

"employment, and at the highest rate of remuneration, in that special branch of business in which his previous studies, and certified attainments, may be more particularly available."

Your Board trusts that during next year, with the extensive accommodation for classes already referred to, a large number of its members will prepare themselves to compete for the diplomas of that Board.

SECRETARY AND LIBRARIAN.

Under the new Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Institute, the office of Secretary and Librarian is made a joint office, filled by the appointment of the Board of Directors, instead of by annual election by the members as heretofore.

This change would not have taken place until the present time, had not the late Secretary, Mr. W. Edwards, and the Librarian, Mr. W. Eales, tendered their resignations in January last, so as to enable your Board to make the appointment three months before the expiration of their year of office. Your Board received numerous applications for the office, and, after due consideration, appointed Mr. George Longman, believing him to be well adapted for the position.

By this arrangement, Mr. Longman has had considerable time to become acquainted with the duties of his office before entering the new Hall, where more arduous duties and responsibilities await him, and a large amount of re-organization of the different departments of the Institute will become necessary.

All which is respectfully submitted.

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