
REPORT
OF THE
NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARIAN
FOR THE YEAR 1870,
TO THE LEGISLATURE,
SESSION OF 1871.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

To His Excellency Theodore F. Randolph, Governor of the State of New Jersey.

SIR: I have the honor to present you my second annual report, being from January 1st, 1870, to November 1st, 1870, embracing a period of only ten months. This is to conform to the resolution passed at the last session of the Legislature, which designates the 1st of November as the beginning of the fiscal year.

At the date of my last report, there were in the State Library 17,098 volumes as follows:

General Library.....	4,063
Law Library.....	13,035

17,098

The number of books received up to November 1st, 1870, is 514, making total number now in Library 17,612.

Received by donation.....	76
“ by purchase.....	67
“ by exchange.....	251
“ from N. J. State Treasurer.....	120

514

Most of the books received during the past year go to the Law Department, only ninety-four (94) being classed among the miscellaneous. There is quite an increase of donations, compared with last year's statement. Owing to the fact that many of the States do not forward us their exchanges until the month of December, our list from this source is somewhat smaller than it would be if made two months later.

Much difficulty is experienced in arranging the Congressional and State Documents systematically, on account of the crowded state of the shelves. Some are put in cases up stairs, while others have to be stowed away among the laws and reports down stairs.

The office is pretty well filled with books, being duplicate copies of the laws, reports and documents. Permit me to call your attention particularly to this fact, and to suggest the propriety of having

accommodations provided for the proper display and arrangement of these books.

The labeling of the volumes in the Law Department is just completed.

The number of persons having permits to take books from the Library up to date of this report, exclusive of those who take by law and resolution, is one hundred and eighty-nine (189), which is just twenty-four more than was privileged the previous year.

In reference to the financial condition of the Library, I would respectfully refer His excellency to the report of the State Treasurer.

In concluding, it gives me pleasure to acknowledge the harmonious relations which have existed between the Commissioners and Librarian during the past year, and for the valuable assistance rendered me in my various duties.

For the many kind acts of Mr. Stout, General Superintendent of the State House, and other officers of the departments, I am very grateful.

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

JEREMIAH DALLY,

State Librarian.

TRENTON, N. J., November 1st, 1870.