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TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP.

ONE SHARE (with annual dues commuted)	\$150 00
ONE SHARE (subject to annual payment of \$10).... ..	25 00

These shares do not merely give the use of the Library, etc., but are interests in the Real Estate, Books, etc., and can be bought and sold like any other stock.

HOURS.

LIBRARY.
9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

READING ROOM.
9 A. M. to 6 P. M.

People entitled to use the establishment are:

Members not in arrears for annual Payments, Fines, etc.
Strangers (for one month) when regularly introduced by members.

REGULATIONS.

LENDING.—Every shareholder or subscriber to the New York Society Library shall be allowed to take out *four* works at a time, of which not more than one shall be a new work.

New books may be kept one week only. Other books may be kept three weeks, with the privilege of renewal, unless other members have applied for them.

Books recently purchased or for any reason in demand will be considered as new books.

FINES.—*One cent per volume* must be paid for each day they are retained over the time allowed. Loss or damage of books must be paid for; if a part of a set, the value of the entire set must be paid for.

No member shall *lend* any books belonging to the library.

The annual dues of shareholders should be paid *by cheque* to the order of the Treasurer.

Temporary subscribers are required, at the time of subscription, to sign the customary agreement in the "Subscribers' Book." The Librarian will give a receipt for each subscription.

Payments should be made to the Librarian for fines, books lost, expressage, postage, etc., and receipts will be furnished by him in the name of the Treasurer at the time of payment.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE Trustees of the New York Society Library

The Trustees of the New York Society Library respectfully submit to the Shareholders the following statement of its condition for the year ending March 31st, 1902.

The report of the Treasurer, presented herewith, shows the receipts from all sources during the year to have amounted to \$18,043.81, and the disbursements of all kinds to \$15,797.20, leaving a balance on hand of \$2,246.61, of which amount the sum of \$407.87 belongs to the income of the Green Fund, \$426.00 to the Commutation Fund, and \$1,412.74 to the General Fund.

The total number of visitors to the Library during the year was 19,065, of whom 5,589 were men. The total circulation of volumes was 34 553. There were sent by mail and express 575 packages of books into the country. As noticed in the last annual report, this feature of the Library's activity is growing and will probably continue to increase.

During the year our messengers carried 7,617 books, visiting 1997 places.

The Trustees record with regret the loss of one of their associates, Alfred Pell, Esq., who died March 20th, 1901. Mr. Pell had been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1898, and was strongly interested in the progress of the Library.

They also record with regret the resignation of Albert Mathews, Esq., who resigned last spring on account of age and failing health. Mr. Mathews had been a member of the Board since 1885, always punctual and regular in his attendance at the meetings of the Board and a valued member of the Library Committee. He still manifests his interest in the Library by gifts and recommendations for new books.

Since the last annual report, the new alcove for books on art, purchased from the income of the Green Fund, has been finished and made uniform in appearance with the other two. This valuable collection is now available for the lover of the fine arts, and affords unusual opportunities to students seeking the more expensive and rare works in this department. Many costly and unique works have been added during the year.

In January, such of our duplicate books as could not be disposed of at the Library were sent to Bangs' auction rooms and about \$215 was realized from the sale.

There are many encouraging features in the review of the past year. Our yearly subscriptions have doubled, largely due to the fact that the Society Library owing to its century and half of existence has the best literature of all ages on its shelves and is able not only to supply the latest novel promptly, but also books long out of print and well nigh unprocurable. As its membership is composed of persons of responsibility, who loving books appreciate their value, the Library can safely circulate books, whose cost would not only preclude purchase, but render circulation hazardous in many libraries, whether subscription or public.

New books have been purchased more promptly and in larger numbers than ever before, to the general satisfaction of the members.

Effort is made to buy all the books which the members want and a sufficient number of copies of each, so that any book may be had in short time. Lists of books wanted are kept and often there are from thirty to fifty names of members entered for a popular book, weeks before it is published. It is gratifying to note that the primary object of the institution, according to the charter granted by George the Third of Eng-

land, is being carried out as far as its limited means will permit.

Another interesting feature is the increasing number of young boys and girls, who come to get books, and the Trustees feel that it is wise and fitting to look after the needs of the children of the members, that they may recall the happy hours spent at the Library as so many of their elders do. Books for children have been placed on low shelves and they are able to look over the volumes and select for themselves their favorite author. Indeed one of the chief charms of the Library is that the members are allowed the utmost freedom in the building and none of the irksome rules and regulations so prominent in most institutions are felt here.

An additional \$5,000 is expected soon from the bequest of the late Charles H. Contoit as a final payment. The Trustees express the hope that his example will inspire others to emulate his munificence. There is no institution in the city which can claim the support and consideration of the old families of New York more justly than the Society Library. In 1904, it will have completed a century and a half of usefulness.

Respectfully,

EDWARD KING,

Chairman.

April 9, 1902.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE New York Society Library.

The Committee appointed to "audit the accounts of this Corporation, and to make an inventory of its real and personal property, excepting the books," etc. respectfully report:

That they have examined the accounts of the Treasurer for the year ending March 31, 1902, compared the expenditures with the various vouchers, and find the same to correspond.

The Committee have examined the securities which constitute the estate and permanent fund of the Library, and estimate their value (books excepted) as follows:

The Library Building, estimated at...	..	\$150,000.00
The Property in Park Row, at cost	65,179.84
Bond and Mortgage on property	No. 53 West 132d Street.	4,000.00
"	"	
"	"	
"	No. 39 South William Street and 29 Stone Street.	8,000.00
"	"	
"	No. 39 South William Street and 29 Stone Street.	1,300.00
"	"	
"	No. 39 South William Street and 29 Stone Street.	700.00
"	"	
"	No. 71 Lenox Avenue	21,000.00
"	"	
"	No. 1472 Fifth Avenue.	20,000.00
"	"	
"	No. 1481 Fifth Avenue.	29,000.00
"	"	
"	No. 2632 Eighth Avenue.	21,000.00
"	"	
"	No. 2369 Seventh Avenue.	21,000.00
"	"	
"	No. 2371 Seventh Avenue.	21,000.00
On Deposit in Manhattan Savings Inst'n:	Commutation Fund	426.00
"	"	
"	"	
"	income of GreenF'd	407.87
"	in the Bank of the Metropolis.	412.74
"	in Union Trust Company of New York.	1,000.00
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		\$364,426 45
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The insurance on the property of the Library is as follows :

On the Library Building.	50,000.00
On the Books, etc.	100,000.00
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	\$150,000.00
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Included in the above investments are the following bequests, viz.:

From the Executors of the estate of John C. Green, known as the "John C. Green Fund".. ..	\$50,000.00
And from the Executors of the estates of—	
Mary M. Keese... ..	12,000.00
George B. Dorr.	5,000.00
George J. Foster... ..	3,000.00
Richard E. Mount.	1,000.00
Charles H. Contoit.	137,004.86
Maria B. Mount.	1,000.00
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	\$209,004.86

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK SHELDON,
F. AUGS. SCHERMERHORN,
CHARLES H. MARSHALL,
Auditing Committee.

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