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desired, yet, on the whole the results are quite encouraging, Much good work has been accomplished, and the prospect for the future is bright and cheering. Yet, there remains cause for regret that in many ways we have been and are likely to be restricted. We want more accommodation, more apparatus and more instructors. Up to the present date these wants have not been very urgent. But the work of the next year as it presents itself to the Faculty, impresses us forcibly with the need of aid. The want of suitable places for gymnastic exercises and other healthful recreation by the students of both sexes, especially in inclement weather, has been greatly felt during the past winter. From \$4000.- to \$5000.= would be required for the erection and equipment of proper building for these purposes. The Regents and Faculty have by earnest endeavor secured some extremely useful books on literature and science for the library of the University. Still, there is a serious want here. Annotated editions of classical authors works of reference relating to English Literature, the natural and physical sciences and other subjects are needed, and will be more and more needed as our present classes advance toward the period of graduation. We ought to seek to open to our students a large view of literature, and to this end a library well supplied with standard works in every department of learning is a positive necessity. By reference to the extent and condition of other University libraries in this country a strong case could be made in favor of a large appropriation for our library. But for the present I will only give expression to the hope, that the next Legislature may begin the development of a really good library by furnishing your board a sum certainly not less than \$5000.=. The Chemical Laboratory stands in need of many additions. A Physical laboratory ought to be equipped for the work of next session. The practical instruction in Physiology, Botany and Zoology, subjects taken by the great body of our students, is rendered onerous to the professor in charge because of the limited number of instruments (microscopes &c) for the use of the classes. Each individual in the class should be supplied with the necessary appliances for practical study. No one should be obliged to wait until many others had seen an object through the microscope before his turn came for observation. You will readily perceive that having but two microscopes for the use of ten or twelve students renders it