

Catalogue cards distributed, copied at Locust street,	7,222
“ “ “ “ Ridgway Branch,	9,384
Total,	16,606
Add for the duplicate at Ridgway Branch,	16,606
Number of cards written and distributed during the year,	33,212
Total cards in catalogue at each Library,	139,723

Ridgway Branch.

Number of days open 275.

Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1882 :—

Readers,	3,633
Visitors,	9,052
Total,	12,685

Daily average, 46+

Book circulation:

Used in building,	8,040
Given out,	1,212
Total,	9,252

Daily average, 33+

Volumes added to Ridgway Branch,	1,867
“ “ Loganian Library,	35
“ “ Philadelphia Library, as above,	1,638
Total for the year,	3,540

It has been the increasing wish of the Board to extend the benefits of the libraries as far as possible to all classes of the community; in other words, to make them as nearly as may be “public libraries.” The gratifying increase in the number of readers who, without charge of any kind, visited them, induced the Board to keep the library open for readers on Sundays, and this commenced in the Locust Street Library on the 5th of November, 1882, and at the Ridgway Branch on the 7th of January, 1883, between the hours of 1 and 6 o'clock P. M. The following is a statement of the attendance at each :—

