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Just here, a word about trash Trast, as a pood many people con-
sider $i$ it includes ail lipit reading; sider it includese aill light reading;
it might a altiost be defied, any reading that is not diiagreatle Such, for inetance, are novels, pie-
ture papera, and comic books. ture papers, and comic books
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are two sides to to this question; light reading is ont bad,
but gooc, "Norels", said Mr. Thackeras, a man of immense good sense, "are like sweets. Fvery Course this means good noorels. The great mass of readers are tired, Moot people get tired with their day's work, and must read
tiat hey then want is not more work but amusenent or rest. To work
hard all day at farming or a trade or a profesion, and then labor a a profound took afterwards is exactiy the dooctitise of the farmer
who told 4 lis bovis affer dark, there boys, we've done a good hard day work, now let's go out under the
hhed and have some fun sawing wood."
Reading expressly for knowl called study. It requires effort and effort is exactly what tired people do not wint. They wan matter is easiest read. If it is use ful also, so much the better. Book that are amusing and instructive or read. Others, they will not In short, the first requisite town library is, to exist. To ex ist, it nust be paid for. 10 be popular, it must contain muc easy reading, Easy reading, light reading, includesture monthlies ar:d weeklics. 2d. Eutertaining fact, including the more popular travels and bi ography, and popular science. 3d. Entertaining thought, cluding the more popular kind of essays and correspondence.
The other sort of books wh a popular library must coōtain, ar reference books. It must have so far as it can buy them, and nearly the following order, a Dic tionary, a Concordance of the Bi ble, a Dictionary of Quotations, Dictionary of Science and Art, a
Biograpuical Dictionary, a Stand ard History of the United States,
ard a sort of Universal History, some good histories of the other chief civilized countries, a good Diction ary or Encyclopedia of the Bible,
and so on. Butt this list may be xttended indefigitely, and it runs naturally into the other department of the library, viz: books that best it may contain, and should as far
as possible. This department is to consist of good solid reading

 Which shonld be secured for this
department as fast as possible.
I shall only add one more
"chuuk of wisdon" (as the late
Danief Webster said) to this selecDanief Webster said) to this selec-
tion. It is, that if money is rais-
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of it should be laid out at the send ed for a popular library, no more
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ing the first year or so. That
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lermed "society" what is familiarly
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tore been a lawyer in reputable
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guished clubs and literary coteries. Tuished clubs and literary coteries.
The ex-Mayer is a graduate of our
University, a fair journalist, and although a flippant writer and
consunate coxcomb, enjoys a first rate reputation among artists, acterally. Still, even this agreeable
pre-eminence would not have saved pre-eminence would not have saved
him from the fate of Tweed, could ithave been shown that one cent
of the tioney dbtained upon the warrants by him recklessly and illegaly conntersigned had passed
into his pocket. Hall is not over wealthy;although for years enjoy-
ing a very lucrative practice; his manners, costume and associations
have ever been those of a gentle man, and in this wise he has differed amazingly from the arrogant
display and ostentatious prodigali-
ty distinguishing the other Ring unen, notoriously enriched through the product of municipal frauds. The sympathy of the better classes
was naturally enlisted in Hall's fa vor, and the taint of complicity in
the machinations of Tweed \& Co was in a measure removed from
his shoulders through consideration
hat it would be impossible for the that it would be impossible for the
Mayor to examine attentively ev
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official signature is absolutely in
valid. The annual disburse nearly $\$ 40,000,000$, paid out in ny distinct claims and hence, to expect a Mayor to examine per appending his signature to vo ers is a commercial absurdity. This practice might have been proper
fifty years since, but it is that a more satisfactory system of
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should be introduced. Small Farm Maxims.- -1 Small
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4. Feed your land well, and will feed you, It takes less so you see small fárms are best
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