

PHYSICAL CULTURE.—Health being one of the greatest necessities of a girl's life, the Association has laid great stress on the need of equipment in every city so that girls have the use of gymnasium and swimming pool and, if possible, of some place for summer out-door recreation. The number taking some form of Physical Culture has risen steadily, till eight thousand, nine hundred and twenty-five is the figure named for last year. The conscience of the community in many cities, however, still needs to be quickened, until generous givers will make possible such a place under the auspices of every Association. Occasionally the Y.M.C.A. have kindly opened their doors on certain days to their sister Association, but with the return of the soldiers this is likely to cease.

SOCIAL MORALITY.—The community is growing aware, as never before, of the problem created by the relationship of young men and women to each other and is considering how best to give positive teaching to both boys and girls on the sanctity of life. Spasmodic attempts have been made in many places, but for the lack of really qualified lecturers, many leaders have hesitated to introduce such teaching. The Association has planned a Department through which some of this need may be met. A woman doctor, assisted by a trained nurse and lecturer, has been placed in charge of this and they hope to have the help of qualified women in different parts of the country to arrange for short courses of talks on health and on Sex Hygiene. The desire of this department is to approach this whole matter from a spiritual and not a material, standpoint.

EDUCATION.—In thinking over the educational establishments of this country, few would number the Association among them, yet in some towns much of the after-school teaching which older girls take is acquired there. In some the regular subjects of elementary English education are given for girls who have had little chance before; in others, a business course is being pursued. Where no Technical School exists Domestic Science and kindred subjects find many pupils. In many cities the first impetus towards such Technical Schools came from the evident need for fuller training than our Association could give. Choral classes, Social Study groups and many other such helps towards a wider intellectual or aesthetic understanding are being given. As a nation, however, do we not still lack appreciation of the part that could be played in life by such education of the higher faculties? We deplore frivolity, but forget that unless the mind is given