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Records of the
Lucas County Library
Association
Of Chariton Iowa

June 26th 1879

Chanton Iowa June 26th 1879
By the Articles of Incorporation filed
in the Recorders Office of Lucas County
on June 21st 1879 the following persons
were appointed Trustees of the Lucas County
Library Association to hold ~~this~~ office
until the second Monday in January 1880
Mrs J F Stewart Mrs J A Brown Mrs D Storie
Mrs J C Mitchell J H Stewart J Wlenly
L F Maple G W Blake & Dell Stewart
On June 26th the Trustees held their first
meeting at the residence of Mrs J C Mitchell
Present Mrs J C Mitchell Mrs J A Brown G W Blake
J Wlenly & J H Stewart
On Motion G W Blake was elected temporary
Chairman J H Stewart elected temporary Secy
Moved & Seconded that a committee of three
be appointed to prepare By Laws for the
Association carried & J H Stewart L F Maple
& Dell Stewart appointed
On Motion the election of permanent
officers was postponed until Monday
Evening June 30th Trustees adjourned to meet
at that time at 8 P.M. at the residence
of L F Maple
J H Stewart Secy Pro tem

Chariton Ioa June 30th 1879

Trustees of Lucas County Library Association
met at residence of L F Mayes
Present - G W Blake Dill Stewart Mrs S F Stewart
Mrs Jle Mitchell Mrs D Storrie L F Mayes & H Stewart
The Committee appointed at last meeting to
prepare By Laws made a report which
was received and report adopted
Chair declared the election of officers the
next business in order & on Motion
G W Blake was nominated & elected President
of the board J H Stewart Elected Secretary &
Mrs J H Dill or Brown Elected Treasurer
The election of members of the Library &
Cabinet Committee having been declared
in order the following persons were elected
~~Mrs S H Stewart L F Mayes & H Mally~~
on motion
The President was instructed by the board
to procure a seal for the Association
Secretary instructed to procure a good book
to keep the records of the association in
On Motion the Library Cabinet Com-
was instructed to procure blank certificates
of stock and all other books & stationery
needed for use of Officers & Librarian
On Motion the Chair appointed a com-
of three to solicit persons to take stock
of the association Committee consisting of
Mrs Storrie Mrs Brown & Dill Stewart
On Motion trustees adjourned to meet
at the residence of Mrs S F Stewart on
Tuesday Aug 5 1879

J H Stewart
Secretary

Chariton Iowa Aug 5th 1879
 Library Association met - at residence
 of Mrs S F Stewart present G W Blake
 Mrs S F Stewart L F Mapa & J H Stewart -
 And after some discussion as to the
 best method of disposing of stock
 there being no quorum, Trustees adjourned
 to meet in regular session on
 Sept 2nd at the residence of Mrs J A
 Brown

J H Stewart - Secy

Chariton Iowa Sept 2nd 1879
 Library association met at the residence
 of Mrs J A Brown present
 Mrs S F Stewart - M. Kelly Mrs J A Brown
 G W Blake L F Mapa
 On motion L F Mapa appointed Secretary pro tem
 Bills of L F Mapa & Co for \$11.00 and G H Rysdale
 for Eight & 75 Dollars put in and allowed
 On motion Trustees adjourned
 L F. Mapa Sec Pro tem

warrant for \$11.00
 drawn on 875
 warrant drawn

Chanton Iowa Nov 12th 1879
 Trustees met at the residence of
 Mrs J A Brown Present GW Blake
 LF Maple W Leully Mrs S Stewart
 Dell W Brown Mrs J C Mitchell & J Stewart
 President called the meeting to order
 when the minutes of last meeting
 were read and approved

After some discussion it was moved
 & seconded that a Committee of three be
 appointed to confer with the Reading Room
 Association and ascertain if they will
 cooperate with us in running a Reading
 Room or if they want us to return
 them their money Motion carried
 LF Maple Mrs J A Brown & Mrs J Mitchell appointed
 as the Committee

Resignation of Dell Stewart as a member
 of board of Trustees handed in and
 accepted

Moved & seconded that Eli Manning be
 elected to fill the vacancy in the board
 of Trustees caused by Mr Stewarts resignation
 Motion carried & Mr Manning declared
 elected

Moved & seconded that we adjourn
 to meet at the residence of Mrs
 J A Brown on Saturday Evening Nov 22
 Motion carried & Board adjourned

J H Stewart
 Secy G.C.D.

Lehianton Iowa Dec 8th 1879
 The Trustees of the Lucas County
 Library Association met at the
 residence of Mrs Eli Manning present
 Eli Manning L.F. Maple Mrs J. Brown
 Mrs S. Stewart Mrs & Z. Stone & J.H. Stewart
 The President being absent L.F. Maple was
 elected Pres Pro tem & called the board to
 order when the minutes of last meeting
 were read & approved.

The request of the Reading Room Association
 for the Trustees to issue a share of stock to
 each member of the R.R.A. who has paid
 their initiation fees to this date was discussed
 at length by the Trustees after which it was
 Moved & Seconded that owing to the
 apathy existing in this community on
 the subject of a Public Library we
 deem it inexpedient to longer con-
 tinue our existence as an organization
 Therefore Resolved "that we do hereby dis-
 continue the Lucas County Library
 warrant for Association and surrender our trust
<sup>330²⁵ drawn ad turn over the funds & books sealed in
 Dec 9/79 ovr possession to the Lehianton
 Reading Room Association from
 whom it was recd motion Carried
 Moved & Seconded that we adjourn
Sine die motion Carried & board
 Adjourned</sup>

J.H. Stewart
 Secy L.C.L.A.

Sic transit Gloria mundi!

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Chariton Iowa Mch 2 97080

Pursuant to a resolution of the
 Chariton ~~Library~~ Reading Room Association
 the 1st in accordance with the
 articles of incorporation the following
 Trustees met at at the residence of Mrs
 D D Stone Wm Kennedy Mrs D Z Stone
 C A Littleton Sam E Campbell D Thompson
 L F Mapa F R Brock Jessie O Mallory
 & J H Stewart. Trustees were called to
 order by the President who stated the
 object of the meeting after which
 the Secretary read a portion of the
 minutes of the last meeting of the
 Reading Room Association wherein it
 was moved & seconded that a com be
 appointed to procure & fit up a suitable
 room for a library motion carried
 & the Chair appointed as the Committee
 Jessie O Mallory D Thompson &
 F R Brock

Moved & Sec that a Committee be
 appointed to select & purchase books
 with the funds remaining on hand
 after the room is fitted up & the incidental
 expenses of organization paid for
^{The committee to be for one year & no longer}
 Motion Carried

Moved & Sec that a com of three be
 appointed to procure the necessary
 supplies for issuing shares of stock
 to other members of the R.R.A. supplies
 to include a seal Amended that the
 Committee consist of the Secy alone
 & motion amendment carried

Moved & Sec that a Committee of Twenty
 to apprehend members of the L.P.R.A. be ap-
 pointed to solicit donations of books to the
 donation Library C A Littleton to act as Chairman
 com Motion carried & the following persons were

Selected as the Committee
 Chen le & Littleton Jessie O'Malley Mrs
 Eli Manning Mrs D. Stone Mrs Bell Brown
 Mrs E. Temple Mrs. Les Haskins Kathie & Larimore
 S. P. Mallory G. H. Ragsdale & Edgerton C. E.
 Campbell W. Cully T. Atkinson C. R. Hendry
 Mrs S. F. Stewart & T. East Mrs. P. F. Bates
 Elijah Lewis Susie Kibbitchuk
 Moved & Secd that the trustees adjourn
 to meet one week from to-night at
 the residence of Miss V. A. Stone
 Motion carried & Com adjourned

S. F. Stewart Secy

Chariton Iowa May 29th 1880
 Trustees met at the Library Room
 and were called to order. Present Mrs. D. L.
 Stone F. R. Grover J. McThompson
 L. F. Maple & J. N. Stewart
 On motion J. McThompson was
 appointed Chairman Pro tem
 Board was called to order and minutes
 of last meeting read and approved
 The resignation of Miss Jessie O'Malley
 was presented and accepted without any
 motion by Mrs. Stone & so that Mrs. S. F.
 Stewart be elected to fill the vacancy
 caused by the ^{abandonment} of Miss Mallory
 motion carried

warranted the following bills were allowed

By Dras	G. H. Ragsdale Printing	\$ 5.50
"	E. R. Young Carpenter Work	4.00
"	L. J. Bergquist Painting	1.50
"	Haskins & Co Lumber	6.14
"	Abr Prater Clean Room	.75
"	Mrs Martin Making soap	2.00
"	J. Braden & Co Notting	26.70
"	J. F. E. Felt Chairs	8.50
"	E. P. Chase Table & chair	8.00

Moved & Secd that Yellie McFannick
be appointed Librarian at a Com-
pensation of One & $\frac{5}{10}$ Dollars per week
Library to be kept open on Tuesday
and Friday afternoons from $\frac{1}{2}$ past one
to $\frac{1}{2}$ past four & from Seven to Nine
motion carried unanimously
MOVED & SECND that we adjourn
motion carried & adj^d J. H. Stewart
Sec

Chairman Sept 28th 1888
Trustees met at the Library Room
Present Mrs R. A. Stewart - F. R. Brock
D. M. Thompson C. A. Littleton & H. Stewart
President being absent Frank R. Brock
was elected temporary Chairman
Report of Treasurer showing bal on
hand June 2nd 1888 to be \$5,788⁷⁵ was read
Treas
Rept Report of Treasury showing Recpts
since June 2nd to be \$59,06 Disbursements
since June 2nd to be \$308,77. Bal on hand
Sept 28th 1888 \$328⁴⁹ was read approved
& orders placed on file

Secretary also made a report showing total
number of shares of stock issued to Sept 28th
to be 81 Certificate numbered from One to 80
of which number Sixty Eight was issued to
members of the Reading Room Association &
thirteen sold Money recd from sales
of stock was paid to Treasurer as follows
June 16th Two dollars Sept 27th \$4.00 Sept 28
fifty cents total Six Dollars & fifth cents
Report approved & orders placed on file.
MOVED & SECND that we proceed to
elect a trustee to fill the vacancy
caused by Miss Campbell's removal
motion carried

Mrs J A Brown & Allie Stanton were placed in nomination & on ballot being taken ~~This afternoon~~ Miss Stanton received four votes and Mrs Brown one. Miss Stanton was declared elected to fill the vacancy.

Moved & seconded that Mrs Gibson be appointed to act as ^{in place of Mrs Stone} member of the Committee on Selection of books during Mrs Stone's absence from the city. Motion carried.

Moved & sec that the Committee on the Selection of books make a selection of book to the amount of

Three Hundred Dollars & purchase the same motion carried.

Moved & sec the Secretary prepare & have published a statement of the action of the trustees since the establishment of the Library and condition of the same at the present time motion carried.

Moved & seconded that the Secretary have a notice published that regular meeting of the Reading Room Association for the election of officers for the coming term ~~months~~ will be held at the Library Room on Thursday Oct 7 - motion carried.

Moved & sec that a ~~late~~ thanks of the Library & Reading Room Association are due and hereby tendered to Oppenheimer Bro' and with for a ~~contribution~~ donation of fifteen dollars and to Charles Wendell & Sons for a donation of five dollars to aid our library and to G A Lockwood for his services in procuring said donations motion carried.

Librarian presented a proposition of Mr Krusemer to give an entertainment for the benefit of the library the Association to furnish the hall and receive all the proceeds.

Moved & sec that the question of Krusemer's Entertainment be referred to the Com on

Ways & Means of the CR A made
the request that they make arrangements & secure his services motion carried
The following bills were allowed

# 18	Postage	1.00
G H Ragsdale Printing		1.50
# 18	Postage	1.50
# 19 L F Maples		175.00
# 20 Nellie McCormick		3.00
# 21 L F Maples & Co		87.07
# 22 J E Kfeldt		2.00
# 23 Nellie McCormick		3.50
# 24 Library Expenses		.80
# 25 Nellie McCormick		6.00
# 26 D L Reid		1.50
# 27 L F Maples & Co		244.00

Bills marked # 19, 20, 21-22, 23, 24, 25, 26 &

27 were all paid by Treasurer & included in his report of money disbursed & forwarded as vouchers for payments

On Motion Trustees adjourned to meet at the call of the President

J H Stewart
Secretary

July 10th 1882

Trustees met in Library Room
 present - F. R. Crocker, J. A. Brown, L. F. Mapa,
 D. M. Thompson & A. Littleton, Mr. R. H. Stewart
 J. H. Stewart,

Called to order by President - & the Pres
 made a report showing conditions of
 Library finances.

Committee consisting of L. F. Mapa &
 A. Littleton appointed to examine the books
 & approve the bills of Librarian & Secretary if
 same correct -

Bill of L. F. Mallory for Rent - from
 July 8th to July 1st 82 allowed for \$0.75⁰⁰.

Mrs. Crocker & Stewart were appointed as
 a committee to procure a suitable case
 for Coins & Curiosities the use of which
 is kindly donated to the Library by C. A. Littleton
 Moved & 2^d that we adjourn to meet
 at the call of the President

Adjourned

J. H. Stewart, Jr.

POST OFFICE.

WM. ALEXANDER, Postmaster.

J. H. STEWART, Assistant.

W. B. DUNGAN, Clerk.

MONEY ORDER OFFICE.

Chariton, Lucas Co.,

July 12, 1882

Recd of J H Stewart City Charito
L & R of Swivel Dallas

for Certificates of Stock issued to
the following persons

Lucius Bestow. J. A. Wicker O. J. Cavallini
Eliza Campbell in A. Morris W. M. Wormley
W. C. Thorpe F. L. Matson A. O. Ewing
John D. Holmes R. J. Marshall Lida Brownlee
Mrs. D. M. Baker Carl Tolson Amanda Copeland
Charles Reed A. Nichols Thos Gay
Harry C. Palmer Lele Cook Mrs. J. A. Remick
Maggie B. Hall P. C. Wolcott Mrs. J. W. Powers.

J. R. Croker Chas

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United States
Chautaukia Soc
Apr 24/85

on the following dates
since my last report I

have issued shares of stock
and collected 50¢ for each
one except the duplicates.

#31 Duplicate issued to V McElroy
original issued to A B Brauner

#57 Duplicate issued to W B Baker
original the same.

109	Wmne Dain	Nov 17/82	50
110	W F Peery	Jan 30/83	50
111	Annual Gibbons	May 23/83	50
112	Mrs J C French	Apr 20/83	50
113	Jasen Thompson	May 7/83	50
114	Mrs Robt Barnett	" 16/83	50
115	Harry Douglass	Oct 29/83	50
116	R J Rose	Jan 29/84	50
117	Ann C Myers	Mar 1/84	50
118	Mrs W F Caron	Nov 14/84	50

5.00

Recd of J H Stewart Sec

Five Dollars and recd for
above shares of stock #109
to 118 ~~inclusiv~~.

J R Crocker

Treas.

United States Post Office,

Chariton Iowa

To the Trustees of the Apr 24, 1885.
Library assm

as Secy of you assn I beg leave
to make the following report of my
actions since my last report on
Sept 28th/88. I have ^{sold} issued shares of
stock to the following parties. Lucas Bestow J A McKern

3	4	5	6	7
McArdle Elija Campbell M Adams W W Wormly Method				
8	9	10	11	12
F L Martin A O Evans J D Holmes R J Marshall Sida Brownlee				
13	14	15	16	17
Mrs D W Baker Carl Clouse Amanda Cpland Charly Rad A Nichols Day				
19	20	21	22	23
Harry Palmer C Cook Mrs Hink Maygill Hall P C Wolcott Morris Maui Sain				
26	27	28	29	30
W P Dunn Anna Gibson Mrs J French John Thompson Mr Robert Bennett Harry Douglass				
32	33	34	35	36
R J Ron Annie Myers W P Cain				

Augt 9 to 17⁰⁰ which was paid to
setg on July 17/82 & Apr 24/85, making 17⁰⁰. There
issued shares of stock to the following members of the old RR Assn

provided by articles of incorporation W H Mcderill Mr
W H Mcderill Jessie Mallie Lewis Moon Mrs M G Smith. Also issued duplicates
in lieu of #31 transferred from A Barbure to V M Palmer & #57 lost
by holder W H Baker. #87 shares of stock issued from #81 to
#118 inclusive. I also acting as Secy of your body have

Managed Lecture of J. H. Wilson various Plays &c
theatrical Entertainments net proceeds of which was
duly turned over to Treasury at the time of the
entertainment and itemized statement of which
is in my hands and I can make a report on
all of them if trustees so desire or will
exhibit some to Committee of your body if
your desire to investigate same all have
the Play of Blow for Blow at Lucas Iowa the
receipts & itemized expenses & management therof
totally was in Charge of Nellie M. Cormick late
Librarian. All of which is respectfully
submitted

J. H. Stewart. Secy

P.S. I would further state that from
time to time F. R. Clark gave his annual
report to me ^{and} surrendered vouchers of money paid
out ^{and} I examined some ^{and} found it correct
in my judgment.

J. H. S. Secy

Chautauq Iowa Apr 25/85 13

Trustees met at the library room
Called to order by the President
J A Brown. Trustees present J A Brown
Wm D Storri Justin O'Malley G F Meyer
& J H Stewart. Minutes of last
meeting read & approved.

The Resignation of Messrs Thompson & Littleton
as Trustees received & accepted. Miss J E Manning
& B F Gates nominated to fill vacancies in
board and receiving unanimous vote of
the board were declared elected.

Moved that Secy insert notice in
City papers when Library would be open
& notify holders of books to return same
immediately.

Secy presented his report from Sept 28/80
to Apr 25/85 and reading of same was
postponed till next meeting.

Moved & 2^d that we adjourn to meet
on next Sat Eve May 2^d at 8 o'clock
Carried.

Adjourned

J H Stewart

July 20th 1887.

Trustees of Library Assoc' met at
residence of Mrs. Stoeni.

Present B. F. Bates Pres.

Mrs. Gibbons Sec.

F. W. Crocker Tras.

L. F. Maple

Mrs. Jos. Brown

Mrs. Manning

Mrs. Stoeni

Minutes of previous meeting read & approved.
On motion of B. F. Bates a committee of
two, consisting of Mrs. Gibbons & Mrs. Manning
~~were~~ appointed to purchase \$50⁰⁰ of new
books. Carried

On motion an order was ordered to be drawn
on Indas for \$3⁰⁰ to pay for blank books. Carried

On motion of Mrs. Brown - Mrs. Stoeni
and Mrs. Gibbons were app'td a committee
to purchase a carpet, and arrange the
room, and draw on the Indas for acct.
Expended: Carried

On motion of Mrs. Brown - to draw an
order on Indas for fifteen dollars in
favor of L. F. Maple to pay 3 mos - rent in
advance. Carried

On motion of Mr. Maple to adjourn to meet
at Library Room last Thursday in August
Carried. Adjourned.

L. A. Gibbons
Sec.

"Redivivus."

March 5: 1892.

The trustees of Charlton Library Association met at Library Hall - on Saturday evening March 5-1892 - pursuant to call of the President. Members present. B. F. Bates. Mrs. L. F. Maple - J. A. Brown - Mrs. Stone - Mrs. Gibbons. Sec. Mrs. Underhill - Librarian - and Prof. Carlisle.

Minutes of all the previous meetings read and approved. The object of the present meeting as stated by the president, was to discuss the proposition made by Prof. Carlisle ~~to~~ of placing the books of the Charlton Library in care of the High School. Mr. Maple moved "that the Library be placed in the care of the School Board - subject to such contract as a committee may make with the School Board - Library to be recalled at any time that the Association may decide." Resolution carried.

also -

That a Committee of three be appointed to confer with School Board as to the best method of carrying out the Res. Carried.

Committee: B. F. Bates. J. A. Brown - Mrs. Stone.

Motion to adjourn: to meet on Tuesday evening March 8. at 7.30 P.M. at Mrs. Gibbons. Carried.

L. R. Gibbons
Sec.

March 8, 1892.

Board of Directors met at residence
of Mrs. Gibbons.

Prof. Carlisle reported communica-
tion from School Board stating they
had appointed a committee of three, to
meet Committee of Library Association to
make a contract for transferring the Library.

Mr. Bates, Pres - appointed J. A. Brown,
L. F. Maples and F. R. Crocker - a committee
to contract with School Board and report
to Directors of Library Association for approval.

Adjourned to meet on call of the president.

J. R. Gibbons, Sec.

This agreement made and entered into this 12th day
of March 1892, By and between Chariton Library
Association of Chariton Iowa party of the first
part. And Chariton School Board of Chariton
Iowa party of the second part.

Witnesseth: That whereas Chariton
Library association agrees to turn over to
Chariton Public School of Chariton Iowa and
its patrons, all Books belonging to said Library
association for the free use of Chariton
Public School and patrons ^{of} said School,
until said Books may be recalled by said
Library association. Or until the same may
be surrendered to said association by Resolution
of said School Board, (either party reserving
the right to annul this contract at any
time they may by resolution choose so
to do.) And said Chariton School by Resolu-
tion of its board of Officers agree to accept
said Books, and furnish Room at their South
School Building for a depository for said
Library, and furnish suitable Book case
with doors and locks to the same for the
preservation of said Books also furnish a
suitable person as Librarian during the
sessions of said School, and keep said
Library open at least one half day in
each week during vacation. and to catalogue
all Books received from said library association,
and file copy thereof with this contract with their
Secretary. And it is further understood and

agreed by the parties. That said School Board
or their successors in office, or the the Independent
School District of Lehariton Iowa, shall ^{not} in any
manner become, or held liable for any loss
of Books, or injury to Books by use, and that said
School Board by this contract is only required
to use ordinary care in the preservation of said
Books, and keep them for the free use of the
pupils of Lehariton School and the Public,
But no Books shall be delivered to any pupil of said school below the
grammar grade without the written consent of the parents who shall be held
responsible for the return of the same
within the limits of Lehariton School District.

during the time this contract may be in force,

Given under our hands at Lehariton
Iowa the day and year last
aforesaid,

B. F. Bates Pres

L. R. Gibbon. Sec.

F. R. Crocker Treas.

L. F. Maple

G. W. Blake

J. A. Brown

J. N. Stover

April 2-1892.

The arrangement having been com-
pleted with School Board - the books in
the Library were duly turned over to Prof. Carlisle
on the 2nd day of April 1892 - and removed
to the High School Building -

L. P. Hobson.

Sic.

650 Books turned over to School.

77. " not accounted for.

All marked with a star were rejected
and are stored with Mrs G. J. Stewart -
also Chandelier - 2 Lamps, oil can -
at Mrs Stewart's

Sold 6 chairs -

what sold - Table - Stove - Book shelves - Bucket -
2 Hamelins - Desk. 1 chest -
2 Dictionaries -

July 1895 -

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of Lucas Co Library Assocⁿ at Mr Bals' - Wednesday Evening.

Present: Mr Bals - Mopler - Lerner Brown - Mrs Storn - Gibson - & Mr

who represented the Y.M.C.A.

The question before the Board was a proposition of Y.M.C.A. to turn Library over to them. A committee of two - Mr Bals - Mrs Gibson - was appointed to look over Library - see what condition it was in & report at next meeting.

Adjourned -

L.R. Gibson Sec.

Committee appointed to look after the books - report them in not a very satisfactory condition - nearly 200 not in Library - Recommended turning over to the Ladies of Chardon Clubs -

Sept. 1895.

In answer to an invitation from the History Club the members of the four clubs met at Mrs Gibbs' - Miss McCormick appointed chairman of meeting. Mrs McCollough Sec - Object of meeting to see what could be done towards opening the Chardon Library under auspices of all the Clubs of Chardon - General discussion followed - Moved by Mrs J. H. Stuart - Sec by Mrs Nally - that the clubs co-operate to assist the Library Assoc in opening the Library -

Moved by Mrs Storn - Sec by Mrs F. D. Stuart - that a committee of two members from each club - be appointed by the chair to meet with the affairs of the Library Assoc -

Corn - Mrs Underhill - Mallory - Bartholomew -
Larminie - Miss Walker. Copeland
Mrs Kewley - and McColloch -
A meeting is appointed with the Director on
Tuesday next at Mrs Gibbs.
Mind & see to adjourn -

Tuesday-

Comet & By L to Mallory

- J. A. B. Pres
- Mrs R. A. S. dom
- F. R. C. Trns
- D. M. S.
- W. D. S.
- L. G. M.
- C. A. L.
- J. H. S. Sec
- Allie S.

