

Y.M.C.A. WORK IN ENGLAND.

THE National Executive Committee (London, Eng.), has issued a Y.M.C.A. Map of England and Wales, which contains not only all associations and districts clearly marked, but also a census of all towns of 5,000 and upwards. The National work is being vigorously prosecuted under the supervision of Mr. Hind Smith, the National Secretary. Mr. Henry Thorne, late Gen. Sec., at Leeds, commenced his labors as Travelling Secretary, on the 1st instant. Mr. Thorne is well known as an earnest worker and a devoted Bible student. There is one thing certain, that while the Y.M.C.A. Associations of England have not been so demonstrative as those in America, their work has been in the main, more solid and lasting. There is much Bible study and genuine Christian work done, the result, of course, being growth and stability.

At Exeter Hall, London, during the past month our Brother Purson, well known in Canada as an Evangelist, has been holding Evangelistic Services every evening for young men, as well as conducting the Noon Prayer Meeting, a Bible Reading in the afternoon, and on Sundays the Bible Class and Evening Evangelistic Services.

At Aldersgate Street God has greatly blessed the work in all its departments. The spiritual work has been actively promoted by a devoted band of young men. The happiest feature is, that whilst the young men have been caring for the souls of others, the Holy Spirit has been working mightily within the Association itself. Scarcely a meeting has been held during the last month, that has not resulted in leading one or more to decision. The members have in faith looked for results, and their expectation has not been disappointed.

We sincerely pray for a continuance of blessing upon the work of our English Brethren, and devoutly long for a similar work of grace in our own midst.

MY God shall supply all your need" (Phil. 4: 19)—not all wants. He knows what we really need. Often—very often—we would ask things that would not be good for us. But our Father knows what things we have need of; and it is the need that He attends to. Shall we not adore the God of all grace?

"DON'T SELL IT TO THEM!"

ONE day a young man entered the bar-room of a village tavern and called for a drink.

"No," said the landlord, "you have had the *delirium tremens* once, and I cannot sell you any more.

He stepped aside to make room for a couple of young men who had just entered, and the landlord waited on them very politely. The other stood by silent and sullen, and when they had finished he walked up to the landlord and addressed him as follows:—

"Six years ago, at their age, I stood where those young men are now. I was a man with fair prospects. Now, at the age of twenty-eight, I am a wreck, body and mind. You led me to drink. In this room I formed the habit that has been my ruin. Now, sell me a few glasses more, and your work will be done. I shall soon be out of the way; there is no hope for me. But they can be saved. Do not sell it to them. Sell it to me; and let me die, and let the world be rid of me; but for heaven's sake sell no more to them!"

SAILING ORDERS.

To CAPTAIN SEEKER, of the Ship LYDIA, now cruising round GOSPEL ISLAND.

WE have received your despatch, dated Cant. iii. 1, 2, and conclude from your want of success, that you have too much ballast in, 2 Cor. vii. 1, and not enough of canvass; you are therefore commanded to sail for the dock in John v. 25, and have your