

Prof. Agassiz being at the present time  
building, & immediately, such of money to meet  
the current expenses of his Museum of Comparative  
Zoology, it has been proposed, by some of his  
former scholars, that he should at once notify  
him, & please enclose, by mailing in a general  
subscription from the old pupils, the amount  
thus raised to be presented to him for the use  
therein -

Its meetings have been held in Boston,  
subscriptions received to the amount of \$1847-  
in sums varying from one dollar ~~to \$500-~~, &  
the undersigned have been appointed a  
Committee, to notify all former members  
of the school, of the subscription -

A few years ago, the State made  
an appropriation to enlarge the Museum,  
& preserve the valuable collections accumulated  
by Prof. Agassiz, the arrangement of  
which is still incomplete. On Feb<sup>r</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup>  
only \$200- of this money will be left on hand,

& the income from the funded property of in order to present as near that date as the institution, is quite insufficient to possible -  
at the annual expenditure on its part  
etc., including the salaries of trained  
assistants, which Prof. Agassiz has collected  
about him, from Germany, Brazil, & else-  
where, & take charge of special departments.  
To lose the services of these gentlemen, & cur-  
tail, & break up, his half completed ar-  
rangements, will be a real & great grief to  
him. He is a man past sixty, with per-  
haps but few years more, in which to carry  
on, under his own eye, this great work of  
his life. These facts, which should appeal to  
all persons of culture, in the nation in whose  
benefit the Museum is founded, come  
with especial force for, who know Prof.  
Agassiz personally, & personally owe him  
so much.

It is our intention to send the  
sum collected with a paper containing  
the names of the subscribers, but not men-  
toring the amount of each individual  
subscription, & to collect before March 1<sup>st</sup>.

In conclusion, the Committee  
of the Museum, in view of the estate, that, while we hope no one  
will be obliged to give, unless so inclined, we  
earnestly trust, that no one will hesitate  
because she can give but little, for while  
it is undoubtedly an object to raise  
as large a sum as we can, it is also our  
great desire, & please the professor, by a  
united, & general expression of our  
interest in him, & through him, in the  
work he has so much at heart -

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