

application to the authorities we have succeeded in getting 35 volumes of the British Museum descriptive catalogues. During my stay in England efforts were made, with much success, to complete our series of English periodicals. Several of the numbers wanting to complete our American serials have also been procured, upon application to the editors; 20 volumes of serials have been bound since the last annual meeting; a reading-desk has been placed in the library, and the table re-covered.

Since the first of January considerable time has been spent in connection with the first number of the new volume of the Society's Journal, copies of which are now laid upon the table.

The most prominent wants in the Museum are additional cases for the series of mammalia, for fishes and reptiles, and for the formation of a collection to illustrate comparative anatomy and osteology. Further, special cases, with proper bottles, are urgently required to contain the collection of specimens preserved in alcohol, only a small portion of which can now be exhibited.

The additions to the collection during the session are the most important and numerous that have been received for years; and in conclusion, it is hoped that the work done has been in a satisfactory degree conducive towards the efficient carrying out of those objects, which it is the aim of this Society to foster and cherish.

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