

Whereas Dea Samuel M Lane was one of the most active and influential men engaged in promoting the organization and establishment of the Public Library, and gave both of his time and influence towards the accomplishment of that object - And served upon the Library Committee for nine years (being Chairman all that time) until failing health compelled him to cease from further service and has since that time been connected with the Committee as an honorary member.

It is therefore resolved, that in the death of Dea S. M. Lane the Library loses one of ~~the~~^{its} most active and zealous friends.

That we as a Committee desire to unite with the general public in recording our tribute to his great services in its behalf, as also to his upright - faithful and God-fearing life in our midst.

That these resolutions be spread upon the records of the Committee.

The meeting then dissolved.

C. C. Bradford
Secy

Regular Meeting Jan 3. 1887

The regular monthly meeting of the Lib Com was held this evening in the office of J. M. Cushman at 7.30. Present Messrs Lowell, Jagger, & Begin, Cushman. & Bradford.

Voted to buy a mat for the use of the Library.

Voted to accept with thanks the portrait of

Dr Samuel Houtwell presented by his family

Voted to accept the list of books as presented by the book com.

Voted to refer the matter of the Globe Village picture to the next meeting.

The meeting then dissolved.

C. C. Bradford Secy

— Regular Meeting —
Feb 7 1887

The regular meeting of the Lib Leom was held this evening at the office of J. M. Cochran at 7-30. The meeting was called to order by the chairman and the records of the previous meeting read and approved. The following business was then transacted:
Voted To accept with thanks a copy of the Mass Poughman presented by the publishers.

Voted To allow Clarence Winter to take from the Lib the picture of Longfellow for use on the 27th

Voted To buy another copy of Sweet Cicely

Voted To accept with thanks the relics of Gellysburg and Mt Vernon presented by C. A. Paige

Voted To refer the matter of repairing the Globe Village picture to Book Leom.

The meeting then dissolved.
(Present Messrs Regis Jagger Lucell
Cochran Wilson & Bradford)

C. C. Bradford
Secy

Regular Meeting
March 7 1887

The regular monthly meeting of the Lib Leom was held this evening in the office of J. M. Cochran at 7-30. Present Messrs Lucell, Wells, Jagger Cochran & Bradford. The meeting was called to order by the chairman and the minutes of the last meeting read and approved. The reports of the Secretary and Librarian were then read and approved. The following business was then transacted:

Voted to accept with thanks the scrap-book presented by Mrs L. M. Litchfield

Voted unanimously that the Librarian be paid \$850 the ensuing year the same to cover salary, pay of all assistants, janitor, and to cover preparing the card and numerical catalogue, and preparing a catalogue of all new books purchased during

the ensuing year ready for publication, and all labor connected with the Library.

Voted that we recommend an appropriation of \$1500 and the Dog fund for 1886 & defray the expenses for the ensuing year.

The meeting then dissolved

C. C. T. Bradford
Secy

April 11. 1887.
Annual Meeting

The Annual meeting of the Lib Leon was held in the office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7.30 P.m. Present: Messrs F. E. Corbin, G. M. Louell, J. M. Cochran, Jas Jagger, Clement Begin and C. C. T. Bradford

Committee for 1887-8

3 years	2 years	1 year
J. M. Cochran	Wm H Wilson	Clement Begin
G. M. Louell	Jas Jagger	G. M. Whitaker
L. Wesley Leavitt	C. C. T. Bradford	F. E. Corbin

The meeting was called to order by J. M. Cochran and they proceeded to elect by ballot - a Chairman, Secretary, and Book Committee resulting as follows Chairman J. M. Cochran Secy C. C. T. Bradford

J. M. Cochran
G. M. Louell
F. E. Corbin } Book Committee

Clement Begin
Jas Jagger
C. C. T. Bradford } Executive Com.

L. M. Lowell
 Jas Jagger
 Clement Begun

Finance Com.

J. M. Cochran
 L. W. Leitch
 W. H. Wilson

Library Com.

Valid To refer matter of change of Annandown History of Town to the Book Committee.

Valid To increase the insurance on Library \$10.000

The meeting then dissolved.

C. C. Bradford Secy

May 2 1887

The regular meeting of the Lib Com. was held in office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7:30 Present Messrs Whitaker, Jagger, Lowell, Leitch, Cochran & Bradford. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A list of Books was presented by the Book Com. and accepted.

Valid To add Salomons to list of books.

Valid To replace a list of worn out books reported by Librarian.

Valid To purchase list of French books presented by Mr Begun.

Valid To purchase two fine volumes of Longfellow.

Valid To exchange Annandown Hist. for Geography and Hist. notes of Plimpton family.

Valid To refer matter of painting blinds in reading room, and purchasing chairs for gallery & Lib. Com. with power to act.

The meeting then dissolved.

C. C. Bradford Secy

June 6 1887

The regular meeting of the Lib Comm was held in the office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7.30.

Present: Messrs Whitaker Jagger & Lowell Brigham & T. Bradford.

Voted To give work of repairing Exeter village picture & Willard to be done within a month for the sum of twenty dollars.

Voted To buy Hist of Milford.

Voted To return a note of thanks to Mr Edmund H. Amundson for his gift of books to the Library.

Voted That the secretary be empowered to act in matter of providing shelf room for London News.

Voted To put the London News presented by Mr Amundson in reserved section.

The meeting then dissolved.

L. L. Bradford
Secy

Sept 5 1887

The regular meeting of the Lib Comm was held in the office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7.30. Present: Messrs Lowell Brigham Jagger Cochran. Levens & T. Bradford.

Voted To accept the list of books presented by the book committee.

Voted To have the portraits in the Reading Room marked with their appropriate names.

Voted To leave the matter of Brookfield & Canton History to book comm. with full power to act.

Voted That the committee of Library investigate the matter of lighting the Library by electric light and report at next meeting.

The meeting then dissolved.

L. L. Bradford
Secy

Special Meeting -

Sept 15th 1887

A special meeting of the Lib. Committee was held in the office of J. M. Cochrane this evening at 7-30
Present: Corbin Lowell Jagger Wilson Cochrane
& Bradford

Whereas Mary Myratt by her will, duly proved, devised to the Southbridge Free Public Library as follows

"To the Southbridge Free Public Library the sum of one thousand dollars to be known as the "Mary Myratt fund" for perpetual use of the annual income only for purchase of reading matter as follows:

1st The leading Reviews of the Methodist-Episcopal church and the leading religious newspapers of that denomination for the reading room of said Library. The balance of said income to be used for the purchase of books of a good moral tendency and religious books of Protestant character. To be annually expended under the direction of the Library Committee"

It is the intent and design of my gift in aid of the Public Library, as hereinbefore stated, that it shall be in addition to the sum the said town of Southbridge is now obligated to appropriate annually for providing books and reading matter for said Library and Reading room.

At a special meeting of the Library Committee held at the office of J. M. Cochrane Thursday Sept-15th it was voted

1. That the Library Committee accept the legacy of Mary Myratt late of said Southbridge deceased, subject to the conditions set forth in said will, but to be used in such a manner as not to conflict with the provisions of H. H. Ammerown's gift of said Library to the town.

2

That we establish the Mary Mynott fund as requested in said will and deposit said Mary Mynott fund in the Southbridge Savings Bank under the following style: "The Town of Southbridge for Public Library 'Mary Mynott fund'" the income thereof to be paid to the Town Treasurer and to pay the same to the Library Committee on order drawn by the Secretary of said Committee and approved by the Chairman thereof.

Voted To accept with thanks the gift of books from estate of Haniel Sumner.

Voted To authorize the Librarian to make the exchanges of reviews (duplicate copies) asked for on her list furnished to the Committee.

The meeting then dissolved.

C. C. Bradford Secy

Oct - 3^d 1887

A regular meeting of the Lib Committee was held in the office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7-30 o'clock.

Present: Lowell, Leobin Jagger Curtis Whitaker Cochran.

Voted That the privilege of buying the extra volumes received with the last quota of books be left with the Book Com with full power to act.

Voted To buy the four volumes to complete the set of Defoe's works.

Voted That the question of paying Mr. Toward bill for restoring pictures of Globe Village be left to Finance Com with power to act.

Voted The matter of lighting library by electricity be indefinitely postponed.

The meeting then dissolved.

C. C. Bradford Secy

Nov - 1887
No Quorum

Dec - 1887

No Quorum

Jan 2^d 1888

A regular meeting of the Library Committee was held at the office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7.30 Present Messrs Curtis & Bevin Leventis Jagger Lowell Cochran & Bradford

Voted To purchase the first vol of Engle's Illustrated Magazine.

Voted - To take the Swiss Cross

Voted To subscribe for the Methodist Review and Christian Advocate (from Mary Mynst fund)

Voted To buy Poole's index

Voted To remove from the Library two volumes of De Foe's Works nos 1. 1519 - 1. 1520 (presented & Trull)

Le. Bradford Secy

Feb 6 1888

A regular meeting of the Library Committee was held in office of J. M. Cochran this evening at 7.30 Present Messrs Jagger, Curtis, Lowell Cochran & Bradford

Voted To close the Library Feb 22 & 23 for inspection
There being no further business the meeting
then dissolved

Le. Bradford Secy