

At the beginning of the college year—1898-'99—there was on the books of the Sec'y.-treas. to the credit of the paper the not inconsiderable sum of \$612.00; this, of course, including the subscription dues of the present year. It is now very near the close of the year and we have received the sum of \$95.00. Thus we have received less than sixteen per. cent of what was owed us. These facts taken together with the added one that each issue of the paper costs us not less than \$30.00 seems to indicate that unless our outlying funds make haste to help us we shall be in imminent danger of being left with a large deficit.

Now there may be more than one way to account for this general deference of payment. If any are taking the paper against their will it would be a great source of pleasure to us if they would pay up their arrearages and discontinue their subscription. We are not obliged to them for their subscription unless they pay us for it. Patronage alone is not sufficiently current coin for us to pay our current expenses withal. Some seem to think that such an insignificant body is not to be granted the consideration and moral rights that would entitle it to remuneration for its labor. To such we would say that only he who is faithful in little things will be found faithful also in much. If any *cannot* pay us we hope for better circumstances for them in the near future. Bills have been sent to all who are in arrears and we shall be greatly obliged if all subscribers will see that they are promptly paid.

### New England Alumni.

The seventh annual banquet of the New England Alumni Association, occurred on Monday evening, April 10 at the American House, Boston. Though the gathering was not as large as usual, the members and friends spent a very pleasant time. At the business meeting resolutions were adopted authorizing Dr. M. C. Smith and Rev. R. M. Hunt to represent the New England Alumni at the next Anniversary, and to convey to the college constituency our most cordial greetings.

Minutes were also adopted relating to the sudden and untimely deaths of Mr. Spurden, A. M. Read, and Rev. A. S. Gumbart, D. D. They were true and generous friends, and will be greatly missed.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:—

President	Dr. M. C. Smith, Lynn.
Vice-President,	Rev. E. L. Gates, Nashua, N. H.
Secretary	Benj. A. Lockhart, 61 Court St., Boston.
Treasurer	Charles H. McIntyre, Boston.
Directors	Revs. A. T. Kempton, R. M. Hunt, Geo. B. Titus, and Mr. J. E. Eaton.