

establish a union, and a wealthy friend intend to erect the building for them. When we find universities three, four and five hundred years old without accommodation for students that the smallest university in the New World provides in some fashion, it makes us feel that ours is a wonderfully luxurious age. It thinks of comfort first of all. Our fathers thought of the mind and apparently left the body to take care of itself. There is no reason why the two should not be combined; but in asking, in connection with university life, for this, that or the other appendage, let us never forget the great purpose for which a university exists. It is of more consequence to the student to have first class professors, library and laboratories, than to have all the luxuries of modern hotels.

WE rejoice at the prosperity of the Y.M.C.A. Friday afternoon meeting. The increasing interest manifested in this meeting is highly encouraging. We hope that Queen's may soon have Y. M. C. A. rooms within the college buildings, where meetings could be held each evening. It is gratifying to find that at present there is no lack of workers. At the same time it seems a pity that the executive could not so arrange matters as to call into requisition the services of as many as possible of the senior students. Eleven divinity students leave college in a few weeks in order to become leaders of men in the world—and one is already in harness—and yet, so far as we have seen, only five out of the twelve have this session appeared in the chair at the Friday afternoon meeting. We cannot say why this should have been so; but, in justice to some of those gentlemen, who may on this account appear to be indifferent to the spiritual interests of their younger brethren, we may state that the executive have simply not seen fit to solicit their services. We think this is a mistake, which

should be remedied in future years. If ministers are to be enlisted into Y. M. C. A. work, and through them the young men of their congregations, they must be caught when students at college. And this remark is not applicable to divinities alone. Final year men both in arts and medicine, if given their due part in this work, would of necessity carry with them into the world a power for good amongst young men. Juniors in all departments should try and curb their ambition somewhat and give place to their elders. We are perfectly well aware that the officers of the Y. M. C. A. general association deprecate the work falling into the hands of old men. But there is at present no fear of this danger in Queen's. If there is any foreboding of failure at all, the cause may be found in section 22, par. 7 of "The Office and Work of a General Secretary of the Y. M. C. A.," published by the General Secretaries' Association. Under the heading, "Errors in Association Work to be Avoided," it is stated that "connected with this is the error of one man doing all the work. The Association will never grow beyond the one man, its work will be limited by his endurance, instead of growing and multiplying by constant accession of new workers, and is liable to sudden death by his decease or departure." If this is the result of one man's energies, it must be equally disastrous when the work is limited for years to a circumscribed few.

STUDENTS have now been allocated by the Mission Board to the various mission stations they are to occupy during summer. Some of Queen's men are to be settled in the adjoining Presbyteries of Kingston, Lanark and Renfrew, and Brockville; others are to go to the more distant fields of Owen Sound and Manitoba. Graduates will be eligible for settlement after six months work, reckoning from 1st April.