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**BOOK DIGITIZATION PROJECT PROPOSAL COVER SHEET
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PROJECT NAME:

Chicago in pre-1920 Literature

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CARLI Book Digitization Initiative

Chicago in pre-1920 Literature

The University of Illinois at Chicago Library proposes the digitization of 23 works of literature, each with Chicago as its subject matter. The publication dates for this selection range from 1852 to 1917, and 12 of the titles date from the 19th Century. Both fiction and poetry are represented in the selection; some of the works are illustrated. Some related items from the UIC Library collections (and other libraries' collections) have been digitized and placed with the Open Content Alliance. The 23 items included in this proposal would suitably complement already digitized works of fiction and poetry. The texts, moreover, would complement the selection of items by Northern Illinois authors as proposed by Northern Illinois University Library and, together with that institution's holdings, form an exceptional collection for inclusion in the Initiative.

The selection of these materials addresses the theme of Illinois Culture and Heritage in two important ways. First, the genre of items – literature – is a primary means of cultural expression. That it is literature about Chicago renders the selection doubly pertinent to the CARLI Book Digitization Initiative theme. The historic settings of the works in Chicago capture perspectives on the city that many scholars – of history, architecture, sociology, and more – would appreciate. The books, moreover, may yet find audiences who will enjoy the entertainment they offer. Digitization of these texts would reveal the city of Chicago as seen by the authors and poets of decades ago. In this way, they address Illinois' heritage as much as they do its culture and, therefore, offer an excellent selection for inclusion in the Initiative.

Title	Publication Year	# of Volumes	Edition	Publisher	OCLC #	Checked OCA site yes/no
Wau-nan-gee, or, The massacre at Chicago : a romance of the American revolution	1852	1		H. Long and Bro	12136394	Yes
The fall of Chicago	1871	1	3rd	[s.n.]	37752185	Yes
Mrs. Leary's cow. A legend of Chicago ..	1872	1		Insurance monitor	9169521	Yes
The burning of Chicago : a poem	1872	1		Clarke & Co., Publishers ..	13468462	Yes
Irish Mollie, or, a gambler's-fate : the true story of a famous Chicago tragedy	1882	1		Garden City Book Co.	17221817	Yes
Foiled. By a lawyer. A story of Chicago	1885	1		Clark & Longley, Printers	24470658	Yes
The gambler; a story of Chicago life	1888	1		T.S. Denison	15235883	Yes
Three girls in a flat	1892	1		Knight, Leonard & Co.	1327154	Yes
Alice Ashland : a romance of the World's Fair	1893	1		Peter Fenelon Collier	41994738	Yes
The Columbian ode	1893	1		W.I. Way	3295276	Yes
Ray Burton : a Chicago tale	1895	1		[s.n.]	42463403	Yes
The mysterious disappearance of Helen St. Vincent : a story of the vanished city	1895	1		Geo. K. Hazlitt & Co.	15256697	Yes
The sun maid : a story of Fort Dearborn	1900	1		E.P. Dutton & Co	15259034	Yes
A girl of Chicago	1901	1		F. Tennyson Neely Co	15264102	Yes
Chicago : a satire	1901	1		Inland Press	28434244	Yes
Ongon; a tale of early Chicago	1902	1		C. Francis Press	5931117	Yes
The Russells in Chicago	1902	1		L.C. Page	5072389	Yes
Black Partridge, or, The fall of Fort Dearborn	1906	1		E.P. Dutton	8655380	Yes
Vice and virtue : a story of our times	1913	1		W.F. Mecklenberg	22337170	Yes
Can such things be? : a story of a white slave	1915	1		[s.n.]	35739143	Yes
October 9, 1871 : the burning of Chicago : poems of the Great Chicago Fire	1915	1		Hendricks School Press	39113799	Yes
Mrs. Leary's [sic] cow : a legend of Chicago	1916	1		New York Underwriters Agency, A. & J.H. Stoddart	34660828	Yes
Gullible's travels, etc.	1917	1		The Bobbs-Merrill Company	1191780	Yes