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Dr. Clement W. Andrews, for many years the librarian of the John Crerar Library in Chicago, was born in Salem, Massachusetts in 1858, and was a representative of an old and distinguished New England family. He was educated in the Boston Latin School, and later at Harvard University, securing the A. B. degree in 1879 and the A. M. degree in 1880. The honorary degree of LL. D. was conferred on him by Northwestern University in 1911.

Upon graduating from Harvard University, Mr. Andrews carried on chemical research in various laboratories. In 1883 he was appointed instructor in chemistry in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He served in this capacity until 1895, when he was called to Chicago to give his services to the Crerar Library. While at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology he also served as librarian, and thus became well fitted to assume the duties which fell to him in Chicago.

Under the direction of Dr. Andrews the John Crerar Library was built up from nothing in 1895 to 500,000 volumes. To Dr. Andrews mainly is due the distinguished position which the John Crerar Library holds in the scientific world. Dr. Andrews had great ability not only as a librarian but as an organizer of a scientific library. He built up the Crerar Library along lines which are likely to be followed for a long time in the future. On account of ill health Dr. Andrews retired in 1928, becoming Emeritus Librarian. He died November 20th, 1930.

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