

sensation. The College cannot change elm to maple. It cannot give brains or a new heart even to those attending its classes at headquarters, much less can it do this by any machinery to those outside. But in proportion as it comes into touch helpfully and vitally with souls desiring knowledge it should be able to inestimably increase their enthusiasm, interest and effectiveness in the spread of the kingdom of God.

### *The University Extension Movement.*

Based on a belief in the wisdom and feasibility of extending the culture of the university to those outside as well as inside the college walls, the University Extension Movement has had its rise, and for a quarter of a century in Europe and America, has made its way. It has taken various forms adapted to various situations. Its essential difficulties have been as follows:

#### *Difficulties Great.*

1. The short time in which instructor and pupil meet, the inadequate time for study, and the brevity of the courses, which have necessarily to be short and simply arranged in order to attract the busy yet worth-while citizen.
2. The small percentage of people which the study of subjects like English literature, music, history, etc., appeals to in any one community, and consequently the difficulty of organizing a "centre" in any place for a course of lectures. Subjects in which the people will take an adequate interest, and instructors capable of attracting, interesting and instructing, are the two strategic points in all University extension work, and it is no easy task to secure them.
3. The cost, especially in the absence of endowment, or when the work is not definitely connected with a University.
4. Correspondence has given valuable assistance, and where this is relied on *solely* the absence of the personal meeting of the instructor and pupil face to face for question and explanation constitutes a grave defect.

#### *A Great Success, Nevertheless.*

These are great difficulties, but in spite of them the movement has had, on the whole, wonderful success and has shown great stability. This is largely because of the fundamental truth upon