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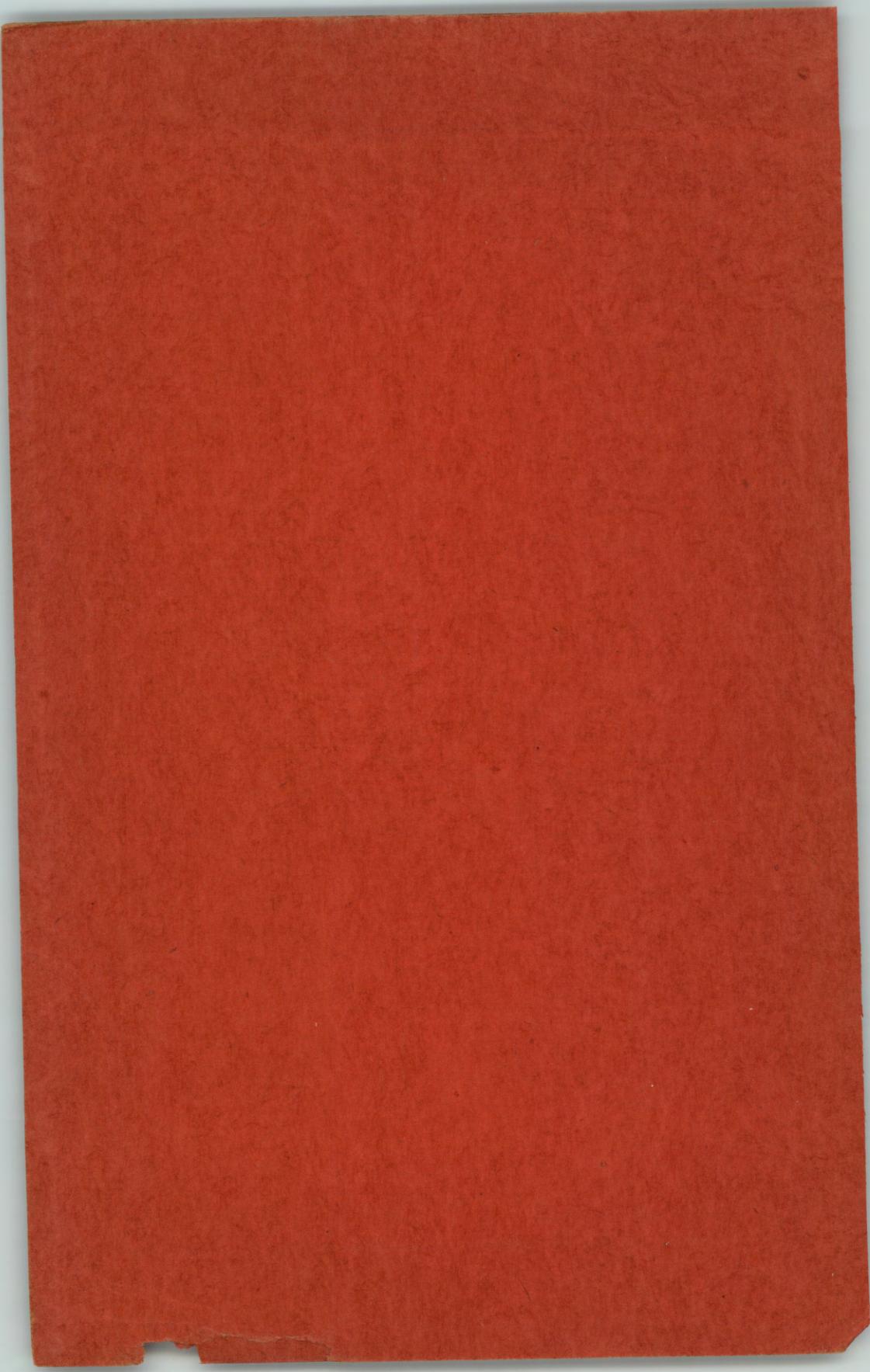
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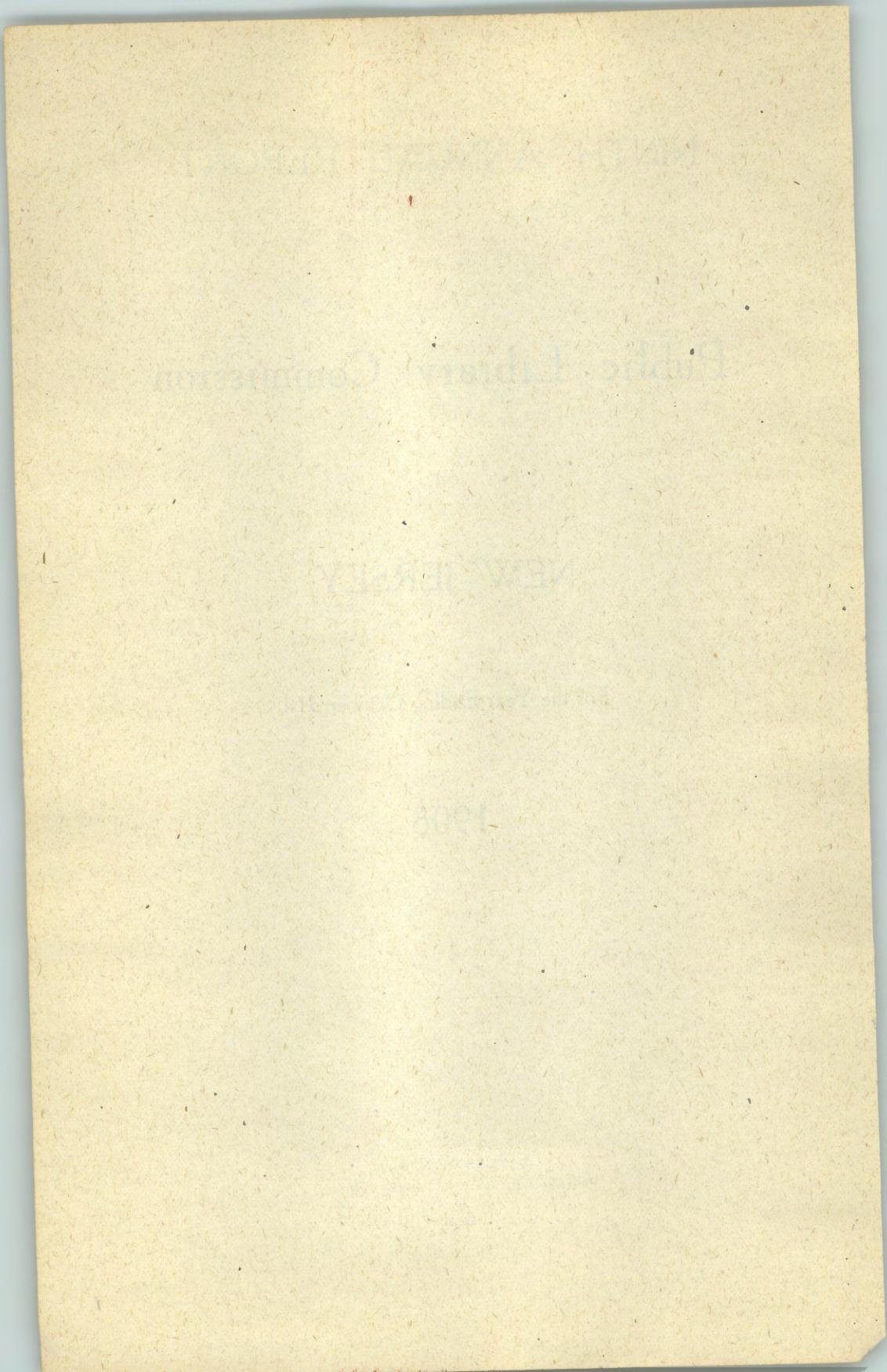
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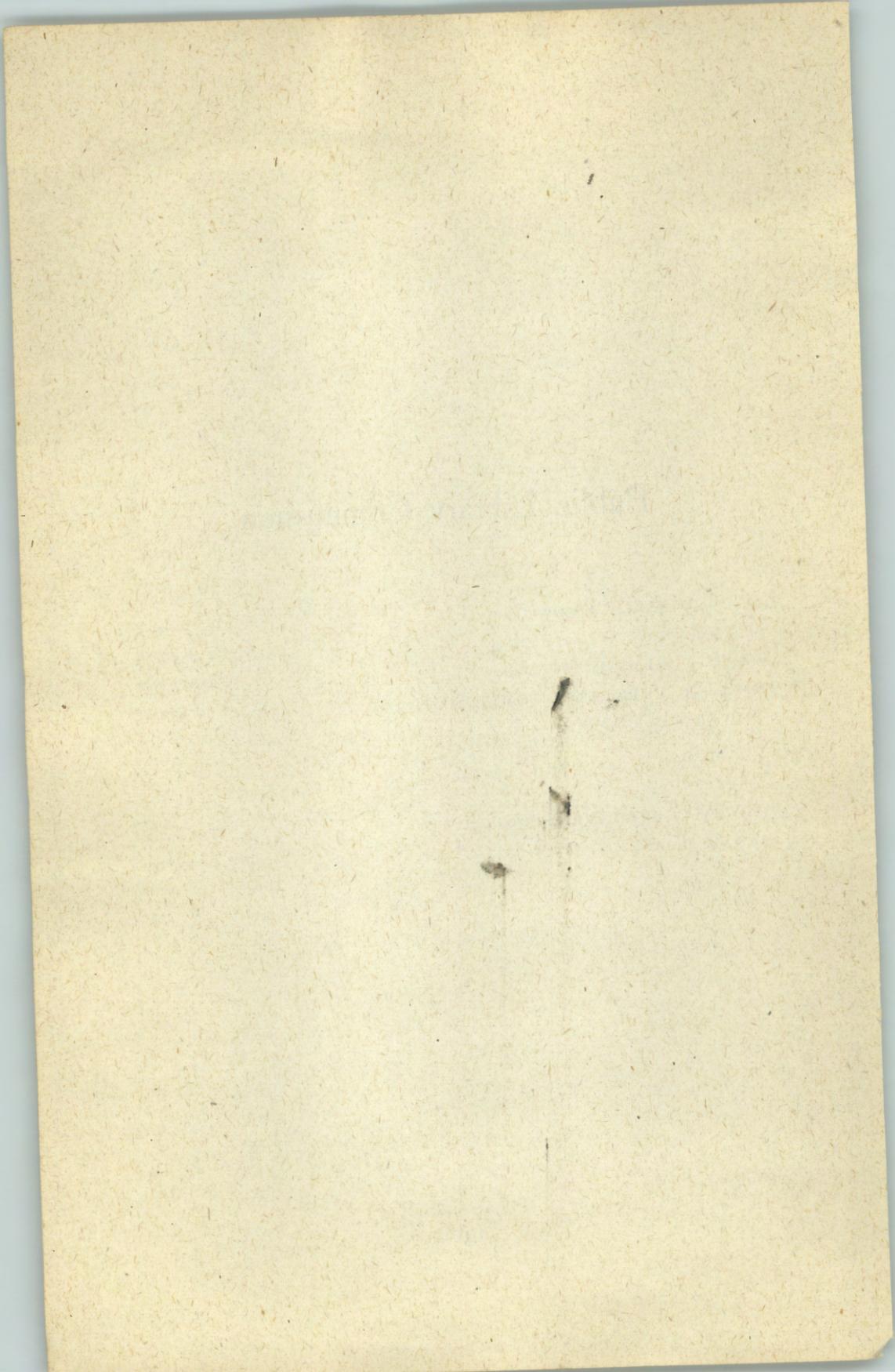
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ANNUAL REPORT.

Hon. John Franklin Fort, Governor of New Jersey:

DEAR SIR:—In compliance with the act approved March 20th, 1900, to promote the establishment and efficiency of free public libraries, the following report is submitted of the operations of the New Jersey Public Library Commission for the year ending October 31st, 1908:

The duty of providing traveling libraries for the several penal and correctional institutions of the State is the latest imposed upon the Commission, and this has been undertaken during the year. As already reported, 673 books were purchased with the \$400 appropriated in 1907. To this number have been added 760 bought with the regular appropriation for 1907-08, and 1,005 volumes with the supplemental appropriation for that year; making a total of 2,438. Traveling Library cases were purchased, and thirty of these special libraries have been placed in the various institutions for which they were intended. Only the men's department of the State Prison, the New Jersey Home for Boys, and the Rahway Reformatory are unprovided, all of which already possessed libraries. The number of volumes is inadequate in view of the fact that the number of inmates in the various institutions is at times more than 3,820.

The size of the libraries varies from 25 volumes in the smaller jails to about 250 each in the New Jersey Home for Girls and the Essex and Hudson County Penitentiaries. The only exception is, that but 15 are sent to the electrocution house at the State Prison, from which a special request was received.

The books in this special collection are kept apart from the regular Traveling Library collection, and when returned are placed in the disinfecting cabinet and treated with formaldehyde gas, as a measure of precaution; though it is probably a fact that there is less danger of conveying contagion by

means of books that have circulated in the correctional institutions than through those in more general use.

Eight of these libraries have been exchanged twice; those from the Home for Girls and the Women's department of the State Prison, three times. The records show an average circulation of five times for each volume. Twenty-seven letters of appreciation of these special libraries have been received, and in several instances notes of thanks have been written in the books by grateful readers. All but two wardens have been heard from, and their testimony is unanimous that the books are in general use by the prisoners, and are greatly appreciated.

Many magazines that have been contributed to the Commission, and volumes that have been discarded from the regular collection, are also sent out to the institutions. That more of the libraries have not been exchanged is no doubt due to the fact that as money became available for the purchase of new books, some of the later publications were sent to all of the institutions. Curious though it may appear, the requests in some instances have been for works on the useful arts and history alone, though for the most part the requests have been for novels, and especially juvenile fiction. As a rule the libraries are made up chiefly of books on the useful arts, travel, biography and adventure, and the number sent to the institutions is based on the number of inmates.

The first year's experience in this particular line of work has fully justified the predictions made by the friends of the movement, and the testimony of some of the wardens is to the effect that the provision of reading matter has been an efficient aid in the maintenance of discipline. In one or two instances the use of the books has been made dependent on good behavior, and has proved more efficacious than other methods used.

Thirty neat library cases were purchased at a cost of \$253.60, and in these the Special Traveling Libraries are now sent out. When the experiment was started ordinary packing boxes were used.

The regular Traveling Libraries now number 173. At the beginning of the year, there were 153 in circulation, which was an increase of 49 over the previous year. Twenty were

added as soon as the appropriation for 1907-8 became available. Many more can be placed if money is provided for the purchase of books and cases. The 173 libraries have been circulated 798 times, a little more than four and one-half times each.

The total circulation of the books, as indicated by the readers' cards returned, was 93,286, or an average of more than eight times for each one of the 11,395 volumes in the collection. These 93,286 books were issued at a cost to the State of one and one-quarter cents each, covering the expressage and salaries, and estimating that one-half of the time of the office force is devoted to the work of the regular Traveling Libraries. This is about one-eighth of the average cost of circulating books from a free public library. Of the books circulated, about 48 per cent. was fiction, and 42 per cent. of the whole, "juveniles."

There are now accessioned in the regular Traveling Library collection, 11,395 volumes, of which 1,058 were added by purchase during the year and 337 by gift. Many magazines have also been received, and have been distributed throughout the State in districts where they have been gratefully received. The net gain of books for the year was but 911, as 482 volumes that had been in use for nine years were discarded. These books, too badly worn to warrant spending money for their repair, were not thrown away, but were sent to some of the institutions or distributed in localities where they could be of some further use; and in this distribution Mr. A. J. Morris, of Pemberton, and Dr. Alma Williston, of Phillipsburg, have been of assistance to the Commission. The gifts came from Mrs. C. W. Bleu, of Cliffside; the Open Hand Club, Jersey City; Wednesday Morning Club, Cranford; Porch Club, Riverton; Woman's Club, Newark; Woman's Club, Rahway; East Orange Public Library, Haddonfield Library Company, and the Edgewater Park Literary Club.

Neither the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs nor the granges of the Patrons of Husbandry have lost their interest in the Traveling Libraries. To members of women's clubs who expressed a desire to do something more than donate books and assist in placing libraries, the difficulty of securing suitable persons to look after the libraries in some of the inaccessible districts was shown. Their response was

prompt and generous. Money was immediately raised to pay the expenses of a young lady to take charge of six Traveling Libraries that were sent to as many out-of-the-way points in one section of the State.

The clubs have also aided in establishing a class in lace-making in one of the districts, which has been the means of inducing the people to read many books on useful arts, travel and history. So successful has been this experiment in lace-making that it has been started elsewhere, and it may be that a new industry has been established that will furnish pleasant and profitable employment for the idle hours of many women in the less populous sections of the State. A class in basket-making has also been started with the aid of the Women's Clubs. These classes are auxiliary to the Traveling Library movement.

One-half of all the Traveling Libraries now in operation are loaned to farmers' granges. They are made accessible to all the residents of the various neighborhoods, as is required by the regulations of the Commission. Of course the greater number of these grange libraries are in the agricultural counties, but there is not a single county in the State that is without them. So well known and highly appreciated is the Traveling Library work through the New Jersey granges, that the Commission has been asked to supply an article on the subject for Bailey's New Encyclopedia of Agriculture.

During the year 181 books have been borrowed by the Commission for persons in different parts of the State who were studying special subjects. Loans were made by the Library of Congress, Columbia University, New York State, the St. Louis Public Library, and by some of the free public libraries in New Jersey. Some of the books could have been placed at the disposition of the borrowers in no other way than through the Commission. Many reference questions have been answered by letter, from material in the New Jersey State Library. Bulletins and exhibits of cotton and silk in the various stages of manufacture, from the crude material to the finished product, have also been loaned to various Traveling Library stations.

The third session of the Summer School was held at the Asbury Park Free Library from June 29th to July 31st. The

number of students was very large this year, as some were admitted at the last moment to accommodate library boards and school boards. There were thirty-eight pupils, coming from all parts of the State. Six of the young ladies had been in training for seven months or more in some library in the State, and had been sent to the Asbury Park school to complete their course of instruction. The school has now a recognized standing among the Summer Schools in the United States. Each year the curriculum is revised and improved to make it correspond with the most improved methods, but great care is taken not to change the character of the school from the lines on which it was first started; that is, a simple training in the elementary principles of library economy as applied to work in small town libraries. The cost of the school was \$338.55, an average of about \$9.00 per pupil.

The Commission believes it to be wise to collect in this manner each year as large a number of librarians as it is possible to handle, from the different parts of the State, and instruct them in library economy in a way it can not be done at their own libraries, even at a much greater cost. The pupils return to their libraries and reorganize them, and are able to manage them on a more economical basis than before. To accomplish even a small part of the results thus obtained it would be necessary for the representative of the Commission to pay many visits. Seven of the students, since their return from this year's session of the Summer School, have reorganized small libraries in the State, doing, at a nominal cost to the town, work that would have cost several hundred dollars if done by experts employed for the purpose.

The visiting lecturers do a great deal toward making the Summer School a success, and their liberality in giving their services free makes it possible to maintain the school at so little cost. The lecturers this year were: Miss Isabel Ely Lord, Librarian of the Pratt Institute Library; Miss Annie Carroll Moore, Superintendent of the Children's Department of the New York Public Library; Mr. A. E. Bostwick, Chief of the Circulation Department of the New York Public Library; Miss Clara W. Hunt, Superintendent of the Children's Department of the Brooklyn Public Library; Mrs. Salome Cutler Fairchild, formerly Director of the Albany State Library School; Mr. Milton Fairchild, Lecturer for the Morality Board;

Miss Ruth Yeomans, Librarian of the Madison Public Library; Miss Theresa Hitchler, head of the Cataloguing Department of the Brooklyn Public Library; Miss Bertha Kumli, Organizer for the California Public Library Commission, and Miss Helen U. Price, of the Pennsylvania Public Library Commission.

The Library Summer School has been established three years, and there are now in the State sixty-two workers in different libraries, trained in this school and filling their positions in a manner creditable to themselves, to the School and to their Boards of Trustees, and helping to develop a true library spirit. Thirty-eight of them are in charge of libraries and the others are employed in various capacities as assistants.

For seven young ladies who could not attend the Summer School the usual correspondence course has been maintained. This work of correspondence is never extended to one outside of library work, nor to anyone for whom it is possible to take up library work in a larger way. In addition to this work, eleven library institutes were held at convenient points. The total attendance was 91. At these meetings different problems were discussed and lessons in book-mending and other practical branches of library work were given. The institutes are held principally in the more distant parts of the State, from whence it is difficult for the library workers to attend the regular State meetings.

The plan of assisting librarians in selecting and buying books worked so well last year that it has been continued and extended this year. Sixty-eight have been personally assisted, from month to month, in the selection and purchase of books, with a total saving to them of \$815. The saving on one order was \$21.72, the difference between the price quoted and that secured by the Commission. Besides this personal assistance, many buying lists and aids to book selection have been sent out. Twenty libraries have been aided in the purchase of furniture and supplies. Thirty-one libraries that are in towns without binderies have been aided with their binding and repairing, the books being shipped to a single firm under an arrangement by the terms of which special prices were given to all.

Eight libraries have been entirely reorganized during the

year; three others are in process of reorganization; two have been partially reorganized; five have been classified; in seven, modern and simple charging systems have been installed; five have been catalogued, and the cataloguing of one other has been revised; nine have been accessioned. In each case personal aid was rendered, and letters have been received testifying to the economy in money, time and labor that has resulted.

Four small libraries have been assisted in rearranging their rooms in order to present their books attractively, and make the work of the librarian easier; the boards of trustees of three have been advised with in the preparation of plans for buildings that can be economically administered; in twelve libraries the Organizer conducted the "story hour" for the children, and in fourteen towns addressed the public school children at the request of the local librarians.

Popular meetings have been held in thirteen towns; in sixteen, visits to the schools were made and addresses delivered to the teachers and children; in three, representatives of the Commission, with committees of citizens, appeared before the Common Council to consider the library question; conferences were held with the boards of trustees of thirty-seven libraries.

At both meetings of the Federation of Women's Clubs the Commission has been represented and the library question discussed, and eleven clubs have been addressed in library interests. Eight township committees have been induced to provide pleasant library rooms in the town halls, free of rent, light, heat or janitor's charges. For ten persons books for the blind have been procured from the Philadelphia Free Library. Lists of periodicals recommended for purchase were prepared for twenty-one libraries, and twenty-nine programs were sent out for study clubs in small towns. From old magazines donated, six New Jersey libraries have been aided in completing their sets, and exchanges have been made with three libraries in other States. The magazines have also been used in making up seven club collections, and have been freely distributed in country districts and to the small libraries, where, after having been read, they are used for bulletins and other purposes.

The policy of the Commission has always been to devote

the greater part of their attention to improving conditions in the libraries already established, but the work of establishing new libraries has not been neglected. Twelve new libraries and reading rooms have been established, and since the preparation of this report was begun, the cities of Elizabeth and Cranford have adopted the free public library act, and hereafter their libraries will be maintained by taxation under the "one-third of a mill law." Cranford has purchased a site and Mr. Carnegie has promised to give \$12,000 for a library building.

The Commission now has a record of 180 libraries in the State, of which 124 are free. These libraries will be found listed on the attached table. The twelve new ones added are at Audubon, Barnegat, Grantwood, Union, Mansfield Square, Harrisonville, South Amboy (Y. M. C. A.), New Market, Haworth, Millington, West Moorestown and Fort Hancock. The public school libraries that are included in the table are engaged in regular library work, and in most instances are the only collections of books available for the use of the people of the municipalities.

The year's work may be thus summarized: 798 Traveling Libraries have been sent out with an aggregate circulation of 93,286 volumes; 12 new libraries are on the record; 51 libraries have been aided in improving their methods; 142 have been directly aided in other lines; 270 purchasing lists were distributed; 32 addresses were made, besides many informal talks before various gatherings; 45 persons have been given a measure of library training; 2,836 books have been bought for the regular and special Traveling Libraries; 3,273 books have been prepared for circulation; 16 grange meetings were attended and ten of them addressed; over 2,000 magazines have been distributed. To do this work, besides the large amount of office work, 198 visits have been made to libraries, 65 to Traveling Library stations, and 31 to towns without libraries. This can be actually expressed in figures; the work with bulletins and pictures, answering reference questions, looking up special books and articles, and the many small items cannot be computed.

As many of the small country schools have proved the very best stations for Traveling Libraries, it has resulted that

quite a good deal of work with these, primarily to increase the reading, has been done.

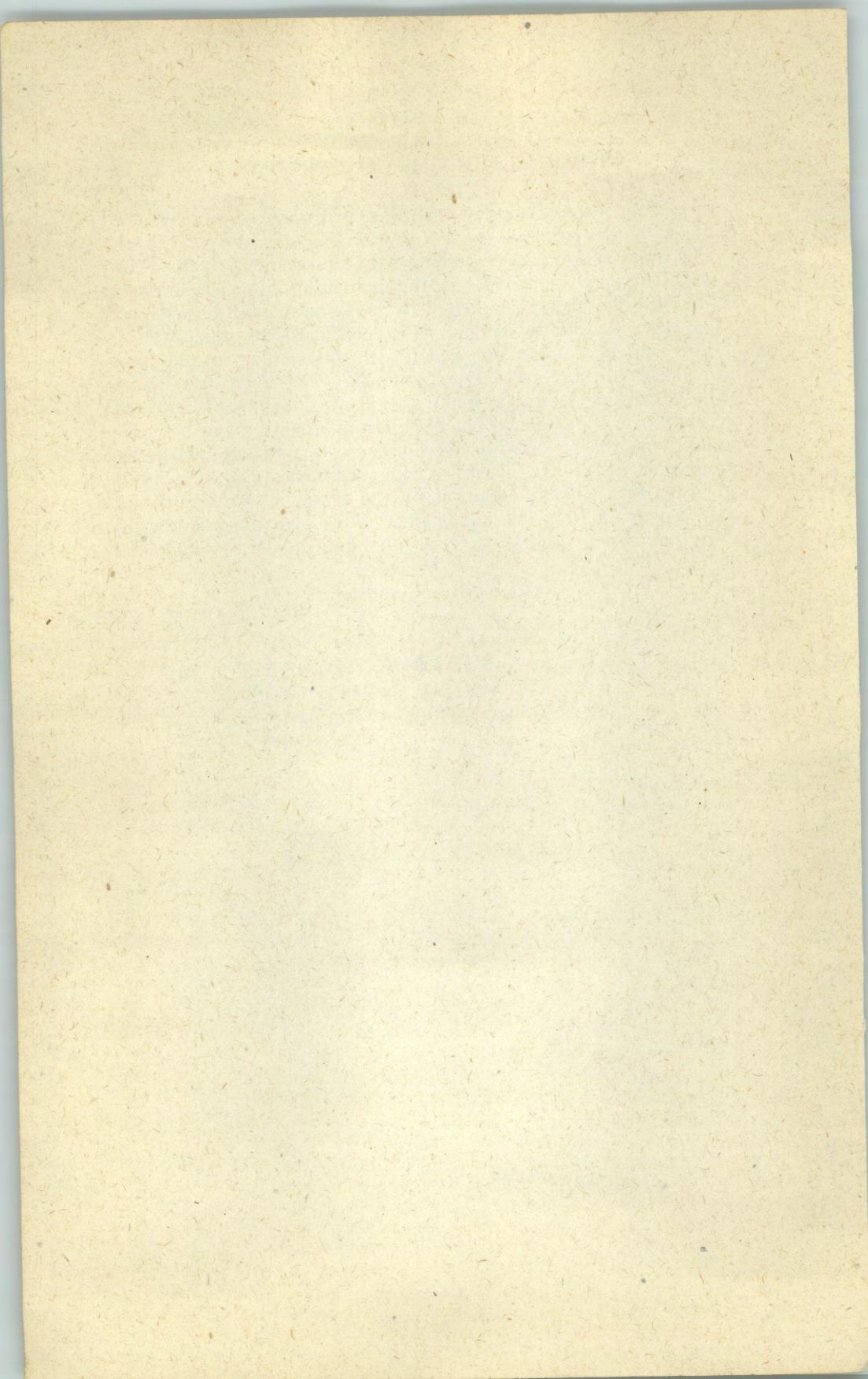
The Commission was represented at both meetings of the New Jersey Library Association; in the curriculum for the Summer School for Teachers, conducted by the Board of Education at Cape May, and many bulletins have been loaned to schools.

The statistical table given herewith shows that in the 182 libraries listed there are 1,667,262 books. These with the books in the Traveling Libraries make a total of 1,681,095 volumes in circulation in the State. The circulation, so far as can be computed from the reports received, was 6,786,979, and with the circulation of the regular Traveling Libraries makes a total of 6,880,265. The population of the State according to the state census of 1905 was 2,144,134. This gives an average of more than three volumes to every inhabitant in the State.

Respectfully submitted,

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NEW JERSEY LIBRARIES, 1908.

LOCATION.	NAME OF LIBRARY.	NAME OF LIBRARIAN.	Established.	Under what act.	Class.	Number of books.	Novels or story books.	Circulated last year.	Per cent. of fiction.	Reading-room?	Children's room?	Open on Sunday?	Received from city last year.	From other sources.	Paid last year for books.	For other expenses.	Library own building?	Branches?	Delivery Stations?	Card Catalogue?	Printed Catalogue?	Do teachers take books for use in school room?	Libraries in schools?	Public access to shelves?	System of classification?
Allendale.	Allendale Library.	Mrs. F. C. Carver.	1900		Free	773	600	1,179	90	No	No	No	No	\$6.50	\$27.44	\$8.65	Rent	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Allentown.	Allentown Public Library Association.	Mrs. E. P. Ford.	1876		Free	1,283	1,000	1,200	90	No	No	No	No	41.00	48.00	Rent	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey		
Alliance.	Library Association.	A. Kasen.	1907		Free	500		1,057																	
Arlington.	Free Public Library.		1904		Free	700																			
Asbury Park.	Asbury Park Free Public Library.	Louise des Anges Harvey.	1878	1900	Free	5,087	20%	33,868	60	Yes	No	No	\$2,500.00	736.00	600.00	2,500.00	Owned	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Asbury Park, West.	St. Augustine's.	F. H. Griffin.			Free	300																			
Ashbrook.	Free Library.	Sarah B. Robinson.	1906		Free	300																			
Atlantic City.	Free Public Library.	Alvarettta Porter Abbott.	1901		Free	16,486	7,000	11,100	331-3	Yes	Yes	No	11,000.00	1,393.31	2,541.44	8,227.69	Owned	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Decimal	
Audubon.	Free Library.	W. W. Bischoff, Trustee.	1907		Free	380																			
Baptistown.	Free Library.	William Warren.	1906		Free	1,800																			
Barnegat.	Barnegat Circulating Library.	W. B. Sparkman.			Free	140																			
Basking Ridge.	Free Circulating Library.	Mary and Elizabeth Barkalow.			Free	2,100																			
Bayonne City.	Bayonne Free Public Library.	Mary G. Peters.	1894		Free	17,787																		Dewey	
Beach Haven.	Beach Haven Public Library.	George S. Goff.			Free	1,175	915	1,300	1	Yes	Yes	No	6,221.65	148.13	1,044.04	5,961.46	Owned	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Belleville.	Belleville Free Public Library.	Elizabeth A. Shattuck.	1902		Free	6,000		36,666		Yes	No	No	1,795.60	350.00	75.00	197.00	Rent	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Berlin.	Brotherhood Library.	H. C. Sharp.	1904		Free	560																			
Bernardsville.	Bernardsville Library.	Eliza Faust.	1903		Free	3,512	1,591	8,893	76	Yes	Yes	No	50.00	200.00	100.00	50.00	Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Beverly.	Beverly Free Library.	Mrs. Herman A. Stees.	1901		Free	2,200	2,000	7,800	90	Yes	No	No	50.00	200.00	100.00	50.00	Rent	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Bloomfield.	Jarvie Memorial Library.	Mrs. Metta R. Sudley.	1902		Free	11,493	3,747	40,703	76	Yes	No	No	1,003.95	564.95	1,274.77	Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Bloomfield.	Watseising Library.	Mrs. M. Ellor.	1886		Free																				
Blue Anchor.	Grange Library.	B. Barrett.	1907		Free	280	2-3	11,482	1-3	Yes	No	No													
Boonton.	Holmes Library.	Anna E. Thibou.	1893		Free	3,758																			
Bordentown.	Military Institute.	Archibald Styer.	1885		Free	350																			
Bordentown.	W. C. T. U.	Mrs. L. J. Wood.	1882		Free	3,000	1-2			Yes	No	No													
Bordentown.	William S. Woodward Memorial.	Archibald Styer.	1887		Free	800																			
Bound Brook.	Woman's Literary Club and Library Association.	Elizabeth Dean.	1897		Free	2,784																			
Branchville.	Branchville C. E. Library.	Emily F. Poyner.	1898		Free	250	200	10,371		Yes	Yes	No	18.00	25.00	30.00	Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Bridgeton.	Bridgeton Library.	Emma V. Wallen.	1901		Free	4,000	5-8	125	2-3	Yes	No	No	250.00	250.00	500.00	Rent	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Bridgeton.	South Jersey Institute.	Margaret V. Robinson.	1870		Free	2,500		5,000		Yes	No	No	600.00		285.00	Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Burlington.	Burlington Library.	Lydia Weston.	1757		Free	17,500																			
Caldwell.	Caldwell Public Library.	C. E. Hedden, Trustee.	1898	1905	Free	13,120	3,600	83,775	74	Yes	Yes	No	500.00	1,500.00	954.00	7,083.95	Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Camden.	Free Public Library.	William H. Kettler.			Free	7,786	3,000	49,408	80	Yes	Yes	No	1,500.00				Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Camden.	Cooper Branch.	Marietta K. Champion.			Free	5,351	2,211	36,878	82	Yes	Yes	No					Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Camden.	East Branch.	Alice D. Goodison.			Free	7,016	2,865	10,554	1-2	Yes	Yes	No	870.00		435.69	851.18	Owned	Yes 4	Yes 6	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Camden.	Public School Library.	Laura S. Schraick.			Free																				
Camden.	Pyne Poynt Library.	Mary Anderson.	1898		Free	4,000	1-2	14,074	75	Yes	No	No			1,000.00	100.00	900.00	Owned	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey
Carmel.	Library Association.	A. Kasen.	1902		Free	780		1,760		Yes	No	No	257.16	367.63	194.37	332.25	Free	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Chatham.	Public Library.	Lynda Phillips.	1907		Free	2,015	1-2	7,818	66 2-3	Yes	No	No	20.00	20.00	40.00	2.00	Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Cinnaminson.	Westfield Public School.	Teachers.	1872		Free	1,100	2-3	1,478		Yes	No	No	232.50	50.00			Owned	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Dewey	
Clinton.	Grandin Library.	Carrie Todd.	1899		Free	1,991	2-3	3,400		Yes	No	No													
Cranbury.	Free Public Library.	Georgia F. Nutt.	1906	State	Free	700	2-3																		

Highland Park. Hightstown. Hilton.	Public School Library Peddie Institute. Public Library.	T. E. Spring. Marie Fox Wait. Seward Harris.	1889 1890	Free Free	450 8,000 1,800	500 15,343 37,950	144,625 623,205 280	79 65 560	Yes Yes Yes	No No Yes	Yes Yes Yes		100.00 21,949.80 38,437.50	1,290.00 5,123.58 7,638.07	10,382.58 37,490.00	Owned Owned	No No Yes	No No Yes	Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Dewey		
Hoboken. Jersey City. Jobstown. Kearny. Lafayette Corners.	Free Public Library. Free Public Library. Grange Library. Kearny Public Library. Circulating Library.	Thomas F. Hatfield. Esther Elizabeth Burdick. Grange Librarian. Edna Kil Gour. Teachers.	1889 1889 1884	Free Free Free Free Free	36,056 113,850 280 4,600 500	15,343 37,950 280 1-3 670	144,625 623,205 560 43,913 670	79 65 560 65	Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes		21,949.80 38,437.50	861.05 1,290.00	5,123.58 7,638.07	10,382.58 37,490.00	Owned Owned	No No Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Dewey	
Lakewood. Lambertville. Lawrenceville. Lebanon. Long Branch.	Lakewood Library. Stryker Library Association. Lawrenceville School. Circulating Library. Free Reading Room and Library.	Katharine A. O'Leary. Mrs. Clara S. Tomson. A. F. Jamieson. J. C. Stryker. Mrs. E. E. Woolley.	1893 1881 1883 1907 1878	..... Free Free Free Free	5,000 3,955 5,000 200 4,000	2,150 1,644 3,000 700 680	5,826 13,489 80 1-2 680	80 88 2-3 1-2 680	Yes Yes Yes	No No No	No No Yes		155.41 250.00 550.00 108.00 603.50	Free Rent	No No No No No	No No Yes Yes Yes	No No Yes No Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Dewey			
Madison. Madison. Mansfield Square. Maple Shade. Matawan.	Free Public Library. Drew Theological Seminary. Free Circulating Library. Circulating Library. Matawan Free Public Library.	Ruth Yeomans. Samuel Gardiner Ayres. J. E. Lame. Mrs. Elizabeth Brown. Edith Johnson.	1899 1868 1907 1907 1903	Free Free	8,750 102,630 450 200 3,200	750 8,230 1,252 680 4,152	29,961 1,270 1,270 4,152 93	41 1 1 93	Yes Yes Yes	Yes No No	No No No		3,300.00 500.00 850.00 24.50	500.00 102.00 75.85 Rent	Owned Owned	..... No No No	Yes Yes Yes	No No Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Dewey		
Medford. Menlo Park. Merchantville. Metuchen. Middletown.	Circulating Library. School Library. Public Library. Metuchen Library. School Library.	Volunteer. Teachers. Gertrude R. Helmick. Ruth Thomas. Teachers.	..... ..... 1893 1885	Free Free Free Free Free	400 480 2,334 1,546 780	..... ..... 1,753 975 1,474	..... ..... 500 4,533 780	..... ..... 2-3	..... ..... No No No	..... ..... No No No	..... ..... No No No		102.00 65.00 200.00	65.00 200.00	200.00 30.49 57.00	Rent	No No No	No No Yes	Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Dewey
Millburn. Millington. Millville. Montclair. Moorestown.	Millburn Public Library. Circulating Library. Millville Public Library. Free Public Library. Moorestown Free Library.	Dorothy Constantine. Elizabeth Ronyon. Madaline S. Powell. S. Augusta Smith. Anna Mary Kaighn.	1864 1894 1853	Free Free Free Free	4,407 550 3,400 23,000 3,150	550 1,700 1,700 1-3 2,461	7,348 2,872 3,500 97,904 2,461	..... ..... 95 62	Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes No	No Yes No		500.00 8,971.70 985.25 527.00	100.00 2,731.49 7,587.50 442.97	400.00 166.00	Owned Owned	No Yes No	No Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Dewey	
Morristown. Mount Holly. Newark. New Brunswick.	Morristown Library and Lyceum. Burlington County Lyceum. Free Public Library. New Jersey Historical Society. Free Public Library.	Caroline O. Lounsbury. Anna Hilyard Deacon. John Cotton Dana. Cornelia A. See.	1878 1876 1889 1845 1883	Free Free Free Free Free	30,000 9,450 131,565 25,000 26,804	1-7 4,269 629,891 59 5,470	34,777 4,269 7,659.00 18,833.24 77,157	..... ..... Yes Yes Yes	Yes No Yes No Yes	No No Yes No No	5,842.98 85,967.00 3,700.00 800.00 5,000	945.50 18,833.24 7,413.13 4,366.00 345.00	4,277.86 18,833.24 7,413.13 4,366.00 345.00	Owned Owned Owned Owned Owned	No No Yes Yes No	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	Dewey			
New Brunswick. New Brunswick. New Egypt. New Market. Newton.	Gardner A. Sage Library. Rutgers College Library. Circulating Library. Field Club Library. Dennis Library.	John C. Van Dyke. George A. Osborn. Mildred Cowperthwaite. Earl Fulton. Laura S. Coursen.	1784 1766	Free Free Free Free Free	48,000 57,025 250 280 6,800	150 5,000 580 840 2,500	50 50 580 840 12,600	50 50 2-3	Yes Yes Yes	No No No	No No No		1,000.00 500.00	2,500.00 400.00	Owned Owned	No No No	Yes Yes Yes	No No Yes	Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Dewey			
Nutley. Nutley. Orange. Passaic. Paterson.	Nutley Library. Park School Library. Free Public Library. Passaic Public Library. Passaic County Law Library.	Volunteers. M. B. Kil Gour. Elizabeth H. Wesson. J. M. Campbell.	1896 1875 1883 1887	..... Free Free Free	4,016 2,187 29,333 20,507	3-4 83,151 7,746	..... No Yes Yes Yes	7-8 75 54	..... No Yes Yes Yes	No No No No	Yes Yes Yes Yes		100.00 150.00 309.00 718.49 9,000.00	100.00 210.10 190.57 7,865.60 7,200.97	Free Owned Owned Owned	No No Yes Yes	No No Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Dewey	
Paterson. Paulsboro. Peapack. Pennington. Pennington.	Paterson Free Public Library. Paulsboro Free Library. St. Luke's Hall. Circulating Library. Seminary Library.	G. F. Winchester. Mrs. Adeline Reeves. J. H. Wood. Volunteers. Thomas Holcombe.	1885 1864 1905 1876 1838	Free Free Free Free Free	33,428 2,000 325 1,200 2,400	8,500 1,500 3-4 1,500 9-10	153,050 25,000 1,500 2,400 2,400	66 3-10 9-10	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No Yes No No	No No No No No		21,600.00 400.00 25.00 40.00 12.17	1,111.00 100.00 300.00 40.00 12.24	3,907.14 100.00 17,212.15 Free Rent	Owned Owned Free Free Rent	Yes No No No No	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Dewey		
Perth Amboy. Plainfield. Pleasant Grove. Point Pleasant. Princeton.	Public Library. Public Library and Reading Room. Circulating Library. Point Pleasant Free Library. Free Lending Library.	Emily H. Mulligan. Florence M. Bowman. Minnie Hamm. Alice Havens. Miss Paxton.	1896 1881 1907 1892 1897	Free Free Free Free Free	5,768 34,755 350 2,200 2,270	6,060 53,000 1,280 1,225 2,000	35,500 53,000 1,280 4,197 2,000	71 46 9-10	Yes Yes Yes	Yes No Yes	Yes Yes Yes		4,000.00 7,500.00	413.76 1,123.68	637.16 1,519.47	3,191.34 6,013.67	Owned Owned	No No No	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes	Dewey	
Princeton. Princeton. Princeton. Princeton. Princeton.	University Library. Clio Hall Library. Whig Hall Library. Philadelphian Society Library. Ivy Hall Library.	E. C. Richardson. H. C. Conally. John G. Buchanan.	1748 1765 Free Free	231,984 10,000 10,000 1,000 Yes No Yes Yes Yes	 Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes
Princeton. Rahway. Red Bank. Ridgefield Park. Ridgewood.	Theological Seminary Library. Rahway Public Library. Red Bank Library. Ridgefield Park Library Association. Ridgewood Library.	Joseph Healy Dulles. A. W. Lupton. Elizabeth Cooper. Lillian Higgins.	1812 1864 1880 1894 1897	Free Free Free Free Free	82,000 17,700 3,500 1,500 3,100	1-2 10,446 10,446 800 8,500	21,500 2,200 2,200 3-4 75	50 9-10 9-10 8-10 75	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No No No No No	No No No No No		4,000.00 579.00 150.00 400.00 297.00	600.00 230.00 550.00 230.00 500.00	Owned Owned Owned Owned Rent	No No No No No	No No No No No	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes Yes	Dewey		
Riverton. Roselle. Rosenhayn. Rutherford. Salem.	Riverton Free Library. Clio Library. Rosenhayn Library Association. Free Public Library. Salem Library Company.	Elizabeth B. Campbell. S. A. Merrill. A. Kasen. Henrietta Walcott. Cornelia Prior.	1899 1903 1894 1804	Free Free Free Free	4,200 1,700 780 5,000 12,000	..... 2,300 800 22,892 3,500	15,524 2,300 800 22,892 4,701	92 2,200 75 75	Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes No No No	No No No No		206.68 750.00 800.00 171.25	581.95 1,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00	Owned Owned Owned Owned	No No No No	No No No No	Yes Yes Yes Yes	No Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes Yes Yes	Dewey	
Shrewsbury. Somerville. South Amboy. South Orange. Sparta.	Shrewsbury Library. Somerville Public Library. P. R. R. Y. M. C. A. Library. Free Public Circulating Library. Sparta Public Library.	Mrs. Anna V. Jennings. R. M. Anderson. G. C. Spurr. Leslie Freeman. Mrs. W. L. Shuman.	1862 1890 1888 1886 1895	Free Free Free Free Free	2,800 4,990 450 8,934 1,000	1,325 2,377 450 25,793 500	650 650 450 63 7-8	2-3 2-3 63 7-8	No Yes Yes Yes Yes	No No No No No	No No													



