to somewhat over thirty thousand dollars, which was only paid by a falling back upon such money principal as was at hand. For the past year the deficiency was reduced to about thirteen thousand dollars; still a heavy burden in that our institution is practically unendowed.

In view of the gravity of the situation, a petition has lately been sent by the Board to the House of Representatives of the State of Massachusetts, asking for a yearly appropriation, extending over a period of six years, to cover the annual deficit which is now unavoidable. Technology has the benefit of an established precedent, from the fact that large sums were granted by the State legislature in 1887 and 1888; a justifiable claim must also be made, inasmuch as over one hundred and twenty cities and towns of Massachusetts are represented by students, making up a large proportion of the entire college.

The urgency of the case, the high standard which Technology has attained, and the scientific value of the work of her alumni, will be, it would seem, important factors in bringing about an impartial consideration, and the passage of bills which will insure the forthcoming of the necessary funds.

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