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The Year Book of 1893 of the International Committee of the Young Men's Christian Associations of North America reports one hundred and eighty-five associations composed of the young men of the country, distributed as follows throughout fourteen foreign mission lands:

North America	Europe.	Asia.		Africa.
Mexico 1	Bulgaria	Japan	29	West Central 1 Hawaii 2
	European Turkey	3 China	7	Madagascar 2
		India	79	
		Ceylon	22	
		Syria	7	
		Pe: via	2	
		Russia	5	
		Asiatic Turkey	24	
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The existence of these one hundred and eighty-five bands of young men "whose hearts God has touched" is especially significant when it is known that the vanguard of this Oriental contingent of the world-wide army is composed of forty-five bands of students connected with eleven government and thirty-four Christian colleges. The fact that this new movement in the Far East is headed by educated Christian young men is a strong guarantee of its permanence and power. Inasmuch as the character of the movement is to be determined by the student body, and its firstfruits have appeared mainly among this class, the writer will confine himself almost entirely to a discussion of this one department of the movement.

I. The nature of the movement is the same which characterizes the American College Young Men's Christian Association, and can best be mdicated by a brief statement of the purpose, methods, and results of the Association in America.

1. The American College Association aims to lead every student to discharge a threefold Christian obligation : first, to his fellow-students, second, to his country, and third, to his world.

2. The following methods are employed in the promotion of this threefold service :

To provide for the discharge of the first of these obligations—that is, the cultivation of the field for Christian work inside of the college among the student body, the Association conducts prayer-meetings, Bible classes, and evangelistic services, and organizes a thorough system of individual work.

To promote the students' Christian work outside of the college, the Association maintains meetings in mission chapels, district schoolhouses, alms-

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