

American Library Association

TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL MEETING

Atlanta, Ga., May 8-13, 1899

Program

Monday Evening, May 8 (8:00-10:30),—1st Session.

(Kimball House Parlors.)

Informal reception and acquaintance session.

Local Reception Committee:—T. H. Martin,
Chairman.

INTRODUCTION COMMITTEE:

Miss Anne Wallace; Mrs. Henry J. Carr; Mrs. S. C.
Fairchild; Miss M. W. Plummer; Miss K. L.
Sharp; Miss M. E. Hazeltine; E. M. Barton;
F. W. Faxon; Wm. H. Brett; Purd B. Wright.

NOTE.—The Introduction Committee will be glad to aid members to know each other. New members are invited to inform the Committee of those they desire especially to meet. The hearty co-operation of all present is earnestly desired, with view to bringing about mutual acquaintance.

Tuesday Morning, May 9 (10:00-12:30),—2d Session.
(Kimball House Assembly Room.)

GENERAL SESSION.

President's Address.

WM. C. LANE, Librarian Harvard University.

Consideration of printed report of 1898 meeting.
Announcements.

Reports of Officers, Committees, etc.:

Secretary.—Henry J. Carr, Scranton, Pa.
Treasurer.—Gardner M. Jones, Salem, Mass.
Publishing Section.—Wm. C. Lane, Sec. & Treas.
Trustees of Endowment Fund.—Chas. C. Soule,
Treas.

Standing Committees:

Finance.—James L. Whitney, Chairman.
Co-operation.—Thos. L. Montgomery, Chairman.
Public Documents.—R. R. Bowker, Chairman.
Foreign Documents.—C. H. Gould, Chairman.
Supplement to "A. L. A. Catalog."—Mrs. Salome
C. Fairchild, Chairman.
Co-operation with Library Department of N. E.
A.—J. C. Dana, Chairman.

Special Committees:

On Revision of A. L. A. Constitution.
On "Library Tracts."
On American Library Exhibit at Paris Exposition
of 1900.
On Title Pages of Periodicals.
Miscellaneous Business.

Tuesday Afternoon, May 9 (3:00-5:00),—3d Session.
(Two sections meet simultaneously in different rooms.)

COLLEGE AND REFERENCE LIBRARIES. (1)

Chairman.—Dr. E. C. Richardson, Princeton, N. J.
Secretary.—Miss Olive Jones, Columbus, Ohio.

Classification of College and Reference Libraries.

MISS OLIVE JONES, librarian Ohio State University.

Suitability of the Decimal Classification.

MELVIL DEWEY, director New York State Library.

Suitability of the Expansive Classification.

C. A. CUTTER, librarian Forbes Library.

General Discussion.

J. C. M. HANSON, WM. C. LANE, WM. I. FLETCHER and
others.

ELEMENTARY SECTION. (1)

Chairman.—Dr. Geo. E. Wire, Worcester, Mass.

Women as Librarians in the Business World.

MISS M. E. AHERN, editor *Public Libraries*.

Book Selection, Buying, and Binding.

DR. GEO. E. WIRE, deputy librarian Worcester County
Law Library.

Classification.

MISS L. E. W. BENEDICT, librarian Lewis Institute.

Cataloging.

MISS J. D. FELLOWS, assistant New York State Library.

Local Entertainment,—5:30-6:30 p. m.

Atlanta Woman's Club "At Home" to members of the
A. L. A.—At their Club-Room, 517 The Grand.

Tuesday Evening, May 9 (8:00-10:00),—4th Session.

PUBLIC MEETING.

(To be held in the Grand Opera House.)

Address of Welcome.—Mr. John Temple Graves.

Response by the President of the Association.

Library Advancement:

1. What a Library should be, and what it can do.
MELVIL DEWEY, director New York State Library.
2. Traveling Libraries.
F. A. HUTCHINS, secretary Wisconsin F. L. Commission
3. Library Buildings (illustrated).
CHAS. C. SOULE, trustee Brooklyn Public Library.

(10:00-11:00)—Informal reception by the Capital City Club to the members of the A. L. A.

Wednesday Morning, May 10 (10:00-12:30),—5th Session.

GENERAL SESSION.

Library Advancement, continued and discussed:

1. How to encourage the Foundation of Libraries in small Towns; remarks suggested by service on the Massachusetts F. P. L. Commission.
SAMUEL SWETT GREEN, librarian Worcester Free Public Library.
2. How to organize Library Commissions and make State Aid effective.
MISS L. E. STEARNS, librarian Wisconsin F. L. Commission.
3. How to start Traveling Libraries.
F. A. HUTCHINS, secretary Wisconsin F. L. Commission.
4. How Women's Clubs may help the Library movement.
MISS E. G. BROWNING, librarian Indianapolis Public Library.
5. How to plan a Library building.
H. M. UTLEY, librarian Detroit Public Library.
6. How to make a Library attractive.
MISS C. M. HEWINS, librarian Hartford Public Library.

Wednesday Afternoon, May 10 (2:00-6:30),—6th Session.

Local Entertainment.

Trip to Cold Springs 'Cue Club, and Barbecue, etc.

Wednesday Evening, May 10 (8:30-10:30),—7th Session.

(Two sections meet simultaneously in different rooms.)

COLLEGE AND REFERENCE LIBRARIES. (2)

Co-operation in Lending [among Libraries].

DR. E. C. RICHARDSON, librarian Princeton University

Discussion opened with paper by

G. F. DANFORTH, librarian Indiana University.

The Library in the small College.

PROF. GEO. T. LITTLE, librarian Bowdoin College.

Directing growth by Weeding out Books.

Prof. HENRY N. BULLARD, librarian Park College.

STATE AND LAW LIBRARIES. (1)

Chairman, JOHNSON BRIGHAM, Des Moines, Ia.

Secretary, MISS L. E. STEARNS, Milwaukee, Wis.

The State Librarian's Outlook.

JOHNSON BRIGHAM, librarian Iowa State Library.

Dangers of Over-organization.

MELVIL DEWEY, director New York State Library.

Report of Committee on Public Documents.

W. E. HENRY, librarian Indiana State Library.

Ten-minute reports from individual State and Law Librarians present.

Reports from representatives of the various State Library Commissions, showing the way in which the Commissions have been organized and the work they have accomplished.

(An adjourned meeting of the section will be held subsequently at a time to be announced by the chairman.)

Thursday Morning, May 11 (10:00-12:30), 8th Session.

GENERAL SESSION.

Report of the Co-operative Committee.
Account of the Second Conference on International Catalogue of Scientific Literature.

DR. CYRUS ADLER, librarian Smithsonian Institution.

Report on Prison and Home Libraries in Chicago.

HARVEY WHITE.

Report on Co-operative Work at the University of Illinois.

MISS K. L. SHARP, librarian University of Illinois.

Plan for a Hand-book of American Libraries.

FREDERICK J. TEGGART, librarian Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco.

Co-operative Lists of Periodicals and Transactions of Societies.

C. W. ANDREWS, librarian John Crerar Library.

Plan for a Co-operative List of Incunabula.

JOHN THOMSON, librarian Free Library of Philadelphia.

St. Gall Conference upon the preservation and repair of Ancient Manuscripts.

DR. HERBERT FRIEDENWALD, assistant librarian Library of Congress.

Smithsonian International Exchanges.

Cheap Book-postage as a factor in Library Development.

REV. W. SCOTT, secretary New England Educational League.

Report on Aids and Guides.

WILLIAM BEER, librarian Public Libraries of New Orleans.

Proposed issue of a Printed Catalog of the Boston Public Library.

JAMES L. WHITNEY, acting librarian, Boston Public Library.

Practical suggestions on the Purchase, Care, and Lending of Photographs.

C. A. CUTTER, librarian Forbes Library.

Thursday Afternoon, May 11 (2:30-6:00),—9th Session.

Local Entertainment.

Trolley ride about the City and to Piedmont Driving Club House; with informal reception and entertainment at the Club House; and return to Hotel.

Thursday Evening, May 11 (8:00-10:00),—10th Session.
(Two sections meet simultaneously in different rooms.)

ELEMENTARY SECTION.

(2)

Organization.

DR. GEO. E. WIRE, deputy librarian Worcester County Law Library.

Changing a Subscription to a Free Library.

MISS M. B. LINDSAY, librarian Evanston Free Public Library.

Management.

MISS M. W. FREEMAN, librarian Michigan City Public Library.

LARGE LIBRARIES SECTION.

(1)

Chairman.—Wm. H. Brett, Cleveland, Ohio.

Secretary.—Dr. Bernard C. Steiner, Baltimore.

Library Organization:

(A technical discussion of the organization and methods of the large libraries.)

1. The Librarian. Discussion opened by JOHN THOMSON, Free Library Philadelphia.
2. The Assistant Librarian. DR. JAMES K. HOSMER, Minneapolis Public Library.
3. Department Organization. E. H. ANDERSON, Carnegie Library, Pittsburgh.
4. Assistants. H. L. ELMENDORF, Buffalo Public Library.
5. Statistics and Reports. MISS E. C. DOREN, Dayton Public Library.

Friday Morning, May 12 (10:00-12:30),—11th Session.

GENERAL SESSION.

Report:

Committee on Library Examinations and Credentials.—Wm. H. Brett, Chairman.

Committee on Transliteration of Slavic Languages.

Committee on Revision of A. L. A. Constitution.

Libraries in the Gulf States.

WILLIAM BEER, librarian Public Libraries New Orleans.

Election of Officers.

Discussion of Open Shelves in the light of actual Experience.

WM. H. BRETT, librarian Cleveland Public Library.
SAMUEL S. GREEN, librarian Worcester Free Public Library.
FRANK P. HILL, librarian Newark Free Public Library.
JOHN THOMSON, librarian Free Library of Philadelphia.
FREDERICK J. TEGGART, librarian Mechanics' Institute, San Francisco.

Friday Afternoon, May 12 (3:00-5:00),—12th Session.

(Two Section Meetings.)

LARGE LIBRARIES SECTION.

(2)

Library Extension:

(The technical side; its actual operation.)

1. In Schools. Discussion opened by
MISS L. E. STEARNS, Milwaukee.
2. In High Schools.
MISS M. W. PLUMMER, Brooklyn.
3. In Stations.
F. M. CRUNDEN, St. Louis.
4. In Branches.
(a) In the City.
MISS L. A. EASTMAN, Cleveland.
(b) The Country Library.
DR. A. W. WHELPLEY, Cincinnati.
5. In Clubs.
THOS. L. MONTGOMERY, Philadelphia.
6. In Home Libraries.
A. E. BOSTWICK, Brooklyn.
7. The Future of the Work.

TRUSTEES SECTION.

Chairman, Dr. H. M. Leipziger, New York City.
Secretary, Miss Merica Hoagland, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Friday Evening, May 12, (8:00-10:00),—13th Session.

GENERAL SESSION.

Unfinished Business.

Reports:

Committee on Place of next Meeting.
Committee on Resolutions.

Saturday Morning, May 13,—14th Session.

POST-CONFERENCE TRIP.