

History of the Negaunee Public Library

In the year 1890, a group of public-spirited citizens of Negaunee banded together for the purpose of providing a place for the residents of the community to come to read and to obtain books for home entertainment and study.

On October 8 of that year, Mr. Thomas Flynn was named as the first librarian of Negaunee. He served through 1894. Succeeding him were several persons who served as librarians for a short time, including Mr. Michael Foley, Miss Mary Reidy, Miss Ellen E. Harrington, and Miss Maggie Cox. In October 1902, Miss Sezerine E. Wellett was appointed to the librarianship by the mayor of Negaunee.

At that time, quarters were maintained in the old city hall, two upstairs rooms of which were occupied by the library. The number of volumes at the time numbered 2,227; and the circulation for the year 1902 was 6,021.

The old city hall was razed in 1913 and the books were moved to the Negaunee High School for a couple of years.

In 1915 the present city hall was erected in the same place as the old one, it was made la

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