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### **A Librarian's Open Shelf: Essays on Various Subjects by Arthur E. Bostwick**

The good that a public library may do, the influence that it may exert, and the position that it may assume in a community, depend very largely on the ability and tact with which it is administered and the resources at its disposal.

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They are sufficiently interesting apart from all comment. In the case of the public library, for instance, does a man start with an overwhelming desire to read or study books and is he impelled thereby to seek out the place where he may most easily and best obtain them? In other days the great body of written records remained more or less stable and with its attendant body of tradition did its work by a sort of quiet pressure on that portion of the community just beneath it--on a special class peculiarly subject to its influence. It would be easy to try to tell you; it would also be easy to fail.

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Max Planck of the University of Berlin.

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Yet the same ten thousand men may police a great city without even seeing one another. The more clearly cut and definite the purpose the less the necessity of retaining the association after its accomplishment.

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The novel-writer must be interesting or he fails; the historian or the psychologist does not often regard it as necessary--unless he happens to be a Frenchman.

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