Custodians of Public Libraries Report a Falling Off in Circulation.

Miss Edith Tobitt Tells of the Doings of the American Library Association at Montreal-What Other Cities Are Doing.

"Branches and sub-stations seem to be the need of all large libraries, and the librarians who attended the meeting of the American association in Montreal were all have established sub-stations at ten school bouses and the results have been very gratifying. Exchanges are made once in two weeks and last week nearly 400 books called for, while in stations the books are secured from the central library and the tion. patrons leave orders which are filled later." said Miss Edith Tobitt, the city librarian. lic libraries of Newark, N. J. Evanston. III., the Prait Institute library in Brookbridge library in Pittsburg.

of the city. Its work is largely among the convention. slums. Miss Tobitt was much pleased with the plan of having the library in branches and believes that its work is much more effective than it would be if combined in

one building. "In the Carnegie library in Pittsburg six kindergartners are employed in the chiltie folks," Miss Tobiti explained. "The advisability of these methods were discussed at Montreal and there was a great diversity of opinion. Such work is all right for the money than they can use, but in the average library I do not believe it is best to try to combine school and library work. By consulting kindergartners and keeping the shelves well stocked with late books for children it should be possible to keep the children's room attractive and to offer all the advantages that can be expected.

Open Shelves in Favor. Open shelves provoked much discussion seem to be pretty evenly divided on the subject. I visited the Newark public library, where all the books, with the exception of fiction, are open to the public, and found that the system works very well there. Personally, I believe the open shelves are better than the call system, but the Omaha library is not well adapted to the system. It is necessary to have wide aleles between the book stacks that there may be plenty of room for visitors. Some librarians urged that the public would get books it should not have if allowed to wanlikely that a well-selected library will congeneral reading.

'In the Omaha library we keep about 500 shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre. well-selected books where the public can "This is the shrine where more than ing car is chief among the recent introduc-get them without calling an assistant. We 100,000 persons go annually to be heated, tions. I traveled through England on a

circulation of the Omaha library is as great of the church."

as that of any public library of its size St. Anne was the wife of Jo-Achim or opportunities for transportation by rail are not as extensive as in this country, owing to I think it is advisable to allow two books ability of changing our system, but have placed in the keeping of St. Auspicius, the For instance, a passenger can secure a first bishop of Apt, a town in Provence, through sleeper from Paris to Rome or from thought a change would make it necessary to buy many duplicator.

The province of Paris to St. Petersburg. to buy many duplicates. After a careful examination of the catalogues I find that it would be necessary to duplicate only a very few books before we could allow two books 1808. A few years later some Breton sailors to be drawn on one card.

Card Catalogues Becommended. of a co-operative system of card cataloging St. Anne. They landed at last and built a accommodation for eight passengers, so that of a co-operative system of card cataloging that will make it possible for each library to little chapel where the magnificent church the total available room in a carriage is only buy cards for the new books purchased. A new stants. The miraculous rescue of the about twenty-four. Their trains, instead system of co-operative card cataloging has sailors spread to Europe, and the leading of consisting of eight or ten coaches, as in been conducted for some time by the pub- churchmen of the world made gifts to the this country, are made up of twenty or more Been conducted for some time of the put.

Lishing section of the association, but it was little chapel. In 1876 it gave way to a of these small carriages. Different compartnot a success because libraries were com- magnificent church building which is filled ments are provided for the different classes pelled to buy all the printed cards issued. with beautiful pictures and decorated with of travel, although the traveler who is rid-It is doubtful whether a system of printed gifts from persons who have come under ing on a first class ticket is carried on the

satisfactory. In many cities cases of books similar to those used in the traveling libraries that have been established in many of the states the convention, in Miss O'Brien's opinion. are placed in the fire houses. The cases was a session given over to the discussion which he pays." are changed every few weeks and in this of state library commissions. The session manner reading material is provided for the | was in the nature of an experiment, as there Bremen, who have much time for reading. has formerly been no state library commisbut cannot leave their duty to secure books | sion department of the association, but the made. Miss Tobitt hopes to be able to inaugurate meeting was a great success and resulted

a plan of this sort in Omaha. were unanimous in declaring that the de- consin commission is chairman. Miss Gratia mands upon public libraries have been much | Countryman of the Minnesota commission. lighter since the beginning of the good Miss Anne Wallace of the Georgia commistimes. We have noticed a marked falling off sion and Johnson Brigham, state librarian in circulation here and librarians from all for lows and a member of the new comparts of the country have noticed the same mission just established in that state, were change." said Miss Tobitt. "People must the chief speakers. The purpose of state be buying more books of all sorts. The de- commissions is to encourage the establishmand has not lessened on any particular ment of public libraries and assist in making class of books, but on all classes.

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ANOTHER SIGNOF GOOD TIMES them flying over a school building at Chi-Quebec, or below Quebec, as they say ut there. It is a strange thing about that river. We went up the river-that is, we went against the current—but the crow and all the English and Continental Travelers Served Canadians said we were going down. For days we had seen nothing but English flags and when we have in eight of Chicou PEOPLE HAVE MONEY TO BUY BOOKS the American flag was the first thing that RATES AVERAGE CONSIDERABLY HIGHER attracted our attention. We immediately inquired how they came to float our flag and were told that the relief of Ladysmith was an occasion when flags were in order. Several flags were hoisted over the school-it was a Catholic school for boys-and it was finally decided that the flag of the United States looked the best," said Miss Margaret A. O'Brien, assistant city librarian, who returned a few days ago from the twentysecond annual convention of the American Library association at Montreal.

American association in Montreal were all ... We found that the French population in Britain and the European continent, paid in the centralized library. In Omaha we admiration for the stars and stripes and would be glad to have Canada freed from English rule and annexed to the United abled thereby to make some interesting com-States. It is not so with the English- parisons. There is a general impression speaking population, however, All Canadians were issued from the various stations have a great admiration for the United Branches are much more satisfactory than States and we were impressed everywhere sub-stations, for books can be issued when with the kind treatment we received and the complimentary things said of our na-

The librarians' convention was held in one said Miss Edith Tobitt, the city librarian, of the buildings of McGill university and who attended the meeting of the American lasted from June 8 until June 11. Several Library association at Montreal, and after- hundred of the delegates then took passage ward spent two weeks inspecting the pub- on the Carolina and the Canad, two steamers especially provided for the party, and made the trip along the St. Lawrence to the lyn, the Aguilar library in New York, the entrance of the Saguenay and went down Columbia University library and the Cam- the Saguenay as far as Chicoutimi, which is the head of navigation. Stops were made at | patrons just what they pay for. The Aguilar library is made up of four all historic places and the river trip proved branches that are located in various parts to be one of the delightful features of the

Canadian Church Festival.

church festivals are much more public in American. Their equipment is lighter and their nature than they are in the United not so expensive, but answers the purpose States. Nearly all the stores were closed in in every respect. With this lighter equipbonor of the day and more than 15,000 peo- ment and the fewer stops that are made dren's department and stories are told and ple were in the great procession that they are enabled to maintain a higher songs sung for the amusement of the litthe schools, sodalities and religious organ-roads. However, their speed is now not izations in the city were represented. At much in excess of ours. the rear of the procession the host was carried under a canopy. Services were held in Carnegie library, where they have more and 20,000 people were crowded into the the Church of Notre Dame in the afternoon church. When the host was restored to its place on the altar cadets fired a salute and seemed as though the ceiling would be rent with the loud report.

The churches in all parts of Canada are much more ornate than they are in the United States, and the people soom so much more devout. All denominations have finer churches than in the United States and in the Montreal meetings and the librarians Chicoutimi, which is a town with a population of not more than 4,000, there is a beautiful church which is as magnificent as churches in cities of 150,000 in the states The decorations and furnishings are supirb. walls, the especial pride of the town being

Shrine of St. Anne de Benapre. On our river trip we found that the chapels and churches in nearly all the cities and ally tipped. Station appointments and contowns have much of tradition and history centered about them. We visited the little land. der through a library at will, but it is not chapel at Tadousac, which was built in 1671 and stands on the site of the first tradtain many books that are not suitable for ing post established by Jacques Cartier, timent are adopting, though somewhat

have been well pleased with the plan and It is in the village of Beaupre, a short Fullman parlor car. Foreign roads are not hope to increase the number to 1,000, or distance from Quebec. The whole village nearly up to our standard in the matter of even more. This affords access to books has a serious, reverential air and the stories beating their passenger cars. The English of general interest and in a way takes the of wonderful cures effected though St. are much superior than those on the conplace of the open shelf system.

"Comparative statements show that the crutches that reach almost to the ceiling venience. The speed of passenger trains

in the United States, which is a remarkable Ell-Achim, and the mother of the virgin not as extensive as in this country, owing to record when one considers that we allow only one book to be issued at a time, while honor of being the birthplace of St. Anne. I believe the Milwaukee road has a mileage nearly all other libraries issue two books, but when she died her remains were in exceeding the total of all the railway terred in the Valley of Jehoshaphat, Legend systems in the British kingdom. In Eugto be drawn at once, provided both are not books of fiction. The directors of our lib-rary have frequently discussed the advis-placed in the Valley of Jehoshaphat, Lerend synthesis and on the European continent there has it that in the first century of Chris- land and on the European continent there has it that in the first century of Chris- land and on the European continent there has it that in the first century of Chris- land and on the European continent there has it that in the first century of Chris- land and on the European continent there has it that in the first century of Chris- land and on the European continent there troness of Britanny and a shrine was built foreign roads than has been apparent in the for her at Auray.

Samuel de Champlain founded Quaber in Quebec and vowed that if their lives were passenger coaches. These are called coupe The association expressed itself in favor saved they would erect a shrine to the good three compartments capable of providing cards can be issued which will be entirely the healing power that is said to exist in same train with the one who holds a third the shrine of the faithful Breton satiors.

New Department Organized. One of the most interesting features of in the formation of a permanent depart-The delegates to the Montreal convention | ment, of which F. A. Hutchins of the Wislibraries as efficient as possible.

Miss Tobitt of the Omaha public library The stars and stripes never looked so was one of the chief speakers on the subbeautiful to me as they did when I saw ject of library work with children, and Miss Annie Carroll Moore of the Pratt institute, Brooklyn, read an interesting paper in the children's section on the use of pictures in children's libraries. Miss Frances J. Olcott of the Carnegie library, Pittsburg, read a assimilation.

as Well as Those in America.

Business of the Roads is Classified and Patrons Pay for What They Get-Pullmans and Dining Cars in Use.

Fred A. Nash, general western agent of the Milwaukee system, who has recently returned from a bridal tour through Grest some heed while absent to the methods of railroading in the old countries, and is enamong American railway men," said Mr. "that we are far in advance of Nash. European methods. In reaching this conclusion they fall to take into consideration the different character of the business. The rallways of Great Britain and the European continent, in my judgment, serve the public quite as well as do the American roads, and in many respects they are, in their methods and the conduct of their business, in advance of us. Their rates average much higher than in this country and they are at all times stable. also classify their business, giving their

"I noticed a marked improvement in the facilities furnished the traveling public since my last visit abroad four years ago. the most notable being the introduction of "While we were in Montreal the feast of parlor and dining cars. The English rail-Corpus Christi was celebrated. In Canada roads, as a rule, are better built than the

Loss of Baggage Unknown.

"In the past there has been much complaint from Americans regarding their inability to check their buggage. The English grads, in some instances, have introduced a system of registering baggage which meets the demand of the traveler. The loss of baggage on English roads is almost unknown, and its prompt delivery to hotels and methods for its handling far excel those that obtain in this country.

Trains run with greater frequency in England, and there is an enormous passenyer traffic. It is largely second and third class business. In England first-class fare averages about 314 cents per mile, and on the continent slightly higher. Sleeping car rates are much in excess of those charged Pictures by the best artists hang on the on American roads. Employes of foreign roads are not nearly so intelligent a class of men as those engaged in this country. They are by no means as attentive to the wants of the traveling public unless liberveniences are perfect, particularly in Eng-

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the veteran warrior.

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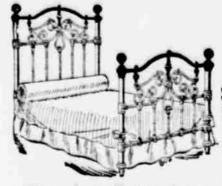
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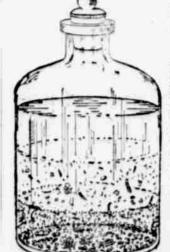
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