

Many of the plants, however, are old and worthless, and should be replaced by fresh specimens as soon as they can be obtained.

Some of the jars containing Fish and Reptiles have been re-filled with alcohol, but a larger supply is needed, especially for the collection of marine invertebrates.

The cases containing the Mammalia, Birds, Fish and Reptiles need re-papering, as they are badly stained and discolored. The glass fronts of the cases should also be washed, and the floors throughout the museum more frequently scrubbed, as the dust which accumulates is very injurious to the specimens.

All donations to the museum and library have been recorded, and the circulars for the monthly meetings have been regularly addressed and posted.

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#### REPORT OF THE LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

The Library Committee have to report that although few meetings have been held during the year, the condition of the library has been considerably improved.

About twenty-five volumes of various scientific journals have been bound and are now on the shelves, while twenty-seven more have been arranged and are now in the hands of the binder.

A good deal has also been done in the way of collecting together the scattered numbers of some of the more important journals, transactions, &c., and a list of them has been prepared by Mr. Caulfield to show what numbers are in the library and what missing. The proportion of the latter is unfortunately large, and there are very few journals of which complete volumes can be made up for any number of consecutive years.

There are now about 1333 bound volumes in the library, classified by Mr. Caulfield as follows:—

Botany	- - - - -	96 vols.
Chemistry	- - - - -	37 "
Geology and Mineralogy	- - - - -	64 "
Natural History in General	- - - - -	280 "
Philosophy and General Science	- - - - -	91 "
Voyages, Travels, &c.	- - - - -	50 "
Biography and History	- - - - -	44 "
Miscellaneous	- - - - -	115 "
Periodicals, Reports of Scientific Societies &c.	- - - - -	556 "

Total	- - - - -	1333
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The accompanying statement was then submitted by the Treasurer, Mr. E. E. Shelton: