

To our gratification, we are enabled to close the year's report with the statement of an increased members' list, and by the assurance of the warm interest shown in and steady attendance at the Lectures. As during the previous year, from 150 to 200 have generally been present. The subjects have been full of interest and profit to auditors as well as students, and a keen appreciation of their merits has certainly been evinced. The examination questions have been appended to the report, and will give, with the letters of the Professors, ample proof of the educational and intellectual character the Association aims at. Their efforts have been ably seconded by the gentlemen attached to the Colleges, who have given their valuable time, already so heavily taxed, to further the interests of the Association. From their standing as specialists, the Association must deem itself highly favoured. Every pains has been taken to preserve the educational character of study, and to connect the subjects chosen with the work of former years. So few students attend for more than one or two years, that frequently those for whom a progressive course has been planned, do not avail themselves of it in full. We therefore must consider the interests of the auditors, and trust that in time such ground will have been gained that students will enter for a three years' course, that a greater number of subjects can be taken, and the Institution no longer depend only on the subscribers' list, but become self supporting, perhaps even the College so long hoped for. In the meanwhile the Association is endeavouring to raise the Standard of Education, and trusts that the work of the last five years is not without fruit.

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