

institution was established, and those who were the chief movers in its establishment were men actuated by most admirable motives.

As to its welfare during the first thirty years of its life the writer has not much to say. It has been said by the men who were young men at the time and whom it was designed to help, that the institution did not come up to expectations. There was no doubt about the earnestness of its officers, but to use the the expressson of one man



Y. M. C. A. Building, Charlottetown.

the institution did not seem to "take" with the young men. This failure to adequately fulfil its high purpose was deplored on all sides, and was a source of bitter disappointment to those who had identified themselves with the Y. M. C. A. The young men of the town were not attracted.

About ten years ago it was recognized that a change