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Editorials.

NO apology need be given for a difference of opinion, and after the visit of Mr. John R. Mott, it is to be expected that criticisms favorable and otherwise, would be heard. Unfavorable criticism is apt to be taken for a "knock" and a lack of sympathy for the man or the cause. That Mr. Mott was interesting, there is no doubt; his experiences among students in many lands came with a freshness and force that were invigorating and worthy of serious thought. Apart from this, to the JOURNAL, his message for students seemed to lack that definiteness and clearness that we had hoped for, and expected from the leader of so great a movement. He did not touch vitally upon the relation of the Christian student to his fellows or to the non-Christian peoples, whose evangelization in the present generation is the watchword of the Student Federation. It is not enough to quote statistics and give examples and facts, made impressive and vivid by their isolation. These do not necessarily give to those who are seeking, the true principles of Christianity which indeed, they often obscure. It ought to be demanded of any leader that he give some solution to the problems which he presents. In a certain sense the ability to recognize conditions and needs implies a further ability of dealing with them. Mr. Mott raised questions, and portrayed conditions in a direct and almost stern way, which appealed strongly to all who heard him. It was disappointing to have him stop there. We do not think that it is a solution for most students in a struggle against carelessness, and sin to be urged "to come to Christ" unless the content of that phrase is made clear. To many in the past and present it has been an expression which gave a true vision of Christian life, but in itself it can hardly be said to do so now. In an appeal to workers for the foreign field he said, "let nothing but the will of God interfere with your call there, neither ambition, study, parents or relatives, or the great need of Canada." The will of God is not apart from these and life without the consideration of these is meaningless. The call of God does not necessarily consist in the intense desire to do mission work abroad, but it may be in the quiet and resolute determination to do work well wherever one decides to labor, all conditions being given their relative im-