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ORIGIN—A meeting to organize a Library Association was held in Detroit, September 1, 1891, in response to a call sent out by several librarians in the state. About forty persons were present, twenty-nine of them actively engaged in library work, and a number of the others trustees of libraries. A good degree of enthusiasm pervaded the meeting; a simple constitution was adopted, and officers for one year were elected. The growth and influence of the association have been steadily increasing ever since.

OBJECT—The object of the association is to advance library interests in the state. This is accomplished in a number of ways. I. Meetings are held in different towns, and the presence of an organized, enthusiastic body calls attention to the work to be accomplished by libraries. II. Questions of library management and economy are discussed, and the interchange of experience and ideas is beneficial to all employed in library work. III. At each meeting, several hours are devoted to visiting a library, and studying the methods

in use. IV. Trustees, library committees and all persons interested in libraries are welcomed as members, and the needs of library work from the standpoint of the reader are considered.

#### CONSTITUTION.

##### I. *Name.*

The name of this association shall be the Michigan Library Association.

##### II. *Object.*

Its object shall be to promote the library interests of the state of Michigan.

##### III. *Members.*

Any person interested in advancing its object may become a member of this association by vote of the Executive Board and payment to the Treasurer of the annual assessment.

##### IV. *Officers.*

The officers of the association shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer, who shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting, and who shall constitute the Executive Board, which shall have power to act for the association in intervals between its meetings.

##### V. *Meetings.*

There shall be one or more meetings each year, the time and place of which

shall be fixed by the association or by the executive board, and ample notice of such time and place shall be furnished to each member.

##### VI. *Dues and Debts.*

The annual assessment shall be fifty cents. No officer, committee, or member of the association shall incur any expense in its name, nor shall the Treasurer make any payment from its funds, unless authorized so to do by vote of the executive board.

##### VII. *Amendments.*

This constitution may be amended at any meeting, notice of the proposed change having been previously furnished each member in the call for the meeting.

MEETINGS. The meetings held and the subjects discussed have been as follows:

1891. Detroit.

Methods of caring for pamphlets.	Mrs. Miner.
Special classes in history, literature and botany at the Coldwater library.	Miss Eddy.
Changing a fixed-location system of classification to the decimal method without closing the library.	Miss Cochrane.
Selecting books for purchase.	Miss Ball.
Public libraries and public schools.	Mr. Morgan.
Ethics of the library profession.	Miss Waldo.
University extension.	Mrs. Calhoun.
Libraries and university extension teaching.	Mrs. Parsons.

## 1892. Lansing.

The public library in our modern system of education. Mr. Utley.  
Report upon state associations. Mrs. Parsons.  
State laws and state publications. Mrs. Spencer.  
Discussions of the following questions:  
Special privileges to teachers.  
Stock taking.  
Collections of photographs, views and pamphlets that are of local interest.

## 1893. Grand Rapids.

The sessions of this meeting were devoted to general discussions.  
American Library Association meeting at Chicago.  
Registration of borrowers' agreements.  
Renewal of agreements.  
Methods of charging and collecting fines.  
The state library in its relations to other libraries in the state.  
Collating new books.

## 1894. Ann Arbor.

Address of welcome. Dr. Angell.  
Response. President Utley.  
The librarian and his opportunities. Mr. Utley.  
Report of the Secretary. Mrs. Parsons.  
Recent efforts to make the free public library of value to the community. Rev. H. P. Collin.  
Public libraries and sociological study.  
Hon. L. L. Barbour.  
The state library in its relation to the people of the state. Mrs. Spencer.  
Bookbinding. Mr. Hopkins.  
The library and the primary teacher.  
Miss Walton.

The association had the pleasure of hearing Professor Davis lecture to his class upon the subject, The revival of learning from the standpoint of books.

The next meeting will be held at Kalamazoo, at a time to be decided by the executive committee, probably in September.

## MEMBERS.

Alger, Kate S., Lib'n Ladies' Lib., Birmingham.  
Allen, Sarah J., Pres. Lib. Board, Charlotte.  
Ball, Lucy, Lib. Pub. School Lib., Grand Rapids.  
Baldwin, M., Birmingham.  
Barbour, Hon. L. L., Regent Mich. Univ., Detroit.  
Bate, Florence, Ass't Lib'n, Adrian.  
Bates, Helen C., Ass't Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Bellinger, Fred., Comm'r of Schools, Mt. Pleasant.  
Brewer, Mrs. F. A., Lib'n Pub. School Lib., Battle Creek.  
Butz-ll, Magnus, Member Lib. Commis'n, Detroit.  
Cady, Mrs. A. F., Lib'n Pub. School Lib., Lansing.  
Caldwell, Mrs. L. E., Lib. Pub. Lib., Flint.  
Canfield, Adah, Ass't Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Cochrane, Sarah A., Ass't Lib'n Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Collin, Rev. H. P., Coldwater.  
Collin, Mrs. H. P., Member Lib. Board, Coldwater.  
Cook, Mrs. Alice M., Kalamazoo.  
Davis, Raymond C., Lib'n Univ. Lib., Ann Arbor.  
Eddy, Mary A., Lib'n Free Pub. Lib., Coldwater.  
Faxon, Mrs. C. C., Cataloguer Sage Lib., West Bay City.  
Finney, Rev. B. A., Ass't Lib'n Univ. Lib., Ann Arbor.  
Finney, Mrs. Ida C., Lib'n McMillan Hall Lib., Ann Arbor.

Fisher, E. B., Grand Rapids.  
Ganley, Mary, Ass't Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Gibson, Irene, Ass't Pub. Lib., St. Louis, Mo.  
Holmes, Florence, Coldwater.  
Hopkins, Anderson H., Asst. Lib'n Univ. Lib.,  
Ann Arbor.  
Hulbert, Beatrice, Lib'n Pub. Lib., Three Rivers.  
Hurst, Lizzie, Ass't Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Jewell, Mrs. M. F., Lib'n Pub. School Lib., Adrian.  
Ladue, Mary Emma, Ass't Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Lane, Mrs. Ida K., Member Lib. Board, Adrian.  
Miner, Mrs. S. H., Cataloguer Free Lib., Madison,  
Wis.  
Oliver, Emily E., Lib'n Pub. Lib., Alpena.  
Ostrander, Mrs. M. F. Lib'n Sage Lib., West Bay  
City.  
Parsons, Mrs. A. F., Lib'n Pub. Lib., Bay City.  
Purchase, Grace L., Ass't Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Roberts, Isabella C., Lib'n Pub. Lib., Kalamazoo.  
Robinson, Mrs. L. R., Lib'n School Lib., Lowell.  
Spencer, Mary C., Lib'n State Lib., Lansing.  
Utley, Henry M., Lib'n Pub. Lib., Detroit.  
Waldo, Celia F., Lib'n Pub. Lib., Jackson.  
Walton, Genevieve M., Lib'n State Normal School,  
Ypsilanti.  
Watts, Carrie L., Lib'n School Lib., Ann Arbor.  
Williams, Sarah N., Lib'n Pub. Lib., Charlotte.  
Wood, Julia S., Lib'n Hackley Pub. Lib., Muskegon  
Woodard, Gertrude E., Asst. State Normal School  
Lib., Ypsilanti.  
Yardley, Annie E., Lib'n City Lib., Monroe.