON.

Under the will of the late Mrs. Belle W. Gilman the Cutler Memorial Library has come into possession of many beautiful paintings, a case of valuable curios and five thousand dollars in money for the purchase of books. Mrs. Gilman was a trustee from the time that the library was organized and always took great interest in its prosperity.

FREEPORT.

The celebration of the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Barnabas H. Bartol, for whom the B. H. Bartol Library is named, was a feature of the annual meeting of the library association October 30, 1916.

During the year 1915 a bequest of fifty dollars was received from the estate of Thomas Spencer Mitchell of Plymouth, Massachusetts, a native of Freeport, and a gift of fifty books from the daughter and granddaughter of B. H. Bartol.

FRIENDSHIP.

In 1914 the town received forty-nine volumes from William De Lancey Howe, of Boston, and fifty volumes from Dr. and Mrs. F. W. Jackson of Jefferson, to start a public library. During 1915 and 1916 the town has annually appropriated thirty-five dollars for the support of the library, friends have assisted and the collection now numbers over six hundred volumes. There is no regularly appointed librarian, but eight ladies of the town alternate in acting in that capacity. Mrs. Jennie M. Lash superintends the work.

GORHAM.

By will of the late Mrs. Martha P. Robie, widow of Ex-Governor Frederick Robie, the Baxter Memorial Library received the sum of two thousand dollars, to be used for the purchase of books.

The library has met with a great loss in the death of its librarian, John A. Hinkley. Mr. Hinkley loved his profession, was faithful and painstaking in every duty connected with the administration of the library, and his familiar face

will be greatly missed by all those who knew and respected him.

Miss Victoria A. Magnusson, the first assistant, has been appointed librarian.

GREENVILLE.

The trustees of the Greenville Free Public Library, with a friend of the library who does the cataloguing, are doing all the work of a librarian without pay. The library was accepted as a gift by the town in 1913, but no money was raised for its support until the 1915 annual meeting, when an appropriation of one hundred dollars was made. This appropriation was again made in 1916.

The library has issued a third more books in 1916 than in 1915.

GUILFORD.

The stack room of the Guilford Memorial Library was opened to the public for the first time in 1915. A series of entertainments under the Redpath Bureau Management proved a financial success. The present number of volumes is about five thousand.

HALLOWELL.

Two special gifts received by the Hubbard Library have been greatly appreciated. One of them is a collection of sixty juvenile books given by Mrs. Benjamin Vaughan, who has frequently and generously remembered the library with other donations. The new books, which are very attractive and carefully selected works, have proved a source of much delight to the boys and girls. The other gift is a collection of about one hundred volumes from the private library of the late Professor Charles F. Richardson, of Dartmouth College, presented by Mrs. Richardson as a memorial of her husband.

HARRISON.

The Caswell Library has received five hundred dollars by the will of Miss Abby Smith of Harrison, and a gift of sixty-five books from Dr. J. P. Blake, of Harrison.

HOLLIS.

The members of the Hollis Center Library Association are enthusiastically working for a new library building. Money has been raised by giving entertainments, getting magazine subscriptions, selling sweet chocolate and thoroughly canvassing the inhabitants of the town. The lot for the building and the mason and electrical work were all gifts to the Association. It is hoped that the library interest aroused by this general agitation for a new building will bring about an appropriation by the town at the next annual meeting.

HOULTON.

The Cary Memorial Library has received fifteen thousand dollars from the estate of Mary Emma Drew of Jacksonville, Florida, and one hundred and fifty-eight volumes from H. J. Hatheway. Calvin L. Fox has loaned to the library his valuable collection of articles secured from many parts of the world. Mr. Fox has been nearly all his life making this collection and many of the articles were picked up while he was on various trips to South America, the West Indies, Bermuda, Canada, the world's fairs and other places.

ISLE AU HAUT.

The Revere Memorial Library, built in memory of Mrs. Paul J. Revere, has been in existence about six years. The expense of maintenance is met mostly by the summer residents. The collection now numbers about fifteen hundred volumes beside all the late magazines. One of the summer guests interested in the library reports as follows: "For the size of the collection it is believed that there are few more useful libraries in Maine, and there can be no possible doubt of its good influence on many of the permanent residents, some of whom are known even in winter to walk three and four miles to use the reading room, and who are interested in the best of the books."

ISLESBORO.

At its annual meeting in March, 1916, the town voted to build a library building upon a lot previously acquired, appropriated five hundred dollars for this purpose and voted to accept five hundred dollars which had already been collected by private subscription and any other sum or sums that might be presented. Five hundred dollars additional was appropriated for maintenance. Building, finance and other committees are now hard at work. Islesboro has had a free public library since 1902, but has not had a separate library building.

JAY.

The town of Jay has been presented with a fine library building in memory of the late Viranus Niles by members of the family. The building is located in North Jay, opposite the Universalist parsonage, on what has been long known as the Gustavus Keyes place. Work was begun in August. The structure will be of stone and modern in every respect.

JONESPORT.

The public library has a new building, dedicated December 31, 1915, containing book rooms, reading rooms for adults and children, and a lecture room. The inscription on the bronze tablet in the vestibule on the left-hand wall reads as follows: "This building was bequeathed to the town of Jonesport by Mary Lothrop Peabody in memory of Oliver White Peabody, her husband, and Samuel Kirkland Lothrop, her brother, for many years summer residents of this town. Built A. D. 1915." The total cost of the building was about \$13,500. This leaves \$1,500 for a trust fund, the interest on which can be used. The building is lighted by electricity and was opened to the public Saturday, January 1, 1916.

KENDUSKEAG.

Mrs. Nellie A. Rust of Newtonville, Massachusetts, has deeded to the town the building for the Case Memorial Library, built by her in 1914, the gift being made in honor of the memory of her father and mother.

The building was presented to the town and accepted by it, on March 6, 1916. The conditions imposed are that the building shall be maintained as a library for the public; that the Women's Christian Temperance Union shall have

such use of it as shall not conflict and be inconsistent with the purposes for which it was intended, and that the organization shall have the control and management of it as regards rules and regulations, including the character of all reading matter.

KENNEBUNKPORT.

In the spring of 1916 an organization known as the "Public Library of Kennebunkport and Vicinity" was formed. A constitution was adopted, officers elected, and some funds and books are in hand with promises of more to follow. Steps have been taken to secure the old Custom House property for library purposes. Herbert L. Luques is president, Dr. H. L. Prescott is treasurer and Rev. Thomas P. Baker is secretary.

LIVERMORE FALLS.

The library association loaned 16,093 books in 1915, classified as follows: adult fiction, 10,047; juvenile fiction, 5,261; non-fiction, 608; juvenile non-fiction, 177. 276 magazines and papers have also been loaned. Three fine sets of books have been added to the library during the year, the "World's Story" in fourteen volumes; "Modern Eloquence" in ten volumes, and a Catholic Encyclopaedia in sixteen volumes, the latter the gift of St. Rose Council, K. of C., No. 320, of Livermore Falls.

MACHIAS.

The exterior of the Porter Memorial Library has been thoroughly repaired.

MADISON.

Several fine reference works have been added to the Madison Public Library and also a large number of non-fiction, both of which are proving especially timely and of much interest.

MARS HILL.

Citizens of the town are talking of establishing a public library.

MILO.

On February 6, 1916; the public library building was burned to the ground. The Women's Christian Temperance Union by strenuous effort had started a library and reading room in 1909 and the town had made it a free public library by appropriating each year for its support four hundred dollars. At the time of the fire four hundred books were out on loan and, therefore, saved from destruction. At the quarterly meeting of the association in October announcement was made that there were now available sixteen hundred and nine books, and the librarian reported a circulation of 3464 during the preceding quarter, that the reference books had never been so much used by the pupils in the public schools as at the present time and that the teachers were taking them out frequently for use in their work. The loss of a building and most of its books has not kept this energetic library association from rendering fine service to its community.

MONMOUTH.

Several of the school teachers in town have cooperated with the Cumston Public Library in circulating books in districts remote from the library. In one of the larger schools of the grammar grade, the pupils secured a bookcase and books were loaned for several weeks or an entire term, the teacher making the selection. The pupils take turns acting as librarian and the books have a good circulation. 'Library talks" are a feature of the summer months and are to be arranged for all the year around. Two exhibits have been held at the library during 1916, one of the work of the school children in drawing, basketry, English composition, etc., and the other an arts and crafts exhibit of rare and beautiful treasures owned or made by the townspeople.

MONSON.

The library has been moved from the selectmen's office to a room in the second story of the Masonic block.

NEW GLOUCESTER.

The library is entirely supported by the town—the annual appropriation covering all expenses. With the exception

of one legacy (the income from which is about thirty dollars) the money expended for building and for its maintenance has been appropriated by vote of the town. Nearly seventy per cent of the population of the town is making use of the library. Much attention is paid to the choice of children's books and that department is well patronized.

NEW SHARON.

The public library building has been extensively repaired during the summer months of 1916 and presents a much changed appearance. A new front has been put on, new windows have been placed where they were greatly needed, a new hard wood floor has been laid and more space has been made for extra books. The grounds surrounding the library have been graded and a concrete walk laid.

OAKLAND.

On March 17, 1915, the new public library building was opened to the public. The lot was given to the town by Miss Alice Benjamin and the building by Mr. Carnegie. The building cost \$10,000 and is beautiful, substantial and well equipped. It forms one of the chief attractions of the town and bears evidence of the time, thought, and ability that have been given to every detail of the work. library received many valuable gifts. Miss Alice Beniamin gave three hundred volumes from her own library, two oak bookcases, four portfolios of rare foreign prints and Mr. Andrew Rice has given twenty-five an electric fan. hundred dollars for the purchase of sheet music to be circulated under the same regulations governing books. the time of opening to the end of the town year, February 20, 1916, the circulation of books amounted to twenty-four thousand.

OXFORD.

The Freeland Holmes Library received eighty-one volumes and \$500 in money during 1915. The debt of five hundred dollars on the library was paid by Hon. D. D. Stewart of St. Albans.

PALERMO.

Thomas Dinsmore, who founded the library in Palermo and stocked it with twenty-five hundred books, died on May 2, 1916. He had acted as librarian for many years.

PASSADUM KEAG.

August 14, 1916 the new Passadumkeag Public Library was organized with the following officers: Trustees—Charles D. Whittier, George H. Whittier, Raymond Knowlton, W. S. Applebee, Annie S. Lancaster, L. C. Hathaway and George H. Brann; Librarian—Harriett D. Whittier.

At the annual town meeting in March one hundred and twenty-five dollars was appropriated for the new library. A vote was also passed allowing the repair and improvement of an old schoolhouse and the use of the same for a public library. The townspeople under the leadership of the Passadumkeag Improvement Club entered heartily into the work and the building now presents a fine appearance inside and out. About three hundred volumes have been given to start the new library.

Dedication exercises were held August 15. The occasion was a gala one, with a band concert, short speeches and a large attendance.

PORTLAND.

The use of the library by the pupils of the public schools has greatly increased. Work with high school students has developed very satisfactorily through the cooperation of several of the teachers, two of whom as boys became acquainted with the library and its methods. Books for supplementary reading and for the use of classes and debating teams have been placed on open shelves in the reference room and are in constant demand. The use of a room on the lower floor was granted to the debating teams of the Portland and Deering high schools.

RICHMOND.

January 3, 1916, the Richmond Library Association reorganized and elected new officers. Since the reorganization the membership has shown a gratifying increase and many plans, such as issuing bulletins, increasing the reference books, etc. are well under way.

RIPLEY.

Magazine binders (Multibinders) have been purchased by the Crocker Free Library, and are to be used to bind pamphlets from the United States Department of Agriculture (those dealing with the same subject together) on different branches of agriculture and domestic science. Such books being expensive and the fund limited this seemed the best way to add to these departments of the library.

ROCKLAND.

The interior of the Rockland Public Library has been re-decorated, making it as attractive as when it was first opened in 1904.

ROCKPORT.

By vote of the Rockport Young Men's Christian Association in March, 1914, it was decided to offer the Y. M. C. A. library to the town on condition that the town should appropriate money for its maintenance and that the Association should be represented on its board of control. The town accepted the library and raised two hundred dollars for its organization, maintenance and development. The same amount has been raised each of the years 1915 and 1916. A committee of six, three elected by the town and three by the Association supervise the administration and the success of the venture from the start has been very gratifying.

RUMFORD.

Not only has the circulation increased at the library but books have also been circulated from rural school stations at Rumford Point and Rumford Centre.

ST. GEORGE.

In October, 1916, the Port Clyde Free Library was legally incorporated under the laws of the state with the following officers: President, Francis W. Roberts; treasurer, Emily L. Buker; vice president, Franklin Trussell; trustees, Alice T. Trussell, Edith L. Gilmore, Alice M. Porter, Arvilla P. Skinner, Dorothea M. Delano and Edith R. Maxwell. The new library starts out with a collection of nine hun-

dred books and is free to the public. It is open two afternoons in the week. A fund of five hundred dollars is in hand toward the erection of a library building.

SANFORD.

About four hundred dollars was given to the library by business concerns in town during 1915.

SKOWHEGAN.

The Skowhegan Public Library has been given two hundred and twenty-six books by Miss Louise H. Coburn. Seventy of these books are in the French language. The library is also fortunate in receiving gifts of over twenty different magazines and papers, including the higher priced ones that cannot usually be purchased by a small library.

SOUTHWEST HARBOR.

The town on March 6, 1916, voted one hundred dollars for the establishment of the Southwest Harbor Public Library. At the annual meeting of the library association February 2, 1916, the Tremont Public Library had become the Southwest Harbor Public Library and the association voted to make the library free, thus bringing about the appropriation from the town.

STANDISH.

The long promised library building at Steep Falls is being erected, the foundation work going on rapidly. The cost of the building is estimated at sixteen thousand dollars.

VASSALBORO.

Early in the fall of 1916 the Vassalboro Free Public Library installed a new card catalogue case, re-arranged, classified and catalogued its books.

WALDOBORO.

March 3, 1916, the Waldoboro Public Library was incorporated with the following officers: President, G. H. Coombs; vice-president, E. A. Glidden; secretary, Victor V. Thompson; treasurer, John M. Richards; trustees, Alfred Storer, C. W. Wallace, Mrs. Gertrude Coombs, Mrs. Harriet M. Glidden, G. H. Coombs, E. A. Glidden, Victor V. Thompson. Mrs. Lucy Bliss has been elected librarian.

At the town meeting on March 6 one hundred dollars was raised for the establishment of the library, thus enabling the library to get the benefit of fifty dollars of state aid.

The library is in the center of the town, on the ground floor of what was once a millinery store. It has been very fortunate in its gifts, over two thousand books having been presented, most of them standard works and all of them new or in fine condition. The circulation has been excellent and the use of the library as a reading and rest room has been very satisfactory.

WASHBURN.

Through the efforts of the Mothers' Club the Washburn Public Library was established in the spring of 1916. By the town's appropriation of one hundred dollars for the establishment of the library the fifty dollars of state aid became available. The library, which now contains about three hundred books, has pleasant comfortable rooms in the building of the Aroostook Trust & Banking Company. It is open Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoons and evenings. The officers of the new library are: President, Miss Mary Calkins; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Alice Rouse; executive committee, Mrs. E. W. Higgins, Mrs. H. S. Willey, Mrs. Claud McClaskey. Miss Alice Phinney is librarian.

WATERVILLE.

Miss Mary Helen Caswell, who resigned as librarian in December, 1914, has been succeeded by Miss Jennie M. Smith, formerly assistant librarian. Under the auspices of the Waterville Woman's Club a concert was given in February for the benefit of the library. The sum of one hundred and forty-five dollars was realized, and this the club will spend in the purchase of books for the library.

WHITEFIELD.

Mrs. Alice R. Morrison of Medford, Massachusetts, in July, 1915, established the Preble Public Library by contributing one hundred and twenty-five volumes, consisting of children's stories, fairy tales, histories, biographies, textbooks and fiction. Mr. Fessenden Turner gave the use of his home as a library, and his daughter, Miss Eva Turner,

is librarian. The books are carefully covered, labeled, numbered and indexed. Since the establishment of the library other books have been contributed until now the collection numbers about two hundred. Any resident of Whitefield may borrow books. The name "Preble" is given to the library in memory of Mrs. Morrison's mother, grandparents and other relatives of that name who have lived in the town of Whitefield.

WILTON.

By the will of the late Agnes I. Goodspeed and the generosity of her sons, George F. and Frank O. Goodspeed, the Wilton Free Public Library Association entered into possession of a fine new building the first of November, 1916.

The library stands on the homestead lot of F. O. Goodspeed. The house has been moved to another street and deeded to the association, the income from it to be used for the keeping up of the library building and grounds. The library building is forty-seven by fifty feet, of gray brick, with stone trimmings, and cornices of metal. In the vestibule is a bronze tablet with the following inscription "This library given in memory of Flavius Josephus Goodspeed, 1847-1910, Agnes Ingalls Goodspeed, 1850-1914. Erected A. D. 1916."

WINTHROP.

On May 11, 1916, at a special town meeting the town voted to accept from Charles M. Bailey the gift of a new library building. Resolutions were passed expressing appreciation to Mr. Bailey for his generosity and it was voted to name the building "The Charles M. Bailey Public Library." June 5 exercises were held on the site selected for the library and Mr. Bailey, who is ninety-six years of age, turned the first sod. December 2 the building was dedicated.

C. STATE AID.

While the Commission has no direct oversight of the financial assistance given by the state to free public libraries it has seemed advisable to include in this report a statement of the conditions under which this assistance may be

procured, as requests for this information are continually coming to the Commission office.

The state will give to each town or city fifty per cent, up to one hundred dollars, of any sum which such town or city may appropriate for the commencement of a new free public library, provided that the amount appropriated is at least one hundred dollars and is expended for books.

Each year after the establishment of a free public library the state will give ten per cent of any sum raised and expended by the town towards the maintenance of such library. This yearly aid is called the stipend.

The conditions under which this financial assistance may be obtained are these:

The library must be free to the inhabitants of the town or city applying for assistance.

The officers of the library must annually, on or before the first day of April, send to the State Librarian at Augusta a list of all books and documents purchased with the stipend the preceding year and a list of all documents received from the State.

The municipal officers must annually, on or before the first day of May, certify to the Governor and Council, the amount appropriated and expended by the town during the preceding year towards the maintenance of the library.

LIBRARY LAWS OF MAINE.

MAINE STATE LIBRARY.

CHAPTER 3. REVISED STATUTES. 1916.

- Sec. 1. Enumeration of property included in library: expenditures. All books, documents, pamphlets, manuscripts, records, archives, maps, pictures, and all other works of art, science and literature, and all annual, biennial and special reports of departments, officers and institutions controlled or supported by the state, and all other property appropriate to a general library, if owned by the state. and all books. documents and publications received by any one through purchase, gift, exchange or loan, from any source, for the use of the state, shall constitute the Maine State Library, and shall be in charge and under the general control and management of the librarian. money appropriated by the legislature for the purchase of books and documents shall be expended by the librarian under the direction of the governor, and all books, documents and other works received by any state official, and designed as a gift or exchange for the use of the state, shall be delivered to the librarian and placed in the library.
- SEC. 2. What works shall be kept in the library. There shall be procured and kept in the library, full and complete sets of digests, law reports, public laws and legislative documents of the United States and of the several states; a full set of English and Canadian law reports, digests and laws; the general works on elementary law and practice; histories of all countries, including those of this state, its counties and towns; works on the arts and sciences with special reference to agriculture, forestry, fishing, ship building and road making; maps, charts, plans and manuscripts, statistical and other publications relating to the financial, social, religious and educational condition of the world and more especially of this state, as fast as means are furnished by the state therefor, and all the printed doc-

uments of this state and reports of all departments, offices, institutions and towns, required by law, not distributed by the several departments, shall be kept in the library.

- SEC. 3. Trustees of library; rules and regulations. The state library shall be under the management and control of the governor and council as a board of trustees and they may make such rules and regulations as are necessary for the proper management of the library and the safety of its contents.
- SEC. 4. Librarian, how appointed; tenure; bond; assistant. They shall appoint a librarian of the state library, who shall hold office three years unless sooner removed, and give bond to the state for the faithful performance of the duties of his office, in such sum and with such sureties, or with such surety company authorized to do business in the state, as surety, as shall be approved by the governor and council. The librarian shall appoint one assistant who shall perform the duties prescribed by him, and shall give bond to the librarian for the faithful performance of the same.
- SEC. 5. Library, when to be kept open. The librarian shall keep the library open every day in the year, Sundays and the usual public holidays excepted, during the usual business hours; and the superintendent of public buildings and his assistants shall see that no one is admitted to the library rooms out of office hours or that any book is taken therefrom, without the consent of the librarian.
- SEC. 6. Persons allowed to take books. Books may be taken from the library by the governor, members of the council and of the legislature, judges of the judicial courts, secretary of state, deputy secretary of state, treasurer of state, adjutant general, attorney general, land agent, reporter of decisions, counsel engaged in the argument of causes before the law court sitting at Augusta, superintendent of public buildings, superintendent of public schools, superintendents of the insane hospitals, chaplains, secretary and assistant secretary of the senate, chaplains, clerk and assistant clerk of the house, and commissioner of agriculture; but this privilege to the members of the legislature and those officially connected therewith, is limited to the time of the session.

- SEC. 7. Conditions upon which books may be taken from the library. Under such rules and regulations as the governor and council may prescribe the librarian may lend books and documents from the state library to any responsible citizen of the state, on written application therefor and on payment of all express and carriage charges; but books and documents in the library for reference and library use only shall not be so loaned.
- SEC. 8. Traveling libraries. On the application of the officers of any free library within the state, or of any association composed of five or more persons residing in a town in the state destitute of a free library, and upon the payment in advance by said free library or association to the librarian of the state library of five cents a volume to cover express and other charges, the librarian may, from books selected and kept for the purpose, loan to such library or association for a period not longer in duration than six months, not exceeding fifty volumes at any one time. Books so loaned are, under such rules as the library commissioners of the state may prescribe, to be in turn loaned free of charge to the patrons of such free library or to the citizens of the town where such association is located.
- SEC. 9. Liability of persons receiving books from library; actions, how prosecuted. Any person or persons, who, on his or their own request, or on written application therefor, receive the loan of any books, or documents from the state library, shall be responsible for the full value thereof to the librarian, and in case of the loss of or damage to a volume belonging to a set, shall procure a new volume, or be responsible for the value of the set. If any person or persons shall neglect or fail to return any books or documents loaned to them, or shall return the same in an injured or mutilated condition, after due demand and notice, the librarian may maintain an action at law against such person or persons for the full value of such books or documents. Actions to enforce the liability mentioned in this section may be brought by the librarian in his own name in behalf of the state, and in case of his death or removal the action shall be prosecuted by his successor.

- SEC. 13. Special duties of librarian. In addition to the general duties of his office the librarian of the state library shall solicit and receive all duplicate copies of books and documents, and maintain a bureau of deposits and exchange with all other libraries and institutions of learning, and shall aid in the establishment of free public libraries in the state by gifts of such books and documents as are published or purchased by the state for distribution.
- SEC. 14. Collect and preserve local histories. He shall collect from time to time, and preserve in the state library copies of the histories of the towns and counties of the state, when published, and all other publications relating to the material, social and religious progress of the state.
- SEC. 15. Town and city clerks shall furnish copies of reports to librarian; reports of corporations. Town clerks of the several towns, city clerks of the several cities, and treasurers of the several counties, shall promptly transmit to the librarian of the state library, copies of all printed reports of said towns, cities and counties, including all printed exhibits of town, city and county expenditures. The directors of all corporations doing business in the state shall transmit to said librarian copies of all printed reports, relating to the affairs of said corporations.
- SEC. 16. Appropriation. Two thousand dollars shall be biennially appropriated for the library, to be expended in purchasing or otherwise procuring such books, maps, charts and works, as are deemed most useful, and in binding and keeping in good condition the works therein.
- SEC. 17. Catalog. The governor and council shall from time to time cause to be made and printed a catalog of all books, maps, charts and works in the library, and such as are annually added thereto.
- SEC. 18. Report of librarian. The librarian shall report to the legislature biennially, in January, the receipts and expenditures on account of the library, with a list of all books, maps and charts acquired during the two preceding years, specifying those obtained by purchase, donation and exchange, and those which have been lost or are missing, and shall make suggestions in relation to the improvement of the library.

DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC DOCUMENTS.

SEC. 25. Publications distributed to towns are the property of the state. All Maine reports, statutes, digests, acts and resolves, and other publications, printed or purchased by the state, and hereafter distributed according to law or custom, to the several towns and plantations within the state, shall be and remain the property of the state, and shall be held in trust by such towns or plantations for the sole use of the inhabitants thereof, and for no other purpose.

SEC. 26. All books furnished any state, county or town officer, shall be held in trust by such officer. All such books and publications as may hereafter be furnished by the state, to any state, county or town officer, shall be and remain the property of the state, and shall be held in trust by said officer, for the sole use of his said office; and at the expiration of his term of office or on his removal therefrom by death, resignation or other cause, such officer, or if he be dead, his legal representatives, shall turn over to his successor in office all of said books and publications so furnished by the state and shall take a receipt therefor.

SEC. 27. How such books shall be marked. All Maine reports, revised statutes, public laws and digests distributed by the librarian of the state library to the several towns and public officers in the state, shall be plainly marked upon the cover and upon the title page with the following words: "The property of the State of Maine, not to be sold," and shall have a registered number conforming to the list to be made by the librarian. Any town not retaining said volumes shall not make any requisition upon the librarian for their replacement, and shall forfeit all claim to be supplied with any further state publications.

SEC. 28. State librarian may transmit laws to the several states and any foreign state. The librarian of the state library, under the direction of the governor, may transmit to each department of the United States, to the several libraries of each state and territory, and to any foreign state, three copies of all the acts and resolves published by order of the legislature, and one copy of all public documents printed and bound by like order, and one copy of the printed decisions of the supreme judicial court.

Sec. 29. Librarian shall distribute books and docushall transmit reports to public libraries and schools, and members of the legislature: document room: He shall distribute all the reports of the departments and institutions of the state, and all books and documents published or purchased by the state, to such nations. counties, municipalities, corporations, institutions and persons as are or may be by law entitled to receive the He shall also supply the chief officers of each state department and institution with such numbers of its reports as the governor and council may order for complimentary and official distribution by said officers. procure such number of each volume of the Maine reports and of the acts and resolves when published, and distribute the same to such corporations, officers, institutions and persons within the state as the legislature may designate. He shall transmit one copy of each published report of each department of the state government to each public library in the state and to such schools and other public institutions therein as may desire the same. He shall also transmit to the legislature and to each member and officer thereof, as soon after the commencement of its session as practicable. one copy of each of the printed reports of each state department. He shall maintain a document department in a room provided for that purpose, in which shall be stored all department reports and the publications of the state intended for distribution, and shall keep an accurate account of all books and documents received, and of every book. document or package sent out from said department. clerk may be employed who shall perform the duties pertaining to said department under the direction of the librarian.

SEC. 30. Representatives of the press shall be furnished with public documents. In the distribution of public documents, the librarian shall send to each representative of the press who was on duty at the last preceding session of the legislature, such public documents as are customarily sent to members of the legislature.

SEC. 31. Number of copies of reports delivered to library. The number of copies of the following named reports to be printed hereafter at the expense of the state

shall be determined by the governor and council but shall not exceed the following numbers:______ the report of the librarian of the state library, one thousand copies biennially;_____ Of the above named reports seventy-five copies may be retained by the binder for public documents, and at least six hundred and seventy-five copies shall be delivered to the State Librarian, by the binder, for exchange, library use and general distribution.

SEC. 32. Number of other reports determined by governor and council. The reports, catalogues and compilations of all state departments, commissions and institutions, other than as enumerated in the preceding section, may be printed and bound, but the number and the styles in which the same shall be so printed and bound, at the expense of the state, shall be determined from time to time by the governor and council, who shall also fix the number of the same which shall be delivered from the bindery or printing office to the librarian of the state library.

LIBRARY COMMISSION.

Appointment; tenure and duties. SEC. 10. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint four persons as library commissioners who shall hold their offices for a term of four years each; they shall serve without pay; the commission shall give advice to all school, state institutional, free and public libraries, and to all communities in the state which may propose to establish libraries as to the best means of establishing and administering them; selecting and cataloging books, and other details of library management; and may send any of its members to aid in organizing such libraries or assist in the improvement of those already established. also receive gifts of money, books, or other property which may be used or held in trust for the purpose or purposes It may publish lists and circulars of information and may co-operate with other state library commissions and libraries in the publication of documents in order to secure the most economical administration of the work for which it was formed. It may conduct courses or schools of library instruction and hold librarians' institutes in

various parts of the state, and co-operate with others in such schools or institutes. It shall select the books to be purchased for traveling libraries and advise the librarian of the state library in reference thereto, and shall perform such other service in behalf of public libraries as it may consider for the best interests of the state.

SEC. 11. Secretary. The librarian of the state library shall be, ex-officio, a member of the library commission and secretary thereof. He shall purchase the books selected by the library commissioners for traveling libraries, cause the same to be properly catalogued and placed in proper cases for transportation and use, keep accurate accounts of all matters relating to the expenditures of money, the transportation of libraries and such other statistics as the commissioners may require.

SEC. 12. Expenditures. All expenditures of money shall be made with the sanction of the governor and council, and the commissioners shall make to them a yearly report.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

CHAPTER 4.

SEC. 74. Town may establish public libraries, and raise money therefor. Any town may establish a free public library therein, for the use of its inhabitants, and provide suitable rooms therefor, under such regulation for its government as the inhabitants from time to time prescribe; and may appropriate, for the foundation and commencement of such library, a sum not exceeding two dollars, and for its maintenance and increase annually, a sum not exceeding two dollars for each of its ratable polls in the year next preceding. Any town in which there is a free public library may establish and maintain under the same general management and control, such branches of the same as the convenience and wants of its citizens seem to demand.

SEC. 75. Villages may establish free libraries; may assess tax for their support; rights and privileges. Any village corporation located in a town where no free library exists, may establish a library within its limits for the free use of all its inhabitants; and may levy and assess a corpo-

rate tax and appropriate therefrom for the foundation and commencement of such library, a sum not exceeding two dollars, and for its maintenance and increase annually a sum not exceeding one dollar for each ratable poll within the limits of such village corporation in the year next preceding. Village libraries established under this section shall be subject to all the duties and entitled to all the privileges prescribed by the laws relating to free public libraries in towns.

SEC. 76. Any town may raise money to secure free use of library in adjoining town. Any town may raise and appropriate annually a sum of money, not exceeding the legal limit established for maintaining free libraries, for the purpose of securing to its inhabitants the free use of a library located in an adjoining town, and shall be entitled to receive from the treasurer of state a sum equal to ten per cent of the amount so raised, appropriated and expended yearly, to be paid on the certificate of its municipal officers returned as provided in section 78.

SEC. 77. Adjacent towns may unite in establishing free library. Two or more adjacent towns may unite in establishing and maintaining a free public library with branches thereof in each town, for the free use of all the inhabitants of said towns, and may each raise and appropriate for that purpose annually a sum not exceeding the legal limit established for maintaining free libraries, and such towns shall be subject to all duties and entitled to all the benefits prescribed by the laws relating to free libraries.

SEC. 78. State stipend for support of public library. The municipal officers in any town or city, and the assessors of any village corporation where a free public library is established, shall annually, on the first day of May, certify to the state auditor the amount of money appropriated and expended by said town, city or village corporation during the preceding year, for the purchase of books and documents for the use and benefit of such free public library, and for the payment of the running expenses thereof; and the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall draw a warrant on the treasurer of state for the purchase of books for the use of such library, for a sum equal to ten per cent of the amount expended by said town or

village corporation as certified by its municipal officers or assessors.

SEC. 79. "Public Library." Any town or city, in which there is a library owned or controlled by a corporation or association, or by trustees, may appropriate a sum not exceeding one dollar for each of its ratable polls in the year next preceding to procure from such library the free use of its books for all the inhabitants of the town or city, under such restrictions and regulations as shall insure the safety and good usage of the books; and such library shall then be considered a free public library within the meaning of this chapter, and said town or city shall be entitled to the benefits of the preceding section, provided that any books and documents purchased with said stipend, and all books and documents donated by the state, shall be and remain the property of said municipality.

SEC. 80. Entitled to Maine reports, etc.: town officers report to State Library, aid withheld until report is made. In every town and city where a free public library exists, the librarian of the state library shall transmit to such library all laws. Maine reports, and other documents which the town or city is by law entitled to receive from the state, and the same shall be constantly kept in such library for the use and benefit of all the citizens; and the municipal officers of said town or city, shall transfer to said library all the laws, Maine reports and other documents, heretofore received from the state, and now in custody of any of the officers of said town or city; and the officers of said library, on or before the first day of April of each year, shall send to the librarian of the state library a report containing a list of all books and documents purchased with the state stipend for the preceding year, and of all books and documents received from the state in said library. aid from the state, hereby provided, shall be withheld from any town, city or village corporation until the report herein required to be made on or before the first day of April of each year, shall have been received by the librarian of the state library. And the same shall also be withheld unless said report shall show that the laws, Maine reports and other documents furnished to said town or city by the state are kept in said library as required by this section.

SEC. 81. Assistance in establishing free public libraries. The librarian shall donate from the state library to any town having no free public library owned or controlled by the town, books purchased for that purpose, not exceeding fifty per cent in value of the books and documents purchased by said town for the purpose of founding a free public library therein; said donation in no case to exceed one hundred dollars. No town shall be entitled to the benefits of this provision, until its legal voters, at a regularly called town meeting, have raised and appropriated not less than one hundred dollars for the purchase of books, and have provided for the care, custody and distribution of its own books, and of those to be donated by the state.

SEC. 82. Instruction at state library. The librarian or trustees of any free public library may receive instruction at the state library in cataloguing, and any other matters pertaining to the maintenance or administration of the library.

SEC. 83. Towns may receive devises and gifts for public libraries and art galleries. Any town, as such, may receive, hold and manage devises, bequests or gifts for the establishment, increase or maintenance of a public library therein; and may accept by vote of the legal voters thereof, any land or land and buildings thereon, to be used as a public library or art gallery, or both combined. When any plantation is incorporated into a town, such gifts and the proceeds thereof fully vest in such town.

INJURY TO BOOKS.

CHAPTER 129.

SEC. 26. Wanton injury to books, pictures and statues. Whoever wantonly mars, defaces or injures a book, picture, statue or painting, belonging to any public library, or library of any association open to the public, or to any literary or educational institution, or any statue erected in any public park or square, or upon any ground open to the public, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than three months, or by a fine not exceeding fifty dollars.

INCORPORATION.

CHAPTER 62.

- SEC. 1. Corporations without capital stock may organize. When seven or more persons desire to be incorporated as proprietors of a social, military, literary, scientific or county law library;_____or for any literary, scientific, musical, charitable, educational, social, military, agricultural, moral, religious or benevolent purpose; they may apply in writing to any justice of the peace in the county, who may issue his warrant, directed to one of said applicants, requiring him to call a meeting thereof at such time and place as the justice may appoint.
- SEC. 2. Notice of meeting. Such applicant may call it, by reading the warrant in the presence and hearing of each, or by leaving an attested copy thereof at his last and usual place of abode, at least fourteen days before the day of meeting, or by publishing an attested copy thereof in some newspaper printed in said county, for two weeks successively, the first publication to be at least fourteen days before the day of meeting.
- SEC. 3. Organization and powers. When assembled pursuant to the warrant, they may organize themselves into a corporation, adopt a corporate name, and they, their associates and successors may have continual succession; have a common seal; elect all necessary officers; adopt bylaws, not inconsistent with law, and enforce the same by suitable penalties; have the same rights and be under the same liabilities, as other corporations, in prosecuting and defending suits at law; and enjoy all other rights, privileges and immunities, of a legal corporation.
- SEC. 4. Certificate recorded; fees. Before commencing business the president, treasurer and a majority of the directors or trustees of every corporation organized under the foregoing sections shall prepare a certificate setting forth the name and purposes of the corporation, the town where located, the number and names of the officers, and shall sign and make oath to it; and after it has been examined by the attorney general, and been by him certified to be properly drawn and signed and to be conformable to the constitution and laws, it shall be recorded in the registry of deeds in the county where said corporation is located.

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in a book kept for that purpose, and within sixty days after the day of the meeting at which such corporation is organized, a copy thereof certified by such register shall be filed in the secretary of state's office, who shall enter the date of filing thereon, and on the original certificate to be kept by the corporation, and shall record said copy in a book kept for that purpose. No fee shall be payable to the attorney general or secretary of state for services under this section, but registers of deeds shall receive for recording such certificate the fees provided by section eighteen of chapter one hundred and eighteen.

- SEC. 5. Power to hold property. Such corporation may take and hold by purchase, gift, devise or bequest, personal or real estate, in all not exceeding in value one hundred thousand dollars, owned at any one time, and may use and dispose thereof only for the purposes for which the corporation was organized.
- SEC. 6. Charitable corporations, suits by or against. No corporation, organized for charitable or benevolent purposes, shall sue any of its members for dues or contributions of any kind, or be sued by any member for any benefit or sum due him, but all such rights and benefits, dues and liabilities, shall be regulated and enforced only in accordance with its by-laws.

COUNTY LAW LIBRARIES.

CHAPTER 62.

SEC. 12. Organization. In every county, where five or more attorneys reside, any five of them may procure themselves and the other attorneys resident in the county to be incorporated as aforesaid for the purpose of establishing a law library; and the notification required, if posted in some conspicuous part of the court house seven days previous to their meeting, is sufficient; they may take the name of "The trustees of the law library in the county of _____;" and at such meeting, which shall be held at a term of the court therein, they may choose a clerk, librarian and treasurer, to be sworn, and hold their offices during the pleasure of the corporation; they may make all necessary and lawful regulations; and at their meetings, the oldest member present shall preside.

- SEC. 13. Duties of treasurer and clerk. The treasurer of each library association, under the direction of the trustees, shall apply all moneys received of the county treasurer, and all bequests and gifts, to form a law library under the appointed regulations; and the clerk shall keep an exact record of all their proceedings.
- SEC. 14. Accounts of treasurer. The treasurer shall keep an exact account of all moneys, gifts and bequests, belonging to the corporation, and annually settle the same on oath, in the manner prescribed; and the treasurer, librarian and clerk shall be answerable for all misfeasance in an action by the corporation. The treasurer shall, annually, before the second Wednesday in January, deposit in the office of the treasurer of state a statement of the funds received by the corporation during the year preceding.

CHAPTER 13.

SEC. 8. Payments to county law libraries. The treasurer of each county, except the county of Lincoln, shall annually pay to the treasurer of the law library association of his county, for the uses and benefits of the county law library, the sum of five hundred dollars. The treasurer of the county of Lincoln shall annually pay to the treasurer of the law library association of his county, the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars. The treasurer of each county shall also pay to the treasurer of the law library association of his county all money received from persons admitted as attorneys in the Supreme Judicial Court upon motion, without a certificate from the board of examiners of applicants for admission to the bar.

SALARIES.

CHAPTER 117.

SEC. 23. The state library. The librarian of the state library shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars. The assistant librarian shall receive an annual salary of twelve hundred dollars. The librarian shall also receive in full compensation for his services as secretary of the library commissioners, and to cover the cost of clerical labor and the necessary expenses of said office, such sum not exceeding three hundred dollars a year, as the governor and council may determine.

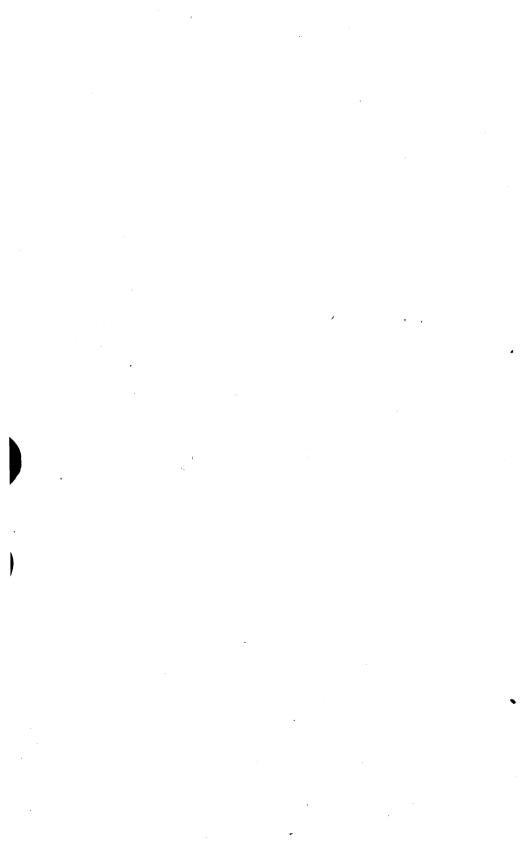
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