preceptor, except when accompanied by such preceptor; any violation of this by-law shall subject the student offending to the cancellation of his indentures."

From the Registrar's report to follow, you will learn that during the year just closed there were twenty-five duly registered dentists in the Province, besides six whose registration fees are in arrears, making a total of thirty-one, and from the Secretary's report you will learn that there are about twelve students in the Province, three of whom are now to appear for examination. Four other applicants, I believe, are also to appear before the incoming Board for examination. If these gentlemen are successful, you will in a few days find your ranks increased over twenty per cent.

The congested condition of the profession in Eastern Canada and the Eastern States leaves no doubt that we shall have abundance of successful applicants for license notwithstanding the high professional standard of qualification maintained by your Board during the last three years, and now to be more strictly

maintained.

Some murmurings of complaint have been heard from unsuccessful applicants, but while those men were actuated by purely selfish motives, the action taken by the Board was a deliberate and well-considered action, prompted by a desire only for the safety of the people and the welfare and dignity of the profession.

In view of the fact that there were over twenty-five applicants with a view to entering the profession in the Province either as licentiates or students during the last twelve months, there is no likelihood of a scarcity of good men to receive the privileges of

membership of this association.

The Treasurer's report shows the Association to be in good financial standing, the balance being on the right side of the ledger. While on the subject of finances, let me suggest that the Secretary should receive, if not a salary, at least a liberal allowance for stationery, stamps, etc. It is wrong for this association, in good financial standing, to ask the Secretary to give, in addition to his time, his paper, envelopes, stamps, etc., for the business of the Association as has been done heretofore.

From time to time I have made strenuous efforts to form a society for the giving of clinics, the reading and discussion of papers in connection with this association, but up to the present have met with very little success. Three years ago, at the last general meeting, Dr. Bush gave a very interetsing clinic, but the attendance was very small and the interest manifested not as I fancied it should have been. At the present session there is some