

us so much that is noble, admirable and lovable, that we could not bear to have it become a password on thoughtless, soulless lips.

But should any one be sceptical of the great part played by Christianity in the development of those nations who stand at the fore-front of civilization; should he also be sceptical of the potency of the spirit for which the name of Christ stands, in elevating man to higher places; no one who has studied the history of Christian missions in the past century can deny that this movement has been the greatest factor in redeeming heathen nations from their bondage of vice, ignorance and superstition, in so far as that work has been carried on. Indeed modern missionary effort is being directed more and more to educating the people and to teaching them to appreciate what is good in their own civilization as well as in ours. And to really convince a man that a certain thing is good, is to make him strive to attain to it. It is not until a man has by his own powers of reasoning, or perhaps through intuition, become sincerely convinced that the ideals held up to him by the missionary are the best, that he is asked to associate himself with that world-wide organization which, with all its mistakes, with its haste to jump at conclusions and its slowness to change these when once formed, has ever stood for what is noble, true and beautiful. Christianity has often proved its vitality by adapting itself to varied ages and varied peoples. But it can continue to live and to be a potent factor for good in the world only as its members recognize in a vital and active missionary spirit the brotherhood of man which does away with all differences

of creed and theory, and unites us all in love and emulation of Him whose spirit still inspires us, Jesus the Christ, the embodiment of manhood, sympathy and love.

Can we at Queen's afford to be indifferent to such a movement? We should, in all fairness, at least consider the advisability of associating ourselves more definitely with it, perhaps by taking a greater interest in student volunteer missionary movements. It may not be advisable to make the Q.U.M.A. a committee of the Y.M.C.A., but it would be very advisable at least, that the work being done by the Q.U.M.A. and by the Y.M.C.A. committees should be brought more frequently before our attention, for nothing creates so great an interest in any work as to engage in it, or hear those who are in it. One might also suggest the resuming of a mission-study class, though there is of course a danger of overcrowding the week. Thanking you for this space

I am yours truly,

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Exchanges.

IN this issue we make our last bow to the world of college editors. On the whole we have found our year with the fraternity a pleasant one. Most of our confreres have been kind indeed; some have been indifferent and a few caustic and severe. Their criticism, however, so far as it applies to us we accept as given with good intent. And now as a parting shot it may be well to say as briefly as possible just what we think of some of the publications that have come to our table during the year. To touch upon all is impossible.