

Voted, that the exchange of duplicate Mass. Registers for other desirable books be left with the same Committee that have in charge the exchange of histories.

Voted: that the matter of procuring extra copies of the Southbridge Journal an account of a record of Town meetings being published in the same be referred to the Book Comm.

Voted; to refer to the Secy the matter of procuring printed notices to be put on the cover of popular books.

Voted; that the matter of purchasing Pook's Index and the following popular books; - Dr Gay by Maria Phelps, "A Modern Instance" by Howells "The Boys of '61" by E. C. Coffin and Handy Dramas by G. W. Parker be left with the Book Comm.

Meeting dissolved

C. D. Morris Secy

February 5 1883

Regular meeting of the Library Committee was held at the office of J. W. Cochran this eve.

The following were present: Messrs Leonard, Hayward, Upham, Cochran, Smith, Whitaker and Mansor.

Records of previous meeting read and approved.

Voted; that the Librarian send Catalogue and supplement to the Central Library of Swansea, Wales.

Voted; that Mr. Upham be a Committee to get information in reference to the covering of books, and report at a subsequent meeting.

Voted; that the Secy be instructed to procure a frame for the Emerson picture presented to the Library by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

Voted; that the price of Catalogue and supplement be

be reduced to 60¢ and 15¢ respectively.

Noted; that the examination of the Library be made on the forenoon of Feb'y 22^d.

Noted; that J Mc Cochran be a Committee to ascertain facts in reference to the publication of a supplementary Catalogue.

Noted to purchase a duplicate copy of "Days of '61" by C. C. Coffin.

Noted to place "Wild Flowers" in the reserve section.

By vote Miss A J Conner was elected Librarian for another year ending March 1 1884, on the same terms and conditions as the present year.

Meeting dissolved.

C D Monroe Secy

March 6, 1883

At the regular monthly meeting held this eve. at the office of J Mc Cochran, the following members of the Committee were present.

Misses Paton, Leonard, Cochran, Hayward Upham, Smith, Whitaker and Monroe.

Noted to acknowledge with thanks the gift of a Map of W. S. presented by W H Rice and a Catalogue of the Fall River Pub. Library presented by the Library.

Noted, that the Secy be a sub-committee to verify the statement of the Librarian that she has accounted for all the books that were unaccounted for on the day of examination.

Noted that Misses Hayward and Whitaker with the Secy be a Committee to examine the annual report of the Librarian.

Noted to accept and adopt the report presented by the Secy.

J M Cochran who was appointed at the previous meeting to ascertain facts in regard to the publication of a supplementary catalogue made his report (which was accepted) that the probable cost of such a publication would be \$2.50-

Rev A S Upham reported relative to the matter of covering books and by vote the report was accepted

Meeting dissolved

C D Monroe Secy

Annual Meeting

Committee for 1883-84

3 years	2 Years	1 Year
Dr L W Curtis	Manning Leonard	J M Cochran
F M Smith	Sylvanus Hayward	A S Upham
C D Monroe	Dr H Whitaker	P. W. English

The annual meeting of the Library Committee was held at J M Cochran's office Monday evening Apr 9. 1883 at 7^{3/4} o'clock

Present, Messrs Leonard, Hayward, Upham, Curtis, Smith and Monroe

Record of last meeting read and approved
Voted to proceed to the election of officers, and the following were elected by ballot
Chairman Manning Leonard, Secretary C D Monroe

A S Upham	} Book Committee
Sylvanus Hayward	
F M Smith	

Voted to elect by nomination the Executive & Finance Committees, also Committee on Library, and the following are the Committee

Manning Leonard }
J. M. Cochran } Executive Committee
C. D. Monroe }

S. W. Dugher }
L. H. Curtis } Finance Committee
E. M. Whitaker }

J. M. Cochran }
A. E. Upham } Committee on Library
C. D. Monroe }

Voted to refer the matter of subscribing for the new periodical, called the "Science" to the Book Committee, they to report at a subsequent meeting.

Voted to refer circulars 2 and 4 from Diplomatic Review London to Book Committee with power to act.

Voted to make application for a duplicate set of the books mentioned in circular No. 1 from Diplomatic Review, the first set having sunk with the steamer Glamorgan.

A Committee consisting of Manning Leonard, A. E. Upham and S. M. Lane presented the following resolutions which were adopted.

Whereas it has pleased our Heavenly Father in his all-wise Providence, to remove from this earthly life Mr. Holmes Ammidown, a native of this town, and formerly a fellow-citizen, it is deemed fitting that the Committee of the Free Public Library should give expression to their feelings and sentiments in relation to Mr. Ammidown whose decease at the age of eighty-two years, occurred on the 2^d instant at his winter home in Florida, therefore:-

Resolved that in the death of Mr. Ammidown

we deplore the loss of one who was ardently devoted to the moral and intellectual prosperity and growth of the town and who, by the erection of the building and conveying to the town, by a perpetual lease, the use of the rooms for the Library, Reading-room and Museum, and by his numerous other benefactions including more than a thousand volumes of books, many of them rare and of great value, and also over fifty sets of his Historical Collections, for use and exchange, has won for him the highest regard of the people and has in these gifts left a monument of his large hearted liberality, and of his attachment to the inhabitants of the town.

Resolved that we cherish the memory of Mr Ammidown as a man of untiring industry, indefatigable perseverance and well earned success, manifesting during his long life an ardent interest in the advancement of the town in all that is good and noble, and aiding with enthusiasm in the accomplishment of this object. And we desire to acknowledge the town's indebtedness to him in so large measure for the establishment of an institution, so important as supplementary to the general interests of education in the town, and which we trust will be of lasting benefit to the successive generations of men that are to come after us.

Resolved that the Committee, in behalf of the town, tender to the family of Mr Ammidown, in this time of bereavement, their warm sympathies and sincere condolence.

Resolved that the Sess be instructed to enter these resolutions upon our records and to forward a copy of the same to the family of Mr Ammidown.

Meeting dissolved.

C. D. Mours Sess

May 7, 1883

Regular meeting of the Library Committee held at the office of J. M. Cochran at 7-30 o'clock at which the following were present Messrs Leonard, Upham, Hayward, Cochran Smith and Monroe

Record of last meeting read and approved
Voted that the Committee on exchange of histories be the same as last year, namely Messrs Leonard, Cochran and Whitaker

Voted that the matter of rearranging books in Section 12 be referred to Committee on Library with power to act

Voted that the matter of cleaning the Library, its pictures and furniture be referred to the Committee with authority to act

Voted to refer the replacing of worn out books to the Book Committee with authority to act

Voted to adopt the list of books as presented and recommended by the Book Committee

Meeting dissolved

C. L. Monroe Secy

June 4 1883

The regular monthly meeting of the Library Committee was held this eve: 7-30 o'clock at J. M. Cochran's Office

Present, Messrs, Upham, Hayward, Cochran, Whitaker, Smith and Monroe

The Chairman being absent J. M. Cochran was chosen Pres pro tem

Voted to refer to the Committee on Library the matter of procuring screens, with authority to act

Voted that the Southbridge Journal be bound with provision for inserting the missing numbers

Voted that the exchanging of duplicate books be referred to the Committee on Exchange

Voted that the matter of writing up the Numerical Catalogue be referred to the Finance Committee they to report

Voted that the writing and preparing the manuscript for Supplementary Catalogue be referred to the Executive Committee

Meeting dissolved

C. D. Monroe Secy

July 24 1883

A special meeting of the Library Committee was held this eve. at the Office of J. M. Cochran

Present Messrs Leonard, Cochran, Hayward Upham Whitaker and Monroe

The Committee appointed at the previous meeting to procure screens made their report and the same was accepted

The Committee on Numerical Catalogue made report which was accepted

Voted that the matter writing up the Numerical catalogue be referred to J. M. Cochran

Voted that we accept the London Punch of Spencer and Soule and comply with the requirements of their circular

Voted that we accept the books offered the Library by the New Eng. Tract Society

Voted that we pay the Librarian \$65- for preparing and writing the manuscript of the supplementary Catalogue

Voted to refer to the Book Comm. the matter
of subscribing for the American Historical Mag-
azine

Voted to bulletin the books recently purchased

Voted to purchase one copy of History of Southbridge
by Moses Plimpton

Voted to authorize the Librarian to purchase back
numbers of the Southbridge Journal

Voted to accept with thanks the book presented
by Joel Cheney

Meeting dissolved

C. D. Monroe

Secy

Oct 9 1883

A special meeting of the Committee was held
this evening at Mrs Cochran's office.

All present except D. W. Fugler

Record of last meeting was read and approved

Voted that the matter of arranging for the printing
of the Supplementary catalogue be given into the hands
of the Executive Committee

Voted, that a special Committee of three be appoint-
ed by the chair to examine the manuscript of the
Supplementary Catalogue and the following were ap-
pointed, S. Hayward, E. W. Whitaker and F. W. Smith

Voted to accept with thanks the books presented
by Mrs F. W. Cochran

Voted that Mr Whitaker be a committee to take
under consideration the matter of procuring a stamp
for the Librarian's use, and purchase the same
if he deems best

Meeting dissolved

C. D. Monroe

Secy

Nov 5 1883

Present Messrs Leonard, Cochran, Hayward
Curtis, Smith and Monroe

Records of last meeting read and approved
A letter of resignation from A. L. Upham was
read & by vote accepted

J M Cochran presented resolutions relative to
the above resignation, which were adopted by
the Committee They are as follows:

Whereas the Rev A. L. Upham has resigned his
membership in the Library Committee and is
about leaving town; It is resolved by
the Library Committee; That in the removal of
Rev A. L. Upham the Church to which he has
preached loses a faithful pastor, the town a
valuable citizen, and the Library Committee an
active earnest and zealous member, one ever
ready to devote his time and voice toward
promoting the best interests of the Library and
carrying on the cause of education, as repre-
sented in the Library work of our town

Resolved. That these resolutions be placed
on the records of the Committee and a copy
sent to Rev A. L. Upham

Noted to proceed to the election of a member
to fill vacancy, and the result was the
unanimous election of Rev Jos Danielson

Noted that J M Cochran be appointed to
fill vacancy on Book Committee

Meeting dissolved

C D Monroe

Secy

Dec 3 1883

Present at the meeting this evening Messrs Leonard, Curtis, Cochran, Danielson, Smith and Monro

Record of last meeting read and approved
Voted to subscribe for an extra copy of the Southbridge Journal

Voted that the Society be authorized to renew our subscription to the newspapers and periodicals now taken

Meeting dissolved

C D Monro

Sing

February 14 1884

Present Messrs Leonard, Hayward, Curtis, Cochran, Smith and Monro

Record of previous meeting read and approved
Voted that the price of supplementary catalogue be left with the Finance Committee

Voted that we accept with thanks the life of Swedenborg

Voted to accept with thanks the wooden shoes presented by Mrs H A Green of Grundy Centre Ia

Voted that we subscribe for "Our Continent"

Voted to examine the Library on February 22^d and that the same be closed for two days viz: Feb'y 21st and 22^d

Voted to accept with thanks the book presented by Mr Davis

Voted that Mr Leonard be requested to assist in preparing the annual report

Voted to adjourn to Feb'y 22^d at 9 a.m.
C D Monro Sing