

world, like the demoniac, out of whom were cast a legion of devils, shall sit clothed and in its right mind at the feet of Jesus.

After fifty years the following figures represent the growth of the Y. M. C. A. throughout the world: In the year 1896, Great Britain and Ireland, 1,298; Canada, 86; India, 78; other British possessions, 54; United States, 1,362; Germany, 1,320; Netherlands, 812; Switzerland, 427; Norway, 189; Denmark, 150; France, 135; Japan, 60; Sweden, 58; Italy, 47; Belgium, 33; China, 11; Palestine and Syria and other countries, 9.—Grand total, 6,129.

Many of the home and foreign Y. M. C. A. buildings are of elegant architecture and are centres of great Christian activity. It has been claimed that early in the century a similar society, "Jünglings-Vereine," was organized in Switzerland. But the distinctive Y. M. C. A. cannot be traced further back than the London society of 1844.

There are over forty magazines, chiefly monthly, issued by the Y. M. C. A.'s in Great Britain and its colonies. The principal American and continental Associations also issue local periodicals.

A special development of the Y. M. C. A. in recent years has been in connection with the colleges, especially of the United States and Canada. In many of these institutions admirable buildings have been erected, and incalculable good has been done by the visitations throughout the world by Mr. Mott, and others who, in connection with the Students,