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PEABODY, MASS.

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Peabody qualified to vote in Town affairs, held March 6th, 1882, it was

Voted, That the Town allow the Trustees of the Peabody Institute, in the future, to make their annual report in print.

A true copy of record.

Attest:

N. H. POOR, Town Clerk.

ORGANIZATION  
—OF THE—  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

1888—1889.

CHARLES C. PIKE,	President.
GEORGE M. FOSTER,	Secretary.
GEORGE H. POOR,	Treasurer.
CHARLES C. PIKE, <i>ex-officio</i> ,	} Finance Committee.
G. FRED OSGOOD,	
THOMAS CARROLL,	
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P. H. O'CONOR,	

TRUSTEES.

THOMAS CARROLL,	Time expires	1889
CHARLES C. PIKE,	" "	1889
GEORGE M. FOSTER,	" "	1890
S. S. LITTLEFIELD,	" "	1890
GEORGE H. POOR,	" "	1891
G. FRED OSGOOD,	" "	1891
D. P. GROSVENOR,	" "	1892
GEORGE F. BARNES,	" "	1892
P. H. O'CONOR,	" "	1893
O. B. CHADWICK,	" "	1893
H. F. WALKER,	" "	1894
JOSEPH F. WIGGIN,	" "	1894

JOHN D. McKEEN,

Janitor.

STANDING COMMITTEES  
—OF THE—  
LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

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PEABODY LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

J. K. COLE,	L. P. OSBORN,	F. C. MERRILL,
S. E. CASSINO,	H. F. WALKER,	W. G. COOK,
J. H. FALLON,	P. H. O'CONOR,	C. G. WESTON.

EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

S. E. CASSINO,	W. G. COOK	L. P. OSBORN,
J. H. FALLON,	L. POOR,	JOS. JACOBS, JR.
GEO. HOLMAN.		

LECTURE COMMITTEE,

JOS. JACOBS, JR.	P. H. O'CONOR,	LEVERETT POOR,
J. K. COLE,	S. E. CASSINO.	

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

F. C. MERRILL,	L. P. OSBORN,	S. E. CASSINO,
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ORGANIZATION

—OF THE—

LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

1888-1889.

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H. F. WALKER, Chairman.

L. P. OSBORN, Secretary.

F. C. MERRILL, Treasurer.

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J. HOWARD FALLON,  
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J. WARREN UPTON, Librarian.

# THIRTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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## TRUSTEES OF THE PEABODY INSTITUTE.

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The Trustees of the Peabody Institute herewith present their thirty-seventh annual report.

Nothing has occurred during the past year to interfere with the continued prosperity of this great, invaluable gift to the citizens of Peabody.

The Treasurer's report shows that the funds are safely and well invested, and that the belongings of the Institute are in good order.

The accompanying reports of the Library and Lyceum Committee, and the Sub-Committees are so full and explicit that but little remains for the Trustees to report.

The new "Finding List" Catalogue which has lately come from the publishers, needs only the attention of those who patronize the library, to show its value and convenience.

In view of publishing this Catalogue, it was deemed wise by the Trustees at the beginning of the year, to appropriate a larger sum of money than usual to be expended for books, that they might be entered therein, and this expense, together with the cost of publishing the finding list, has caused a larger encroachment upon the interest of the reserved fund than has ever before been made.



It might be advisable for the Trustees to make a law limiting the percentage of the interest of the reserved fund which may be used for any other than emergency purposes.

The Finance Committee have negotiated and practically purchased the "Harris Estate" for the sum of six thousand dollars, and are only waiting for a title conveyance of the property. This can but be a wise transaction, if for no other reason than to avoid a "Harris Lane" or a possible row of tenement houses, or perhaps a livery stable, to be a perpetual nuisance to the Institute.

If in the future it were found necessary to enlarge the Institute building, and as, by reference to the report of the Lyceum and Library Committee, it will be seen that an addition is already recommended, it could only be properly done by moving the "Wallis House" upon the "Harris Estate" leaving ample room for enlargement of the Institute buildings, or for beautifying the grounds.

The wise provision of the reserved fund was manifestly for such purposes, inasmuch as the contingency of loss by fire is largely provided for by insurance.

Under the cover of expiration of term of service, the writer will dare presume to call the attention of the Trustees and the Citizens to a few points which may be worth consideration.

In the "Trustees' Report" of 1884, the writer somewhat "musically" illustrated the singular powerlessness of the Trustees, by having many years before (in 1857) voted to delegate to the Library and Lyceum Committee the *entire* control and management of the library, also of the lectures and entertainments; reserving only to themselves the appointment of the Janitor and the regulation of his salary, limiting the Lyceum and Library Committee only by the amount of money which they could use.

Therefore as relating to the management of the library and the lectures, and entertainments the office of Trustee is little more than honorary.

When we recall our Librarians, past and present, good men and true, we have every reason to commend the wisdom of their selections. As the Library and Lyceum Committee are now

chosen, it might happen that nearly an entire new committee could be selected. It must be perfectly apparent that such a method, to say the least is faulty. Would it not be better to appoint them for a term of years, the term of office of a certain number expiring each year something after the manner of the office of Trustee?

The Trustees at present have no voice whatever in the choice of the lecturers, or of the character of the entertainments. While we of course favor a liberal interpretation of this great trust, yet it would seem judicious that the Trustees should act conjointly with the Library and Lyceum Committee in the appointment of the Librarian and his salary; also in the matter of selecting the lecturers and the entertainments, for surely should trouble arise from these sources, the Trustees would in no wise be held blameless or irresponsible.

In this connection a word in reference to the character of some of the books entered for general distribution, may be timely.

Under the caption of "Classic Literature", books have been introduced, the character of which is so grossly immoral that they should not only be "Starred" but they should be destroyed. There are also books of modern date by American Authors, upon the library shelves, and which shall not be advertised by designating their titles, which should never be allowed general circulation, if indeed any circulation whatever. No one knows this better than our worthy Librarian who has often raised his voice in protest.

During the past two years our Treasurer has given a bond of Twenty thousand dollars, purchased of the "Guarantee Insurance Company of North America", at an expense of about one hundred and fifty dollars per year. If an arrangement could be made, whereby the Town Treasurer could be made a member of the Board of Trustees, or one of the Board of Trustees be elected Town Treasurer, this annual expense could be saved to the Institute.

In the selection of Candidates by the Citizens for Trustees, the selection is often complimentary, and not because of any special fitness for the position. Inasmuch as the trust is main-

ly a financial one, should not citizens of the best financial ability and standing be chosen?

In conclusion we are pleased to record that our Librarian and his assistants have carefully and faithfully fulfilled their duties. The Janitor also has faithfully cared for the interests and belongings of the Institute.

We are indeed fortunate in having such efficient officers.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Trustees.

CHARLES C. PIKE,  
Chairman of the Trustees.

Peabody, Feb. 7th, 1889.

# TREASURER'S REPORT.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The Treasurer of the Trustees of Peabody Institute hereby presents to the Board the following accounts for the year ending January 31, 1889.

The General Current.  
 The Reserve Fund.  
 The Sutton Reference Library.  
 The High School Medal Fund.  
 The Burial Lot Fund.

Together with statements of Invested Funds at par and market value, and Schedule of Insurance.

### GENERAL CURRENT ACCOUNT.

*Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with Geo H. Poor, Treasurer.*

1888.		Dr,
Feb. 21,	To paid W. F. Wiggin—services,	\$ 24 00
Mch. 30,	“ “ Boston Electric Co.,	147 00
30,	“ “ A. H. Whidden,	3 04
30,	“ “ M. S. Clark,	1 45
30,	“ “ E. G. Kelly,	2 40
30,	“ “ G. R. Norton,	1 30
30,	“ “ T. Connor,	2 50
30,	“ “ A. Trask & Co.,	3 25
30,	“ “ J. D. McKeen, salary,	175 00
30,	“ “ J. D. McKeen, sundries,	1 85
Apr 2,	“ “ Salem Gas Light Co.,	82 26
10,	“ “ Wm. Blaney,	71 81

May	14,	To paid	F. C. Merrill, Treas, L. & L. Committee,	\$1200 00
	14,	" "	Guarantee Co. bond,	150 00
Apr	11,	" "	Peabody Water Board,	19 80
July	3,	" "	T. H. O'Keefe,	8 25
	3,	" "	E. G. Kelly,	50
	3,	" "	A. H. Whidden,	88
	3,	" "	Bushby & Co.,	90
	3,	" "	Richard Hurley,	5 00
	3,	" "	J. D. McKeen—salary,	187 50
	3,	" "	J. D. McKeen—sundries,	50
	3,	" "	Salem Gas Light Co.	40 86
	10,	" "	N. M. Quint,	16 50
	10,	" "	A. Trask & Co.,	6 12
	23,	" "	Geo. H. Little,	30 46
Sept.	11,	" "	C. H. Warren & Co.,	246 00
Oct.	1,	" "	Salem Gas Light. Co.,	34 20
	1,	" "	J. D. McKeen, salary,	187 50
	1,	" "	J. D. McKeen, sundries,	10 36
	1,	" "	A. J. Walker,	5 00
Oct.	1,	" "	C. H. Goulding,	1 80
	1,	" "	A. H. Whidden,	99
	1,	" "	G. R. Norton,	33 55
	1,	" "	M. S. Clark,	12 51
Nov.	3,	" "	F. C. Merrill, Treasurer L & L. Committee,	500 00
Oct.	2,	" "	Peabody Water Board,	24 75
Nov.	17,	" "	O. B. Chadwick & Co.,	205 68
1889.				
Jan.	3,	" "	J. D. McKeen, salary,	187 50
	3,	" "	G. R. Norton,	4 20
	3,	" "	A. F. Clark,	1 71
	3,	" "	A. Trask & Co.,	6 25
	3,	" "	Bushby & Co.,	28
	3,	" "	A. H. Whidden,	1 49
	3,	" "	M. S. Clark,	2 84
	14,	" "	Salem Gas. Light Co.,	89 28
	22,	" "	E. W. Seldon,	5 00
	22,	" "	Merrill & Mackintire,	14 61
	22,	" "	Thomas G. Pinnock,	19 75
	25,	" "	B. F. Woodbury,	82 02
	25,	" "	E. G. Kelly,	42 32
	29,	" "	F. C. Merrill, Treas. L. and L. Committee,	600 00

Jan.	30,	To paid F. C. Merrill, Treas. L. and L. Committee,	\$ 600 00
	31,	" " Services of Treasurer,	250 00
	31,	" " Watering streets,	25 00
	31,	" " Balance,	347 53
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			\$5725 25
		1888,	
			Cr.
Mch.	1,	By received One Eastern R. R. Coupon,	\$ 30 00
Apr.	1,	" " Three City Boston Coupons,	85 00
	1,	" " Five B. C. & M. R. R. Coupons,	175 00
	1,	" " One City Lawrence,	30 00
	1,	" " Use of Hall,	12 50
	1,	" " J. D. McKeen, rent,	87 50
	10,	" " R. S. D. Symonds, rent,	75 00
	10,	" " D. P. Grosvenor, rent,	83 50
	10,	" " Interest on Town Peabody Notes,	1400 00
	10,	" " Div. on Warren Bank Stock,	10 50
May	1,	" " Twenty-three Town Coupons,	460 00
June	1,	" " Ret. premium on bond,	15 00
July	3,	" " J. D. McKeen, rent,	87 50
	3,	" " R. S. D. Symonds, rent,	75 00
	3,	" " Interest on Providence Bond,	25 00
	3,	" " One Boston & Maine Coupon,	35 00
	3,	" " Two City Cambridge Coupons,	60 00
	20,	" " Use of Hall,	37 50
	20,	" " D. P. Grosvenor, rent,	83 50
Sept.	11,	" " One Eastern R. R. Coupon,	30 00
Oct.	1,	" " J. D. McKeen, rent,	87 50
	1,	" " Three City Boston Coupons,	85 00
	1,	" " Five B. C. & M. R. R. Coupons,	175 00
	1,	" " One City Lawrence Coupon,	30 00
	8,	" " Interest on Town Notes,	1400 00
	8,	" " R. S. D. Symonds, rent,	75 00
	8,	" " D. P. Grosvenor, rent,	83 50
Nov.	3,	" " Twenty-three Town Coupons,	460 00
		1889,	
Jan.	3,	" " J. D. McKeen, rent,	87 50
	4,	" " Interest on Providence Bond,	25 00
	4,	" " One Boston & Maine R. R. Coupon,	35 00

Jan.	4,	By received Two City Cambridge Coupons,	\$ 60 00
	4,	" " Use of Hall,	38 25
	21,	" " R. S. D. Symonds, rent,	75 00
	31,	" " Reserve Fund Account water rate for Ham- mond House,	4 50
	31,	" " Div. on Warren Bank Stock,	10 50
	31,	" " D. P. Grosvenor, rent,	83 50
	31.	" " Use of Hall,	12 50
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			\$5725 25

## RESERVE FUND ACCOUNT.

*Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with George H. Poor, Treasurer*  
1888.

Nov. 3, To paid F. C. Merrill, Treasurer L. and L. Committee, \$1500 00  
1889.

Jan.	31,	" " Transfer to Burial Lot Fund,	3 00
	31,	" " Water bill Hammond House,	4 50
	31,	" " Balance,	692 88
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			\$2200 38

1888.			Cr.
Mch.	1,	By Balance,	\$239 55
	1,	" Received Two Eastern R. R. Coupons,	60 00
Apr.	1,	" " One City Lawrence Coupon,	30 00
	1,	" " One City Boston Coupon,	25 00
Apr.	1,	" " One Massachusetts Coupon,	25 00
	1,	" " Transfer from Burial Lot Fund,	5 00
May	1,	" " One City Cincinnati Coupon,	35 00
	1,	" " One City Fall River Coupon,	30 00
	1,	" " Twenty-two Town Coupons,	440 00
July	3,	" " One City Taunton Coupon,	15 00
	3,	" " One City Toledo Coupon,	30 00
	3,	" " One Boston & Maine R. R. Coupon,	17 50
	3,	" " One Boston & Albany R. R. Coupon,	30 00
	3,	" " Three City Providence Coupons,	75 00
	3,	" " Interest on City Providence Bond,	25 00
	20,	" " B. F. Woodbury, rent,	75 00
Sept.	11,	" " Two Eastern R. R. Coupons,	60 00

Oct.	1,	By received	One City Omaha Coupon,	\$ 30 00
	1,	"	One Massachusetts Coupon,	25 00
	1,	"	One City Boston Coupon,	25 00
	1,	"	One City Lawrence Coupon,	30 00
Nov.	3,	"	One City Fall River Coupon,	30 00
	3,	"	One City Cincinnati Coupon,	35 00
	3,	"	Twenty-two Town Coupons,	440 00
Dec.	1,	"	One Lombard Coupon,	100 83
		1889.		
Jan.	4,	"	One City Toledo Coupon,	30 00
	4,	"	One City Taunton Coupon,	15 00
	4,	"	One Boston & Maine R. R. Coupon,	17 50
	4,	"	One Boston & Albany R. R. Coupon,	30 00
	4,	"	Three City Providence Coupons,	75 00
	4,	"	Interest on City Providence Bond,	25 00
	25,	"	B. F. Woodbury, rent,	75 00
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				\$2200 38

EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY FUND  
ACCOUNT.

*Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with Geo. H. Poor, Treasurer.*

1888.

			Dr.	
May	14,	To paid F. C. Merrill, Treasurer L. & L. Committee,	\$400 00	
Nov.	6,	" " F. C. Merrill, Treasurer L. & L. Committee,	400 00	
			<hr/>	\$800 00

1888.

			Cr.	
May	1,	By Received Twenty Town Coupons,	\$400 00	
Nov.	3,	" " Twenty Town Coupons,	400 00	
			<hr/>	\$800 00

HIGH SCHOOL MEDAL FUND ACCOUNT.

*Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with George H. Poor, Treasurer.*

1888.

			Dr.	
June	14, 1889	To paid Thomas Carroll, Chairman School Com.,	\$100 00	
Jan,	31,	" Balance,	50 00	
			<hr/>	\$150 00



1888.		Cr.
Feb. 1,	By Balance,	\$50 00
May 1,	“ Received Two Province Quebec Coupons,	50 00
Nov. 3,	“ “ Two Province Quebec Coupons,	50 00
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		\$150 00

THE BURIAL LOT FUND ACCOUNT.

*Trustees of Peabody Institute in account with Geo. H. Poor, Treasurer.*

1888.		Dr.
Apr. 1,	To paid Transfer to Reserve Fund,	\$ 5 00
1889.		
Jan. 22	“ “ Harmony Grove Cemetery,	38 00
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		\$43 00
1888.		Cr.
May 1,	By Received One C. B. & Q. Coupon,	\$20 00
Nov. 3,	“ “ One C. B. & Q. Coupon,	20 00
1889.		
Jan. 31,	“ “ Transfer from Reserve Fund,	3 00
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		\$43 00

REAL ESTATE AND INVESTED FUNDS OF THE PEABODY INSTITUTE.

	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Institute building and contents not appraised.		
One City Providence Bond,	\$1,000 00	\$1,091 50
One Boston & Maine R. R. Bond,	1,000 00	1,134 70
Two City Cambridge Bonds,	2,000 00	2,195 80
One Eastern R. R. Bond,	1,000 00	1,128 50
Ten Town Peabody Notes,	70,000 00	70,000 00
Three shares Warren Bank Stock,	300 00	396 00
One City Boston Bond,	1,000 00	1,119 90
Two City Boston Bonds,	2,000 00	2,421 60
Five B. C. & M. con. Mortgage Bonds,	5,000 00	5,549 50
One City Lawrence Bond,	1,000 00	1,081 60
Twenty-three Town Peabody Bonds,	23,000 00	23,000 00
Wallace House,		8,000 00
Merrill House,		4,500 00
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		\$121,619 10

## RESERVE FUND PROPERTY.

	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
One City Taunton Bond,	\$500 00	560 55
One City Toledo Bond,	1,600 00	1,064 70
One Boston & Maine R. R. Bond,	500 00	554 95
One Boston & Albany R. R. Bond,	1,000 00	1,113 50
Three City Providence Bonds,	3,000 00	3,375 00
One City Providence Bond,	1,000 00	1,088 30
One City Cincinnati Bond,	1,000 00	1,335 90
One City Fall River Bond,	1,000 00	1,163 50
Twenty-two Town Bonds,	22,000 00	22,000 00
One Massachusetts Bond,	1,000 00	1,019 00
Two Eastern R. R. Bonds,	2,000 00	2,257 00
One City Lawrence Bond,	1,000 00	1,081 60
One City Boston Bond,	1,000 00	1,119 90
One Lombard Mortgage.	1,600 00	1,600 00
One City Omaha Bond,	500 00	548 95
Hammond House,		2,500 00
On deposit So. Danvers Bank,		692 88
		<hr/> \$43,075 73

## EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY FUND.

	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Twenty Town Bonds,	\$20,000 00	\$20,000 00
		<hr/> \$20,000 00

## HIGH SCHOOL MEDAL FUND.

	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
Two Province Quebec,	\$2,000 00	\$2,269 00
On deposit, So. Danvers Bank,		50 00
		<hr/> \$2,319 00

## BURIAL LOT FUND.

	<i>Par Value.</i>	<i>Market Value.</i>
One C. B. & Q. Nevada Ext. Mortgage Bond,	\$1,000 00	\$1,000 00
Deposit in Savings Bank,		20 56
		<hr/> \$1,020 56

## INSURANCE.

## INSTITUTE BUILDING.

		Expires.
Dorchester Insurance Company,	\$2,500 00	Nov. 19, 1889
Quincy " "	5,000 00	Nov. 19, 1889
Essex " "	5,000 00	July 1, 1892
Holyoke " "	1,500 00	Nov. 15, 1891
Merrimac " "	3,000 00	Nov. 19, 1893
Phœnix " "	3,000 00	Nov. 19, 1893
So. Danvers " "	5,000 00	July 1, 1889
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	\$25,000 00	

## LIBRARY.

Lodon & Lancashire Ins. Co.,	\$5,000 00	Feb. 25, 1891
Holyoke " "	3,500 00	Mch. 15, 1892
Continental " "	5,000 00	Nov. 19, 1893
Royal " "	6,500 00	Mch. 23, 1889
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	\$20000 00	
Portrait, Phœnix Insurance Co.,	\$1,850 00	Nov. 19, 1893
Wallace House, So. Danvers Ins. Co.,	3,600 00	June 1, 1891
Merrill House, So. Danvers " "	2,000 00	June 1, 1891
Hammond House, So. Danvers " "	1,000 00	Aug. 1, 1893

## FIXTURES OF SUTTON LIBRARY.

Merchants' & Farmers Ins. Co.,	\$2,500 00	May 1, 1890
Salem Mutual " "	2,500 00	May 1, 1890
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	\$5,000 00	

## SUTTON LIBRARY,

Merchants & Farmers' Ins. Co.,	\$1,500 00	May 1, 1890
Salem Mutual " "	500 00	May 1, 1890
Phœnix " "	5,000 00	Feb. 25, 1891
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	\$7,000 00	

GEORGE H. POOR,  
Treasurer of Trustees of Peabody Institute.

Feb. 4, 1889.

We, the undersigned, have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the Treasurer, and find the same correct with proper vouchers.

We have also examined all securities belonging to the Trustees of Peabody Institute as enumerated in above report and find the same to be in his possession.

THOMAS CARROLL,	} Finance Committee of Trustees.
O. B. CHADWICK,	
CHARLES C. PIKE,	
G. FRED OSGOOD,	

REPORT OF THE  
LIBRARY AND LYCEUM COMMITTEE.

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TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE PEABODY INSTITUTE:—

The Librarian, Treasurer of the Lyceum and Library Committee, and Sub-Committees, herewith present their annual reports, explaining in detail the work of this Committee for the year 1888-89.

A perusal of the Librarian's report will show that the circulation of the Library has largely increased during the past year, and that the increase consisted of a call for the better classes of literature. The new finding list will aid takers to make a more intelligent selection of their readings, and the usefulness of the Library is certainly steadily increasing. The Library Committee call for more shelf room to accommodate the steady accumulation of new books; the construction of additional alcoves will further encroach upon the Library Hall, and it is suggested that your Board early consider the advisability of adding an annex to the Institute building, for the purpose of providing a private office for the use of the Librarian. The growth of the Library necessarily increases the clerical work of the Librarian, the present facilities are inadequate for keeping a systematic management of the required working materials, and in the performance of such work, seclusion from the interruptions of borrowers and visitors is desirable.

The Lyceum Committee have given an excellent course of lectures and entertainments, instruction to such of our residents as were fortunate enough to gain admittance to the hall, but the non-residents, as usual, attended the course in large numbers, to the exclusion of many of our own townspeople, who desired to enjoy the privileges that rightfully belong to them.

Respectfully,

H. F. WALKER,  
Chairman L. and L. Committee.

## REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

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TO THE LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE:—

The following report of the Library Committee for the year ending January 31, 1889, is respectfully submitted:—

In accordance with previous recommendations, the Trustees early in the year made a special appropriation to meet the expense of preparing a supplemental catalogue or finding list, to embrace additions to the Library from June 1878; its preparation was immediately commenced, and the contract for printing awarded to the "Salem Press" who have recently completed it, their work being done in a manner creditable to them and satisfactory to the Committee.

In this connection the Committee desire to acknowledge their appreciation of the services of the Librarian in the preparation of the copy for the printers, which involved an amount of labor not easily appreciated by those not familiar with such work.

Copies of the finding list have been placed on sale at the nominal price of ten cents, and a goodly number already sold.—

Figures in detail accompanying the Librarian's report, show a gain of some fifteen per-cent in circulation over that of last year; a slight decrease in the percentage of Fiction is to be noted, while the classes of Biography and Travels and Description of Countries have made material gains.

The Reading Room has been well patronized, mainly for the purpose of reading the periodicals, although the facilities it affords for the consultation of works of reference have not been overlooked.

There have been added to the Library by purchase during the year 916 volumes, in the selection of which the committee have

endeavored to keep abreast of the times by securing the best of current literature in all classes, at the same time procuring such works of permanent value published in previous years as tend to maintain the well balanced condition of the collection.

The matter of shelf room has again to be considered, several classes, Fiction in particular, being badly overcrowded.

The Committee would recommend the building at an early date, of two more "V" alcoves similar to the last, that being the form best adapted to our limited floor space, combining as it does the essentials of a large number of shelves easily accessible with the least possible sacrifice of space.

For the Committee,

L. P. OSBORN,

Chairman.

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## REPORT OF THE LYCEUM COMMITTEE.

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TO THE LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE:—

The Lyceum Committee respectfully report the following list of lectures and entertainments for the season of 1888-9.

November 1, Prof. Churchill. Subject, "Readings."

November 13, H. H. Ragan. Subject, "The Yosemite and the Yellowstone" Ill.

November 20, Col. T. W. Higginson. Subject, "The Outbreak of the Civil War."

November 27, Leland T. Powers. Subject, "Recitations."

December 4, "The New York Star Concert Company."

December 11, Prof. McIntire. Subject, "A Journey among the Planets." Ill.

December 18, "The Boston Harmonic Concert Company."

December 25, An Entertainment for Children in the Town Hall.

Prof. R. H. Mohr, "Ventriloquist."

Reynolds & Emerson's, "Living Pictures "

January 1, Dr. James Hedley. Subject, "No."

January 8, Hon. Clarence Pullen. Subject, "The City of Mexico." Ill.

January 15, Mrs. Mary A. Livermore. Subject, "Women of the Revolution."

January 22, Selah Merrill, D. D. Subject, "One hundred things about Jerusalem."

January 29, C. E. Bolton. Subject, "America's War for the Union." Ill.

February 5, C. E. Bolton. Subject, "Land of the Midnight Sun."

February 12, Col. L. F. Copeland. Subject, "Snobs and Snobbery."

Respectfully submitted,

LEVERETT POOR,

Chairman.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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TO THE LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE:—

The report of the Librarian of the Peabody Library, for the year ending February 1, 1889, is respectfully submitted.

During the past year many cards and rules have been issued to new borrowers, many of whom are minors. The unnecessary damage to books issued has caused an expense of some thirty dollars, which means the cost of at least thirty volumes of a similar class of books which might otherwise have been added to the Library.

A most thorough examination of the books returned during the last few weeks has been made and will be continued. A list of the names of the persons misusing the property of the institution has been and will be kept and it is to be hoped that means will be provided for an improvement in this matter.

Added to the cost of such carelessness before mentioned, the time used to examine some six hundred to eight hundred volumes weekly is so much time taken from those persons who need assistance in their consultation of books, and who require the Librarian's aid, as their familiarity with the library and their limited time is not sufficient for their desired purpose.

Poole's Index to Periodicals and its supplement have been much used and would be still more used if the sets of our Magazines were completed, and a few sets of other periodicals purchased.

An attempt was made some time ago to fill up the sets now in the library, but as yet no success has attended the effort. Perhaps, if a new list of the desiderata were given to some bookseller who makes this class of literature a specialty, a better result would be obtained.



## ACCESSIONS.

	Vols.	
Books added by purchase,	916	
Books added by gift,	54	
	<hr/>	970
Volumes in Library, Feb. 1, 1888,	27,023	
Volumes worn out and withdrawn including 84 vols. of Franklin Sq. Library,	138	
	<hr/>	26,885
Total number of volumes of books, (catalogued) in the Library, Feb. 1, 1889,		<hr/> 27,855

NOTE—Some 400 miscellaneous public documents of the U.S. and Mass., and 276 volumes of Specifications and Drawings of Patents issued by the Patent Office, Washington, are not catalogued, as the former do not make complete sets, and the latter are deposited here as long as a room is provided for them. These Patent Office documents were first published May 30, 1871 and the last volume bears the date of January, 1888; these can be consulted by the inhabitants of other towns in this Congressional district.

The weekly issues of the Patent Office are received regularly and may be used in the same manner.

## CIRCULATION.

	1887-'88	1888-'89	1887-'88	1888-'89
	Vols.	Vols.	Per cent.	
Law Politics, Moral, and Social Science; Religion, etc.,	666	719	2.4	2.3
Fiction and Young Folks Books,	20,269	23,153	73.7	73.0
Voyages, Travels, Geography,	1,183	1,817	4.3	5.6
History,	944	873	3.4	2.8
Biography,	860	1,373	3.1	4.3
Natural and Applied Science. Fine Arts, etc.,	1,578	1,587	5.7	5.0
Poetry,	575	440	2.1	1.4
Bound Periodicals, Miscellaneous works of Literature, Translations etc.,	1,451	1,674	5.3	5.6
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	27,526	31,690	100	100

## BINDING.

Number of volumes bound,	518
Books repaired,	180

## RECEIPTS.

Cash from fines paid,	\$66,20
Cash received for damages to books and catalogue sold,	2.25
Cash received for Finding Lists,	15.00
	<hr/> 83.45

The following gifts have been received:

U. States, 36 vols; Massachusetts, 11 vols; Smithsonian Institution, 3 vols; Francis H. Appleton, Esq., 2 vols; Col. Lucius B. Marsh and Trustees of the Peabody Educational Fund, 1 vol. each.

Besides these a large number of the reports, charts and other publications of the U. S. Signal service not yet arranged for examination, and the usual annual reports from colleges and libraries have been received and acknowledgments have been forwarded.

Since the sale of the Finding lists, lately published and ready for sale, inquiries have been made for the purchase of copies of the Catalogue of 1872, and the Supplementary Catalogue of 1878, but as only a sufficient number of bound copies of these for the present and prospective needs of the library service, are on hand none could be sold.

Unbound sheets of the above named publications are stored in the large safe and are of no use to any one. Doubtless if some copies were bound in stout paper covers, they might be disposed of, if offered at a nominal price. These two catalogues contain the lists of at least two thirds of the books in the library.

With the exception of one of the assistants of last year the corps has been the same as last year, and with the added experience of another year, their services have been much more valuable to myself and the frequenters of the library.

My thanks are tendered to the Government of the library, to my assistants, and our respected Janitor for their hearty co-operation with myself in the furtherance of the interests of the institution founded by our generous benefactor.

J. WARREN UPTON,  
Librarian.

REPORT OF  
EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY

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TO THE LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE:—

I submit herewith the report of the Librarian of the Eben Dale Sutton Reference Library for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1889.

The number of new consultations (416), as well the visitors (1252), is somewhat smaller than in the previous year.

The total number of new volumes added during the year is thirty one, and one hundred and thirty six serials and pamphlets have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. CASSINO,

CHAIRMAN.

The following bound volumes have been added during the year ending Jan. 31, 1889:—

Appleton's Cyclopaedia of American Biography. James Grant Wilson and John Fiske. New York, 1887-88. 4 Vols.

The Pictorial Arts of Japan. William Anderson. Boston, New York, 1886. 4 Vols.

Encyclopaedia Britannica: Vols. 23-24. Boston, 1888.

Discovery of America by Northmen. Eben Norton Horsford. Boston, New York, 1888.

The English and Scottish Ballads. Francis James Child. Part V. Boston, 1888.

Report on the Scientific Results of the Exploring Voyage of H. M. S. Challenger. 1873-76. Sir C. Wyville Thomson and John Murray, Eds. Edinburgh, 1888. 10 Vols,

Henry Hobson Richardson and his Works. Mrs. S. Van Rensselaer  
The Tartans of the Clans of Scotland. James Grant. Edinburgh, London, 1886-

A New English Dictionary on Historical Principles. Vol. 1. A-B. James A. H. Murray, L. L. D. Oxford, New York, 1888.

The Earth and its Inhabitants. Elis'ee Reclus. New York. 1888.

Illustrated London News. London, 1887. 2 Vols. Presented by Mrs. Sutton.

Animal Locomotion Plates. Text. Eadweard Muybridge. 2 Vols. Phil., 1887-88. Presented by Mrs. Sutton.

Report on the Mortality and Vital Statistics of the United States. Washington, 1886. Presented by Hon. E. T. Stone.

The following volumes have been bound:—

The Portfolio.

New England Historical and Genealogical Register,  
Notes and Queries.

The American Architect and Building News.

Publications of the Prince Society.

Punch.

UNBOUND SERIALS.

Notes and Queries. 12 Parts.

New England Historical and Genealogical Register. 4 Parts.

American Architect and Building News. Parts 1-52

Essex Institute Historical Collections. 2 Parts.

The Portfolio. Parts 1-2.

Punch. Parts 1-52.

One Report of the Bureau of Education.

Le Costume Historique. 1 Part and index

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN OF REFERENCE LIBRARY FOR YEAR ENDING  
JAN. 31, 1889.

Art,	88
Encyclopaedias,	61
Geography,	37
History,	33
Description and Travel,	30
London News,	27
Science,	25
Historical Costumes,	25
Architecture,	17
Dictionaries,	17
Surgery and Medicine,	8
Botany,	7
Poetry,	7
Biography,	6
Genealogy,	4
Harper's Weekly,	3
Theology,	2
London Times,	1
Miscellaneous,	18
Number of consultations,	416
Number of visitors,	1252

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

### LYCEUM AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

*Lyceum and Library Committee in account with Frank C. Merrill, Treasurer.*

	1888.	Dr.
Feb. 2,	To paid Naumkeag Street Railway Co., conveyance,	\$ 3 00
2,	“ Fares and Expenses paid acct. Jones Concert Co.,	7 00
2,	“ Labor, moving piano for do,	3 00
7,	“ Peabody Press-Printing acct., of Lectures	5 00
7,	“ do. “ “ “ Library,	17 75
7,	“ Houghton, Mifflin & Co., Subscription to Magazine,	4 00
8,	“ do. for book	5 50
11,	“ Estes & Lauriat, “ “	5 63
15,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
28,	“ B. F. Stevens, for stationery,	1 65
28,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
Mch 1,	“ Town Treasurer, for use of Town Hall.	12 00
1,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for book,	97 19
1,	“ Wm. Cushing, for book,	3 15
16,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
19,	“ Forum Publishing Co., for Magazine,	75 00
24,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	1 62
31,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
Apr. 2,	“ George H. Smart, for services,	20 10
2,	“ F. W. Bushby, for services,	12 00
2,	“ George F. Rowell, for services,	25 00
2,	“ H. A. Hammond, “ “	15 60
3,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	16 40
4,	“ Fred F. Dodge, for services,	25 00
17,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
28,	“ do, for services,	50 00
28,	“ Carl Schoenhof, for magazines,	27 50
28,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	89 49
May 1,	“ John L. Parker, for book,	3 50
9,	“ Jona Perley, for binding books,	21 50

May	9,	To paid Jona. Perley, for binding books,	38 66
	16,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
	29,	“ do. for services,	50 00
June	2,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	103 33
	8,	“ B. F. Stevens, for stationery,	2 15
	8,	“ Publishers' Weekly, for Index,	1 00
	12,	“ do. for subscription,	3 20
	12,	“ Jona. Perley, for binding,	22 05
	12,	“ do. for stationery,	2 75
	12,	“ N. L. Chamberlain and Co., for stamp.	1 05
	12,	“ Magazine of American History, for subscription,	5 00
	15,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
	28,	“ J. Buchanan Henry, for book,	1 50
	28,	“ Est. of Jona Perley, for binding,	10 10
	28,	“ do. for binding,	15 50
	29,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
July	2,	“ George F. Rowell, for services,	25 00
	2,	“ Fred W. Bushby, for services,	9 90
	3,	“ Samuel W. Upton, for services,	12 90
	3,	“ H. A. Hammond, for services,	13 00
	3,	“ George H. Smart, for services,	16 20
	3,	“ Fred F. Dodge, for services,	25 00
	3,	“ J. P. Fernald, for printing,	13 50
	7,	“ B. M. Hills, for express hire,	4 50
	11,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	5 08
	11,	“ George H. Smart, for services,	5 00
	12,	“ H. A. Hammond, for services,	4 90
	16,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	116 27
	16,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
	24,	“ Cyclostyle Co., for stationery,	1 00
	24,	“ George F. Rowell, for services,	6 05
	24,	“ do. for services,	6 63
	26,	“ Fred W. Bushby, for services,	5 54
	26,	“ do for services,	6 63
	26,	“ Fred F. Dodge, for services,	6 38
	26,	“ do. for services,	5 48
	30,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
Aug.	2,	“ Munroe & Arnold, for expressing,	2 52
	2,	“ A. W. Littlefield, for services,	20 00
	2,	“ J. B. Henry, for book,	1 25
	15,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00

Aug. 15,	To paid J. W. Upton, for extra service and cataloguing,	20 00
30,	“ do. for services,	50 00
30,	“ Est. of Jona Perley, for binding,	35 75
Sept. 1,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	105 25
1,	“ do. for books,	51 25
7,	“ Est. of Jona Perley, for binding,	42 40
8,	“ Houghton, Mifflin & Co., for books,	5 50
8,	“ Electrical World subscription,	3 00
8,	“ Est. of Jona Perley, for binding,	9 80
15,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
22,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	75 99
24,	“ George F. Rowell, for services,	25 00
25,	“ Essex Institute, for publications,	3 00
25,	“ Courtis & Breare, for binding,	12 80
28,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
Oct. 1,	“ Samuel W. Upton, for services,	4 20
1,	“ H. A. Hammond, for services,	6 70
1,	“ George H. Smart, for services,	5 20
1,	“ Fred W. Bushby, for services,	13 30
6,	“ Fred F. Dodge, for services,	24 27
16,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
31,	“ do. for services,	50 00
Nov. 1,	“ J. W. Churchill, for reading,	75 00
3,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	3 00
6,	“ H. W. Regan, for lecture,	75 00
3,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	111 88
15,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
20,	“ Thomas W. Higginson, for lecture,	40 00
22,	“ John P. Fernald, for printing,	4 50
22,	“ do. for printing acct. lectures,	5 00
24,	“ Library Bureau, for stationery,	40
27,	“ Leland Powers, for readings,	50 00
30,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
Dec. 1,	“ H. A. Hammond, for services,	15 20
1,	“ Fred W. Bushby, for services,	9 80
4,	“ Star Concert Co.,	125 00
5,	“ Library Bureau, for Library Notes,	1 00
8,	“ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	103 69
11,	“ F. Mackintire, for lecture,	40 00
11,	“ Courtis & Breare, for binding,	16 40
15,	“ J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00

Dec. 18,	To paid	Harmony Concert Co.,	75 00
16,	"	U. S. Commissioner of Patents for plans and specifications of patents,	31 20
24,	"	For Christmas Entertainment for Children,	80 00
27,	"	H. M. Meek, for directory,	2 00
29,	"	Estes & Lauriat, for books,	89 75
31,	"	George H. Smart for services,	21 60
31,	"	J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
31,	"	H. A. Hammond, for services,	6 90
31,	"	Samuel W. Upton, for services,	19 30
1889.			
Jan. 1,	"	Houghton Mifflin & Co., for magazine,	4 00
1,	"	J. T. Hedley, for lecture,	60 00
3,	"	F. W. Bushby, for services,	3 90
3,	"	Fred F. Dodge, for services,	23 40
10,	"	Edw. L. Perley, for binding,	7 00
11,	"	Clarence Pullen, for lecture,	50 00
12,	"	John P. Fernald, for printing,	16 50
12,	"	do for printing acct. of Lectures,	3 50
14,	"	B. M. Hills, for expressing,	5 35
15,	"	Mary A. Livermore, for lecture,	50 00
16,	"	T. H. O'Keefe, for labor, acct. of Lecture Com.,	4 00
16,	"	J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
17,	"	S. S. Gilson, for magazines,	81 40
17,	"	do for stationery,	9 92
21,	"	Munroe & Arnold, for expressing,	3 75
22,	"	For use of Town Hall, for acct. of lectures,	24 00
22,	"	Selah Merrill, for lecture,	30 00
23,	"	Library Bureau, for stationery,	12 25
28,	"	Cyclostyle Co., for stationery,	1 00
28,	"	Blair & Hallett, for stationery,	3 25
28,	"	Edward L. Perley, for binding,	16 30
28,	"	Publishers' Weekly, for subscription,	6 00
29,	"	Estes & Lauriat, for books,	99 64
29,	"	C. E. Bolton, for lecture,	50 00
29,	"	J. W. Upton, for services,	50 00
29,	"	do cash paid for incidentals,	11 47
		Balance,	1899 90
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			\$6138 95
1888.			
Feb. 1,	By	Balance,	Cr.
May 15,	"	Received of Trustees,	\$1655 50
Nov. 3,	"	" " " "	1200 00
			2000 00
1889.			
Jan. 28,	"	" " for Fines,	66 20
28,	"	" " " Damage to books and catalogue sold,	2 25
28,	"	" " " 150 "Finding Lists" sold,	15 00
31,	"	" " of Trustees,	600 00



Jan. 31, By received of Trustees special appropriation for cost of Finding Lists,	600 00
	<hr/> \$6138 95
Balance,	1899 90

## SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

		Dr.
To paid for Books,	\$1321 70	
“ “ “ Binding,	249 05	
“ “ “ Printing account of Library,	52 25	
“ “ “ Expressing and incidentals,	62 99	\$1685 99
“ “ “ Salaries,		1596 56
“ “ “ Lectures, Course of 1887-8		30 00
“ “ “ do “ “ 1888-9		886 50
“ “ “ Extra labor in preparation of Finding List,		40 00
Balance,		1899 90
		<hr/> \$6138 95
		Cr.
By Balance,		\$1655 50
“ Received from Trustees, ordinary appropriation,		3800 00
“ “ “ Trustees, special appropriation,		600 00
“ “ “ Fines,		66 20
“ “ “ Damage to books and catalogue sold,		2 25
“ “ “ Sale of 150 Finding Lists,		15 00
		<hr/> \$6138 95
Balance,		1899 90

## EBEN DALE SUTTON REFERENCE LIBRARY.

*The Lyceum and Library Committee in account with Frank C. Merrill, Treasurer.*  
1888.

		Dr.
Feb. 1,	To paid Ticknor & Co., subscriptions to the American Architect,	\$9 00
2,	“ “ Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 08
18,	“ “ D. Appleton & Co., for books,	12 00
28,	“ “ The Prince Society, for publication,	5 00
28,	“ “ S. E. Cassino, for books,	49 00
Mch. 19,	“ “ Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 08
Apr. 9,	“ “ do for services,	27 08
21,	“ “ F. P. Hathaway, for binding,	17 75
May 2,	“ “ Augusta F. Daniels, for services and expense,	27 58
June 2,	“ “ do for services,	27 08
2,	“ “ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	8 60
8,	“ “ B. F. Stevens, agent, for stationery,	2 74
July 6,	“ “ Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 12
28,	“ “ Estes & Lauriat, for books,	16 75
Aug. 1,	“ “ Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 08

Sept. 4,	To paid	Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 08
Oct. 1,	" "	do for services,	27 08
Nov. 1,	" "	do for services,	27 08
3,	" "	Estes & Lauriat, for books,	63 00
6,	" "	D. Appleton & Co., for books,	12 00
7,	" "	do for books,	5 10
9,	" "	Richard L. Bissel, for books,	18 00
24,	" "	Estes & Lauriat, for books,	43 00
Dec. 1,	" "	Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 08
1889.			
Jan. 1,	" "	Augusta F. Daniels, for services,	27 08
1,	" "	New England Historic Genealogical Society, for register,	3 00
1,	" "	J. L. Lougee, for chair,	9 50
2,	" "	C. H. Goulding, for matting,	1 25
10,	" "	Essex Institute, for publications,	3 00
21,	" "	Munroe & Arnold, for expressing,	1 60
26,	" "	Estes & Lauriat, for books,	33 80
31,	" "	do. for book,	5 00
		Balance,	368 78
			<u>\$1013 37</u>

## SUMMARY STATEMENT OF THE FOREGOING ACCOUNT.

To paid for Books.	\$286 25	Dr.	
" Binding,	17 75		
" Incidentals,	15 59	319 69	
		<u>325 00</u>	
" Salary of Librarian,		368 78	
" Balance,		<u>1013 37</u>	
1888		Cr.	
Feb. 1, By Balance,	213 37		
" Income of Eben Dale Sutton Fund,	800 00		
		<u>1013 37</u>	
	Balance,	368 78	
1888.		Cr.	
Feb. 1, To Balance,	\$213 37		
May 15, " Semi-Annual Income, of Eben Dale Sutton Fund,	400 00		
Apr. 6, " do	400 00		
		<u>\$1013 37</u>	
	Balance,	368 78	



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