

sand volumes, does honor to your institution, and is a noble monument of its judgment, taste and liberality.

I beg leave to say that I have not placed any works on the Catalogue that I am not in some degree acquainted with, and know their relative value. Indeed, I may say that eighteen-twentieths of them are in my own library, the gradual accumulation of the last fifty years.

I am, dear, Sir,

With much respect,

Your obt. Svt.

AUGUSTUS E. SILLIMAN,

*President of the Mercantile Library Association.*

JAMES KENT.

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At a meeting of the Board of Direction of the Mercantile Library Association, on Saturday evening, March 14th, 1840, it was

*Resolved*, That for the invaluable guide to a judicious "Course of Reading," which Chancellor KENT has furnished for the members of the Mercantile Library Association, our thanks are eminently due, and warmly tendered; and that we regard it as a high privilege that it should have been marked out by one who has explored so extensively, and contributed so largely to the records of human learning.

*Resolved*, That the President be requested to make inquiry respecting its publication, with power to effect an arrangement for that object.

By order of the Board,

HORATIO N. OTIS, *Secretary*