The following Report of the State of the Library of the University is respectfully submitted.

From a thorough examination of the library it appears that shortly after the College was first opened, and for a considerable time thereafter much pride was taken by gentlemen in different parts of the State in making valuable donations of books to it, but for many years past this spirit of individual munificence has entirely ceased; and as no available appropriation has recently been made by your body, the library has increased but very little since the addition made to it by the purchase of Dr. Caldwell's books.

Thereafter the resolution of your body was passed empowering the Faculty to appoint one of their number Receiver of College dues and allowing a certain sum for his compensation.

The Professor agreed to discharge the duty alternately and to receive only one half of the sum allowed as a compensation and to expend the other half in the purchase of books; but since the appointment of Prof. Mitchell as Quantr of course this source of enlargement ceased.

The writer now believes that the library is in a good condition as the room in which it is located is susceptible of. It is in the junior recitation rooms and consequently exposed to all that dust which must necessarily be added to a house which is used by a crowd several times every day. Many of the books when presented were in a state almost worthless, the binding of others is materially injured. The Faculty deem it unadvisable that these latter should be returned for later use, better editions of many of them can be procured for what is equal to, or perhaps less than, what would be required to redeem them.