

Earl Clair Mo January 7/96

Stated Meeting -

Directors present - Frawley, Neiss, Coffin, Buller, Lockwood & Collier.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Neiss.

The minutes of the meeting held on November 18th 1895 were read and approved.

Chairman Frawley of the Library Committee reported that the books ordered purchased Nov. 18/95 had been purchased of the Earl Clair Book & Stationery Co said Company being the lowest bidder, and also reported that the 2^d list had been purchased of A.C. McClung & Co they being the lowest bidder in same.

Chairman Frawley of the Library Committee submitted two lists of books which the Committee had examined and recommended their purchase and they were ordered purchased.

It was stated by some of the Directors that Mr. Netherly of the Earl Clair Book and Stationery Co, as well as some other houses did not care to submit itemized bids for each lot of books that we desired to purchase on account of its taking too much time to prepare the bids etc, and after some discussion as to how we should proceed under the circumstances, Director Coffin moved that the Library Committee be instructed to procure a written bid or proposition from the Earl Clair Book & Stationery Co ~~on the two lists recommended~~ ^{general} ~~purchase~~ on some ^{basis of} classification of books, either as to Publishers or otherwise which would apply to any books to be purchased hereafter, and that when such ^{classification} is received that the ~~Library Committee~~ ^{Library Committee} be instructed to procure bids from other firms on exactly the same basis, or classification and report to the Board, - the motion was carried by unanimous vote.

The question of lowering the lights in the library

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Entire room, also of placing lights between the Book
Stacks was referred to the Room Committee
with power to act.

The following bills were read and order
ed paid

E. G. Book Station - Oct 23/95		.60	
	Dec 6/95	1.15	
	" 13/95	8.41	
	" 13/95	4.50	
	" 27/95	2.75	
	" 30/95	1.10	
	Jan 10/96	.95	
	" 13/96	122.72	
	" 17/96	30	\$142.48
Chas. Scribner Sons	" 12/25/95		44.75
J. L. Stocking & Co	" 1/15/96		25.00
Library Bureau	" 1/20/95		22.75
Providence Public Library	12/10/95		.50
The Leader Co	Oct 24/95		13.30
Fred Blackwell	Nov 12-27-95		11.25
J. Abercrombie	Jan 6/96		218.00
A. C. McClung & Co	" 23/96		42.74
Geo. B. Wheeler Receiver	Dec. 95. Stg.	11.55	
	Jan 96 "	11.55	
	2 M ^{rs} Cream ^{Sheds}	2.00	25.10
A. C. McClung & Co	Jan " 22/95	2.51	
	" " 22/95	.74	
	" " 25/95	1.98	
	" " 4/95	3.62	8.35

Director Coffin read some letters from Lecture
Bureau & Hon John J Duggals requesting that
the date for his lecture here be changed - also
that the date for the entertainment to be given
by the Bendix Quartette be changed - both of
which were referred to the Committee on Lecture
Course with power to act.

Nothing further appearing the meeting
was on motion, adjourned

J. M. Coffin
Secretary