

A. I suppose about one hundred people come to the Library in the course of the day; of that number some six or seven come to consult books, and the rest of them take books away to read. I suppose there is on an average one student a year, *i. e.*, one person who comes day after day to study.

Q. Of those who come to take out books, what proportion are ladies?

A. I should think about forty out of every one hundred.

Q. State, as far as you can, the character of the greater portion of the books which are taken out.

A. Nine-tenths of the books taken out are the general literature of the day: novels, travels, biography, and periodicals.

Q. Have you a list of the present members? if so, please produce it and say how it was compiled.

A. This book contains the list of the present members. It was compiled from the ledger kept on the desk, wherein we enter the books taken out by the Stockholders.

(Mr. Rawle states that if desired he will produce the ledger, but it is a large volume, and now in use at the Library.)

The alterations and corrections in the list show the changes that have taken place by transfers of stock between May 2, 1870, when the list was compiled, and February 16, 1872.

*Cross-examined.*

Q. Of the Stockholders there are a large number who never come near the Library, are there not?

A. No, sir. I should not say so.

Q. Are there not a large number who very rarely come near the Library?

A. No.

Q. Amongst the hundred persons who frequent the Library daily, are there not some who come there much more frequently than others?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. About what proportion of the hundred would you call constant frequenters of the Library?

