of Irving, Kansas. He has given 230 volumes of valuable miscellaneous books. The present has been made at several different times; in fact, it was only recently that we had the pleasure of opening one box which contained forty volumes. Among them was a set of Réclus' Nouvelle Géographie Universelle, in nine handsome octavo volumes, and Farrow's Military Encyclopædia, in three volumes, which were particularly valuable to us. The first most noteworthy gift the library ever received was from Hon. W. A. Phillips, of Salina. It is one of our oldest books in two ways. It is among the first books of the library, and its date of publication, 1518, makes it the oldest book we have. A portion of the title page is as follows: "C. Plynii Secvndi Natvrae Historiarvm Libri XXXVII. E Castigationibvs Hermolai Barbari, Quam Emendatissime Editi;" and the colophon reads, "Excusum, Hagenoae, typis ac formulis Thomae Anshelmi Badensis, Ductu & auspicio, Prouidiviri Lvcae Alantseae Viennensis incolae. Anno a Christi natali M. D. XVIII. Mense Nouembri. Caesare Maxaemiliano habenas moderante." It is a folio bound in vellum. It is exceedingly interesting from an antiquarian point of view. Two graduate students each gave useful books to the

library: Miss Ethel B. Allen, thirty-eight volumes of periodical literature, and Mr. Ellis B. Noyes, nineteen volumes of Humboldt's works. Rev. C. G. Howland has given ninety volumes of periodicals. He has completed our sets of The Nation and The Century, and now gives at the end of each year his two volumes of each of these two periodicals for us to bind, as our current numbers are worn out by use in the reading room. Mr. Frank R. Cordley, Boston, Mass., presented a set of the Harleian Miscellany. In 1888 Hon. P. B. Plumb, Hon. Geo. R. Peck and Hon. T. Dwight Thacher gave a set of the Early English Text Society publications as far as published. Hon. Geo. R. Peck, of Topeka, has since given us the "Works of Jonathan Swift; with notes, and a life of the author by Sir Walter Scott," limited American Edition of 1883, in nineteen volumes, and the "Works of Pope; with introductions and notes by Elwin and Courthope," London, 1871-86, in ten volumes. Col. Wm. H. Rossington, of Topeka, in 1889, gave the new edition of Dryden, revised by George Saintsbury, and published at Edinburgh. When completed it will consist of eighteen volumes. And a few days ago he kindly informed us that he would give us all the books, which

