

tions, which require not only payment, in advance, of the annual subscription, and of some other trifling fees, but the presentation, attested by the signature of the candidate, of a certificate of his desire to join the Society, and of his engaging to obey all its statutes. There have been enrolled during the year ten ordinary members, and only one corresponding has been elected. The number of members included in the roll of the Society at the printing of the laws last year was one hundred, which, increased by the additional ones since received, will make the total number one hundred and four. This is nearly about the average, for the annual additions do little more than supply the places of those removed by death or change of residence. The permanent revenue, therefore, of the Society may be stated at about £125, as each member is bound to pay an annual subscription of five dollars. This income is not sufficient for the ordinary expenses, and for the purchase of books and specimens considered necessary—but from various contingent sources of revenue, especially from grants of the Legislature, the Society has been enabled to meet the demands upon it, and at the present time is nearly free from debt. A detailed statement will, however, be laid before the Society by the Committee of Finance, to which the Council beg leave to refer.

The Council now respectfully submit this report, and thereby lay down the authority with which they were invested, and which they hope has not been unproductive of good. By order,

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