

**CAMDEN FELL SHORT  
IN SUPPLYING BOOKS**

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WHOLE WAGON LOAD**

Although Camden has done nobly in every other line of patriotic endeavor, it has fallen far short of what was expected of it in the supplying of books for the soldiers and sailors at home and "over there." In fact, the humiliating admission must be made that in this book matter Camden stands near the bottom of the list. Many small communities in the State have done vastly better than Camden. For instance, little Wenonah contributed a wagon load of books, good, up-to-date, bright and clean books, books that meant sacrifices to the book lovers of that suburban town, while Camden, with more than a hundred thousand population, has contributed thus far less than six hundred books, and some of these were entirely "out of order," being trash from garrets or dulled of dull "franchise" books.

Many places in the State have given liberally and are still giving, while Camden, with patriotic spirit so magnificently apparent in other directions, has ceased to think of books for "our boys," the boys who are risking all that we at home may live in peace and security, and that life, liberty and happiness may be ensured to all the civilized world.

All agree that it is the morale of an army that makes it weak or invincible, and all army and navy authorities agree that books are absolutely indispensable to keep our boys fit, physically, mentally and morally. With good books at hand the boys stay in camp at night and during leisure hours, and thus are kept away from contaminating influences outside the camp. Reading shows its influence in dress, moral bearing and alertness. Men who never before read a book through are learning to devour the best books and to discuss them intelligently. In this matter the United States is leading the world's armies, and Camden is asked as a loyal community to do its part. The Main Library, at Broadway and Line street, has both phones and the branches have the Keystone phone. Phone one of the libraries to send for your books, your good—see your best books.

The Main Library is Dell 323 and Keystone 820, while are Keystone phones at the branches are as follows: Cooper Branch, 198; East Branch, 435; Kalsin Branch, 619.

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