

Southbridge, Monday, Dec. 28, 1874.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Hartwell, Bartholomew, Gleason, Grant, and Emery present.

The Chairman was authorized to make a contract with Miss Comins to serve as librarian another year, upon the same terms as last year.

Voted to accept books from Rev. F. W. Emmons, and place the same in the library. Also "The Laws of Life and Journal of Health" for the Reading Room, from the same gentleman. The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the acceptance of the above-mentioned donations.

The Secretary was instructed to correspond with the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, to inquire upon what terms the library can obtain the publications of that Institution.

Voted on list of books.

Adjourned two weeks.

Edwin Emery,  
Secretary.

Monday, Jan. 11, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Gleason and Emery present.

The Chairman reported that Miss Comins agrees to continue the same services another year, upon the same terms as last year. This report was accepted.

Voted to transfer papers and periodicals for 1874, from the Reading Room to the library.

Voted on list of books.

Adjourned two weeks.

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Southbridge, Monday, Jan. 25, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Hartwell, Gleason, and Emery present.

Voted to accept books from Hon. George F. Hoar, and pamphlet from the Smithsonian Institution, and place the same in the library.

Voted on list of books.

Adjourned two weeks.

Edwin Emery,  
Secretary.

Monday, Feb. 8, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Gleason, and Emery present. Also Messrs. Hartwell and Bartholomew.

Voted on list of books.

Voted to proceed to the election of two members of the committee to fill the vacancies occasioned by the removal of Rev. F. C. Flint, and the death of Dr. Samuel Hartwell.

Revs. B. V. Stearnson and George A. Jackson were unanimously elected by ballot, to fill the respective vacancies.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Gleason, and Emery were appointed a committee to examine the library, on Monday, Feb. 22.

Adjourned two weeks.

Edwin Emery,  
Secretary.

Monday, Feb. 22, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Gleason, Stearnson, Jackson, and Emery present.

The committee, appointed at the last meeting to examine library, reported verbally that they found several discrepancies in charging books.

Voted to accept one volume from Rev. F. W. Emmons, and one pamphlet from Mr. Green of the Worcester Free Library, and place them in the Library.

Voted to employ Miss Cornish as Librarian, upon the same terms as last year, until March 1, 1876.

Voted on list of books, and instructed the Secretary to countermand all back orders for books.

Adjourned *one week*.

Edwin Emery,  
Secretary.

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Monday, March 1, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Hartwell, Stevenson, Gleason, Bartholomew and Emery present.

The committee, appointed to examine Library, reported all books accounted for, none lost during the year, but one lost last year found.

The Chairman, Mr. Lane, reported the receipts and expenditures of the Reading Room since December, 1873. His report was accepted and ordered to be recorded.

Report.

S. M. Lane in Account with the  
Public Library Reading Room.

1873		1873	
Dec. 13	Balance on hand,	9.58	Dec. 15. Harper's 3 10.
" 29	Subscriptions,	13.00	" 19. 9 Magazines, 1874, 34.70
<sup>1874</sup> Sept. 26	Do.	130.00	<sup>1874</sup> Feb. 27 Daily Spy, Mar. 17, 8.00
<sup>1875</sup> Feb. 22	Do.	22.00	" " Post, Times & World, 28.00
			Mar. 7. Springfield R. 6.00
			" 18 St. Nicholas, 1874, 2.70
			" " Ploughman, 2.50
Amt. carried forward,		\$174.58	Amt. carried forward, \$91.90

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Aug. 25. Postage to Jan. 1/75, 10.52  
 , 31 Daily Advertiser, 10.00  
 Oct. 24. 5 Foreign Mag. 15.00  
 Webster Times to July, 2.00  
 Nov. 27. Hearpe's 3 10.00  
 Dec. 4. Scientific, 8.25  
<sup>1875</sup>  
 Jan. 1 9 Magazines, 34.00  
 Mar. 1 Post, Times & World, 28.00

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Due from subscribers \$121.

Voted on list of books.

Adjourned this week.

Edwin Emery,  
 Secretary.

Southbridge, March 15, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Stearnson, Jackson,  
 Gleason and Emery present.

Voted to accept one volume from Mr. C. A.  
 Gleason, two pamphlets from Miss Ruthe Thompson,  
 one from Dr. S. C. Hartwell, eighteen from Mau-  
 ning Leonard, Esq., one from Mr. W. J. Baker,  
 of Worcester, one from Rev. F. C. Flint, of Mattos;  
 four from Messrs. J. Sabrin & Son, of New York,  
 and the Official Gazette, 1874, 52 nos., from the  
 Department of the Interior, presented prior to  
 March 1, and to instruct the Secretary to report  
 the same in last year's report.

Voted to accept Dwight's Journal of Music  
 1874, and The Buyer's Assistant and Enterprise  
 for the Reading Room, last year.

Voted to accept book and pamphlets from Rev.  
 J. C. Fullerton, pamphlets from Mr. G. M. Whitaker,

and one volume from Memorial Hall Library, Andover, by hands of Rev. G. A. Jackson, and to place the same in the Library.

The Report of the Secretary was read and approved, and it was voted that the Committee present the same to the town at the annual meeting.

Adjourned one week.

Edwin Emery,  
Secretary.

Southbridge, March 22, 1875.

Messrs. Lane, Leonard, Bartholomew, Grant, Gleason, and Emery present.

Voted that the Committee ask, at the annual town-meeting, an appropriation of \$1500 and Dog Fund, for the ensuing year.

Adjourned one week.

Edwin Emery,  
Secretary.

Southbridge Mar. 29. 1875

Present Lane, Leonard, Hartwell, Gleason, Stevenson and Jackson.

Manning Leonard was chosen Secretary Pro-tem.

Voted, unanimously, that any person who wilfully violates the Rules of the Library, or persists in creating disturbance, in, or about the rooms of the same, shall be excluded from all benefit of the Library, until restored by vote of a majority of the Committee.

adjourned two weeks.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary Pro-tem

The annual meeting was held April 12.

Three years ago  
B. V. Stearns  
Geo. A. Jackson  
E. A. Gleason

All members of the Library  
S. M. Manning  
and Mr. Leonard  
for the year 1875  
The following names  
Manning  
S. M. Manning  
E. A. Gleason

A. J. Jackson  
S. C. Jackson  
G. A. Jackson

B. V. Stearns  
S. C. Jackson  
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S. M. Manning  
H. A. Jackson  
A. J. Jackson

Voted that the first annual meeting of the Library be held on the first of each year.

## Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Library Committee was held in the Library at 7½ P. M. April 12, 1875.

Committee for 1875-6

Three years	Two years	one year
B. V. Stevenson	Manning Leonard	J. M. Lane
Geo. A. Jackson	Fred. Crosby	J. C. Hartwell
E. A. Gleason	John Rowley	A. J. Bartholomew

All were present.

J. M. Lane was elected Chairman, and Manning Leonard, Secretary (by ballot) for the ensuing year.

The following Committees were then chosen.

Manning Leonard	} Executive Committee
J. M. Lane	
E. A. Gleason	

A. J. Bartholomew	} Com. on Finance.
J. C. Hartwell	
Geo. A. Jackson	

B. V. Stevenson	} Com. on Books.
J. C. Hartwell	
John Rowley	

J. M. Lane	} Com. on Library.
Fred. Crosby	
A. J. Bartholomew	

Voted That the blank in the 3<sup>d</sup> Article of the "Regulations for the Government of the Committee", be filled, by fixing the first and third Monday evenings of each month, for the regular meetings, of the Committee.

Voted to accept from the Free Public Library of Concord Mass. a Catalogue of their Library - from Rev. Geo. A. Jackson, a manual, "The Christian Faith", and from S. L. Morse one number of the "Catholic World", and acknowledge the same.

Adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard,  
Secretary.

Monday April 19, 1875.

Present Lane, Leonard, Battwell, Crosby,  
and Rowley.

Voted to accept from Mrs. Mary May (No. 3 Exeter St. Boston) the "Letters on the American Rebellion", and acknowledge the same.

Adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary

April 26<sup>th</sup> 1875.

Present, Lane, Stevenson, Jackson,  
Rowley, Gleason & Leonard.

Voted to procure the Boston Evening Transcript (Daily) for the Reading Room.

Voted, That the Secy be requested to procure samples of paper for covering books, and that he correspond with Publishing Houses in regard to rates at which they will supply books for the Library.

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May 3, 1875.

Present, Lane, Stevenson, Jackson, Hartwell  
Crosby, Rowley and Gleason.

E. A. Gleason was chosen Sec-  
retary pro tem.

The Book Committee reported list  
of Books.

Adjourned one week.

E. A. Gleason

Secretary pro tem.

May 10, 1875.

Present, Lane, Stevenson, Jackson, Row-  
ley, Gleason, Hartwell, and Leonard.

Approved list of Books reported at last  
meeting by Committee on Books.

The Secretary was instructed to acknowl-  
edge the receipt of 11 volumes of  
Reports from the Smithsonian Institu-  
tion.

Voted that the Reading Room,  
including the procuring of News-  
papers, periodicals &c. be under  
the care and management of  
the Executive Committee.

Voted to adjourn for one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

May 17, 1875

Present Lane, Rowley, Gleason, and Leonard  
- not a quorum.

Adjourned one week.

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May 24, 1875

Present - Lane, Rowley, Gleason, Leonard and Hartwell -

Voted on Books, also instructed the Secy to purchase some paper for covering books, like sample submitted.

Voted to adjourn one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary

June 21, 1875

Present, Lane, Gleason, Leonard Stevenson, Rowley, Bartholomew, Jackson and Hartwell.

The Book Committee reported list of Books to purchase.

Voted to acknowledge the receipt of "Report of the Chicago Relief and Aid Society" from Messrs. Ammidown Lane & Co. New York.

Voted that the Secretary with Messrs. Stevenson and Lane be a Committee to procure the binding of such books and periodicals as is needed on the best terms they can secure.

Voted to adjourn one week, at 8 o'clock P.M.

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June 28, 1875.

Present - Lane, Stevenson, Jackson, Rowley,  
and Gleason.

E. A. Gleason was chosen Secy pro-tem.  
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E. A. Gleason

Secretary pro-tem

July 24, 1875.

Present - Lane, Rowley, Stevenson, Crosby,  
Hartwell and Leonard.

Voted that Fred. Crosby be au-  
thorized to purchase eight tons  
of coal for the use of the Library.  
Adjourned.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

August 2, 1875.

Present - Stevenson, Rowley, Gleason,  
and Leonard - not a quorum,  
adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

August 9, 1875.

Present - Rowley, Gleason and Leonard -  
not a quorum,  
adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

August 16, 1875  
Present, Lane, Rowley, Jackson and  
Leonard - not a quorum.  
adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

August 23, 1875.  
Present, Lane, Jackson, Rowley, Gleason  
and Leonard.

Voted to accept and acknowledge  
Catalogue of "The Public Library of the  
City of Fall River" - also, from Oliver  
Plimpton of Hartford, some an-  
cient papers.

accepted a list of Books  
which the Secy is to order.

Adjourned two weeks.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

September 6, 1875.  
Present - Lane, Jackson, Rowley, Gleason  
Crosby and Leonard.

A communication rec<sup>d</sup> from  
Mr. Holmes Ammidown, was read  
stating that Miss Emeline S. Ammi-  
dow a short time before her decease  
expressed her desire that a tooth of  
a Sperm Whale, brought from the  
North Pacific Ocean, belonging to her  
should be placed in the Museum  
connected with the Library. And  
in accordance with this request  
the mother of Miss Ammidown  
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Voted to accept <sup>the</sup> tooth and the Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the receipt of the same, to the Mother of Miss Amnidown.

The 1<sup>st</sup> Vol. of Modern Painters (No. 2240) having been damaged by ink being spilled upon it (apparently) it was voted, that the damage be assessed at fifty cents, or the borrower substitute a perfect Vol. for the same.

Voted, that the Committee on Library - Messrs Lane Crosby and Bartholomew with Jackson and Stevenson, be a Committee for regrouping the books in the Library, and procuring a new catalogue of the same.

Voted that the History of Ancient Art - 4 Vols. and Travels in South America - 2 vols. be included in the list of books restricted to use in the Library and Reading Room.

Voted to adjourn one week.

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Secretary

September 13, 1875.

Present - Lane, Stevenson, Jackson, Rowley, Gleason & Leonard.

The Committee on Library made report in regard to Classification of Books, which was accepted.

Voted to purchase to possessors a list of standard Books before getting out catalogue.

Adjourned one week.

Hanning Leonard  
Secretary.

September 27. 1875.

Present - Lane, Jackson, Rowley, Gleason and Leonard.

Voted, to change the time of opening the Museum from Tuesdays to Mondays; that it be opened to the public every Monday afternoon, from 2 to 4 o'clock, and on the first Monday evening in each month, from 7 to 9 o'clock.

Voted, that all Dictionaries in the Library, and "The Amazon and Madeira Rivers", be included in the list of books restricted to use in the Library, and Reading Room.

Adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

- October 4. 1875.

Present - Jackson, Stevenson, Rowley, Gleason, Crosby and Leonard.

In the absence of the President Mr. Jackson was chosen to preside at the meeting.

It was voted that all atlases be restricted to use in the Library and Reading Room.

The Secretary was instructed to procure by purchase or otherwise the missing No's of the Atlantic & Harpers Monthly Magazines.

It was voted to accept from Mr. J. L. Morse, and acknowledge, the head taken from a Pickard weighing 18 lbs.

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List of Books, to purchase, approved.

Voted to adjourn two weeks.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

October 18, 1875.

Present. Lane, Jackson, Hartwell, Rowley, Crosby, Gleason and Leonard.

Voted, that the Secretary be instructed to procure a copy of the catalogue of the Quincy Free Library, also that he report a rule permitting persons to take from the Library books included in the restricted list, for a limited period under prescribed conditions.

Voted, that the President be authorized to have Section 4, properly prepared for the protection of reserved books, as his judgment shall suggest.

Voted, that Brochure of "Bunker Hill", "Original Lists of Emigrants" and "History of Art", by Lübke, and Index to the first 50 vols. of Harper's Monthly Magazine, be included in the list of books restricted to use in the Library and Reading Room.

Voted to adjourn one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

October 25, 1875.

Present, Lane, Jackson, Hartwell, Rowley,  
Gleason and Leonard.

Voted, that the vols. of the  
Mass. Hist. Collections, Thorvaldson,  
("His life & works,") and "A Glau'd Book of  
Proverbs by Henry G. Bohu, be included  
in list of Books restricted to use in Library  
and reading room.

Approved a list of Books  
to be purchased.

Adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

November 1, 1875.

Present. Lane, Jackson, Stevenson, Rowley,  
Gleason, Hartwell and Leonard.

Voted, that the Librarian cease  
issuing books from the Library on  
Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> inst. and that the  
Secretary have a notice of the  
same published in the South-  
bridge Journal of this week.

Voted that the President  
with the Librarian be a Committee  
to prepare a form for Cards adapt-  
ed to the new arrangement of  
Library and procure a suitable  
number to be printed.

Approved a small list  
of books to be purchased.

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November 22, 1875.

Present. Lane, Jackson, Stevenson, Hartwell,  
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The secretary reported a Rule for loaning works included in the restricted list, in accordance with instructions adopted at the meeting held Oct. 18, 1875. The Report was accepted and the Rule adopted, afterwards reconsidered and laid on the table.

A small list of books, to purchase, was ~~approved~~.

Adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

December 6, 1875.

Present. Lane, Jackson, Rowley,  
Gleason and Leonard.

Voted, that the "Art of Printing" be included in the list of books restricted to use in the Library and Reading Room.

Voted unanimously

That works included in the list restricted to use in the Library and Reading Room - excepting those donated upon conditions not consistent with this rule - may be loaned to persons entitled to those in the circulating department, by an order to the Librarian, signed by two members of the Library Committee, who shall be personally responsible for any books so loaned. The order shall designate

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the length the length of time the books may be kept out, which in no case shall exceed two weeks. The receiver of such books shall give a written receipt upon taking them from the Library.

Voted to purchase "Notes on England" by H. Faine -  
Adjourned one week.

Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

December 20, 1875.

Present, Lane, Stevenson, Rowley Jackson, Bartholomew, Gleason, and Leonard.

A report of the expenditures for the Library to this date was made by the President, and the action of Committee for procuring Catalogue, in getting estimates for printing &c, was discussed, but no votes passed.

Adjourned  
Manning Leonard  
Secretary.

January 3, 1876.

Present Lane, Bartwell, Rowley, Crosby Gleason and Leonard.

Voted to accept from Edwin Emery, "The perfect horse", and the Secy instructed to acknowledge the same with thanks.

Adjourned one week.

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