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Mr. Frank D. Adams,
McGill University,
Montreal, Canada.

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of inquiry of December 24th, let me say that the Library funds for the purchase of books yield about ^{eight} thirty thousand dollars a year. In addition to this, we have available for books certain sums received from fines, from the sale of duplicates, and from special gifts amounting usually from six to eight thousand dollars a year. These figures apply only to the Central or College Library. The departmental libraries of the Medical School, Law School, Museums, Observatory, etc, have their own budgets. The total amount expended for books in 1917-18, including these several departmental libraries, as well as the College Library, was about \$53,000. The figures for last year I have not yet had an opportunity to make up, but the usual expenditure would be something above that figure.

Very truly yours,

W. C. Lane