

Y.M.C.A. Notes.

"The object of this Association is to unite all students who desire to strengthen the spiritual life and influence of the University; to promote growth in Christian character and fellowship, and aggressive Christian work, especially by and for students; to train its members for Christian service; and to lead them to devote their lives to Jesus Christ where they can accomplish the most for the extension of the Kingdom of God."

At the meeting of the Association on Nov. 12th, the Membership Committee recommended the adoption of a definite basis of membership. After a thorough discussion it was decided that any student might become a member by signing the following statement:

"It is my purpose as a university man, receiving Jesus Christ as my Lord and Saviour, to lead a consistent Christian life as I understand it to be set forth in the Bible.

It was felt that this statement, while making definite what membership in the Association stands for, at the same time leaves to the individual the most absolute freedom of interpretation.

Associate members will also be enrolled who sign the following statement:

"I am in sympathy with Christianity, and desire to promote the work of the Christian Association in the University."

On November 12th the Association was addressed by Prof. McClement on "Sabbath Observance." While the speaker could find no direct scriptural authority for what is known as the Puritan Sabbath, yet he held that its results justified its continued existence, though the form must be less severe than formerly. From personal observation, and from hearing the expressed opinion of others, who had experienced both the modified form of the "Puritan" Sabbath as we have it in Canada, and the "Continental" Sabbath as it is found in Europe and parts of the United States, he was convinced that the former was more desirable, as serving most fully the needs of men. "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath."

The Queen's University Missionary Association took charge of the Y.M.C.A. meeting on Nov. 19th. Mr. W. A. Kennedy, who has lately returned from Bardizag, Turkey-in-Asia, gave a most interesting account of the country and the work being carried on there.

It has been found necessary to postpone the Inter-University Conference which was to have been held at Queen's on Nov. 21st and 22nd. It will be held some time in January.