

James Boorman, of the state of New York, an Honorary Member of the Society, and a gentleman of proverbial benevolence. Of this expenditure, \$609.10 has been for books and binding, and \$617.54 for rent and other expenses.

During the eleven years the Society has received State aid, our total disbursements from the general fund has been \$11,207.17; of which \$5,996.89 has been for books and binding, and \$5,210.17 for rents, fuel, postage, cataloguing and other incidental expenses—thus exhibiting an average annual book expenditure of \$545.17, and \$473.66 for other purposes.

During the past year, the Library additions have been 520 volumes, and 226 pamphlets and unbound documents—making, of both together, 746; of which 242 were secured by purchase, and 504 by donation and exchange. Of this increase, 34 are quartos, 161 folios, the rest being chiefly octavos. The Library now numbers 829 quartos, and 951 folios, which may be regarded as a large proportion of such works for a collection of its size.

Among the past year's additions are 163 bound volumes of newspapers—ten of them of the last century; making the total number of bound files in the newspaper department 1,086—of which 132 were published in the last century, and one volume in the century preceding. A majority of the bound files added the past year cover the period of our civil war, and embrace three leading dailies of New York city, one of Cincinnati, and four of our own State—the remainder are weeklies. The ten volumes of the last century range from 1755 to 1788. At a recent sale of the literary effects of the late Rev. John D. Shane—a singularly industrious collector of matters pertaining to Western history, 37 valuable volumes of newspapers were secured; among them are files of papers published in Cape Town, Africa, Sandwich Islands, Melbourne, in Australia, Liberia, China, Smyrna, Constantinople, New Zealand, Kansas, Nebraska, Oregon, California, Washington and Utah Territories; and the *Cherokee Phoenix*—remarkable in the history of newspaper literature—established thirty-five years ago, and printed chiefly in Cherokee, though a part of