

which no one has yet put in the balance—the shape and size, and powers for good or evil of things the existence of which has not yet been demonstrated—men who will patiently and earnestly seek the answers to the questions, “what?” “when?” and “how?” in the hope that thus they may by-and-by obtain some light upon the more difficult problems of “whence?” and “whither?” even if they may never be able to answer “why?”

There are not many such young men whose tastes will be in the direction of these lines of research, and of these there will be very few who will have the means to support themselves while engaged in the work. We need, therefore, the means to help them in the shape of half a dozen fellowships, paying about five hundred dollars a year each, and granted only to those who give satisfactory evidence of capacity and zeal.

The second thing we want is a demand on the part of the public for really skilled, well-trained sanitary investigators and officials, such as we hope to send out from here; we want a market for our product; we want the legislators of this and other States, and of our rapidly-growing municipalities, to be educated to appreciate the importance and practical value of such health officials, and to give the best of them employment.

Thirdly, the laboratory wants the co-operation and assistance of sanitary authorities and inspectors, and especially those of this city and States.

It needs to know from time to time what they are interested in and are working at, to have the opportunity of showing to its students cases of special interest—sick houses, localized epidemics, special forms of nuisance.

And, on the same principle, and for the same reasons, it desires to have its attention called to special methods of heating, ventilating, and draining buildings, and especially public buildings, such as schools, hospitals, prisons, churches and theatres, and to matters connected with the hygiene of manufacturing establishments and special occupations, methods of disposal of offensive or dangerous waste-products, of protecting workmen against dust, gases, etc.

In short, we want to know how those things are managed by the men who have a practical interest in them; and if, in