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ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
STATE LIBRARIAN  
OF THE  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
FOR THE YEAR 1869.

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## JOINT COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

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The Joint Committee on the Library, to whom was referred the report of the State Librarian, respectfully report that the Library is in excellent condition. The number of volumes at present on the shelves is seventeen thousand and ninety-eight, three hundred and ninety-eight having been added during the past year; their description will be found detailed in the Librarian's Report.

The Librarian has adopted a new mode of numbering and marking the books, by which it can readily be ascertained whether any book is in the Library, thus saving the usual trouble of hunting among a number of irregularly placed books for a particular volume; and in effectuating this he has, with much labor, made an entire new catalogue, which meets with the Commissioners' approbation. No catalogue has been printed in seventeen years (1853), since which time a large number of volumes has been added to the Library. It is very desirable that this catalogue should be printed, and the Committee recommend that an order therefor should be made.

In 1845 the Legislature authorized an annual appropriation of two hundred and fifty dollars be made for the increase of the Library. In these times, when the researches into the material world have become so minute and comprehensive, and new developments of the sources of wealth, and of comfort and convenience for the human race are being almost daily published, this appropriation will not enable this State to keep pace with the march of science, or have an equal credit with our sister States in furnishing opportunities of obtaining new and valuable information. With this spirit the Committee would recommend that the annual appropriation be increased to the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars. There need be no hesitancy in making this increase for any fear of its being improvidently used, as the Commissioners of the Library are the Governor, the Secretary of State, the Treasurer, Comptroller, Chancellor and Chief Justice—the two latter being the committee on purchases.

In 1864 the salary of the Librarian was fixed at eight hundred dollars (and at that time it was urged that it should be one thousand

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dollars). Since then the labor attendant upon the care of the increased number of volumes and the greater number of persons using the Library would, in the opinion of the Committee, justify the fixing of the salary at one thousand dollars, which would be a fair compensation for the constant attention that is now necessary to his business. The Committee recommend such increase.

The Committee feel it a duty to commend the patience, industry and courtesy that has characterized the conduct of Mr. Dally, the Librarian. He is always attending to his duties, and seems to make his labor one of love as well as duty.

EDWARD H. BIRD,  
JESSE ADAMS,  
*Senate Committee.*

J. W. ARROWSMITH,  
HIRAM C. CLARK,  
ABRAHAM PERKINS,  
A. L. RUNYON,  
DAVID EVANS,  
*House Committee.*

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of New Jersey :*

The State Librarian respectfully presents this his first annual report :

I entered upon the duties of this office on the first day of April, 1869.

On the first day of January, 1870, the whole number of books in the Library were—

In the General Library,	4,063
In the Law Library,	13,035

Making in all	17,098
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Of the above number, 2,126 volumes (mostly Congressional) are packed away in boxes, and 79 volumes of Law and Equity Reports of other States are in Chief Justice Beasley's office.

The number of books received during 1869 is 398 :

Donations,	7
By purchase,	65
And from the different States (New Jersey included),	326
Of these 356 are law books and 42 are miscellaneous.	

### DONATIONS.

By Edward M. Yard, Esq., of Trenton, N. J.—Light House Laws, 1856-69, one volume ; List of Light Houses on the Lakes of the United States, 1869, one volume.

By Prof. G. H. Cook, New Brunswick, N. J.—General Synod, Reformed Church, 1869, one volume.

By Henry B. Dawson, Esq., Morrisiana, N. Y.—Historical Magazine, second series, 1867-69 (volumes 1, 2, 3, 5), four volumes.

### BY PURCHASE.

United States Annual Digest, Vol. 20, No. 26, for the year 1866,

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Sherman & Redfield, on Negligence,	1
The Annual Cyclopædia, 1868.	1
Trenton City Directory, for 1869,	1
History of France (Michelet's),	2
Chips from a German Workshop,	2
Leckeye's History of European Morals,	1
Intellectual Developments.	1
English Common Law Reports, (Nos. 108, 109, 110,) Vols. 14,	
15, 16.	3
Bligh's Reports, Vols. 1, 2, 3, 4,	4
Bligh's Appeals, 1827 to 1837,	11
Beavan's Chancery Reports, 1860 to 1866, Vols. 28 to 35,	8
De Gex, Fisher & Jones' Chancery Reports, 1859 to 1861,	3
De Gex, Jones & Smith's Chancery Reports, 1863 to 1865,	2
Gifford's Reports, 1858 to 1864,	4
House of Lords Cases, Vols. 8 to 11, 1860 to 1866,	4
Hemming & Miller's Reports, 1862 to 1865,	2
Johnson's Reports, 1858 to 1860,	1
Johnson & Hemming's Reports, 1859 to 1862,	2
Kay's Reports. 1853 to 1854,	1
Kay & Johnson's Reports, 1854 to 1858,	4
Pamphlet—Fisher & Jones, Vol. 4, Part 1st,	
“ Jones & Smith, Vol. 3, Part 1, 2,	
“ Beavan's Reports, Vol. 36, Part 1, 2, 3.	

RECEIVED FROM THE STATES.

ALABAMA.

Laws of 1868, (two copies),	2
Law Report, 1869, Vol. 41,	1

ARKANSAS.

Debates and Proceedings of the Arkansas Constitutional Con- vention, 1868.	1
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CALIFORNIA.

Hall's Law Reports, Vols. 34, 35, 1867 and 1868.	2
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CONNECTICUT.

Hooker's Law Reports, Vol. 34.	1
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, (WASHINGTON.)

United States Statutes at Large, Vols. 14, 15, 1865 to 1869.	2
Astronomical Observations, Vol. 1, 1866,	1
United States Coast Survey, 1866,	1
Diplomatic Correspondence, 1868,	2
Laws of the United States, 1847 to 1849.	2

GEORGIA.

Law Reports, Vols. 34, 35, 36, 37, 1867 to 1869.	4
A. O. Bacon's Digest for 1867,	1
Revised Code, 1868,	1
Laws of Georgia, 1868 and 1869,	1
Senate Journal, 1868 and 1869,	1
Assembly Journal. 1868 and 1869.	1.

ILLINOIS.

Freeman's Law Reports, Vols. 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46,	6
Public Laws, 1869 (two copies).	2

INDIANA.

Harrison's Law Reports, Vols. 28, 29.	2
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IOWA.

Stiles' Law Reports, Vols. 23, 24, 25, 26,	4
Senate Journal, 1868,	2
Assembly Journal, 1868.	2

IDAHO.

Laws from 1863 to 1866, of the first, second and third sessions.	3
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KANSAS.

General Statutes, Vol. 2 (two copies), 1868,	2
Banks' Law Report, Vol. 4, 1865 to 1868.	1

MAINE.

Acts and Resolves, 1869,	1
Senate Journal, 1869.	1

Assembly Journal, 1869,	1
Public Documents, 1869,	1
Law Report, Vol. 55,	1
Legislative Manual, 1869,	1
Agriculture of Maine, second series, 1868,	1
Collections of the Historical Society, second series, Vol. 1,	1
Legislative Documents, 1869,	1

MARYLAND.

Brewer's Law Reports, Vols. 25, 26, 1866,	2
Stockett's Law Reports, Vols. 27 and 28, 1867 and 1868,	2

MASSACHUSETTS.

Census of 1865,	1
Third Report of State Charities, 1867,	1
Special Laws (two sets), 1860 to 1865,	2
Acts, &c., (two sets) 1869,	2
Legislative Documents, 1868,	4
Allen's Law Report, Vol. 14,	1
Gray's Law Report, Vol. 15,	1
Massachusetts Report, Vol. 98,	1
Twenty-fifth Registration Report, 1866,	1
Fifteen Pamphlets of Reports.	

MICHIGAN.

Laws of Michigan, 1869,	1
Jennison's Law Report, Vol. 17, 1869.	1
Meddaugh's Law Report, Vol. 13, 1866.	1
School Report for 1868,	1

MINNESOTA.

Laws of Minnesota, 1869,	1
Senate Journal, 1869,	1
Assembly Journal, 1869,	1
Legislative Documents, 1868 and 1869,	1
Law Report, Vol. 13,	1
Revised Statutes, 1866,	1

MISSOURI.

Laws of Missouri, (three sets), 1869,	3
Whittelsey's Law Reports, Vols. 40, 41,	2
Post's Law Reports, Vols. 42, 43,	2

NEW YORK.

Legislative Documents, 1868,	26
Barbour's Law Reports, Vols. 51, 52, 53, 1868 and 1869,	3
Parker's Criminal Report, Vol. 6, 1868,	1
New York Reports, Vols. 38, 39, 1869,	2
Laws of New York, 1869,	2
Convention Documents, 1868,	13
Library Report, 1869,	1
Legislative Manual, 1869,	1

NEVADA.

Senate Journal, fourth session, (two sets) 1869,	2
Assembly Journal, (two sets) 1869,	2
Helm's Law Report, Vol. 4, (two sets),	2
Statutes, (two sets) 1869	2

OHIO.

Laws of Ohio, 1869,	1
Senate Journal, 1868,	1
House Journal, 1868,	1
Digest, up to 1867,	1
Supplement to Revised Statutes, 1868,	1
Statistics, 1868,	1
Agricultural Report, second series,	1
Railway Report, 1868,	1
Twenty-four Legislative Pamphlets.	

OREGON.

Law Report, Vol. 2, 1862 to 1869,	1
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PENNSYLVANIA.

Laws of Pennsylvania, 1869,	1
P. F. Smith's Law Report, Vol. 6,	1
Senate Journal, 1869,	1
House Journal, 1869,	1
Legislative Documents, 1869,	1
Executive Documents, 1869.	1
Legislative Hand Book, 1869,	1
Auditor General's Report on Railroads, 1868,	1
School Report, 1868,	1

RHODE ISLAND.

Acts and Resolves, 1868 and 1869, 1

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Laws of South Carolina, 1868 and 1869, 1  
 Richardson's Chancery Report, Vol. 13, 1866 and 1867, 1

TENNESSEE.

Laws of Tennessee, 1868 and 1869, 1  
 Senate Journal, 1868 and 1869, 1  
 House Journal, 1868 and 1869, 1  
 Caldwell's Law Report, Vol. 5, 1  
 Senate and House Appendix, 1868 and 1869, 2  
 Safford's Geology, 1868 and 1869, 1

TEXAS.

Paschal's Law Report, supplement, Vol. 25, 1

VERMONT.

Laws of Vermont, 1868, 1  
 Senate Journal, 1868, 1  
 House Journal, 1868, 1  
 Legislative Documents, 1869, 1  
 Sixth Veazey's Law Report, Vol. 41, 1  
 Eleventh Registration Report, 1867, 1  
 Directory, Rules and Manual, 1869, 1  
 Oration before the Re-Union Society, 1868, 1  
 Journal of the Council of Censors, 1869, 1

WISCONSIN.

Laws of Wisconsin, 1869, 1  
 Private and Local Laws, 1869, 1  
 Senate Journal, 1868 and 1869, 2  
 House Journal, 1868 and 1869, 2  
 Law Reports, Vols. 21, 22, 2  
 Simmon's Digest, 1841 to 1868, 1  
 Governor's Message and Documents, Vols. 1, 2, 1869, 2

WEST VIRGINIA.

Senate Journal, 1868, 1  
 House Journal, 1868, 1

As may be seen, but few books have been added to the General Library the past year. By a careful examination of this department, I find quite a number of the books missing—many of them belonging to sets of choice works; and I beg leave to call your attention to this fact, and would suggest that means be taken to have the broken sets re-filled.

I have sent to the binder a great many books, which I found were going to pieces, and had them re-bound, so but few have been thrown out on account of the general wear and tear.

The English Law Books, purchased by Chancellor Zabriskie, are a most valuable addition to our rapidly growing Library.

Under the direction of the Commissioners, I have just completed a manuscript catalogue of the books, and would respectfully ask your favorable consideration of the same. No catalogue having been printed since 1853, and believing it to be a need in materially aiding members of the bar and others in search of books, I trust you will give the necessary authority for its printing.

The number of permits granted during the past year were one hundred and sixty-five, exclusive of those who take by resolution and by law. The average number of books loaned per month was three hundred and eighty, or about four thousand five hundred and sixty during the year.

The introduction of gas into the Library meets with universal approbation, and will be of great convenience during the sessions of the Legislature and the Courts.

In performing the many duties pertaining to my office, I have been encouraged by the confidence of the Commissioners, for whose counsel and advice I would here express my thanks. I would, also, acknowledge the kindness of Mr. Stout, General Superintendent; Messrs. Johnson and Dean, Sergeants at Arms of the Courts; and all the other officers and clerks connected with the State House for their many courtesies.

All of which is very respectfully submitted,

By your obedient servant,

JEREMIAH DALLY,  
 State Librarian.