

of long experience, to attend to the processing of its books.

Respectfully submitted,
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Progress
Report
House and
Planning
Committee
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The Planning and Building Committee for the proposed addition to the Library is pleased to report that the designs for the new wing, drawn by the Chairman, were submitted at the Annual Meeting, subsequently plotted and demonstrated out of doors, and approved. Two architects have been interviewed and the plans discussed with them, but no assignment has yet been made. Both architects stipulated, however, that before specifications could be drawn up, the land must be surveyed and the necessary levels established. So the securing of a surveyor for that purpose would seem to be our next step. Meanwhile, Mr. Ellingworth has spoken with Senator Kane regarding the possibility of securing from the Town \$50,000 toward the new wing. Mr. Kane, although personally favorable, raised the question whether the Town could appropriate money for a building which it does not own. This is no doubt an important legal point. But in view of the fact that the Town is already paying for the maintenance of a building which it does not own, this would seem to be a difficulty which may presently be ironed out in one way or another. If so, that would leave us with only the need of raising money for equipment and furnishings - a considerable project in itself, however.

Since the March 6th report, various improvements have been made in the Library building. The House Committee takes pleasure in reporting that the book cart ordered by Mrs. Lockwood has been received and is in use. Combination storm- and-screen windows have been installed by Mr. Fernald, in the bay at the west end of the main room. The floors of the main room and the east hall have been resurfaced, with gymnasium finish, as the constant wear of the last six years had worn the original finish down to the wood. Two new book bases have been made and installed in the