As John wrote in his first epistle " I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the word of God abideth in you. Strong physically, a most necessary and desirable thing for those who must face the fatigues and exhaustion of hard work in a foreign clime. Strong mentally, because the word of God abideth in them. Strong spiritually, because they had overcome the wicked one. But more especially is it necessary that a missionary should possess the pliability of youth so that he may with greater ease adapt himself to the altered language, surroundings, and habits of the people among whom he may labour, so that in the truest sense he may become all things to all men, that he may gain some.

But above all must he be possessed of that enthusiasm for souls, that dauntless zeal, that irrepressible ardour; which indeed is the fruit of the Holy Spirit, but which (humanly speaking) finds its most congenial lodgement

in the young man's breast.

Where are such young men to be found? What organization offers encouragement to and assists in the development of such young men? Is such an organization well fitted by its constitution, membership and diversified ramifications, to carry on such a work as is demanded in our Lord's commission, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature?

The true solution of these important questions may be found I trust in the near future, when what Y. M. C. A.'s now possess may be joined to what they are manifestly called

upon to undertake.

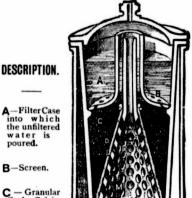
In the meantime it may be well for us to consider what organization is best fitted to

carry on foreign mission work.

1st. It should be undenominational, yet thoroughly evangelical and evangelistic in spirit. God forbid that I or any one should belittle the great work which God has wrought through the missionaries sent out by the various denominations; but God must have the glory, for all the good that has been done is of God and not of or because of the denomination.

Dr. John Hall, in a letter to a young man, among other things gives the following sound advice: "If you look up the Young Men's Christian Association it will do you good. You will then have a reading room, library, gymnasium, educational classes, and decent fellows around you, at a small cost in money, and you are more likely to find there the stuff out of which real friends are made than anywhere else.'

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