

by the Lutheran & Presbyterian Sabbath schools, we were notified by one of our supervisors of this valuable accession, and in looking over the books we found several of the ^{before mentioned} ~~above~~ description; such as the "History of the Inquisition, Books of Martyrs, Plea against Popery" &c all good and valuable, but not suited to our prisoners.

These we separated from the others and proposed sending them to the House of Refuge, as there is no influence there against them.

We have however since ascertained that these libraries were presented to the Sabbath school for convict men, and therefore we forbear doing any thing further with them without your permission.

We were requested to examine the books ^{sent by} ~~of the~~ Vigilant fire Company about 450 in number; ~~and~~ we did so, and took from them 24 which we considered unprofitable or pernicious. 4 of them we burnt, and we think the remaining 20 ~~ought~~ ^{might} also to be consigned to the flames. We have placed them in the Warden's care to await your decision respecting them.

Believing that in your efforts on behalf of the poor prisoners, you have the same object in view with ourselves, that is - their instruction & reformation; and as your field of labor is so much more enlarged than ours, it is the judgment of this Association that the libraries had better be merged into one, and placed under the supervision of your Sabbath school - and we now resign our part to you.