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## P R E F A C E

In the preparation of this thesis the compiler has placed a liberal construction on the term "public libraries" and has made it include all collections of books of more than 1000 volumes that are open to the public either for circulation or for reference, even though the use be for a limited public as for example, students of a particular school.

As there could be found in no one place a complete list of the libraries of Cincinnati, a few of the less important may have escaped mention in this paper, but all available sources of such information were consulted.

Material was obtained for the most part from answers to the type-written questions, a copy of which, such as is here appended, was sent with a personal letter to the librarians of the different libraries and institutions. Sometimes the questions were misconstrued and wrong or inadequate information given consequently, which often could be straightened out from the compiler's personal knowledge of the library in question. Other times such information had to be set forth as it appeared in the answers received, because repeated requests to the

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librarian did not elucidate the point in question. In a very few cases repeated requests for information were wholly ignored and it had to be supplied second hand. These libraries will be found starred to indicate that such was the case.

The accompanying maps are intended to show the geographical position of the libraries, branches and delivery stations throughout the city and county. The smaller map, taken from the report of the Cincinnati Public library for 1902, is concerned merely with the location of the branch libraries, delivery stations and traveling libraries of the Public library of Cincinnati in Hamilton County. Some townships apparently have more than their share of traveling libraries but it seems to be the policy of the library to place them as there is a demand for them, eight new ones having been sent out in the past two years.

The larger map is intended to show the location of the libraries within the limits of the city proper. The sections blocked off and numbered, indicate the city wards. Many libraries lie clustered in the sixth and ninth wards, fewer in the seventeenth and tenth while some wards have but one library, or none at all. It seems but natural that the majority of the public depositories of books should be located in the heart of the business part of the city, so convenient of access to the readers. The more widely scattered libraries are those connected with educational institutions. The immense intervening spaces are inadequately supplied from the delivery stations of the Cincinnati Public library, the four existing branches



being outside the city limits.

Cincinnati's greatest need in the library field is branch libraries such as exist in other large cities. To quote from the report (1901) of the librarian of the Cincinnati Public library, "The Public library of Cincinnati should have six branch libraries of from ten to fifteen thousand volumes each; one in Walnut Hills, one in Corryville, one in Brighton, one in or near Cumminsville, one on Price Hill and one at the East End. Walnut Hills is today a city of forty-five thousand people practically without a public library and much the same is true of the other localities mentioned."

While Mr. Carnegie has offered the gift for the establishment of such branches, as yet no way has been found by which the gift can be accepted in accordance with Mr. Carnegie's conditions. "Soon after Mr. Carnegie's gift was announced last spring (1902) the legislature of Ohio passed a bill authorizing the trustees of the library to issue bonds to the amount of \$180,000, the money to be used for the purchase of sites for and the equipment of the Carnegie branches. The Carnegie bond bill passed through the lower courts with favorable decisions but has now been declared invalid by the Supreme Court."<sup>a</sup> However the Trustees have not given up hope of finding some way out of the difficulty.

There are in all thirty-eight libraries in Cincinnati, collections of over one thousand volumes which are open

a.- Library journal, January 1903, 28:32

to the use of the public. Of these, there is one public library, four subscription libraries, thirteen libraries connected with educational institutions other than colleges, five libraries connected with Catholic institutions of learning, two college libraries, three law libraries, one special medical library, one art library, two theological libraries, and six libraries devoted especially to science, natural and applied, of which one, the Lloyd library is private. These libraries contain altogether 495,620 volumes.

As a matter of interest it may be noted that exclusive of the legal and medical collections Cincinnati has in her libraries 432,630 volumes for the use of her people. As the population according to the latest census is 325,902 this is 1.32 book for each inhabitant. So the question for Cincinnati is rather better facilities for reaching the people than more books for the people.

1. Is library free or subscription. If subscription what is the price?
2. Reference, or circulating, or both?
3. Supported by taxation, or corporation?
4. Approximate amount spent annually for books?
5. Approximate No. of annual accessions.  
Books. Pamphlets.
6. How many periodicals subscribed to annually?
7. What classes of periodicals?  
General.  
Scientific.  
Literary.

Regulations of the library as to hours open, loan of books, special privileges, etc.

In what departments is the library particularly strong?  
Approximate No. of Vols. in these classes?

How many books in the entire library?

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How great a library force to do the work?

What forms of catalogue is used?

Card      Dictionary arrangement.  
            [Subject           "

Printed or manuscript book form.

Have you printed finding lists, which may be used outside of the library?



14. What form of classification or arrangement of books on the shelves?

Will the library undertake to be a ~~MM~~ Bureau of information?  
What price is charged for such information?

15. Where is the library located in the City? How much space does it occupy?

Please send any recent annual reports or other printed matter concerning the library, which would supplement the above information.

1 ACADEMY OF SACRED HEART LIBRARY, Clifton, Cincinnati.

Madame F. Elder, in charge.

History. - Founded 1873; subscription library; supported by membership fees of \$1.00 & donations.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges extended only to the Sisters in the academy & their pupils.

Resources. - 2500 vols; annual subscription to 16 periodicals.

Classification & catalog. - Books grouped according to broad subjects.

Card catalog, dictionary arrangement & also a manuscript book-list.

2 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE, Van

Wormer Library Bld'g. Burnet Woods, Cincinnati.

Mrs. H. E. Hodge, Librarian.

History. - Collection now cared for by Cincinnati

University library; books, pamphlets and periodicals received by gift or exchange.

Regulations. - Reference library; privileges free; open daily except Sunday 8 A. M. - 5 P. M: will be a bureau of information free of charge.

Resources. - About 5000 vols. & 10,000 pamphlets; annual accessions approximately 1000 vols., 4000 pamphlets.

Strength. - Sciences.

Classification & catalog. - Books arranged alphabetically.  
No catalog.

ART MUSEUM LIBRARY,      see Cincinnati Museum Association  
Library.

3 BARTHOLOMEW - CLIFTON SCHOOL LIBRARY,      Resor Ave. Clifton,  
Cincinnati.      G. K. Bartholomew, Regent.

Regulations. - Reference library; free to students of the school & occasional visitors; open during school hours.

Resources. - About 2000 vols.      annual accessions 50 - 100 vols; 10 periodicals subscribed for, classed as follows, general 2, scientific 1, & literary 7.

Strength. - Art history, standard English literature, English & U. S. history.

Classification & catalog. - Grouped on shelves according to large general classes.

Card catalog, dictionary arrangement.

BARTHOLOMEW ENGLISH & CLASSICAL SCHOOL LIBRARY,      see  
Bartholomew - Clifton School Library.

4 -BOOKLOVERS LIBRARY, 707 Elm St, James W. Ginnis, Manager.

History. - Cincinnati center established March 1901;  
subscription library; delivers & collects books at  
members' residences.

Regulations. - Open 8 A. M. to 6 P. M.; circulating  
privileges obtained by addressing Seymour Eaton,  
Librarian, 1323 Walnut St, Philadelphia; members  
anywhere are members everywhere.

Resources. - Exclusively a library of new books; carries  
all of the best new books & has them immediately upon  
publication; library buys to meet demand, no matter  
how many copies may be needed; over 10,000,000  
books now in circulation through the 53 centers  
located in the principal cities of the U. S.

5 BUTLER'S (MISS) SCHOOL LIBRARY, 724 Oak St. Walnut Hills,  
Cincinnati. Miss Sarah Butler, Principal.

History. - School library; supported by school.

Regulations. - Reference only; free to members of School.

Resources. - 1000 vols.

6 CINCINNATI CENTRAL TURNGEMEINDE LIBRARY, 1409 Walnut St..

James Schleicher, Director.

History. - Founded 1854; association library \$20 expended yearly, chiefly for periodicals.

Regulations. - Both reference & circulating; privileges enjoyed only by members; open 8 - 10 P. M.; books may be kept two weeks.

Resources. - 3200 vols; few accessions, mostly donations; few subscriptions to periodicals.

Strength. - German fiction; physical culture.

Classification & catalog. - Books arranged according to a very broad classification.

Printed finding list of subjects, not up to date.

Library staff. - Librarian who gives only the evening hours.

CINCINNATI COLLEGE, LAW LIBRARY OF, see Law Library of Cincinnati College.

7 CINCINNATI HOSPITAL LIBRARY, COR. 12th & Central Ave.

P. S. Conner, M. D. Custodian.

History. - Founded 1874; medical library; supported from clinic fees from medical students; income for 1902, \$1000.

Regulations. - Reference; privileges free to physicians & medical students; open daily except Sundays 7 A. M. - 12 M. 2 - 5 P. M. & on 4 days in the week also open 6 - 10 P. M.

Resources. - 17,000 vols; annual accessions 500 to 600 vols. & 300 pamphlets; 159 periodicals, (medical) subscribed to, annually.

Classification & catalog. - Books arranged according to general medical divisions.

Card catalog arranged in two alphabets, (1) authors, (2) subjects.

8 CINCINNATI HOUSE OF REFUGE LIBRARY, Colerain Ave, James Allison, Superintendent.

History. - Founded 1852; reform library; supported by taxation income about \$150 annually.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges enjoyed only by officers, teachers & inmates of the institution.

Resources. - 2000 vols; about 200 vols. annual accessions; 12 periodicals subscribed to annually, general 5, scientific 2, literary 5.



Classification & catalog. - Books numbered consecutively in the order received & arranged thus on the shelves. Printed finding lists.

9 CINCINNATI LAW LIBRARY, Court & Main St. Edwin Gholson, Custodian.

History. - Founded 1847; subscription library; to become a member, one must own a share of stock, par value \$100, annual dues \$15; approximate amount spent annually for books, \$4000.

Regulations. - Reference; privileges free to county officers, judges & visiting attorneys; others may obtain privileges by becoming members; open 8.30 A. M. - 5 P. M.

Resources. - 30,000 vols; annual accessions approximately 1000 vols., 100 pamphlets; 20 legal periodicals subscribed to.

Classification & catalog. - Open shelves, text books arranged alphabetically by authors; reports & session laws by states.

Card catalog to subjects.

Library staff. - Four.

10 CINCINNATI MUSEUM ASSOCIATION LIBRARY, Art Museum Eden Park, Cincinnati, J. H. Gest, Ass't director.

History. - Founded 1881; association library; \$400 spent annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference; privileges free to students & visitors to the Museum; open 9 A. M. - dusk.

Resources. - 2300 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 100 vols. & 250 pamphlets; annual subscription to 12 periodicals on subjects of art & anthropology.

Strength. - Art.

Classification & catalog. - Card catalog in preparation.

Library staff. - One, assisted by Museum force.

# 11 CINCINNATI OBSERVATORY LIBRARY, Mt. Lookout, Cincinnati.

J. G. Porter, Director.

History. - Founded 1843; scientific library; supported by taxation; about \$50 spent annually for books; more accessions received as exchanges for publications of the Observatory.

Regulations. - Reference; privileges free; open 10 A. M. - 4 P. M.

Resources. - 3500 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 100 vols. & 25 pamphlets; annual subscription to 3 scientific periodicals.

Strength. - Astronomical works; proceedings of learned societies.

Classification & catalog. - Manuscript catalog in book form.

Library staff. - One, who does not give his entire time.

## 12 CINCINNATI PUBLIC LIBRARY, Main building & executive

offices, Vine St between Sixth & Seventh St. N. D. C.

Hodges, Librarian. 4 branches as follows.

Wyoming library opened as a branch Sept. 1900.

Harrison	"	"	"	"	"	Nov.	1900
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Madisonville	"	"	"	"	"	Dec.	1900
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41 delivery stations, 12 traveling libraries, 36 traveling libraries among fire engine companies of the city, 15 home libraries.

History. - Founded 1853; supported by taxation; in the early '70s Theological & Religious library was deposited with an endowment of nearly \$30,000; Mussey Medical & Scientific library deposited about the same time but there is no endowment to provide for growth; endowments amounting to \$17,300 in addition to \$30,000 for the Theological library; about \$20,000 spent annually for books.

Historical notices. - Public libraries in U.S. 1876

Sketches of Ohio libraries, comp. by C. B. Galbreath.  
1900, p 96 - 104.

Regulations.- Reference & circulating; privileges free to all residents of Hamilton County; library shall be open from 8 A. M. to 9.30 P. M. on all secular days, on Sundays for reference only between the same hours; branch libraries, reading rooms & delivery stations shall be open such hours as the Board shall direct.

Resources. - 235,014 vols. & 41,855 pamphlets (including those in branches); accessions for 1901, 19,000 vols. & 6000 pamphlets less 11,000 vols worn out & condemned; annually subscribes to 630 periodicals in the following classes: general 173, scientific 153, literary 156, newspapers 148.

Strength. - Genealogy, science, American history, medicine, periodical literature, theology, patents & fine arts.

Classification. - Library is being reclassified according to the Dewey Decimal classification.

Catalog. - A dictionary catalog is in preparation & already covers books added since Jan. 1, 1899 as well as some of the older books.

New English fiction finding list issued 1902;

German fiction finding list is in preparation;

weekly broadsides of books added are issued & from these monthly leaflets are made up, quarterly bulletins & finally annual list; 2 annual lists have been published, one for 1900 & one for 1901.

Reference department. - There are now 5000 vols. on open shelves for reference use; at the reference desk are filed in manila covers over 100 bibliographies & reading lists, primarily prepared for picture bulletins & exhibitions; reading lists on art & music are filed in the art room, these lists have been catalogued & the cards filed in the dictionary catalog.

Special attention is given to work with women's clubs, reference lists being made for all programs sent in to the library.

Art department. - All circulating books on the fine arts & music are in the special art rooms; these volumes are placed on open shelves. Displays are made in the exhibition room on the first floor, of rare books, manuscripts, portraits & pictures, selection for the most part being from books in the art reference collection. This calls attention to the art resources of the library.

U. S. & foreign patents are on open shelves in these rooms & freely used.







Work with the blind. - There is a society called the Cincinnati society for the blind which has an executive board of 5 members, the librarian of the Public library being president of the board; private subscriptions amounted to \$1,200; books cared for by library, but the readers & workers are volunteers from the outside.

Library force. - Eighty & thirty to forty volunteers for the home libraries & work among the blind.

13 CINCINNATI SOCIETY OF NATURAL HISTORY LIBRARY, 312 Broadway. J. M. Nickles, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1870; scientific library supported by a private corporation; accessions chiefly exchanges for the Journal published by the Society.

Regulations. - Reference with restricted circulation also; library is for use of members but privileges are extended to others; open 9 A. M. - 4 P. M. except Sundays & legal holidays.

Resources. - 5000 vols. restricted to literature on natural history subjects; about 300 exchanges received, some monthly, some quarterly, some annual; U. S. government publications dealing with natural science received regularly.

Classification & catalog. - Library roughly classified,  
arranged according to Dewey Decimal classification.  
No catalog of any kind.

Library staff. - Only the librarian who gives to it  
the little time that can be spared from much other  
work.

CINCINNATI UNIVERSITY LIBRARY, see University of  
Cincinnati Library.

14 CUVIER CLUB LIBRARY, 34 Opera place. Charles Drury,  
Custodian.

History. - Founded 1871; club members donate the books.

Regulations. - Reference; privileges free; for use of  
members, may be consulted by others on request.

Resources. - 1200 vols; annual subscription to 4  
periodicals.

Strength. - Natural sciences; shooting & fishing.

Classification & catalog. - No systematic arrangement  
of books.

Library not cataloged.

Library staff. - None.

15 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE LIBRARY, Lane Seminary Grounds.

Victor Schmidt, Secretary.

History. - School library; supported by school.

Regulations. - Reference; privilege free to students of the school.

Resources. - 1000 vols. chiefly text books & books for collateral reading in connection with school work.

ELY SCHOOL LIBRARY, see Bartholomew - Clifton School Library.

16 HEBREW UNION COLLEGE LIBRARY, 724 W. Sixth St.

\_\_\_\_\_ Librarian.

History. - Founded 1875; supported by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations & donations; about \$500 expended annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference; privileges free only to professors & students; open from morning until night.

Resources. - 15,000 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 300 vols; annual subscription to 10 periodicals, theological & philological.

Strength. - In the Semitic & theological department 6000 vols.

Classification & catalog. - Books arranged according to subject matter.

Cards & written catalog arranged according to authors & subject matter.

Library staff. - Librarian & one assistant.

- 17 HISTORICAL AND PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY OF OHIO LIBRARY, Van  
 Wormer Library building. Burnet Woods, Cincinnati.  
 Catherine W. Lord, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1831; subscription library; supported by corporation; co-operates with University of Cincinnati library.

Regulations. - Reference use free to all; restricted circulation to members; annual membership dues \$10; open 9 A. M. - 1 P. M.

Resources. - 17,000 vols. & 64,000 pamphlets.

Strength. - American history; also most systematic collection of pamphlets in the city.

Classification & catalog. - Library force of University of Cincinnati are now classifying & cataloging the library to correspond with their own, kept in the same building; there are printed finding lists of one special library & one collection of manuscripts.

Library staff. - One, assisted by members of the University library staff.

HOUSE OF REFUGE LIBRARY, see Cincinnati House of Refuge Library.

18 HUGHES HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY, Fifth & Mound St. E. W. Coy, Principal.

History. - Founded 1852; supported by the profit made in furnishing text-books to students; for the first time, for the year 1901-'02, High School Board appropriated \$300 for the library; usual amount spent for books, about \$150.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges free to pupils & teachers of the school; open during school hours; pupils may keep books one week, teachers may keep books through one term.

Resources. - 3000 vols; approximate no. of annual accessions 60 to 70 vols; annual subscription to 3 periodicals, 2 general, 1 professional.

Strength. - History & literature about 760 vols. in each class.

Classification & catalog. - Books grouped by subject in 12 cases lettered A. B. C. & shelves lettered A. B. C. Type written catalog in book form.

Library staff. - Two, who however do not devote their entire time to the library.



19 LANE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY LIBRARY, Lane Seminary Grounds,  
Walnut Hills, Cincinnati. Henry G. Smith, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1829; theological library; supported  
by corporation; approximate amount spent annually  
for books \$1000.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges free;  
open daily except Sunday 1 - 4 P. M; 5 books may be  
drawn by a person & may be kept 4 weeks.

Resources. - 19,300 vols; approximate number of annual  
accessions 400 - 500 vols, 150 pamphlets; annual  
subscription to 25 periodicals, 10 general , 5  
literary, others theological, etc.

Strength. - Collected works of divines of 17th, 18th &  
19th centuries.

Classification & catalog. - Books grouped according to  
broad subjects in lettered alcoves.

Dictionary card catalog.

Library staff. - Two, a cataloger and a loan desk  
assistant.

20 LAW LIBRARY OF THE CINCINNATI COLLEGE, Ninth St. between  
Vine & Race St., Charles A. Groom, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1833; law library; supported by an  
endowment fund held in the name of the Trustees of



the Cincinnati College; \$1500 spent annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference exclusively; for the use of students of the institution only who pay no fees for the privilege; open from 8 A. M. to 10 P. M.

Resources. - 6500 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 400 - 500 vols; 10 legal publications taken.

Strength. - Law

Classification & catalog. - Arranged as to state reports & text-books in alphabetical order.  
Card catalog in 2 alphabets, author & subject.

Library staff. - Librarian & two assistants.

21 LINWOOD SCHOOL LIBRARY, Linwood, Cincinnati, O. \_\_\_\_\_

Librarian.

History. - Founded 1890; much enlarged by the gift of the town library in 1896; small support from Board of Education.

Regulations. - Reference, circulating only to members of the school to whom the privilege is free; open during school hours; books may be retained two weeks.

Resources. - 1500 vols.

Classification & catalog. - Almost no arrangement of books on shelves.

Manuscript catalog in book form.

Library staff. - None. Teachers give some time to the care of the library.

22 LLOYD LIBRARY & MUSEUM, 224 W. Court St. John Uri Lloyd, President.

History. - Private library owned by Messrs. Curtis G. & John Uri Lloyd; this library is incorporated, is free to the public, & is pledged to be donated intact to science.

Regulations. - Reference; books only allowed to be taken from the building by special permission; however all questions either in person or by mail are gladly answered, no charge being made even when extracts are copied from valuable reference books for the inquirer; library open at all hours upon request; there are no rules concerning same.

Resources. - 15 to 20,000 vols. & pamphlets; subscription to many periodicals treating of botany & pharmacy.

Strength. - Botany, pharmacy, materia medica & the fungi museum.

Classification & catalog. - Catalog is a combination of the card & loose ledger system & is a general author catalog of the literature of the special subjects to which this library is devoted; entries having been made in the ledger the cards are shifted into subject arrangement.

Library staff. - Librarian, owners & necessary clerical help as required.

23 ★ LUPTON'S (MRS.) SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, LIBRARY, 2643 Bellevue Ave. Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, Mrs. Katherine M. Lupton, Principal.

History. - Founded 1881; school library.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges free to pupils of the school.

Resources. - 3000 vols.

MECHANICS INSTITUTE LIBRARY, see Ohio Mechanics Institute Library.

24 ★ H. THANE MILLER SCHOOL FOR GIRLS, LIBRARY. Lenox Place, Avondale, Cincinnati, Mrs. H. Thane Miller, Principal.

★ Information taken from U. S. - Education, Bureau of, Report for 1900. Letters of inquiry unanswered.

History. - Founded 1856; school library.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; free to pupils  
of the school.

Resources. - 2000 vols.

MT. LOOKOUT OBSERVATORY LIBRARY, see Cincinnati Observatory  
Library.

MUSSEY MEDICAL & SCIENTIFIC LIBRARY, see Cincinnati  
Public Library.

NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY LIBRARY, see Cincinnati Society of  
Natural History Library.

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25 NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH LIBRARY.

History. - Founded 1817; church library.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges free.

Resources. - 2238 vols.

OBSERVATORY LIBRARY, see Cincinnati Observatory Library.

OHIO, HISTORICAL & PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY LIBRARY, see  
Historical & Philosophical Society of Ohio Library.

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Information taken from U. S. - Education, Bureau of Report  
for 1900, as the 2 letters of inquiry, were not answered.

26 OHIO MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE LIBRARY, S. W. Cor. Sixth & Vine St., Mary L. Harkness, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1828; scientific library; supported by corporation; between \$400 & \$500 spent annually for books & periodicals, this sum being derived from the sale of instruments & text-books to the students; when the principal of the fund known as the Day Will Trust reaches \$30,000 then the interest of that sum may be used to buy books for the library.

Historical notice. - Public libraries in U. S. 1876 p 901 - 02.

Regulations. - Reference privileges free to all; only Life members who have paid \$30 & Contributing members who pay an annual fee of \$3 can take out books for home use; open from 8 A.M. to 9 P. M.

Resources. - 5000 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 75 vols. & 100 pamphlets; subscription to 37 periodicals in the following classes, general 9, scientific 5, applied arts 21, local newspapers 2.

Strength. - Mechanics & applied arts; about 4000 vols.

Classification & catalog. - Dewey Decimal classification except for U. S. gov't publications.

Book containing an alphabetic author list of books, written as they come in; similar manuscript subject



list arranged by authors.

Library staff. - One, who must give much of her time to other duties in the school.

27 OHIO MILITARY INSTITUTE LIBRARY, College Hill, Cincinnati.

John N. Ely, D. D. Director.

History. - Founded 1890; supported by the school; about \$200 spent annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; for the use of the students of the school to whom the privilege is free; books secured by application to librarian at any time.

Resources. - 1200 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 150 vols; annual subscription to 20 magazines, 10 general, 2 scientific & 8 literary, & to 2 newspapers.

Strength. - History, general literature & boys' books of the best class.

Classification & catalog. - Books grouped according to departments.

Librarian's catalog only.

Library staff. - One librarian.

PUBLIC LIBRARY, see Cincinnati Public Library.



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28 READERS LIBRARY, Fourth St. near Elm St.

History. - Established 1902; subscription library.

Regulations. - Any person may draw books upon the payment of 2 cents per day for each volume taken out; open 9 A. M. - 5 P. M.

Resources. - Exclusively a library of popular & new fiction; any number of copies are bought to meet the demand of the patrons.

SACRED HEART ACADEMY LIBRARY, see Academy of Sacred Heart Library.

29 ST FRANCIS CHURCH SODALITY LIBRARY, 1615 Vine St., Rev. Hubert Kalt, O. F. G. Ass't Pastor.

History. - Subscription library; supported by Society members; fee of 5 cents per month asked.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; open 3 days per week from 7:30 - 8:30 P. M. & Sunday afternoons.

Resources. - 1500 vols; annual subscription to 4 periodicals.

Strength. - German fiction.

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Repeated calls for information were not responded to.

Classification & catalog. - Books arranged strictly in accession order.

Printed finding list with supplements.

Library staff. - Three librarians.

- 30 ST JOSEPH'S COLLEGE LIBRARY, Eighth St. between John St & Central Ave., Rev. J. M. Scherer, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1873.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges free; library open to students only.

Resources. - 1200 vols; annual subscription to 6 periodicals, 3 general, 1 scientific & 2 literary.

Strength. - Theological works.

Classification & catalog. - Manuscript catalog in book form.

Library staff. - One.

- ST XAVIER'S COLLEGE, STUDENTS' LIBRARY OF, see Students' Library of St Xavier College.

- 31 ST XAVIER COLLEGE LIBRARY, Seventh & Sycamore St, John N. Poland, Librarian.

History. - Founded 1842; supported by corporation &

donations of friends of the institution.

Regulations. - Reference for general public circulating too for persons connected with the college; privileges free; open at all hours of the day.

Resources. - 18,000 vols; approximate number of annual accessions 300 vols. & 1000 pamphlets, selected & bound; annual subscription to 30 periodicals, mostly technical, many other periodicals received as gifts.

Strength. - Theology, philosophy, history, science & bound periodicals.

Classification & catalog. - Books grouped on shelves by subject for the convenience of the readers who have free access to shelves.

Card catalog arranged in two alphabets, 1 dictionary arrangement, 2 subject arrangement.

Library staff. - Four.

32 STUDENTS' LIBRARY OF ST XAVIER COLLEGE, Seventh & Sycamore St. H. P. Milet, S. J. Librarian.

History. - Established 1848; supported by proceeds from play given by Students' Dramatic society; about \$200 spent annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; free to all

students of the College whose standing in their respective classes gives satisfaction; library proper is open daily from 3 - 4 P. M; reading-room & reference cases may be used by the students at any of the recesses; books may be retained 2 weeks (unless marked 7 day book) & may be renewed for same period; two books may be taken out at one time, provided at least one be other than fiction.

Resources. - About 4300 vols. & 100 pamphlets; approximate number of annual accessions 200 vols; annual subscription to 25 periodicals, 3 general 2 scientific, 20 literary.

Strength. - History, general literature & religious works.

Classification & catalog. - Classified according to the Dewey decimal system, in fiction however the letter F being used instead of the number, & in biography, the letter B.

Card catalog, dictionary arrangement, printed finding list has just been issued.

Library staff. - Librarian, Ass't librarian & ten student helpers.

### 33 TABARD INN LIBRARY STATIONS.

Main station, 707 Elm St.

Charles A. Apmeyer, Vine & Auburn Ave.

Louis Roettig, Auburn & Gilman Ave, Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati.

A. Freiburg, Mc Millan & So. Elm Sts.

Walnut Hills, Cincinnati.

History. - First Tabard Inn librarians were opened in 1902; subscription library.

Regulations. - Circulating privileges may be obtained by addressing Seymour Eaton, Librarian, 1323 Walnut St. Philadelphia; members make their own exchanges at the most convenient station.

Resources. - Circulates only new books; each station consists of a deposit of from 125 to 250 books, & the books are changed once or twice a month according to location of the station; new stations will constantly be established throughout the city, as there is demand for them.

THEOLOGICAL & RELIGIOUS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, see Cincinnati Public Library.

TURGEMEINDE LIBRARY, see Cincinnati Central Turgemeinde Library.

### 34 UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS LIBRARY, Post Office



building, Government square, Caroline Clinton Collins,  
Librarian in charge.

History. - Law library; supported by the Government  
through the office of the Clerk of the Court; about  
\$1000 spent annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference & for the use of the Court; a  
practitioner is admitted to the U. S. Circuit Court  
of Appeals for the Sixth circuit for a fee of \$10  
which enables him to use this library; open from  
9 A. M. to 5 P. M. & from 7 - 10 P. M.

Resources. - About 10,000 vols; subscription to the  
West Reporter system & the Harvard Law Review,  
approximate number of annual accessions 125 vols.

Classification & catalog. - Arrangement, alphabetical  
by names of states, text-books separate & arranged  
alphabetically by author.  
Card catalog.

Library staff. - Two regular attendants, the librarian-  
in-charge & a messenger. The Clerk of the Court  
is the nominal librarian & orders the books and  
attends to the finances under the order of the Court.

### 35 UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI LIBRARY, Van Wormer Library

building, Burnet Woods Cincinnati. Mrs. H. E. Hodge,  
Librarian.



History, - Founded 1873; reorganized 1900; college library; supported by taxation.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating, privileges free; open daily except Sunday, 8 A. M. - 5 P. M; books may be kept out 2 weeks without renewal.

Resources. - 36,209 vols. & 4552 pamphlets; approximate number of annual accessions 8000 vols. & 2000 pamphlets.

Strength. - Americana, 7000 vols; chemistry, 1500 vols. & Shakespeare 1700 vols.

Classification & catalog. - Dewey Decimal classification used.

Card catalog, dictionary arrangement.

Library staff. - Librarian, four trained assistants, one untrained & one student assistant, one stenographer & one boy.

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36 YOUNG MEN 'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION LIBRARY, Seventh & Walnut St.

History. - Founded 1848; supported by Y. M. C. A.; subscription library.

Regulations. - Reference library

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Information taken from U. S. - Education, Bureau of. Report for 1900. Two letters of inquiry not answered.

Resources. - 1290 vols.

- 37 YOUNG MEN'S MERCANTILE LIBRARY, East side of Walnut St.  
between Fourth & Fifth St. (temporarily located in  
Emery hotel bldg Vine St.) Alice McLean, Librarian.

History. - Established 1835; subscription library;  
supported by corporation; \$1200 to \$1500 spent  
annually for books alone.

Historical notices. - Public libraries in U. S. 1876  
p 902 - 04.

Sketches of Ohio libraries, compiled by  
C. B. Galbreath. 1900 p 104 - 06.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges only  
to members; annual subscription \$5, life membership  
\$50, member in perpetuity \$100; open 9 A. M. - 9 P.M.

Resources. - 65,000 vols; approximate number of annual  
accessions 1100 vols. & 250 pamphlets, annual  
subscription to 120 periodicals in the following  
classes, general 35, scientific 25, literary 60.

Strength. - Biography, history & general literature

Classification & catalog. - No numbers appear on the  
backs on the books but they are arranged upon the  
shelves alphabetically by authors within large  
subjects.

Library staff. - Two & one evening assistant.

38 WOODWARD HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY, Franklin St. between  
Broadway & Sycamore St., A. M. Van Dyke, Principal.

History. - Founded 1831; supported by the profit made  
in furnishing text-books to students; 1901-02 High  
school board appropriated \$300 for the library;  
from \$300 to \$500 spent annually for books.

Regulations. - Reference & circulating; privileges free  
to pupils & teachers of the school; open 5 days in  
the week 8:30 A. M. - 2 P. M; books may be retained  
2 weeks.

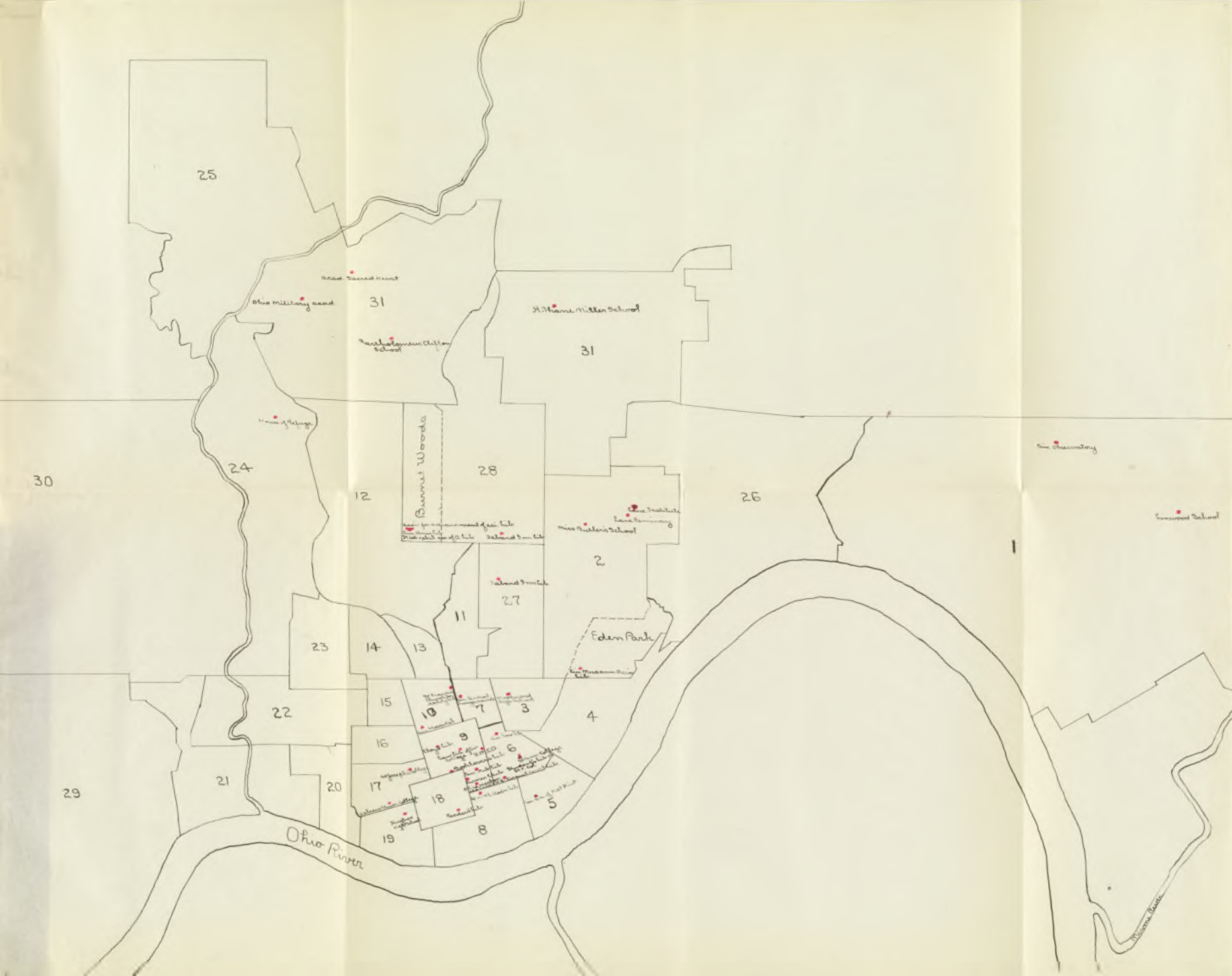
Resources. - 3000 vols; approximate number of annual  
accessions 150 vols; annual subscription to 4  
educational & general periodicals.

Strength. - Belles Lettres 1500 vols; science 500 vols,  
& reference books 500 vols.

Classification & catalog. - Classified according to the  
Dewey decimal system.

Card catalog, dictionary arrangement.

Library staff. - One



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