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## A FOREWORD

This little volume is in nowise an attempt to give a complete statement regarding libraries or library efforts in Chicago. It is the result of the desire, long standing, of the members of the Chicago Library Club to gather in one place such data concerning the club, its history, its scope, and object as shall present a fairly adequate reason for its existence.

There are many more libraries in Chicago than are enrolled here, but it has seemed inexpedient to wait longer for responses to the several requests sent to them for data. Moreover, as the Illinois Library Association is about to publish a fairly complete statement concerning the libraries of the state, including Chicago, the omission of some names from this will not be so serious. The five libraries of which extended notice is herein given have helped to make possible the publication of this hand-book, and to them acknowledgment is here given.

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**REGULATIONS.**—Open 8 A. M.—5 P. M., and 7—9 P. M.; for the use of the students of the Institute only; reference and circulating.

**RESOURCES.**—17,291 vols.

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**HISTORY.**—Founded 1892; supported by membership dues.

**REGULATIONS.**—Open 9 A. M.—5 P. M., except Sunday; reference; for the use of members.

**RESOURCES.**—7,500 vols.

**Chicago Heights Free Library, Chicago Heights.** Harriet Taylor, Librarian.

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**REGULATIONS.**—Open 2:30—6 P. M., 7—9 P. M.; reference and circulating.

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