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PRESENTED MAY 15th, 1865.

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*South*—A. McBride.  
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*Welsh*—L. Lewis.

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*Holy Communion*—Thomas Whittaker.

*Holy Martyrs*—Arthur Forbes, Jr.

*Epiphany*—Oscar Witherill.

*St. Bartholomew's*—John T. Wilde, D. F. Wildeman.

*St. George's*—W. N. McVickar.

**Moravian.**



# R E P O R T .

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As we close the thirteenth year of the history of THE NEW YORK YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, it seems hardly necessary to repeat the arguments so many times in the past presented to the public in favor of such organizations. God has approved them; the labors in which they have participated, and the practical works which they have originated and conducted, have been blessed abundantly by the Head of the Church; and now, in all Christian lands, and especially in our own, is their power for usefulness felt and acknowledged.

The leading editorial of the *British Standard*, of February 24th, immediately caused by a work of charity in which our Association, and that of the City of Washington, bore a conspicuous part, thus concludes: "Young men of England, hasten to connect yourselves with these organizations; parents, employers, patriots, philanthropists, embrace every opportunity of encouraging and supporting these Christian Associations."

The present learned and accomplished Vice-President of the Nation, in a letter to one of our Board of Directors, speaks thus: "Your Association, in my opinion, yields in importance to no one of the many philanthropic and benevolent Societies of the day."

The past year has been to us one of more than ordinary success and prosperity, and we here acknowledge it all as the gift of the Master in whose cause it is our delight to labor.

We will now advert in the briefest manner to some of the details of our work.



[ \$117,777 in 2021 U.S. dollars. Also, the U.S. Civil war ended during this term, on Apr 9, 1865]

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE have most faithfully and energetically performed the duties assigned to them, and thus our expenses, though larger than in any previous year, have been promptly met and discharged. The receipts for the current year, from all sources, amount to \$6,878.82, of which the sum of \$5,074.75 is from donations alone. Our expenditures amount to \$6,790.00, and there is now in our treasury a balance of \$88.82.

Too much praise cannot be awarded to the members of this Committee. They assumed their work when the prospects for success were gloomy indeed; but, through their active efforts, the Association now occupies a better financial position than ever, and under their wise administration we feel sure of the means to carry on our primary work in this city on a scale more commensurate with its vastness. With full hearts, we thank those who have so generously aided us with their purses, in our efforts to accomplish the purposes for which this institution was established.

THE LECTURE COMMITTEE have, during the year, pursued their work with the utmost diligence, and with cheering success. There have been eighteen sermons preached, on their invitation, by clergymen residing in this city and vicinity, during the year, upon topics especially adapted to young men residing here, and called upon to take part in the performance of the diverse and responsible duties of life in a cosmopolitan city like our own.

Twelve free lectures have been delivered in our Rooms by members of the Association and its friends. These have, in the main, been well attended, and great good must result from them.

The coming season will be commenced with the experience in regard to this system now acquired, and we hope soon to make free lectures a feature of considerable importance and real profit to the young men about us. It is our desire to fill the Rooms on these occasions, if possible, exclusively with young men.

Bishop Simpson, of the M. E. Church, on invitation, in November last, delivered his celebrated address on "Our Na-



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RULES OF LIBRARY.

- I. The Library shall be open from 8 A. M. to 10 P. M., Sabbaths and Public Holidays excepted.
- II. Any member, upon personal or written application to the Librarian, may take out one Folio or Quarto, one Octavo or two Duodecimos, for four weeks, and one Duodecimo or 18mo for two weeks.
- III. Any member who shall retain a book or set of books longer than the time above specified, shall forfeit and pay to the Librarian, for the use of the Association, ten cents per week on each volume; after eight weeks the fine shall be doubled.
- IV. Any member in arrears for annual dues to the Association, or indebted to the Library, shall not be entitled to the use of the Library.
- V. If any member lose or injure a book, he shall make good the same to the Association; and if the book lost or injured be one of a set, he shall pay to the Librarian the full value of said set, and may thereupon receive the remaining volumes as his property. The value of any book so lost or injured to be determined by the Library Committee.
- VI. The books marked "Books of Reference," shall not be taken from the Rooms of the Association.
- VII. Strangers, upon application to the Librarian, may have the privilege, while in the Reading-rooms, of using the books belonging to the Library.



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## FOURTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING.

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The Fourteenth Annual Meeting of **THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK** was held in the Madison Square Presbyterian Church ( Rev. Dr. Adams) on **Sunday evening, 13th May, 1866.**

The opening exercises were conducted by Rev. Thomas S. Hastings, D. D.

The Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., preached the Annual Sermon, selecting for his text 1 Timothy, v. 1: "Entreat the younger men as brethren."

The benediction was pronounced by Rev. Dr. Hastings.



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**Stephen D. Hatch** Architect, incl. Eisenhower Executive Office Building, Rooms 231 & 232 – Washington, D.C., office suite for the U.S. Secretary of War, completed March 1888

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Verranus Morse, M. D.,	E. H. Smith, M. D.,	Jabez B. Holtby, M. D.

[ **Elihu Root** (1845-1937), Attorney for Andrew Carnegie (ca. 1890-); Co-founder of the Pilgrims Society (1902); Secretary of State (1905-1909); Secretary of War (1899-1904); U.S. Senator (NY, 1909-1915); President of the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace (1910); President of the Council on Foreign Relations (1921) ]

**Devotional Meetings.**

**ELIHU ROOT**, *Chairman*, No. 510 Seventh Avenue.

WILLIAM H. ROE, *Secretary*, No. 176 Centre Street.

C. H. Gardner,	John Dixon,	Frank A. Nott,
Robert W. Haskins,	Alfred A. W. Brown,	Charles P. Shaw,
J. D. Giffing,	R. H. Wilkinson,	John C. Staples,
Elisha P. Thurston,	William H. Haskins,	William G. Heney,
William Reid,	Louis Bond, Jr.,	G. Clinton Stokes,
Reuben B. Pool,	M. H. Clement,	William H. Swartwout,
W. S. Fancher,	George G. Macartney,	William F. Barnard.

**Music.**

SPENCER W. COE, *Chairman*, No. 140 Church Street.

JAMES STOKES, Jr.,

H. G. B. WATSON.

**Western Branch.**

GEORGE R. GRAVES, *Chairman*, No. 40 Fulton Steeet.

JAMES YEREAANCE, *Secretary*, No. 155 Broadway.

William Reid,	Philip B. Henry,	Joseph R. Carr, Jr.
William W. J. Warren,	John P. Newell,	

**Eastern Branch.**

M. EWING FOX, *Chairman*, No. 358 Pearl Street.

ARTHUR FORBES, JR.

**CHURCH COMMITTEE.**

WM. F. BARNARD, *Chairman*, Pier No. 1 North River.

G. CLINTON STOKES, *Corresponding Secretary*, No. 8 West 34th Street.

HENRY A. CROSBY, *Recording Secretary*, No. 47 Exchange Place.

**Baptist.**

*Antioch*—A. C. Bird, 282 Pearl Street.

*Berean*—Geo. Dowling, 6 Ashland Place.

—Samuel Morgan, 25 Bedford Street.

*Bloomingdale*—L. P. Crane, 29 East 14th Street. M. R. Barnitz, 29 East 14th Street; Benjamin F. Richards, 534 Ninth Avenue.

*Calvary*—E. P. Thurston, 276 Fourth Avenue; G. Clinton Stokes, 8 West 34th Street; David Manwarring, 130 Front Street.

*Broome Street*—John M. Hartes, 60 Wall Street; Joseph F. Shoards, 231 East 13th Street.

*Free Will*—R. P. Perry, 1179 Broadway.

*Laight Street*—John Blauvelt, 3 Desbrosses Street.; A. H. Van Hoesen, 313 Canal Street.



*McDougal Street*—J. Henry Demarest, 341 Eighth Avenue; Geo. F. Mason, 9 Jones Street.

*North*—Henry C. Conger, 601 Broadway.

*Sixth Street*—John Theis; John Hamilton, 432 East Tenth Street.

*Sixteenth Street*—Jas. L. Hastie, 443 Broadway; Frank S. Pownall, 14 Downing Street.

*South*—W. McBride, 394 Broadway.

*Tabernacle*—C. F. Harris, 51 Murray Street; John Love, Jr., 15 Renwick Street.

*Welsh*—L. Lewis, 131 Chrystie Street.

### **Congregational.**

*Church of the Puritans*—R. J. Thompson, 279 Washington Street; F. Ferris, 322 Bleecker Street.

*Tabernacle*—W. F. Barnard, Pier 1 North River; W. N. Jennings, 343 Broadway.

*New England*—Austin Abbott, 149 West 38th Street; S. R. Bonnell, 170 William Street.

### **Dutch Reformed.**

*Lafayette Place*—Alfred Abeel, 125 Second Avenue; Wm. H. Van Arsdale, 53 Seventh Street.

*South*—John C. Carrie, 328 Broadway.

*North*—W. W. J. Warren, 38 Park Place; John A. Gilmore, 228 Greenwich Street.

*Fifth Avenue and 29th Street*—J. S. Bussing, 4 East 12th Street; J. B. Hillyer, 12 West 39th Street.

*Greenwich*—John Oscar Demarest, 30 Park Place.

*Mt. Pleasant*—Wm. Harvey, 147 Fulton Street.

*Northwest*—F. N. Howland, 190 East 20th Street; John D. Giffing, 188 Chambers Street; H. P. Shan, 325 Broadway.

*34th Street*—Wm. A. Armstrong, 149 West 33d Street; Eben Peek, 149 Bank Street.

*21st Street*—Frank W. Jesup, Jr., 84 Broadway; Nestor H. Brewster, 51 White Street.

*Washington Square*—J. E. De Witt, 104 John Street.

### **Lutheran.**

*St. James'*—J. Fellows, 73 Vesey Street; Anson A. Evans, 474 Second Avenue.

*St. Paul's*—W. H. Newschafer, 169 Broadway.

*St. Matthew's*—C. E. Flammer, 25 Leroy Street; W. Drach, 70 Chrystie Street.

*St. Mark's*—Chas. F. Rye, 394½ Bowery; R. F. Knoche, 50 Sixth Street.

*Trinity*—H. W. Knoche, 50 Sixth Street.

### **Methodist Episcopal.**

*Bedford Street*—Chas. A. Benedict, 330 Broadway; S. D. Hook, 3 Chambers Street; T. F. Hance, 80 Chambers Street.

*Central*—Lemuel Skidmore, 36 Clinton Place.

*Duane*—S. White, Jr., 48 Pine Street; Geo. W. Dow, 339 Greenwich Street.

- 18th Street*—W. J. Hutchinson, 34 Wall Street; Wilber F. Foshay, 71 Worth Street.
- 43d Street*—Chas. E. Lattimer, 75 West 44th Street.
- Forsyth Street*—R. R. Sinclair, 163 Henry Street; R. H. Wilkinson, 62 New Bowery.
- Greene Street*—Horace G. Shaw, 278 Greenwich Street.
- Hedding*—John S. Merrick, 118 East 19th Street.
- Rose Hill*—T. Pullman, 177 East 29th Street; Stephen Martyn, 98 Seventh Avenue.
- St. Paul's*—Bowles Colgate, 53 John Street; A. L. Hyde, 58 Wall Street.
- 7th Street*—C. D. Wadsworth, 191 Chrystie Street; J. T. Burke, 115 Forsyth Street.
- 30th Street*—J. T. Phayre, 201 West 30th Street
- 34th Street*—W. F. Bogart, 56 Front Street.
- 24th Street*—Robt. Tarleton, 235 West 26th Street; Geo. W. Tyler, 163 West 19th Street.
- Washington Square*—Theodore Fox, 114 Nassau Street.

### Presbyterian.

- Allen Street*—E. P. Tibbals, 466 Broome Street.
- Brick*—Theodore Gilman, 45 Exchange Place.
- Central*—A. S. Hunter, 363 Broome Street.
- Chelsea*—Jos. S. Bosworth, Jr., 452 West 22d Street.
- Church of the Covenant*—Anselm Schaff, 5 Bible House; Henry A. Crosby, 47 Exchange Place.
- 11th Street*—Wm. McPherson, 344 East 13th Street.
- 15th Street*—W. J. Hutchinson, 5 Jacob Street.
- Fifth Avenue*—Geo. Hathorne, 15 Amity Street.
- 1st, Fifth Avenue*—Thomas C. Dow, 35 William Street.
- 42d Street*—S. T. Houghton, 139 Duane Street.
- Fourth Avenue*—H. T. Bronson, Second National Bank; W. G. Heney, 21 Park Row.
- 14th Street*—J. F. Donaldson, 104 East 4th Street.
- Grand Street*—Wm. Reid, 21 Cliff Street; Thos. C. Walker, 137 East 21st Street.
- Madison Square*—John E. Reade, 105 Chambers Street; Frederick D. Somera, 10 Murray Street.
- Mercer Street*—Lewis P. Tibbals, 478 Broadway.
- North*—A. M. Hanks, 240 West 31st Street.
- Seventh*—M. E. Fox, 358 Pearl Street; W. Nichols, 175 Monroe Street.
- Spring Street*—Jas. Yereance, 155 Broadway; Jno. P. Newell, Custom House.
- 13th Street*—A. A. W. Brown, 55 White Street; T. Herring Burchard, 45 Seventh Avenue.
- 23d Street*—Chas. B. Dales, 240 West 26th Street; G. N. Stranahan, 21 South Street.



*University Place*—J. A. Jamison, 170 William Street.  
*West*—Charles D. Adams, 2 Wall Street; P. W. Lyon, 537 Pearl Street.

**United Presbyterian.**

*Seventh Avenue*—H. J. Edmundson, 368 Bowery.  
*44th Street*—W. H. Lewdrum, 101 East 27th Street.

**Reformed Presbyterian.**

*First*—David Shaw, 48 Wall Street.  
*Second*—S. J. Armstrong, 55 Dey Street; W. J. Wiggins, 61 North Moore Street.  
*Sullivan Street*—J. A. Dow, 41 Wall Street.

**Moravian.**

*23d Street*—Jacob C. Abel, 175 West 13th Street.

**Protestant Episcopal.**

*Calvary*—J. N. Beekman, 23 East 20th Street.  
*Holy Communion*—Thos. Whittaker, 3 Bible House; Jas. G. Hunt, 118 West 23d Street.  
*Holy Martyrs*—Arthur Forbes, Jr., 12 Orchard Street.  
*Epiphany*—Geo. F. Wilson, 118 First Avenue; Oscar Witherill, 257 Broadway.  
*Grace*—W. Frost Thorn, 8 East 33d Street.  
*Mediator*—Frank A. Nott, 76 Lexington Avenue; G. G. Macartney, 76 Lexington Avenue.  
*Memorial, Anthon*—F. M. Derby, 103 Water Street.  
*Redemption*—Joseph F. Harris, 11 East 11th Street.  
*St. Bartholomew's*—John T. Wilde, 55 White Street.  
*St. Clement's*—Benj. Johnson, 36 Warren Street.  
*St. George's*—J. Warren Peck, 348 Broadway.  
*St. Peter's*—F. R. Gillespie, 240 Front Street.  
*St. Timothy*—Geo. D. Smith, 149 Bank Street.  
*Holy Trinity*—Clarence Tucker, Fifth Avenue, cor. 49th Street.

## ANNUAL REPORT.

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THE year just closed has been one of steady progress and hopeful success. Closely following the admirable system referred to in our last report, the work of the Association has been in every way encouraging. Avoiding all side issues or distracting questions, the single aim of all exertion has been how best to reach with kindly sympathy the great number of young men in our city, and to elevate them morally, socially, and physically to a true Christian manhood. The work has become more practical and direct as experience has shown what to do and what to avoid. Many doubtful questions have been solved and many points of advantage occupied.

As the great work, on which the future character of our city so largely depends, opens more widely, we were never, with God's help, so well prepared to meet it with directness and force.

For the details of the work of the Association, reference must be had to the full reports of the various committees annexed. A brief synopsis of their principal features can only be given here. God has signally blessed our efforts, guiding our members in a hearty and earnest coöperation, for which we cannot be too grateful. He has given us more than ever before the sincere sympathy and confidence of the pastors and churches, and of many good men of ripe age and experience. The Association has come to be recognized as a power for good, to be encouraged, strengthened, and developed.

During the past year many careful investigations have been made as to the number and condition of young men in



the city, their employment, their homes, the few means at present for helping and elevating them, and the immense and terrible array of temptations which surround them on every side. The facts arrived at have been so startling as to awaken the greatest interest and surprise. They have been collected in a pamphlet form, together with some suggestions as to the design and scope of our Association, as a proper means of meeting a great want, and are so fully given to the public as to make only a reference necessary here. This pamphlet will be found of great value to those interested in the condition of young men, or in social statistics.

With the greatly increased cost of living during the last few years, the position of young men crowded in boarding-houses has become more and more discouraging. Coming mostly from country or foreign homes, friendless and alone in a great city, away from restraint, they have easily and naturally given way to the temptation of finding a substitute for home in the bright, cheery rooms where vice is most attractive. These are almost the only inviting places where they find a free and cordial welcome. The necessity for some counter-attraction, devised on a liberal scale, seemed immediate, and the Board determined at once to attempt to carry out the project so long devised, and to raise the funds for the erection of a building for the uses of the Association—the plan to include every thing necessary to make a real home for young men.

To this end, a most liberal charter was granted to the Association by the late Legislature of the State, fixing our rights and position as a Corporation, and founding a Board of Trustees of the "Building Fund," who should sacredly hold the real estate to be purchased for the sole benefit of young men in our city. Our Constitution and By-Laws have been so amended as to conform to this charter. The Trustees have accepted their position, and it remains only for the Association to raise the funds to erect a building, which shall be a true centre for our work, and an honor to the city. According to the terms of subscription, amounts entered are only binding when the sum of two hundred thousand dollars has been subscribed. Already there has been a grand response

[ \$3.4 million in 2021 U.S dollars ]

to our appeal, and so large a proportion of the amount needed subscribed as to make it certain that, with the continued blessing of God, we shall soon raise the entire sum. The hearty and prompt sympathy of all to whom we have applied has made the work gratifying and delightful. In our next annual report we hope to announce the close of the subscription and the rapid progress of the building. In this connection, and as tending to show the increased public appreciation of the Association, it gives us pleasure to state that leading articles, enforcing its claims and urging more generous present support, and the necessity for the erection of a building for our use, have appeared in the following papers, viz.: *Post, Express, Commercial Advertiser, Journal of Commerce, Tribune, Times, Sun, Dry Goods Reporter, Observer, Christian Intelligencer, Methodist, Independent, Evangelist, Christian Advocate, Examiner and Chronicle, Round Table, Nation, and Harper's Weekly.* To all of these our most hearty thanks are due.

The Committees of the Board have worked steadily and successfully.

The FINANCE COMMITTEE have found the application for large sums for the Building Fund to interfere somewhat with their work, while the increasing expenses of the Association have called for a larger income than in former years; they have met with increasing liberality and sympathy among our friends.

THE ROOMS AND LIBRARY COMMITTEE have cared faithfully for the home interests of the Association, making the rooms as attractive in every way as our present limited accommodations would allow. They have to regret the small increase in the library during the last year. The General and Reference Libraries must be one of the most interesting features of our plan, and it is sincerely to be hoped that an independent fund may soon be raised for the purpose of establishing such a collection as will always be useful and attractive. The great necessity of increased accommodation for all our work



will be found ably set forth by the Chairman of this Committee.

The necessity of fully acquainting the public with the condition and wants of young men in the city, through papers prepared by the Association, with special reference to our Building Fund, has thrown an unusual amount of labor upon the PRINTING AND PUBLISHING COMMITTEE. In the subjoined report of the Committee will be found a summary statement of the more important papers issued by the Association, together with some suggestions tending to show the importance of an Association Literature.

The full list of lectures, sermons, meetings, and entertainments during the last year, given in the report of the LECTURE COMMITTEE, will show how admirably this portion of our work has been cared for. The crowds of young men who have attended these gatherings show how easily this class may be reached by cheery and attractive means. The work of the year in this department is most suggestive, in view of future labor.

The EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE has the immediate charge of all operations of the Association, and the full power of the Board in the interval of its meetings. It has imparted life and vigor to all branches of our work, and the unwearied, self-sacrificing labors of its members have been rewarded by a constantly increasing success.

The plan of throwing the responsibility of so large a portion of our work upon the individual members of the Association through its general Committees, has proved most wise. The full reports of these Committees will be found of great interest.

The INVITATION COMMITTEE has, by wise and active measures, succeeded in bringing the objects and advantages of the Association before a large proportion of the class for which it is intended. The lower part of the city has been districted,

and it is the intention of the Committee to visit the places of business where young men are employed, and also their boarding-houses, and by personal invitation bring them under the influence of the Association. Where so large a proportion of clerks are without friends whom they respect, the direct sympathy of those of their own age and occupation has a wonderful influence.

This work has been admirably seconded by the MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE who have acquainted themselves with each new member. By having a delegation at the rooms every evening, and by informal receptions for the new members from time to time, those who have joined the Association have been made to feel at home. The Chairmen of the various Committees are urged to attend these receptions, and to invite volunteers in any department of the work for which those joining are best fitted.

Nothing during the year has been more gratifying than the success of the EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE in finding positions for so large a number of unemployed young men. Between three and four hundred places have been filled, mostly by strangers in the city who have applied at our rooms. With hardly an exception they have proved worthy of our recommendation, and have become grateful and efficient members of the Association. For this success we are indebted in great measure to the faithful self-devotion of the Chairman, who spends several hours each day in receiving applications, and in introducing young men to employers.

In the crowded state of the city and the high cost of living, the BOARDING-HOUSE COMMITTEE have had no easy task. They have examined and reported on a large number of houses, and have done much to increase the comfort of those seeking board. Some wise and large plan must soon be devised to change the character of the boarding-places of a large proportion of the young men employed in our city.

During the year the COMMITTEE ON VISITATION OF THE SICK have watched and cared for those of our members who



have been ill, and other young strangers here. They have increased the numbers of the Committee, and begun a systematic course of visitation of the hospitals in and near the city.

The meetings held under the auspices of the DEVOTIONAL COMMITTEE, at the rooms and elsewhere, have been well attended and greatly blessed. Many young men, who would not attend church, have been induced to come to these meetings, which, under a kind Providence, have been the direct means of a changed and sanctified life to some.

All will be interested in the report of the CHURCH COMMITTEE. It has been a constant aim of the Association to bring under the influence of the work and life of some particular church of his choice, every young man within its reach. The efforts organized by this Committee have brought all the churches into warm sympathy with the Association, and have been productive of great good.

The BIBLE CLASS, during the past year, has proved, as ever heretofore in its history, to be one of the most important agencies in promoting the spirituality of our members, and under the Divine blessing has been made unto many young men the means of salvation.

The LITERARY SOCIETY has been an additional attraction to our rooms. Its meetings have been full of life, and suggestive of much work, in a good direction, in our new building.

During the year a MEDICAL STUDENTS' CHRISTIAN UNION has been established and kept up with spirit. The large numbers attending the medical colleges form an almost forgotten class, and need peculiar sympathy and care.

The GERMAN BRANCH has removed to the corner of Forsyth and Delancey Streets. The immense number of young Germans in our population need Christian leadership and example, and prompt means to counteract the ruinous temptations to dissipation and infidelity.

THE WESTERN BRANCH, opened in Varick Street, is the new feature of our year's work, and has proved the great wisdom and necessity of these outposts. On the evening of its inauguration, in April, it was crowded with those for whom it was intended, many going away unable to find a place. The enthusiasm with which its opening was greeted has continued steadily. Many from the neighboring boarding-houses have found in it a cheerful evening home, where they could meet friends, read the newspapers, write letters, and meet with sympathy and advice. Papers and some books have been provided, lectures given, and meetings held. Much larger rooms, and a well-selected library, are needed.

Side stations of this kind, wisely conducted, are greatly to be desired in many sections of the city. An EASTERN BRANCH, to be located in the vicinity of Grand Street, has been planned, and arrangements made for its care, but the state of our funds has not yet justified its opening.

It has been found necessary to use the influence of the Association to weaken, as far as possible, some peculiar temptations. Several members of the Board have visited Albany, and conferred with committees of the Legislature as to the condition of the so-called "Concert Saloons," which have proved the open door to the ruin of so many; and it is believed that our efforts have done much to bring these haunts of evil under the control of the Excise Board, and to exclude from them their worst feature, female waiters.

A bill, prepared by us, was introduced into the Senate, strongly fortified by facts and illustrations, for the purpose of destroying the traffic in obscene literature. Although favorably received, the press of business at the close of the session crowded it out. Another year we hope to see it become a law.

A constantly-increasing number of young men, coming here as strangers, have visited our rooms day by day for advice, sympathy, and aid. They have been warmly received by our earnest and warm-hearted Secretary, by our Librarian, and other members, who have given them a true brotherly



**welcome.** They have been introduced to the various committees, invited to our meetings, and directed to churches and boarding-places. For very many employment has been found, and some have been sent to the West, with introductions to sister Associations in various localities there. Letters have been received from parents whose children were alone in a great city, had been exposed to temptation, and had fallen among evil companions. Clergymen in the interior and abroad have introduced to us young men of their parishes who were removing to New York. These cases have been followed up, often with the happiest results. And, more than this, very many young men brought up in the city (some of them sons of pious parents), who have been led into sin, have come to us for Christian advice and sympathy when they would not go to parents or ministers. Of these, some have been led to look to the true source of strength, to commence Christian lives, and to join gratefully in earnest work for others.

Our mission is a grand one. It is dignified and made valuable by the fact that not only are young men saved and made happy themselves, but they are also educated to be workers and givers in every thing that is good in the church and in the community. God has richly blessed the beginning of our work; and we believe that, humbly depending upon Him, it can be greatly extended, and will exert a powerful influence for good upon those who must soon be the active men of the city. A high standard of manly Christian character can be developed, and the moral business tone of the city made higher and truer.

Young men educated in New York, with happy surroundings, and knowing its dangers, have a responsibility toward the vast number of friendless strangers coming here, which they cannot throw off. With the change in city ways during the last few years, those employed in our offices and warehouses, and living in cheerless boarding-houses, are rapidly forming a class by themselves. They must be absorbed into our Christian life and activity, or they will become demoral-

ized, disheartened, and ruined. The agencies of evil in the midst of us are organized and being strengthened most fearfully. Every artifice that Satanic wickedness can invent is presented in the most tempting and seductive form. Christian men must assume a bold, aggressive position; they must work with a ceaseless activity and a never-failing hope, and with God's help the victory will be certain.

The new year is full of hope and promise. We ask for the unwearied work of all our membership; for the help of true and good men and women everywhere; and depend, above all, upon the continued blessing of our Saviour Jesus Christ.

WILLIAM E. DODGE, JR., *President.*



YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK *in account with VERRANUS MORSE, Treasurer.***Dr.****Cr.**

From	To Cash paid Salaries.....	\$2,459 26	From	By Balance from Old Account.....	\$ 88 82
15,	" " Rent.....	2,303 00	May 15,	" Cash from Donations.....	6,903 55
5,	" " Printing.....	1,017 35	1865,	" " " Members' Dues.....	1,159 55
21,	" " Postage and Stationery.....	516 71	to	" " " Rent.....	791 65
6.	" " Advertising.....	648 71	May 21,	" " " Other sources.....	266 92
	" " Periodicals.....	225 47	1866.		
	" " Insurance.....	58 50			
	" " Warming and Lighting Rooms.	502 14			
	" " Furniture and Repairs.....	304 59			
	" " Library .....	217 62			
	" " Signs .....	123 15			
	" " Hymn Books.....	161 50			
	" " Relief Fund.....	211 25			
	" " Contingent Expenses.....	254 33			
	" Balance to New Account.....	206 91			
		<u>\$9,210 49</u>			<u>\$9,210 49</u>

Audited and found correct:

WM. HARMAN BROWN,  
*Chairman Finance Committee.*

VERRANUS MORSE, *Treasurer.*

APPENDIX.



## DONATIONS 1865-'66.

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Edward Colgate.....	\$10 00	Cash.....	\$43 01
William Topping.....	50 00	Chas. A. Easton.....	50 00
Stephen D. Hatch.....	20 00	Charles C. Colgate.....	100 00
Windle & Co.....	6 25	William Shaw.....	5 00
A Friend.....	1 00	William N. Seymour.....	25 00
Joseph Stuart.....	25 00	American Tract Soc'y (grant	
Daniel Drew.....	100 00	on Hymn Books).....	63 83
James K. Place.....	100 00	William E. Dodge.....	250 00
J. S. Kennedy.....	225 00	James C. Holden. ....	25 00
Wm. F. Lee.....	100 00	J. E. Byrne.....	10 00
Thomas Jeremiah.....	25 00	Charles P. Kirkland.....	100 00
Robert B. Minturn.....	100 00	Mrs. James Stokes.....	100 00
Horace Gray.....	200 00	John H. Mortimer.....	50 00
William E. Dodge, Jr.....	250 00	Thomas Denny, Jr.....	20 00
Morris K. Jesup.....	225 00	Frank W. Ballard.....	50 00
George H. Lemist.....	50 00	William Edsall.....	10 00
Heineman & Payson.....	40 00	S. W. Jessup.....	5 00
A. G. Phelps Stokes.....	100 00	William Paton.....	100 00
J. A. Crane.....	100 00	D. F. Appleton.....	25 00
Jacob F. Wyckoff.....	200 00	Charles H. Huntting.....	20 00
James M. Brown.....	100 00	Stavert, Zigomala & Co....	25 00
John Crosby Brown.....	100 00	P. S. Hoes.....	15 00
James Couper Lord.....	100 00	Adam S. Stiger.....	5 00
D. L. Wallace.....	50 00	J. H. Saffen.....	5 00
H. K. Corning.....	50 00	Adams, Kimball & Moore..	5 00
Thomas Scott.....	25 00	T. F. Jeremiah.....	5 00
John S. Williams.....	50 00	William P. Howell.....	5 00
Richard Brown.....	5 00	John Taylor Johnston.....	100 00
G. Burghall Watts.....	25 00	C. H. Dabney.....	50 00
J. B. Lockwood.....	20 00	Charles C. Dodge. . . . .	100 00
John C. Patten.....	10 00	B. H. Van Auken.....	100 00
William H. H. Moore.....	100 00	R. L. & A. Stuart.....	250 00

William H. Aspinwall.....	\$250 00	Philbin & Quin.....	\$6 88
John David Wolfe.....	100 00	Cash.....	2 00
Samuel D. Davis.....	25 00	F. A. Booth.....	1 33
Jonathan Sturges.....	50 00	C. W. Hawkins.....	10 00
James Stokes.....	200 00	Mrs. W. D. Baker....	1 00
John H. Sprague.....	50 00	Samuel Frost.....	10 00
Chas. H. Mathews....	4 00	A. M. Coffin.....	10 00
A. H. Baldwin.....	1 00	<b>J. Pierpont Morgan.....</b>	<b>100 00</b>
E. L. Bolles.....	10 00	William Harman Brown...	100 00
Samuel Love.....	5 00	Cephas Brainerd.....	25 00
T. Lyell Bird.....	1 00	Washington S. Toland....	20 00
P. C. Irish, M. D.....	5 00	Cash.....	3 00
M. C. Tully, M. D.....	10 00	Northrop, Taylor & Co....	25 00
Riley A. Brick.....	100 00	J. B. Maller. ....	25 00
D. Willis James.....	100 00	William Lottimer & Co....	50 00
Stewart Brown.....	100 00	Eugene Thomson.....	50 00
Charles D. Dickey .....	100 00	Henry Morgan.....	50 00
Howard Potter.....	100 00	Meredith Howland.....	50 00
Clarence S. Brown.....	50 00	A. E. M.....	60 00
William C. Martin.....	50 00	Charles Easton.....	50 00
Frederick Marquand.....	150 00	F. W. Ballard.....(special)	1 00
Seabury Brewster.....	10 00	Rev. D. Stuart Dodge “	35 00
Henry J. Baker.....	100 00	William Walter Phelps “	10 00
Marcellus Hartley.....	50 00	James Stokes, Jr. “	2 00
William Walter Phelps....	25 00	William E. Dodge, Jr. “	10 00
T. C. Dow.....	3 00	E. E. Haughwout “	3 00
J. J. Donaldson.....	100 00	Cephas Brainerd “	10 00
Charles H. Ludington....	100 00	Cash.....	25
A Friend.....	5 00	R. R. McBurney. “	50 00
Total.....		\$6,903 55	



## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

### Report of Finance Committee.

SIR: Never since the organization of the Association have the duties of this Committee been so arduous as during the past year, occasioned in part by the fact that our expenses, from various causes, have been so largely increased; besides which, the Committee has met with an unusual interference in their duties, arising from applications, for large amounts, made for the building fund, to those who have generally contributed to our running expenses. These increased calls have, however, been liberally responded to by our friends, to whom we would express the warmest thanks. The receipts from all sources for the past year have been \$9,121.67, of which sum \$6,903.55 is from donations alone. With the establishment of the German and Western Branches, a fixed fact, and the proposed opening of the Eastern Branch which it is hoped soon to accomplish, we find ourselves commencing the new year with the prospect of a still greater increase of expenses. Under other circumstances, we might feel it our duty to limit our work; but as it is, we find ourselves engaged in one that is unbounded and must be carried forward with due circumspection as to expense, yet with the knowledge that it is for the Lord.

WILLIAM HARMAN BROWN,

W. E. DODGE, JR., Esq., *President.*

*Chairman.*

May 21, 1866.

### Report of the Committee on Rooms and Library.

SIR: The Committee on Rooms and Library beg leave to submit the following as a Report for the year ending May, 1866:

I. The determination reached by the Board, at an early period in the current year, that it was expedient to enter upon a systematic effort for the erection of a suitable building for the rapidly increasing demands of the Association, together with the purpose also fixed to establish two Branches, one on the Eastern and the other on the Western side of this city, have constrained this Committee to the exercise of the utmost economy in respect of every department of the affairs of the Association coming under their supervision.

II. The number of persons frequenting our rooms during the past year has been much larger than heretofore, and we constantly feel the

need of those more spacious. Indeed, there are really no means of accommodating a larger membership and an increased number of visitors. Our library could be but little increased without overcrowding the rooms we occupy. There is no space for a much larger collection of newspapers and periodicals than we now receive. Our main room is quite too small for our lectures and stated meetings, while all our general meetings, of whatever character, defeat all the designs of a reading-room, by turning it into a public hall; the Directors' room is occupied every evening by some committee, or other subordinate organization of the Association, and we are even often obliged to obtain the temporary use of some additional rooms in the building, or hold committee meetings in corners of our large room, in order that our work may go on.

III. The total number of volumes added to the library during the year is 180: of these, 21 were given to the reference library, and 46 to the circulating; 54 purchased for the reference library, and 59 for the circulating.

Appended to this report, and marked "A," is a list embracing the names of those making donations of books, with the number of volumes presented by each person.

The total amount of money expended by the Committee in the purchase of books is \$180.29, and there now remains in the hands of the Committee, under the appropriations of the Board, \$35.73 to meet orders already given, but not yet filled.

The thanks of the Association are eminently due to the Messrs. Carlton & Porter, Appleton & Co., Harper Brothers, Scribner & Co., Miller & Mathews, G. P. Putnam, and J. Munsell, for facilities and liberal discounts in our purchases.

There are now received at the rooms 14 daily papers, 32 weeklies, 44 monthlies (papers and magazines), and ten quarterlies.

Appended hereto, and marked "B," is a list of these periodicals and newspapers, and, so far as the Association receives them by gift, the names of the donors are given.

The acknowledgments of the Association are due to Mr. J. F. Kensett, for the loan of one of his own landscapes and copies of Thorwaldsen's "Night" and "Morning," and to Mr. Louis Lang, for his "Return of the 69th," during the current year, for the decoration of our rooms, and also to Mr. George P. Putnam, George H. Mathews, and Dr. Charles Van Alen, for the donation of engravings.

The Committee would again urge the very great importance of the plan for the establishment of a complete Theological Reference Library, sincerely believing that it should be executed to the full, as soon as the Association is in possession of proper accommodations for its use.

All of which is respectfully submitted:

CEPHAS BRAINERD, *Chairman.*

To MR. WILLIAM E. DODGE, JR., *President, &c.*

21st May, 1866.



A.

Donations to the Library and Rooms.

G. W. Hodgson, M. D., Calmet's Dictionary of the Holy Bible, fine edition, complete.....	5 vols.	William E. Dodge, Jr. ....	2 vols.
Frank W. Ballard .....	1 "	William F. Lee.....	11 "
Dr. Benjamin Lord.....	1 "	U. S. San. Commission...	1 "
Ensign and Bridgeman....	1 "	Bible Society .....	37 "
Artemus Ward.....	2 "	New Testam't for the Blind	2 "
F. W. Seward, Jr.....	2 "	Boston Y. M. C. A. ....	4 "
John W. Montclair .....	1 "	N. Y. Committee Ch. Com.	1 "
T. G. Sellew, Jr....	8 "	J. V. Satterly .....	1 "
G. P. Putnam.....	4 "	Hon. J. W. Chanler.....	2 "
Charles Cadwell.....	4 "	James C. Holden.....	3 "
Hon. E. D. Morgan.....	3 "	John P. Newell.....	1 "
Board Supervisors.....	2 "	J. M. Mathews, D. D.....	1 "
		J. G. Adams, M. D.....	1 "
		D. P. Valentine.....	1 "
		William Watson Waldron..	2 "

Donations to Reference Library.....	21 vols.
Purchased.....	54 "
Total.....	75 "

Donations to Circulating Library.....	46 vols.
Purchased.....	59 "
	105 "

Total number.....	180 vols.
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B.

Dailies.

Tribune.....	New York City.
Times .....	" "
World.....	" "
Herald .....	" "
Journal of Commerce .....	" "
Sun .....	" "
Post .....	" "
Express .....	" "
Commercial Advertiser.....	" "

Advertiser.....	Boston.
Press .....	Philadelphia.
Tribune .....	Chicago.
Witness .....	Montreal.
The Daily News and Herald.....	Savannah, donation by Publisher.

Weeklies.

Presbyterian Banner .....	Pittsburg, donation by Publisher.		
Moravian .....	Bethlehem,	"	"
Lutheran.....	Philadelphia,	"	"
Christian Times .....	Chicago,	"	"
Methodist.....	New York City,	"	"
Christian Advocate and Journal....	"	"	"
Christian Instructor.....	Philadelphia,	"	"
" Herald .....	Cincinnati,	"	"
Morning Star.....	Dover, N. H.,	"	"
Christian Secretary.....	Hartford Conn.,	"	"
Observer .....	New York City,	"	"
Christian Herald.....	Kalamazoo, Mich.	"	"
Scottish-American .....	New York City,	"	"
Anti-Slavery Standard.....	"	"	"
Missouri Democrat.....	St. Louis,	"	"
Harper's Weekly.....	New York City,	"	"
De Hope.....	Holland, Mich.,	"	"
N. W. Presbyterian.....	Chicago,	"	"
S. S. Advocate (semi-monthly)....	New York City,	"	"
Advocate and Family Guardian....	"	"	"
Western Episcopalian.....	Gambia, O., donation by Mr. Wm.		
	Harman Brown.		
Scientific American.....	New York City, donation by William		
	G. Heney.		
Christian Intelligencer.....	"	"	
Episcopalian.....	"	"	
Congregationalist.....	Boston.		
Independent .....	New York City.		
Evangelist.....	"	"	
Nation.....	"	"	
Round Table.....	"	"	
Dry Goods Reporter.....	"	"	
Banner of the Covenant.....	Philadelphia.		
S. S. Times.....	"		



### Monthlies.

Harper's.....	New York City, donation by Publishers.		
Reformed Presbyterian.....	Pittsburg,	"	"
Monthly Report (Agriculture)....	Washington,	"	"
Christian World.....	New York City, donation by Publisher.		
Hall's Journal of Health.....	"	"	"
Home Missionary.....	"	"	"
Clark's School Visitor.....	Philadelphia, donation by a member.		
Missionary Herald.....	Boston,	Donation by Publisher.	
Sailor's Magazine.....	New York City,	"	"
Monthly Report (Five Points)....	"	"	"
Freedman's Journal.....	Boston,	"	"
Christian Banner.....	"	"	"
American Messenger.....	New York City,	"	"
Missionary Advocate.....	"	"	"
American Agriculturist.....	"	"	"
Child at Home.....	Boston,	"	"
Ladies' Repository.....	Cincinnati,	"	"
Horticulturist.....	New York City,	"	"
Children's Magazine.....	"	"	"
Spirit of Missions.....	"	"	"
Medical Journal.....	Richmond,	"	"
Voice from the Old Brewery....	New York City,	"	"
National Temperance Advocate..	"	"	"
Good News.....	"	"	"
S. S. Journal.....	"	"	"
Sunday Magazine.....	Edinburgh and London,		
	donation by Wm. F. Lee.		
Good Words.....	Edinburgh and London,		
	donation by Wm. F. Lee.		
British Workman.....	London,	"	"
Band of Hope.....	"	"	"
Kind Words.....	"	"	"
Cassell's Papers (weekly & monthly).	"	"	"
The Christian's Penny.....	"	"	"
Cheering Words.....	"	"	"
Sunday Scholar's Companion.....	"	"	"
" School Teacher.....	"	"	"
" " Penny.....	"	"	"
" " Treasury.....	"	"	"
" " Times.....	"	"	"
Stories for Sunday Schools.....	"	"	"
Atlantic Monthly.....	Boston.		
Church Monthly.....	"		
Hours at Home.....	New York City.		
Family Treasury.....	London.		
Blackwood's .....	Edinburgh.		

## Quarterlies.

North British Review.....	London.	
Westminster.....	"	
London Quarterly.....	"	
North American Review.....	Boston.	
Bibliotheca Sacra.....	Andover.	
Presbyterian Theological Review.	New York City.	
Church Review.....	"	"
Methodist Quarterly.....	"	" donation by Publisher.
New Englander.....	New Haven.	
Edinburgh Review.	Edinburgh.	

## Report of Lecture Committee.

The Lecture Committee have great reason to be encouraged by the success of their labors during the past year. Our aim was to offer young men a course of popular and instructive lectures, and our efforts have been well rewarded by increased interest and attendance. On many occasions our accommodations were insufficient, once or twice several hundreds went away unable even to enter the lecture-room.

We feel that there is ample opportunity for development in this important part of the Association's work, as we can, by our lectures, attract, and thus bring under our influence, many young men whom we otherwise could not reach.

Besides the lectures, there has been a series of devotional singing meetings alternating with them on Wednesday evenings. The success of these gatherings has been due, in great part, to the management of Mr. Spencer W. Coe, in whose charge they were, and to the fortunate selection of Mr. L. P. Thatcher, well known as a leader of such meetings. We have here also to acknowledge the kindness of Miss C. T. Braman and other ladies, who assisted on these occasions.

The following gentlemen lectured in our "*Free Course*," given at the rooms:

### LECTURES.

REV. S. IRENÆUS PRIME, D. D.,	"Pursuit of the True."
" D. STUART DODGE,	"Travelling in Syria."
" CHAS. H. PAYSON,	"Germany and the Germans."
PROF. CHAS. H. GARDNER,	"Pneumatics."
THEO. W. GILLICK, ESQ.,	"Manners and Customs of the Sandwich Islanders."
PROF. HENRY DRAPER, M. D.,	"Are there Other Inhabited Worlds?"
DR. D. J. MACGOWAN,	"Aboriginal Americans."



REV. WM. ADAMS, D. D.,	"Rome and its Catacombs."
PROF. FROBISHER,	"Analytical Readings."
REV. P. E. STEVENSON,	"The Republic" (Poem).
"E. W. SYLE,	"Recent Rebellion in China."
C. K. TUCKERMAN, Esq.,	"Shakspeare."

The *Essays* at the monthly meetings have been mostly by the members of the Association.

#### ESSAYS.

GOV. RICH'D C. MCCORMICK,	"Arizona."
REV. ISAAC S. HARTLEY,	"Practical City Evangelization."
"F. L. PATTON,	"Supremacy of Conscience."
"J. P. COOK,	"The Young Men's Christian Unions of France."
LEMUEL SKIDMORE, Esq.,	"Christian Conversation."
CEPHAS BRAINERD, Esq.,	"Work of the Army Committee of the New York Young Men's Christian Association, which led to the formation of the Christian Commission."
P. HARWOOD VERNON, Esq.,	"The Middle Path."
BENJ. HOWARD, M. D.,	"Religion and Labor in Europe."
JAMES S. STEARNS, Esq.,	"Christian Association."
JOHN F. AIKEN, Esq.,	"Religion and Liberty."
REV. M. H. HUTTON,	"Moral Atmospheres."

The usual course of *Sermons* was delivered, some at the rooms and some, as heretofore, in the churches. We should not forget to mention, that the Anniversary Sermon (for the year 1864-'65) was preached by Rev. Dr. Montgomery, of the "Church of the Incarnation," after the publication of the last annual report.

By request, *special sermons* were preached (to young men exclusively), at the rooms, by

REV. HOWARD CROSBY, D. D.	
"F. G. CLARK,	"
"JOS. T. DURYEA,	"
"J. T. KENDRICK,	"

These sermons were followed by short *prayer meetings*, which were occasions of deep interest, as there were a number of inquirers, and several, we know, sought and found the Saviour through these instrumentalities.

Two other sermons were delivered: one by Rev. Alfred H. Kellogg, in Rev. Dr. Crosby's Church, and one by Rev. E. A. Washburne, D. D., Rector of Calvary Church.

In November last, the Committee arranged for a *public meeting* of the Association, at Irving Hall. This proved to be a most interesting gather-

ing. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Thos. S. Hastings, D. D., Rev. John Cotton Smith, D. D., and Rev. Joseph T. Duryea, D. D. The audience filled the large hall, and listened with marked attention, as the speakers exposed the fearful temptations of the young men of this city, and explained the efforts of the Association in their behalf.

The *Anniversary Sermon* (for the year 1865-'66) was preached by Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., in the Madison Square Church (Rev. Dr. Adams'). The sermon, an able and eloquent effort, was heard by a crowded audience, and we doubt not that much good was done by the earnest appeals in behalf of young men.

We cannot close our report without rendering most grateful thanks to the Pastors who have cheerfully, and often at great personal sacrifice, assisted us in our work. We are also indebted to the Editors of the Religious and Secular Papers for the readiness with which they have given notices of the various meetings of the Association.

JAMES STOKES, JR., *Chairman.*

WILLIAM E. DODGE, JR., *President, &c.*

May 21, 1866.

## Report of Committee on Printing and Publishing.

The Committee on Printing and Publishing respectfully report, that the service rendered by them, during the past year, has been limited by the somewhat narrow finances of the Association. Under circumstances which would allow of the expenditure, one of the plainest duties before us is the proper and full publication of such a literature as shall set forth distinctly, with due power and force, the claims of our peculiar agency of usefulness, and the special needs of the class upon whom our society is designed to operate. Perhaps no class in this country is so completely ignored, with respect to an appropriate and elevating literature, as are the Young Men of America; while, on the other hand, the presses of the land teem with issues calculated to sow among them the seeds of sensuality, vice, and crime. In the prosecution of our many-sided work, there should manifestly be included an endeavor to "run and speak to these young men" by means of the printed page—whereon they might read, in attractive and impressive language, the truths of the Gospel and its invitations to the highest enjoyment of life. But toward the accomplishment of this branch of our mission we can do little or nothing, simply from lack of funds.

The following is a statement of our publications during the year:

1. A second edition (1,000 copies) of Dr. V. Morse's Essay, entitled "*The Work of Young Men's Christian Associations; What it is, and How to do it.*"

2. A second edition (500 copies) of a Lecture, "*The Stewardship of Wealth, as illustrated in the Lives of Amos and Abbott Lawrence.*"



3. An edition (2,000 copies) of the *Thirteenth Annual Report*; of which the number issued was quite unequal to the requisitions made upon us.

4. An edition (1,000 copies) of a paper entitled "*A Memorandum respecting New York as a Field for Moral and Christian Effort among Young Men; its present Neglected condition and the Fitness of the Young Men's Christian Association as a principal Agency for its due Cultivation.*" This document was privately circulated, and the edition was long since exhausted. Its usefulness has been abundantly demonstrated, and a revised and enlarged edition should be put to press at once, for general distribution.

5. As a companion publication to the last named, a pamphlet of 24 pages was issued, for private circulation, made up of extracts from recently received letters, tending to illustrate the Association's mode of work, and enforcing the positions taken in the "*Memorandum.*" This publication was very effective.

6. Advertising cards, to the number of 2,500 (14 by 10 inches in size), intended to call the attention of young men to the advantages offered them by the Association, have been printed and placed in the principal places of public resort. We have evidence that these have been the means of attracting many young men within the sphere of our influence.

7. 5,000 cards, for the use of the Committee on Invitation, which, as well as the advertising cards, were distributed by the Committee named, with much success.

8. An edition (5,000 copies) of a circular for the use of the Employment Committee, addressed to employers. These are now all gone.

9. Added to the above, there have been issues of cards and circulars for the use of other standing and special committees; various editions of the Constitution of the Association; cards containing texts of Scripture; and other publications rendered necessary in carrying forward the work of the Society.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee:

FRANK W. BALLARD, *Chairman.*

MR. WILLIAM E. DODGE, JR., *President, &c.*

May 21, 1866.

## Report of the Executive Committee.

SIR: The Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Young Men's Christian Association present the following by way of report for the year past:

The duties of this Committee are wholly supervisory or advisory in their character, and a detailed statement of the matters which have been considered and disposed of by them would, in some aspects, constitute a particular history of the mode in which the business of the Association is conducted, together with the results.

It is believed that a particular report of the work of the Association can be best presented by the various Committees, which are its organs, in respect of the matters committed to them. Some general observations touching the Executive Committee are all that it is deemed proper to make here.

This Committee is composed of six members of the Board of Directors; holds its meetings twice in each week; and possesses all the powers of the Board, save those of appropriating money. It reports to the Board at each regular meeting in respect of all matters which have been had under consideration, and then receives the advice and instructions of the Board; upon such reports, appropriations are made for the ordinary expenses of the Association.

The acts of the individual agents of the Association are considered and directed by this Committee, and almost the whole range of the transactions of the Association pass before it for approval or revision.

The various Committees of the Association are statedly invited before this Committee for a general conference and interchange of views, and for the purpose of securing continued activity on the part of each.

This Committee is also charged with the duty of devising new plans for the increased usefulness of the Association, and the maturing and development of such as are suggested in the meetings of the Board.

At the time of the presentation of the last annual report, this Committee had but just been organized, and no certain estimate could then be given respecting its success. After the lapse of a year the Committee feel justified in the expression of a confident opinion that its labors have resulted in very great good to every department of the work of the Association.

Respectfully submitted :

WILLIAM F. LEE, *Chairman.*

To MR. WM. E. DODGE, JR., *President, &c.*

NEW YORK, *May 21, 1866.*

## Report of the Invitation Committee.

WM. E. DODGE, JR., Esq., *President.*

SIR: During the year the operations of which were embodied in the last annual report, the following means were adopted by the Invitation Committee as best suited to accomplish the ends which it was their special duty and privilege to promote.

I. By advertising in the secular and religious press, and by printed circulars, thus making the advantages of the Association known to those contemplating a removal to the city.

II. By the distribution of several thousand cards of invitation, addressed to the young men situated in the stores, warehouses, and manufactories of the city, extending to them a kindly and cheerful welcome to



become members of the Association, to attend the various meetings held at the Rooms, and to make free use of the Reading-Room and Library.

III. By personal visitation of those young men in whose behalf anxious parents and absent friends have besought our interest and kindly offices.

During the year now closed the operations of the Committee have been **greatly extended**. In addition to the above-mentioned methods for securing the coöperation of that very large and constantly increasing class of society whose present and eternal welfare it is the object of this Association to promote, other instrumentalities have been used with most flattering results. At the request of your Committee, the Board of Directors caused some twenty-five hundred large cards to be printed, calling attention to the Rooms and meetings of the Association, and these have been placed in many of the Stores, Factories, Eating-saloons, Bar-rooms, Ferry-houses and other public places, through the persistent and successful labors of our Librarian, Mr. R. B. Pool. Your Committee could use several thousand more to advantage. It would be the means of saving many young men if these cards were placed everywhere in the city where young men are employed.

Three months since the Committee carefully districted the city, and are now engaged in a course of systematic visitation. Owing to the vastness of the field and the scarcity of well-qualified laborers, much difficulty has been experienced. But it is an encouraging fact that the members of the Committee have not permitted any obstacles, however great, to lead them for one moment to be inclined to give up the arduous work committed to their care. From the hour the initiatory steps were taken, they have pressed on with vigor. The reports of the individual members have been highly gratifying; by the heartiness with which they have entered into and prosecuted the work, and the tact displayed, they have secured the confidence of those whom they sought to benefit, and the hearty coöperation of employers.

We thank God that through the efforts of the fifty-three members of this Committee many young men accustomed to spend their evenings in places where they were exposed to evil, have been induced to attend our Bible Classes, Lectures, Prayer Meetings, and Reading-Rooms, a goodly number of whom have been led to become followers of the Master, and are now actively engaged in doing good to their associates. We consider it unwise to mention individual cases. Eternity will reveal how God has been pleased in various ways to bless the humble efforts put forth in His name and for His glory.

From this brief report it will partially appear, what has been, and is now being done by this particular Committee, as an agent of the Association, for the young men of this city; that it offers work to all who are interested in the elevation of this class; that its object is a noble one, seeking as it does to strengthen the weak, guide the erring, and raise the fallen.

Respectfully submitted :

E. E. HAUGHWOUT, *Chairman.*

*May 21, 1866.*



## Report of the Committee on Membership.

SIR: The Committee on Membership has been in active operation throughout the year. We have approved 546 propositions for membership. Through the winter we issued a circular to the members, urging especial efforts to increase our numbers, which was attended with good results. This branch of our work is now systematically performed by the Invitation Committee, though there is still room for the efforts of all. We have commenced a series of monthly social meetings, for the purpose of introducing new members into the Association, which are very pleasant and useful. We become at once much better acquainted with our members than could otherwise be the case. We have opportunities of doing them good, interesting them in the work of the Association, and finding where they can be most efficiently employed.

At one of our social meetings we had present young men from Canada, Nova Scotia, Cuba, Great Britain, and the Continent, and from various parts of our own land.

We endeavor to have some of our members present at the rooms each evening, to meet and welcome strangers among us. We endeavor to explain to transient visitors the nature of our work and mode of operation, impressing upon them the importance of such organizations in all our towns and cities.

Many strangers stopping at hotels find their way to us, and frequently speak of the pleasure it gives them to find so cheerful a place of resort, and the benefit they derive from meeting with us. This is also true of large numbers of young men who are constantly thronging the city seeking their fortune, many of whom remain but a few weeks.

Respectfully submitted:

T. G. SELLEW, JR., *Chairman.*

W. E. DODGE, JR., *President.*

May 21, 1866.

## Report of Employment Committee.

SIR: Last year we reported fifty-four (54) as the number of situations obtained; this year we can report a largely increased number. We have the names of over three hundred, and believe that nearly four hundred young men have obtained situations during the year through this Association. The Committee are working more efficiently than ever, as we understand our work better, and are becoming better known among merchants and others.

These young men are of all nationalities,—from the far Orient and from the continent of Europe; from Great Britain and the Canadas; from all parts of our own country, North and South, East and West—black and white—all are received by us, and assisted in every way, by ad-



vice, warning, encouragement, and often by material aid; often without money, food, clothing, or a place where to lay their heads,—without friends, strangers in a strange city and often a strange land, frequently the victims of designing men, and yet, as a class, these young men are of good habits and from Christian homes. With scarcely an exception, they have proved trustworthy, many are now occupying situations of influence, and some are now in business in some of our largest and best business houses.

We are frequently applied to by young men who find something in the nature of the business in which they are employed that conflicts with their conscience, such as the sale of liquor or work which keeps them from the sanctuary on the Sabbath. One young man says, "How can I teach my class on Sunday the way to heaven, and on Monday be engaged in a business which is calculated to send men to hell?"

We are constantly in receipt of letters from young men, thanking us for good situations, Christian homes, for suggestions made, and directions given, by which they have been enabled to help themselves and their employers, and also from their friends, acknowledging our labors.

Young men, of the most dissipated habits, have come to our rooms and have had thrown around them Christian influence, have abandoned their evil habits, found Christ, friends, and situations, and are now members of Christian churches, in good fellowship, and, as far as we know, are leading holy lives.

Our work has not been confined to finding employment in the city; we have sent into the country those whom we thought could be most usefully employed there, and we are much indebted to the Chicago Association for their assistance in this matter.

Our applications from employers are increasing steadily. This is particularly gratifying to us, as it shows us that they are beginning to appreciate our work, and find it to their interest to apply to us for young men. We are under great obligations to the merchants, manufacturers, and professional men, who have so nobly aided and encouraged us. Many have said there had been a great want in this city of a place where they might obtain young men of good character. We feel that, while they are helping us, they are being themselves benefited. We are often met and thanked "for sending such a young man," and surely we have been enabled to do some good by interesting employers in their young men; the employer and employé have been benefited. We seek, as far as possible, to place the young men with Christian employers, and decline to send them where the influences are bad, and where they may be surrounded by those who may lead them into evil courses.

The great difficulty in the way of obtaining situations for many, is their want of experience; many young men, who at their country's call so nobly gave themselves to her service, have thereby been deprived of opportunities of improvement in mercantile training, or in some trade. We seek, as far as we can, to aid such, placing them at the bottom of



the ladder, trusting that, by industry, they may advance themselves to the highest round.

We might give many interesting incidents connected with our work, but we refrain, as we wish the young men to come to us as freely for advice and assistance as they would to their own nearest friends, in full confidence, and especially in reference to those higher spiritual interests which, we trust, we have not neglected. *We might have done more*, but we thank our heavenly Father that He has blessed us in our labors, by enabling us to see many who, while seeking for a situation, have found the "pearl of great price." We are resolved, with God's help, seeking that wisdom which comes from above, to go on, exercising more care and discrimination, as, no doubt, we may (as our work becomes better known) have applications from many who may not be worthy, such as we could not recommend, and yet whom we may in some way benefit.

We have, during the year, distributed large numbers of circulars to business men, informing them of the superior advantages we have for supplying them with help; we have also issued a card, which is used as an introduction to those whom we can commend to employers, addressed in all cases to the person, signed by the Committee and countersigned by the applicant.

We should add that the numbers coming to this city from all parts of this country and from Europe, are increasing wonderfully, and many are very destitute, and we could make an excellent use of any contributions in money and clothing which those benevolently disposed may send to us.

We are much cramped for room to carry on our work, but we hope ere long (by the liberality of our friends, who must see its practical character) to have a building, ample in all respects. We ask the prayers and continued coöperation of the members of the Association.

WILLIAM F. LEE, *Chairman*,

MR. WM. E. DODGE, JR., *President*.

May, 21, 1866.

## Report of the Boarding-House Committee.

WM. E. DODGE, JR., Esq., *President*.

SIR: This Committee have kept at the Rooms a carefully prepared and frequently revised list of good and eligible boarding-places in respectable and Christian families.

There are many young men who come to our city unacquainted with a single person of its vast multitudes. One of their first objects is to find lodging and boarding accommodation. This can easily be done by referring to any of the daily papers: but of these a stranger can have but little if any knowledge, and we know from the history of many a young man that his downward career has been traced to the ungodly conduct and the soul-destroying influences which largely exist in many boarding-houses.



This Committee have exerted themselves to find suitable places for young men who are deprived of the comforts of home, and whose habits of life, if properly directed in this respect, might save them from the many snares that so frequently beset them and allure to sin.

Houses in many cases were personally visited by members of the Committee, to ascertain the character they sustained, and this visitation proves to your Committee that our list thus revised is a valuable accessory to the work of the Association. One difficulty we experienced was the high prices, which in many cases exceeded the means of those applying to us.

Young men, on first coming to our city, often receive but limited salaries, and can pay but moderate prices for their board, and this is the class of young men that most require something like home surroundings.

Through the medium of advertising, we have been enabled to add many places to our register.

We are indebted to the *Observer*, *Methodist*, *Examiner* and *Chronicle*, and *Independent*, for articles in relation to the work of this Committee, etc. In conclusion, we may be allowed to quote from an article which appeared in the latter, hoping thereby that others may be induced to do likewise; the article referred to was written by a young man who found a Christian home through the instrumentality of this Committee. He describes the pleasant greeting he received from the lady of the house, who remarked, "The thought of letting a room was at first repulsive to me, it seeming a desecration of home privacy to have a stranger pass over my stairs; but the more I thought of the matter, the more I became convinced it was my duty to use at least one of my vacant rooms to surround some young man with home comforts and such influences as should help to stay the fearful tide of temptation to which solitary young men are exposed. Oh!" said she, "I tremble for the fate of our city young men; there are temptations not only at every corner in every block, but between the corners and at every turn."

Respectfully submitted:

FREDERICK A. BOOTH, *Chairman*.

21st May, 1866.

## Report of the Committee for the Visitation of the Sick.

WILLIAM E. DODGE, JR., Esq.,

*President of the Young Men's Christian Association.*

SIR: On behalf of the Committee for the Visitation of the Sick I beg leave to present the following report:

In the month of November last, it was resolved, upon a review of the past work of the Association, and of the various fields of usefulness which lay open before it, to adopt some means whereby the sphere of

labor of this Committee might be enlarged, and the energies and interests of the young men concentrated upon its special department. Hitherto the main objects of the Committee, so far as the same were carried into practical operation, were the visitation and relief of those who were peculiarly under the care and supervision of the Association. It now became practicable, nay, of vital moment, that they should pass beyond the prescribed limits, reaching all classes needing assistance in mind or body. The plan once determined upon, its accomplishment was simple and easy. It required but a visit to the different hospitals in and around the city to enforce conviction, not only of the great need of spiritual advice and consolation for the sick, but even of the loud and urgent calls for help on every side. It struck us with wonder that in a city of a million inhabitants, with all its noble charities, its magnificent works of beneficence, its numerous churches and religious societies, so little had been thought of our hospitals, where lay the sick and dying. Not that these were entirely neglected, for many had devoted themselves to the care of these perishing souls, but that so few had really given our hospitals a thought, much less a visit. With the hundreds of patients in each hospital, it would require many, very many more than have yet assumed the work, to meet the spiritual demands around them. We felt sure that an appeal to the members of this Association, with a plain statement of the facts, would induce some to join us, and in this we were not mistaken. At a meeting of the various Committees, held on the 28th of November last, the object was first brought before the Association, and met with the approval of the members present. The result was that the Committee, consisting originally of five, soon swelled to nineteen. When a sufficient number were obtained, they were distributed as sub-committees among the various hospitals most needing their assistance, as follows:

1. To the Seamen's Retreat, at Staten Island, Messrs. Allen, Stearns, and others.
2. To the Bellevue Hospital, Messrs. Swartwout, Williams, Gamble, Smith, Vantine, Howe, Van Norman, and others.
3. To St. Luke's Hospital, Messrs. Root and Purdy,
4. To the New York City Hospital, Messrs. Outerbridge, Perry, and Nott.

To each of these sub-committees a chairman was appointed, whose duty it was to arrange the visits systematically, in order that each might perform his appointed task. In this manner this Committee is now organized and in full operation. The sub-committees report at a general meeting of the whole once a month, when the necessary arrangements are made for the ensuing month. It is not deemed advisable to enter in detail upon the history of these Committees, or to dwell upon instances exhibiting the beneficial result of the system. The mere dry facts here presented must carry conviction to every mind. It is only necessary that the right kind of persons should undertake the work, and do it as becomes Christians. We all know what must follow. The Seamen's Re-



treat at Staten Island, although beyond the limits of the city, is within easy reach, and a visit to it would amply repay the trouble. The hospital is supported entirely by sailors, a certain sum being deducted from their pay and appropriated to its support. These men, therefore, feel that here they have a home, a place which belongs to them. And here may be found men of all religious sects and beliefs, but alas! too many without any religious belief whatever; some even never having heard of God, except in an oath. Here is a place where Christian labor is needed, and where, too, it will be appreciated. In this hospital are men who cannot speak a word of English; one Spaniard could only converse through an interpreter. What an opening is this for some earnest Christian who understands the Spanish language! There are few ways to reach a man's heart easier than by talking to him in his native tongue in a strange land. It brings back the sweet recollections of home, of childhood—all the nearer to his heart for being far away. Next the Bellevue Hospital claims our attention. In this place are many Roman Catholics among others, but they, too, welcome a cheerful face and a word of comfort. Here the work has been systematically arranged. Prayer meetings are held, tracts distributed, and a lively interest awakened. Every encouragement is held out; and although some of the patients are diametrically opposed to us in religious views, all say, Come and welcome. St. Luke's Hospital has also been visited, but our efforts are not so much needed there. It is supported by the Protestant Episcopal Churches, and is under the superintendency of a man whose name is a birthright of the institution—Dr. Muhlenberg.

And now, in closing this report, I would earnestly appeal to Christians, especially those having a few spare hours during the week, to join our ranks. A season is approaching when, if, as we are threatened, we shall be visited by the scourge of Pestilence, following in the track of War, to glean the field which he has left; then, when sickness and death shall meet us at every turn, will the Christian's real duty begin; then, when the hospitals are stocked with the dead and the dying, he must prepare to face even death. Times of danger call out bold and fearless spirits. Let these exigencies, if they arise, show the true courage which Christianity inspires. But let the thing be reduced to a system, working harmoniously and effectively, and let the work begin at once. We are encouraged everywhere: officers, wardens, patients, all say Come, in the name of Christ. All we want is willing hearts and steady, prayerful perseverance, and God will do the rest.

I am, sir, with respect,

Your obedient servant,

JAMES S. STEARNS, *Chairman*,

NEW YORK, May 21st, 1866.

## Report of Committee on Devotional Meetings.

WM. E. DODGE, JR., Esq., *President.*

DEAR SIR: The labors of this Committee the past year, we are gratified to state, exhibit a most encouraging record. We have sought to work among the destitute and neglected classes in and about our city, embracing sailors in our harbor and soldiers passing through the city, as well as the poor in our midst. Fourteen weekly religious services have been maintained for a longer or shorter period during the year. The numbers who have attended these in the aggregate have been large, and several, we have reason to believe, have accepted Christ as their salvation through them. Aside from the general interest which has characterized these gatherings, and the fruit produced by them, is the effect upon the young men engaged in the work—an effect which we feel has been salutary in cultivating confidence in their Master's work, enriching their souls, creating sympathy for the poor, and returning them to their homes and churches more humble and effective workers. Our several services have been held as follows:

ON THE U. S. STEAMER ROANOKE.—This meeting, commenced in the early part of May last, and noticed in the last Annual Report, was continued until the steamer was withdrawn from service, a period of six weeks. The exercise partook of the character of preaching, and was held on the Sabbath. The steamer had no chaplain on board at this time, and there had been few or no religious services for some months previous. The sailors were considered hard, but not a few attended our meetings and gave respectful attention, and readily accepted the religious reading which was distributed among them.

ON THE U. S. STEAMER VANDERBILT.—A like service was opened on this ship-of-war in the early part of June, then lying in the harbor near the Roanoke. Our labor here was very gratifying, and, we trust, beneficial. Her officers treated us with much courtesy, and offered us every facility. They as well as the sailors were well represented at the services on the ship's deck, and by their attention and words evinced an appreciation of these Sabbath privileges. The Vanderbilt had no chaplain, and had been without religious services, with one or two exceptions, for ten months preceding. Before the ship left port we had the privilege of holding a prayer-meeting on board. At the end of the exercise, a young English sailor came to the brethren, and, with tears in his eyes, requested our prayers and a testament, which was presented to him, together with a copy of the "Sergeant's Memorial." Before he sailed, a brother who became specially interested in his case wrote, at his request, to his friends in England, who wrote in response:

"*My Dear Sir:* You cannot think how thankful we all were to receive your very kind letter, and to hear from it such good news of our good brother. \* \* \* \* We know he is not without religious thoughts, for



he often tells us in his letters that he feels his seclusion from religious exercises. \* \* \* \* We return you our united thanks for your kind advice and sympathy with him; also for procuring him a Bible, which I feel sure he will prize and carefully read, as he had previously expressed his wish to get one."

The Port Society, having learned of our efforts in this direction, immediately took action in the matter, and employed the Rev. Mr. Jackson as their agent to conduct religious services on vessels in the harbor. We are gratified that this needed action was taken, and doubt not it has resulted in much good to a class so open to the gospel.

AT THE BATTERY BARRACKS.—The close of the war, a little more than a year ago, instead of terminating our work, which for months past had been so delightful and so signally blessed, called for increased exertions. Thousands of Rebels, released from Northern prisons, were being quartered at the barracks, to await transportation South; while regiment after regiment of our own troops arrived in rapid succession from the seat of war. The former came in large numbers to our chapel of prayer, and there enmities, so recently rife, seemed forgotten. They joined with us in our exercises, and rose in numbers of twenty, thirty, and forty, for prayers. To show the religious susceptibilities of these prisoners, and the effect of the work among them, I cannot do better than quote from the report of a brother who labored with great devotion at this place. He says: "At the hour of meeting the library was filled, and those who were unable to gain entrance to the building gathered around the door and windows. The exercises were not accompanied with any outward demonstrations of excitement; but when the usual invitation was given, over thirty rose for prayer. Special meetings were appointed for Monday and Tuesday evenings, when the same feelings and results were seen. On Sunday, one who rose for prayers said to a brother at the close of the evening, 'I trust I have found the Saviour.' On Monday evening he came into the meeting with his countenance so radiant with the smile of peace, that one need not to ask him if he was happy.

"On Friday evening there were about seventy Rebels gathered at the library. During the exercises, many were seen in tears; and when the invitation was given, almost all rose." \* \* \* \*

We had three weekly meetings here till the early part of September, when the Sunday afternoon preaching service was discontinued. Our Sunday and week evening prayer-meetings, however, were continued till the library was closed, on the 11th of April last. The gradual reduction of the army operated to bring troops through our city during the summer and fall, still giving us work; and even during the winter and early spring we found the field a pleasant one among the guard and the few troops who were transiently quartered here. We may be permitted to narrate an incident illustrative of this interesting work:

A soldier related that he had left his wife in a dying condition at the call of duty. The summons had come to him in his far-off home in Maine

to return to his post in South Carolina. His wife aroused sufficiently to say, "Go, husband, go; it is your duty. We cannot meet here again; we shall meet hereafter." He had been converted in the army. Under these most painful circumstances he left her, little expecting, as he said, to meet Christians when he arrived in New York, but it was a special pleasure to meet them under such circumstances.

We cannot review this field of labor now closed without emotions of the deepest gratitude to God. He has signally blessed our feeble efforts, giving eternal life to many who have doubtless since laid down their lives for their country.

We again wish to extend our thanks to Mr. Geo. F. Dressor, the Librarian, for his generous and continued coöperation in this work.

AT THE FOURTH AVENUE SOLDIERS' REST.—The Sunday service held here, and noticed in our last report, was continued till in the summer, near the time when the Rest was closed. While the soldiers were waiting for the cars at this place, we had an opportunity of drawing their attention to the Gospel of Christ for a few moments of holy time, and we can but feel that the persistent efforts put forth there have effected good.

AT FORT RICHMOND, STATEN ISLAND.—Learning that there was no religious service among the troops doing garrison duty here, a meeting was commenced among them in the latter part of September, and under much discouragement the work was prosecuted for two or three months. These, like other garrison troops, were found difficult to reach.

AT THE CLINTON ARCADE AND AT 35 CANNON STREET, meetings have been held among the colored people residing in that much-neglected locality. A Mission is now being established for this particular class by a Missionary Society connected with one of the churches. Much interest attended our work; numbers have risen for prayers, and one at least, we have reason to believe, has become a follower of the Lamb.

AT THE ROOMS a regular weekly prayer meeting has been held on Thursday evening with most encouraging results.

On Friday evening, the 15th of February, a young man called at the rooms in deep distress on account of his sins, and seeking the Saviour. The Secretary of the Association requested a few brethren to unite in prayer in his behalf. The interest at this meeting was so deep that it was decided to hold a meeting at 9 o'clock every evening for a time; this meeting was blessed in the conversion of the young brother and other young men. A very deep religious feeling pervaded these meetings as they were held week after week. We found it impossible to continue them, owing to our limited accommodation.

The Thursday evening meeting is now held at 8 o'clock.

AT ELIZABETH AND GRAND STREETS.—A Thursday evening prayer meeting was begun here about the beginning of the year, and has been continued till very recently. Efforts have been made to draw in the people, but with limited success; and yet, while but two or three could be



gathered in, God has not withheld His blessing. One, at least, feels that she has found Christ precious through this meeting.

AT MANOR ROOMS, 25TH STREET AND 9TH AVENUE.—A meeting has been held at this place, under the Committee, since early in January. The accommodations of the room are ample, and we have much to encourage us in the attendance. The interest is quiet and appreciative, and God, we have reason to feel, has recently blessed the work in the conversion of a man and his wife. In addition to the prayer meeting, two lectures have been given to the people under the auspices of the Committee. We are indebted to Rev. D. Stuart Dodge and Prof. Starr for their services on these occasions.

AT THE EYE AND EAR INFIRMARY, 13TH STREET AND 2D AVENUE.—Our continued efforts at this Institution the past season have not been without their reward. The attendance during the last winter, it is thought, has been better than during any other winter previous. In this place, also, God has been with us, and brought one to see with the eye of faith. The brother in charge of the meeting invited him to attend. The first evening he did not comply, but at the next gathering he was present. At a subsequent meeting he became deeply concerned while this brother was speaking, and the next day sought a private interview with him, when he unbosomed his feelings and told the delightful news of his peace with God, stating that he owed it to the brother's effort in his behalf. The change was so decided in him, that he expressed himself at another time as feeling "fifteen times happier than he used to." This young brother has joined one of our city churches, and gives cheering evidence of faith in Christ.

AT THE FIVE POINTS HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.—For a few weeks past the Committee have lent their coöperation, in this degraded locality, to the Rev. Mr. Halliday, the Superintendent. At his request, we have now taken the direction of the meeting which is held on Wednesday evenings. There is quite a large attendance here of both adults and children, and from the interest evinced we have courage to hope that many precious golden sheaves may be gathered for the garner of the Lord.

In conclusion, we desire to extend our cordial thanks to the several clergymen and laymen who have aided us in this good work, as well as to those ladies who have assisted in the musical exercises.

The Committee meet monthly, to confer with each other in their work, report their doings, and consider some topic bearing on the promotion of their efforts. These gatherings, we believe, have been productive of lasting good to the Committee.

In reviewing the work thus presented, we have only to thank God for the ability given us to occupy these portions of His vineyard, and especially for the kindly fruits He has permitted us to gather, only hoping that many of the hundreds and thousands who have met with us during the past year, now largely scattered over our land and the sea, will on the Great Day help to swell the choral anthem of the redeemed.

REUBEN B. POOL, *Chairman.*

NEW YORK, *May 21, 1866.*

## Report of the Church Committee.

NEW YORK, *May 21st*, 1866.

MR. WM. E. DODGE, JR., *President*.

SIR: In presenting the Annual Report of the Church Committee, I am led to praise God for the measure of success with which, by His blessing, its labors have been attended during the past year.

Quite a number of additional representatives from various city churches have been added to the Committee, and the attendance on its meetings has been satisfactory.

By a change in the mode of conducting the routine business, we have been enabled to devote the greater portion of the time to the discussion of questions intimately connected with our work, which have been generally participated in by the members of the Committee, and have been most interesting and profitable.

I mention, as examples of the subjects discussed, the following: "How shall we reach the young men of our city who are not attendants at church?" and "The temptations of young men."

Numbers of young men have been introduced to the various churches, and have been induced to become members of the Association.

The members of the Committee, in the course of their endeavors to increase their number, have found among the young men of many churches a too general ignorance of the work and objects of the Association.

The information diffused has not been without a good effect, and many young men, who were first made acquainted with the workings of the Association by their connection with the Church Committee, have not only become members themselves, but have induced others to follow their example.

In addition to this, there has been awakened in the members of the Committee an increased interest in the moral and spiritual welfare of friendless and uncared-for young men, which has led them to exert themselves, and to labor to interest others in the work of seeking them out, and introducing them to the Association and to the churches, replacing vicious and degrading surroundings and companionships by those which are elevating and spiritual.

By the present organization of the Committee the labors of the officers of the Association have been materially lightened. Upon ascertaining the residence and denomination of a stranger calling at the Rooms, the Secretary introduces, by letter, a member of the Committee to him, of the same denomination. The member calls on him, takes him to his church in the vicinity, and introduces him to his pastor and the young people, so that he is made at once to feel at home.

I mention a single case illustrating the working of this arrangement:  
A young man, not a professor of religion, called at the rooms soon



after his arrival in the city. His address was taken, and a letter of introduction to him sent to a member of the Church Committee in his vicinity, who visited him and took him to the Sunday School with which he was connected, and secured a class for him. The following Sunday he was absent; this member called on him and found him ill. During his sickness he was visited and properly cared for. Such was the impression made upon him by the attention and kindness shown him, that, although he has since removed to a distant part of the city, he continues regularly to attend that church.

I cannot refrain from referring to two other very interesting instances of the general work of the Committee:

A young man, just arrived from England, staying at a down town hotel, accustomed to attending religious services at home, although not a professing Christian, with no friends in the city, and not knowing where to go, spent his first Sabbath alone, and, as he afterwards said, most wretchedly. During the ensuing week he noticed the card of the Association, which had been placed in the hotel by the Invitation Committee, and immediately called at the Rooms, where he was cordially received, and introduced to a member of the Church Committee, who took him on the next Sabbath to the Mission School with which he was connected, and gave him a seat in his pew in church. He was introduced to the pastor and others, and took tea that evening with a member of the Association. Such was the impression made on him by the cordiality of his reception, and the great and pleasant contrast between the first and the following Sabbaths, that he called the next morning at the Rooms, and, asking if the Association was in need of pecuniary assistance, handed the Secretary one hundred dollars, the first donation received for the building fund.

A young man called at the rooms on a Saturday evening, a stranger, and without Christian friends in the city. He received a letter of introduction to a representative in the Committee of a Presbyterian Church, which he attended the next morning. He listened to a sermon by the pastor, under which he was awakened, went to an inquiry meeting in the evening, and has since found the Saviour, and become an active worker in the church.

I might multiply similar incidents, but pass on to say that the members of the Committee have placed the cards of the Association in many of the churches, and have aided in securing the delivery of sermons by the clergy of our city on the duties of Christians to those in their employ; and in other ways have exerted themselves to make the Committee what it was intended to be—a bond of union or connecting link between the Association and the churches.

While so much has been accomplished, much still remains to be done, and we hope, with a more complete and efficient organization than we have before had, to attain, by God's blessing, to still greater results in the year to come.

Respectfully submitted:

BOWLES COLGATE, *Chairman.*

## Report of the Western Branch.

The Western Branch, No. 76 Varick Street, was informally opened Monday evening, April 2d. On Monday evening, April 9th, the public opening took place, on which occasion the President, Mr. William E. Dodge, Jr., presided. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity, and very many were unable to gain admittance. The Rev. Joseph T. Duryea delivered an eloquent and most appropriate address, and a volunteer choir from the Spring Street Church furnished excellent music.

During the brief month the Room has been open, your Committee have been greatly encouraged by the attendance of a large number of young men, many of whom were accustomed to spend their evenings in places which, to say the least, were of a most unprofitable character.

The attendance has averaged fifty per evening. Fathers have brought their sons to the Room, desiring us to make their acquaintance, and thus secure their attendance with us.

Many of the young men who visit the Room remain the whole evening, reading or writing letters; there have been as many as fifteen engaged in writing at one time; about one hundred and fifty letters have been written since the opening of the Room. A noticeable feature of encouragement is the frequent overheard remark, "Meet me to-morrow night," not at "the Home," "the Study," or other kindred places, but "at the Reading Room on Varick Street."

It is the intention of your Committee to have a *free lecture* twice each month. One has already been delivered by Rev. D. Stuart Dodge, on "Commerce in the East." A prayer meeting is held every Saturday evening, and is well attended, all remaining and manifesting a deep interest in the service.

Your Committee meet with the warmest expressions of thankfulness on the part of all who visit the Room, and a desire on the part of many to assist in every way possible. We have already received the names of twenty-five young men for membership in the Association, who would not have joined but for the Branch.

It gives us pleasure to acknowledge the receipt from some of our publishing houses, and from private individuals, of two hundred and thirty-seven volumes, as a foundation for a library.

In the working of the Branch we have adopted, as far as possible, the plan so successfully in operation at the Central Association. As a field for labor, we believe that it is not equalled by any in the city, for in no other section of our city are so many young men congregated as in the vicinity of St. John's Park. They are separated from all moral and religious influences, crowded into cheerless boarding-houses, deprived of nearly all the comforts of home, and exposed to the temptations of the city. We desire, as far as possible, to throw around them those influences and associations which shall, with the blessing of God, keep them unharmed, and lead them into the path of virtue and holiness.



The following named papers and periodicals are on file in the Reading-Room :

### Dailies.

Post,  
Tribune,  
Times,  
Express,

Herald,  
World,  
Boston Advertiser,  
Montreal Herald.

### Weeklies.

Independent,  
Evangelist,  
Observer,  
Examiner and Chronicle,  
Intelligencer,  
Episcopalian,

Methodist,  
Sunday School Times,  
Christian Advocate and Journal,  
Round Table,  
Harper's Illustrated,  
Frank Leslie's Illustrated.

### Monthlies.

Presbyterian,  
Christian World,  
Sunday School Teacher,  
Atlantic,  
Harper's,  
Hours at Home,

Sunday School Journal,  
Hall's Journal of Health,  
Young Folks,  
Agriculturist,  
Phrenological Journal,  
Missionary Magazine,

Littell's Living Age.

The Room is open daily from 7 to 10 P. M.

Respectfully submitted :

GEORGE R. GRAVES, *Chairman.*

NEW YORK, *May 1, 1866.*

## Report of German Branch.

WM. E. DODGE, JR., Esq., *President.*

DEAR SIR: The work of the German Branch may be presented briefly as follows: In the month of December, 1864, Rooms were opened in the Bible House for the exclusive use of the Branch. From the organization of the Branch to the above date, we held our meetings at the Rooms of the Parent Association. It was soon, however, found necessary to vacate those quarters, and a pleasant and commodious Room was opened for us, at the corner of Forsyth and Delancey Streets, in November last.

The Room is now open every evening, and meetings are held in the following order:

Monday—Lecture.

Tuesday and Thursday—English Lessons.

Wednesday—Conversational Meeting.

Friday—Singing Class.

Saturday—Bible Class.

The Singing Class may be mentioned as one of interest; it is attended mostly by young men, and is a hopeful feature in the work.

A growing interest is manifesting itself among Christian Germans in our city. Let us improve the moment, seeking first for the grace which God is so willing to impart. Let us then go on, brethren, with zeal, patience, and faith, and God, who has promised, will surely bless our work.

JUSTUS PFARRER, *President*.

May 21st, 1866.

## Report of the Literary Class.

The report of the Literary Class must necessarily be somewhat meagre, inasmuch as the Class has been in operation but little more than half the year; and the plan of operation being entirely different from any thing in which the Association has hitherto engaged, much time has been lost in arranging details.

Some months since, a number of our members determined to form a class for the purpose of engaging in literary exercises, such as the reading of original essays, delivering original orations, reading selections from standard authors, debating, etc., with a view to awaken among our members an interest in literature, and induce a desire for mental improvement. A constitution was adopted, officers chosen, and the first meeting held on the evening of the 20th of November, 1865.

The meetings have since been held with regularity on the first and third Monday evenings in each month, except on two evenings when they were necessarily postponed. The attendance has averaged about thirty, and the members generally have taken a lively interest in the exercises, and we believe have already been profited thereby. Several excellent essays and addresses have been delivered, and the debates develop considerable vigor and promptness of thought, which give excellent promise for the future. We aim to discuss practical subjects, such as command attention by their personal importance, and are calculated to improve both mind and heart. We do not expect or aim to gain as much from the amount of information brought out of our meetings as in the spirit of inquiry and patient investigation which we hope to promote, and trust that the influence of our Society may be felt in forming the character and shaping the course for good of many young men who meet with us. But we would rather let the future speak for itself; we feel that in a city where so many and varied attractions present themselves to draw away the minds of young men, it may be difficult to successfully conduct an enterprise of this character, yet the vast importance of the object leads us to believe that the work should be sustained amid much greater difficulties than now present themselves.

We regret extremely the absence from us of our President, Rev. Benjamin Braman, but trust the separation may not be of long continuance.

Respectfully submitted:

T. G. SELLEW, JR., *Vice-President*.

WM. E. DODGE, JR., Esq., *President*.



# AN ACT

TO INCORPORATE

## THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.

PASSED 3d APRIL, 1866.

*The People of the State of New York,*

*Represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows :*

SECTION 1. WILLIAM E. DODGE, JR., JOHN CROSBY BROWN, WILLIAM HARMAN BROWN, ROBERT R. MCBURNEY, VERRANUS MORSE, FRANK W. BALLARD, J. PIERPONT MORGAN, RILEY A. BRICK, JAMES H. FAY, JAMES STOKES, JR., WILLIAM F. LEE, JOHN S. KENNEDY, JACOB F. WYCKOFF, L. BOLTON BANGS, CHARLES E. WHITEHEAD, STEPHEN D. HATCH, WILLIAM M. ISAACS, MORRIS K. JESUP, CEPHAS BRAINERD, and their associates, are hereby constituted a body corporate, by the name of The Young Men's Christian Association of the City of New York.

SECTION 2. The objects of this corporation shall be the improvement of the spiritual, mental, and social condition of young men of the City of New York, by the support and maintenance of systems of Lectures, Sermons, and other services, Libraries, Reading-Rooms, and Social Meetings.

SECTION 3. The business affairs and estate of said corporation shall be managed by a Board of twenty Directors, who shall hold their offices for two years, or until others are elected. The first Board of Directors shall consist of the following named persons, viz.: William E. Dodge, Jr., Robert R. McBurney, John S. Kennedy, Jacob F. Wyckoff, Verranus Morse, Lemuel B. Bangs, Charles E. Whitehead, Stephen D. Hatch, William Harman Brown, William F. Lee, who shall hold office for one year from the third Monday of May, 1866, together with ten other persons, who shall be elected to hold office for two years, and thereafter ten of said Directors shall be annually elected by the members, by ballot, on the first Monday of May in each year. After the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six, the Board of Directors shall be composed of, and chosen from, persons in communion with at least six different Evangelical religious denominations; and no more than one-quarter shall be chosen from any one of said denominations. All vacancies in the Board of Directors shall be filled as the Constitution and By-Laws direct.



SECTION 4. The said corporation may make such a Constitution, and the Board of Directors such By-Laws and Rules for the regulation of its business, the management of its affairs, the choice, powers, and duties of its officers and agents, as are not inconsistent with its character and the laws of this State.

SECTION 5. The "**NEW YORK YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION**," a corporation heretofore created and organized under the general laws of this State, may accept this Charter by the concurrent vote of its Board of Directors, and its members at regular meetings respectively, and upon filing, in the office of the County Clerk of the County of New York, and with the Secretary of State, a certified copy of the vote so accepting this Charter under the seal of said corporation, the same shall be dissolved and all its property shall be vested in the corporation created by this Act, subject to the debts due by said corporation. The present members of all classes of the NEW YORK YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION shall be entitled to the same grade of membership, the same privileges and rights, and be subject to the same obligations in the corporation created by this Act as now appertain to them as such members.

SECTION 6. The body corporate created by this Act, shall be capable of taking, by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest, and holding and conveying any real or personal estate for the uses of said corporation, but such real estate shall not exceed in value the annual rental of fifty thousand dollars. Such real estate shall be vested in and held and managed by a Board of nine Trustees, each of whom shall be a member of some one of the Evangelical Christian denominations; the President of the corporation hereby created shall be one of such Trustees. Frederick Marquand, Jonathan Sturges, Stewart Brown, Robert L. Kennedy, Charles C. Colgate, James K. Place, Robert L. Stuart, and James Stokes, are hereby appointed such Trustees, and whenever any vacancy shall occur in said Board, the same shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Trustees. It shall be the duty of said Board of Trustees to sacredly devote the estate so vested in them to the purposes of said corporation as above specified, and to no other purposes, and the sale or use of intoxicating liquors, or strong or lager beer, or any games of chance, shall not be allowed in or upon any of the property so held.

SECTION 7. Upon the acceptance of this Charter by the "**NEW YORK YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION**," as provided in the fifth section, this Act shall take effect and become operative. The real estate of the corporation hereby created, so long as the same, or the income of the same, shall be used exclusively for the purposes of this Association, shall be exempted from taxation to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars.

SECTION 8. All devises and bequests to said corporation shall be subject to the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act relating to Wills," passed April thirteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty, and the Acts amending the same.



# CONSTITUTION.

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## Preamble.

WE, the subscribers, actuated by a desire to promote evangelical religion among the young men of this city and its vicinity, and to improve their mental, social, and physical condition, and impressed with the importance of concentrated effort to aid in accomplishing these objects, and desirous of forming an Association in which we may together labor for these great ends, hereby agree to adopt for our united government the following

## Constitution.

### ARTICLE I.

#### NAME AND OBJECT.

SECTION 1.—The name of this Society shall be “**THE YOUNG MEN’S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.**”

SEC. 2.—The object of this Association shall be the improvement of the spiritual, mental, social, and physical condition of young men, by the ways and means to be hereinafter designated.

### ARTICLE II.

#### MEMBERS.

SEC. 1.—The members of this Association shall consist of four classes, viz.: Active, Counseling, Life, and Honorary Members.

SEC. 2.—Any man under forty years of age, of good moral character, may become and thereafter continue an Active member, by payment, in advance, of two dollars annually. Active and Life members only shall have the right to vote.

SEC. 3.—Any man of good moral character, who, by reason of age, cannot become an Active member, may be elected a Counseling member, on payment of five dollars, annually, in advance.

SEC. 4.—Life members may be constituted by the payment of twenty dollars at any one time, subject to the qualifications and restrictions named in Sections 2 and 3 of this article.

SEC. 5.—Honorary members may be proposed at a regular meeting, subject to the same qualifications and restrictions as Life members.

SEC. 6.—Any member of the Association may propose the name of an applicant for membership at any of its regular meetings. All applications for membership shall be referred to a Standing Committee of five, which shall report to the Association at a subsequent regular meeting upon the character of the person so making application, when a vote may be taken upon their admission, and five negative votes shall defeat any applicant.

### ARTICLE III.

#### DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

SEC. 1.—The members of the Association shall seek out young men residing in, or taking up their residence in New York and its vicinity, and endeavor to bring them under moral and religious influence, by such means as shall be deemed best by the Board of Directors; and they shall also from time to time engage in such special or occasional labors of usefulness as may be presented within the scope of the objects of the Association.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### OFFICERS.

SEC. 1.—There shall be an election of Directors by ballot on the first Monday of May in each year in conformity with the provisions of Section 3 of the Act Incorporating this Association, and the directors shall hold their first meeting on the third Monday of May succeeding.

SEC. 2.—The Board of Directors, at their first meeting, shall elect by ballot one of their number to be President, one to be Vice-President, one to be Corresponding Secretary, one to be Recording Secretary, and one to be Treasurer of the Board and of the Association; and said officers shall each hold office for one year, or until their successors are appointed.

SEC. 3.—The Board of Directors shall have power to elect and employ a Librarian and other suitable agents, at such salaries and for such periods as shall be deemed best.

SEC. 4.—All the Officers and Directors of this Association shall be Active or Life members thereof, and members in good standing of evangelical churches in the city of New York.

### ARTICLE V.

#### DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 1.—The Board of Directors shall have and exercise all the powers conferred by the Act of Incorporation and the several general laws of this State.



SEC. 2.—The several officers named in Section 2, Article IV., shall have the powers and perform the duties incumbent upon officers of like name in similar Associations, subject to such by-laws and regulations as may be provided by the Board of Directors.

SEC. 3.—In case of any vacancy occurring in the offices, the Board of Directors shall have power to fill the same until the time of the next annual election.

SEC. 4.—The Board of Directors shall have the power to make and adopt such rules and by-laws for their government, and the government of the Association, not inconsistent with this Constitution, as they may deem expedient.

SEC. 5.—The Board of Directors shall hold their meetings at least once a month, and eleven shall constitute a quorum: but seven may transact any business, subject to the approval of the Board.

## ARTICLE VI.

### MEETINGS.

SEC. 1.—There shall be a meeting of the Association on the *fourth Monday evening* of each month, for the proposal and election of members, for the promotion of Christian and social intercourse, and for the reception and consideration of such information as will advance the interests of the Association, but subjects not pertaining to the work or interests of the Association shall not be discussed in its meetings.

SEC. 2.—There shall be an *Annual Meeting* of the Association in the month of May, at which time the Reports of the President and Treasurer shall be read.

SEC. 3.—Twenty-one Active or Life members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Association.

SEC. 4.—All meetings of the Association shall be opened by the reading of the Scriptures and prayer, and closed by prayer and singing.

## ARTICLE VII.

### AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting of the Association, provided such alteration or amendment shall have been proposed at a meeting at least one month previous; excepting that Section 4 of Article IV. shall not be altered or amended without the consent of all the members of the Board of Directors, first obtained and signified by them on a call of the ayes and noes at a regular meeting of such Board, and upon notice of one month to such Board of an intention to propose such alteration and amendment; and five negative votes in the Association, when such alteration or amendment is submitted for final action, shall defeat the same.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### DISCIPLINE.

SEC. 1.—In case of misconduct, or neglect of duty in office, the majority of the Board of Directors may declare the office of such an offender vacant. Absence from two regular meetings, without excuse, shall be considered such a neglect of duty.

SEC. 2.—In case any member of the Association shall be charged with immorality or misconduct by reason of which he shall be no longer qualified for membership, a Committee of five shall be appointed at any regular meeting of the Board of Directors or at any special meeting to be called for that purpose, whose duty it shall be to investigate such charges, and report the result of such investigation, and all testimony taken thereon, to the next meeting of the Board. Any person so charged may attend before such Committee, and may introduce testimony rebutting such charge.

SEC. 3.—At the meeting of the Board of Directors at which such report shall be made, said report may be adopted or rejected; and, if adopted, the accused shall be thereby expelled the Association, and shall forfeit all his rights and privileges therein. At such meeting, and before the adoption or rejection of such report, the accused may make his defence.



## BY-LAWS

### Of the Board of Directors.

#### Meetings.

1. The regular meetings of the Board shall be held on the evenings of the second and fourth Saturdays of each month, except during the month of August, commencing at half-past seven and closing at half-past eight o'clock.

2. Special meetings may be called by the President upon the written request of three Directors, specifying the object of the meeting.

3. Absence from two consecutive regular meetings, without excuse, shall be deemed a resignation, and the vacancy may be filled without notice to such absentee.

4. All meetings shall be opened and closed with devotional exercises.

5. The business of regular meetings shall be conducted in the following order:

1. Calling of the roll.
2. Reading Minutes of the preceding meeting.
3. Treasurer's report.



4. Corresponding Secretary's report.
5. Reports of Committees.
6. Unfinished business.
7. Miscellaneous business and discussion on the general affairs of the Association.
8. Adjournment.

#### Committees.

1. There shall be appointed by the President five Standing Committees, consisting of not less than three members each, viz. : Finance Committee, Rooms and Library Committee, Printing and Publishing Committee, Lecture Committee, Executive Committee, the action of all of which shall be subject to the supervision of the Board.

2. The Finance Committee shall have charge of the financial interests of the Association, and approve all demands against the Association previous to their being submitted to the Board, and the Treasurer shall be *ex-officio* a member of said Committee.

3. The Rooms and Library Committee shall have charge of all the property of the Association, except its funds, and provide for the increase, preservation, and arrangement of the library and reading matter in the rooms. They shall admit to the library and reading-rooms only such publications as they shall approve.

4. The Printing and Publishing Committee shall have the direction of the printing and publishing of all matter issued by the Association, and shall attend to all distributions ordered by the Board.

5. The Lecture Committee shall have power to provide for the delivery of public lectures and sermons upon subjects adapted to the spiritual and mental improvement of young men, and also suitable essays, reviews, or addresses for the monthly meetings of the Association, and make such other arrangements as may be necessary for the meetings of the Association.

6. The Executive Committee shall have all the powers of the Board of Directors, except that they shall not use any money of the Association unless previously appropriated to them by the Board, and shall keep a full and detailed record of their meetings, which shall be read at the next subsequent meeting of the Board for approval.

7. The President (and in his absence the Vice-President) and Corresponding Secretary of the Association shall be *ex-officio* members of each of the Standing Committees.

8. Committees or Directors collecting or receiving funds for the Association shall pay the same immediately over to the Chairman of the Finance Committee, unless specially instructed by the Board to retain them.

#### Expenditures.

1. No Committee or Director is authorized to incur any liability on the part of the Association without previous appropriation of the Board therefor.

2. The Treasurer shall pay no demands except upon vouchers approved by the Finance Committee and subsequently appropriated by the Board.

3. All bills incurred by the several Committees shall be handed to the Finance Committee for approval within ten days after their date.

#### Amendments.

These By-Laws may be amended by a vote of two-thirds of the Directors present at any regular meeting, notice having been given at a previous meeting of the proposed amendment, or by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the whole Board at any regular meeting, without previous notice, except that the evening of meeting may be changed by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular meeting.

## LITERARY SOCIETY.

### Officers.

#### President.

BENJAMIN BRAMAN.

#### Vice-Presidents.

TIMOTHY G. SELLEW, JR.,  
GEORGE A. PEASE.

#### Corresponding Secretary.

GEORGE G. MACARTNEY.

#### Recording Secretary.

JOHN H. DEAN.

#### Standing Committee.

BENJAMIN BRAMAN,  
JOHN C. STAPLES,

ROBERT R. MCBURNEY,  
HENRY T. BRONSON,

L. L. DEAN.

### Preamble.

WE, members of THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, with a view to mental culture and literary improvement, do organize ourselves into a Society, and adopt for our government the following Constitution and By-Laws:

### Constitution.

#### ARTICLE I.

##### NAME.

The name of this organization shall be THE LITERARY SOCIETY OF THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK.



**ARTICLE II.****MEMBERSHIP.**

Only members of THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK shall be eligible to this Society.

The Secretary of THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK shall be *ex-officio* a member.

**ARTICLE III.****OFFICERS.**

SEC. 1. The officers of this Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, and a Standing Committee, all of whom shall hold office for one year.

SEC. 2. The Standing Committee shall consist of five persons.

The President of the Society and the Secretary of THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK shall constitute two members of this Committee. The remaining three shall be elected from among the members of the Society.

SEC. 3. The officers shall enter upon the duties of their respective offices on the first regular meeting after their election.

**ARTICLE IV.****DUTIES OF OFFICERS.**

SEC. 1. The President (and in his absence the Vice-Presidents, in the order of their election) shall preside at all the meetings of the Society, decide all questions of order (subject to appeal), and perform all the other duties usually appertaining to the office.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to take charge of all the papers of the Society, and to conduct its correspondence.

It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a faithful record of the doings of the Society, and an accurate list of the members.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to assign questions for debate, appoint the two leading disputants, and to arrange for the performance of one or more of the following exercises at each regular meeting, to wit:—Orations, Readings, Essays, Declamations.

**ARTICLE V.****DUTIES OF MEMBERS.**

It shall be the duty of the members to attend punctually and regularly all meetings of the Society, and to perform faithfully the parts assigned them by the Standing Committee.

**ARTICLE VI.****MEETINGS.**

SEC. 1. An annual meeting of the Society for the election of officers shall be held on the first Monday of November.

SEC. 2. The regular meetings for debate and literary exercises shall be held semi-monthly; but at the discretion of the Standing Committee they may be suspended in July, August, and September.

SEC. 3. Special meetings may be called by the President at the written request of seven members, and the call shall state the object of the meeting.

## ARTICLE VII.

### VACANCIES.

Any vacancy occurring in the several offices by resignation or otherwise shall be filled by election at the first regular meeting thereafter.

## ARTICLE VIII.

### AMENDMENTS.

Amendments to this Constitution must be proposed in writing at a regular meeting, but shall not be acted upon before the next regular meeting.

A vote of three-fourths of the members present shall be necessary to the adoption of any amendment. That portion, however, of the Constitution which requires that the Secretary of THE YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK shall constitute one of the members of the Standing Committee, shall not be altered or amended except by the *unanimous* consent of the members present.

## By-Laws.

I. The regular meetings of the Society shall be held on the first and third Mondays of the month, and shall commence at 7 $\frac{1}{4}$  o'clock P. M., and close at or before 10 o'clock P. M.

II. Nine members shall be necessary for a quorum.

III. The order of exercises at each regular meeting shall be as follows:

1. Prayer—the Lord's Prayer to be used.
2. Calling the roll.
3. Reading the Minutes of the previous meeting.
4. Initiations.
5. Literary exercises according to the arrangement of the Standing Committee.
6. Debate.
7. Decision of the question in debate according to the weight of the arguments, and criticism of literary exercises, by the President.
8. Proposals for membership.
9. Elections.
10. Miscellaneous business.



11. Announcement of appointments and of subject of debate for the next meeting.

12. Doxology.

13. Adjournment.

IV. All elections, whether of officers or of members, shall be by ballot. A majority of all the ballots cast shall be necessary to a choice.

V. Officers shall be elected in the following order:

1. President.

2. First Vice-President.

3. Second Vice-President.

4. Corresponding Secretary.

5. Recording Secretary.

6. Three members of the Standing Committee.

VI. No person (the President excepted) shall hold more than one office at the same time.

VII. The name and residence of candidates for membership must be presented in writing by a member of the Society, and a vote taken thereon immediately.

VIII. If any officer or member shall, without satisfactory excuse to the President, absent himself from three successive regular meetings, his name shall be stricken from the roll.

IX. No member shall occupy more than seven minutes in debate, the leading disputants excepted, who shall be allowed ten minutes; and no member shall speak twice on the same question without special permission of the Society.

X. At the option of the Standing Committee, the debate shall be conducted in one or the other of the following methods:

Either the question shall be submitted to the whole Society for discussion after its introduction by the leading disputants, or the Society shall be divided into two or more equal sections by the Standing Committee, and the leading disputants (who shall represent different sections) shall choose, without previous notice, each from his own division, the same number of colleagues—their number to be decided upon prior to the debate by the President and the leading disputants.

XI. Cushing's Manual shall be the guide of the Society in all matters of parliamentary law.

XII. Amendments of these By-Laws shall be subject to the same regulations as amendments to the Constitution. But the action of one or more of them may be suspended during a single meeting by a two-thirds vote.

# LIST OF MEMBERS.

## Honorary Members.

Benedict, Jesse W., Esq.	Hubbard, Joel M., Esq.
Drew, Daniel, Esq.	Hunt, Wilson G., Esq.
Gillett, Augustus J., Esq.	Lord, Daniel, Esq.
Griffith, Walter S., Esq.	Stevens, Rev. Abel, D.D., LL.D.

## Life Members.

Abbott, Austin.	Ballard, Frank W.
Aborn, Chas. B.	Bogardus Abraham.
Adams, Union.	Birch, Rev. Thomas.
Andrews, C. A.	Brainerd, Hon. Cephas.
Adams, Rev. Wm., D.D.	Bolton, Rev. C. W.
Aitkin, John.	Bangs, L. B.
Arnoux, W. H.	Bussing, Abraham.
Agnew, C. R., M.D.	Bliss, George.
Allen, Richard H.	Barrow, J. W.
Andrews, R. T.	Belcher, W. K.
Appleton, D. F.	Barnum, P. T.
Aspinwall, William H.	Brick, Riley A.
	Burlingham, Rev. A. H., D.D.
Brown, James,	Bronson, Oliver, M.D.
Brown, Jas. M.	Barrow, J. W.
Brown, W. Harman.	Bussing, John S.
Betts, Wm. N.	Berry, Nath'l.
Brown, Stewart.	Bowman, C. H.
Brown, J. Crosby.	Baker, Henry J.
Booth, William T.	Brown, Clarence S.
Buckingham, B. H.	
Burgess, W. F.	Camerden H., Jr.
Bingham, Rev. J. F.	Campbell, Rev. A. E., D.D.
Bentley, Norman S.	Cheever, Rev. Geo. B., D.D.
Benedict, Jos.	Clapp, Rev. W. S.
Benedict, A. C.	Clarke, Geo. W.



Clark, L. E.  
 Coffin, John P.  
 Colgate, Edward.  
 Colgate, Robert.  
 Colgate, Chas. C.  
 Colgate, Bowles.  
 Colgate, William.  
 Collins, Rev. V. D.  
 Colyer, Vincent.  
 Colyer, H. A. B.  
 Corning, H. K.  
 Cornell, S. B. M.  
 Craighead, Rev. J. G.  
 Crooks, Rev. Geo. R., D.D.  
 Cutler, Peter Y.  
 Cuyler, Rev. T. L.  
 Cleveland, Aug.  
 Corson, Jno. W., M.D.  
 Colby, Robert.  
 Crawford, Rev. M. D. C.  
 Chambers, Rev. T. W., D.D.  
 Crosby, Rev. Howard, D.D.  
 Clark, Rev. F. G., D.D.  
 Corbett, Boston.  
 Chamberlain, D. Drew.  
 Corbett, Otis G.  
 Chapman, T. P.  
 Caldwell, S. B.  
 Calhoun, John C.  
 Colgate, Abner W.  
 Crane, J. A.

Dayton, W. H.  
 Dean, L. L.  
 Donaldson, James.  
 Dodge, Hon. Wm. E.  
 Dodge, W. E., Jr.  
 Donaldson, J. J.  
 Doughty, W. S.  
 Dick, Geo. N.  
 Dick, Wm. S.  
 Duane, Rev. R. B.  
 Devoe, D. N.  
 Duryea, Rev. Joseph T., D.D.  
 De Witt, Rev. T., D.D.  
 Dickey, Chas. D.  
 Donald, Peter.  
 Dutcher, Rev. J. C.  
 Dodge, Rev. D. Stuart.  
 Dow, Thomas C.

Denny, Thomas, Jr.  
 Davis, Samuel D.  
 Dabney, C. H.  
 Dodge, Charles C.

Eldridge, T. P.  
 Earl, John H.  
 Embree, Geo. W.  
 Easton, Charles.  
 Easton, Charles A.

Fay, James H.  
 Fisher, Rev. Geo. H.  
 Foster, Rev. R. S., D.D.  
 Francis, Norman.  
 French, R. W.  
 Ferris, Rev. I., D.D., LL.D.  
 Fairman, James.  
 Field, Benj. H.  
 Foster, Frederick G.  
 Foss, Rev. Cyrus D.

Ganse, Rev. H. D.  
 Gardner, C. H., Ph. D.  
 Graham, John.  
 Gillespie, David.  
 Gillette, Rev. A. D., D.D.  
 Gould, Charles.  
 Goodridge, E. R.  
 Goodrich, S. G.  
 Gamble, James H.  
 Gardner, Melvin S.  
 Gray, Horace.

Hale, Richard.  
 Hall, John B.  
 Hatch, S. D.  
 Hastie, J. L.  
 Haeger, H. G.  
 Hastings, Rev. T. S., D.D.  
 Hallock, W. K.  
 Halsted, W. M.  
 Harvey, Rev. W. N.  
 Haughwout, E. E.  
 Harvey, Willard.  
 Hatfield, Rev. R. M., D.D.  
 Harris, Tracy H.  
 Havens, Rev. E. O., D.D.  
 Hageman, William.  
 Hoadley, R. H.

Holden, J. C.  
 Holmes, Samuel.  
 Holmes, S. P.  
 Holmes, W. B.  
 Hope, Geo. T.  
 Hough, Rev. J. W.  
 Hoyt, Mark.  
 Hyde, Henry P.  
 Hutton, Rev. M. S., D.D.  
 Hartley, Rev. Isaac S.  
 Hay, James.  
 Hay, Allan.  
 Hutton, Rev. M. H.  
 Hartley, Marcellus.  
 Howland, Meredith.

Inskip, Rev. J. S.

Jaffray, Edward S.  
 Johnson, J. H.  
 Jerome, A. G.  
 Jesup, H. H.  
 Jones, Frederick C.  
 Jones, Rev. Chas. J.  
 Jesup, Morris K.  
 Johnston, J. Taylor.  
 Jackson, Lewis E.  
 James, D. Willis.  
 Jeremiah, Thomas.

Kallock, Rev. I. S.  
 Ketchum, Morris.  
 Kennedy, R. Lenox.  
 Kennedy, John S.  
 Kinney John H.  
 Krebs, Rev. John M., D.D.  
 Knevals, Caleb B.  
 Kellogg, Rev. Alfred H.  
 Kirkland, Hon. Charles P.

Lathers, Richard.  
 Lathrop, Rev. Edward, D.D.  
 Lathrop, E. D.  
 Lee, William F.  
 Lefman, Henry.  
 Lindsley, C. F.  
 Lockwood, H. W.  
 Lockwood, Geo. R.  
 Lucas, Rev. Geo. C.  
 Ludington, Chas. H.

Lentilhon, Eugene L.  
 Lottimer, William.  
 Lovell, L. N.  
 Lockwood, J. B.  
 Lemist, George H.  
 Lord, James Couper.

McClintock, Rev. J., D.D., LL.D.  
 McCormick, Hon. Richard C.  
 McCullough, James W.  
 McBurney, Robert R.  
 McIntire, Henry E.  
 McKaye, James.  
 Mackenzie, William.  
 Magoon, Rev. E. L., D.D.  
 Marquand, Frederick.  
 Manierre, Hon. B. F.  
 Moriarty, Joseph M.  
 Milburn, Rev. Wm. H.  
**Morgan, J. Pierpont.**  
 Morgan, George D.  
 Morgan, Hon. Edwin D.  
 Moore, William H. H.  
 Morse, Verranus, M.D.  
 Myers, P. M.  
 Murphy, William D.  
 Montgomery, Rev. H. E., D.D.  
 Marshall, John W.  
 Murray, Rev. C. D.  
 Mikels, Rev. W. S., D.D.  
 Murphy, R. H. G.  
 Martin, William C.  
 Morgan, Henry.  
 Mortimer, John H.  
 Minturn, Robert B.  
 Mott, Richard.  
 Müller, J. B.  
 Murfey, Geo. S.

Nott, Hon. Charles C.  
 Nicolay, Albert H.  
 Nightingale, Rev. James C.

Ocherhausen, J. H.  
 Opdyke, Hon. George.  
 Osgood, Rev. Howard.  
 Oothout, Henry.  
 Ogden, C. W.  
 Ogden, Frederic.



- Pardee, H.  
 Payton, T. C. M.  
 Peck, Charles M.  
 Peters, J. H.  
 Place, Charles A.  
 Place, D. Newberry.  
 Poillon, Peter, Jr.  
 Post, Alfred C., M.D.  
 Post, George E., M.D.  
 Powell, Charles S.  
 Prentiss, Rev. George L., D.D.  
 Prentiss, Rev. E. L.  
 Peckham, C. F.  
 Peckham, Thomas G.  
 Parker, Rev. Joel, D.D.  
 Pressinger, Thomas G.  
 Potter, Howard,  
 Phelps, William Walter.  
 Phelps, Isaac N.  
 Phelps, William.  
 Pyne, Percy R.  
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TIMOTHY'S WORK.

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"Entreat the younger men as brethren."—1 TIMOTHY, v. 1.

THAT which Timothy was to Paul, these Christian Associations are to the Church. Their offices were distinct, though nearly related. The one was subordinate to the other—a helper in the service of Christ. But so closely were they united in the one work, each faithful in his peculiar vocation, that there was room for neither misunderstanding nor jealous misconstruction between them. Through his second and third missionary tours, wherever the Apostle went, we find Timothy by his side. Though scarcely nineteen years of age, this youth is preferred by Paul above all the others. They are like-minded. Erastus, Titus, Silvanus, Mark, and Barnabas, men of renown, of tried fidelity, of enlarged experience, are all passed by when a most important errand is to be performed. All care for their own things, and not the things of Jesus Christ. Whilst this new convert, just a few years a Christian, whose whole knowledge of life is bounded by the limits of Lystra, his native place, whose only instruction in the gospel has been gained from the apostle's lips, who was but just now a Jew of strict ancestral descent, a provincial Jew of even narrower notions than the rest, this is the one who is chosen before his fellows for eight or ten most trying years of companionship in prison and in perils of every sort. Has Paul, already sadly deceived in others, and ungratefully deserted by co-laborers he had dearly learned to love, been mistaken yet again? Is this a fancy which has warped his judgment? Has the boy's serious manner and steady life attracted his admiration, and has he forgotten that all this may be the weakness of innocence shielded from temptation, which the first experience of evil may all overturn? We may almost frame the captious criticisms with which the Christians then, if as selfish and sinful as Christians now, would have ridiculed this selection.

But they were wrong, and the former persecutor was right. Whether by divine inspiration, or from that natural insight into character which his old life was adapted to educate, after-history shows how well and wisely the choice was made. Leaving Lystra they go through Phrygia and Galatia, intending to travel throughout that portion of Asia, preaching the word. But they are turned by the Holy Ghost to Troas by the sea-side. And there the vision of the Macedonian man is shown to Paul. His prayer for help cannot be unheeded. Immediately they sail to Neapolis, and soon reach Philippi. The story of their persecution and deliverance in this place and Amphipolis, and Apollonia, and afterwards Thessalonica and Berea, you well know already; how gloriously they withstood the opposition of the people; how they rejoiced under the lashings of the bloody scourge, and sang songs of praise when fast bound in the prison stocks; how marvellously God rescued them by the terror of an earthquake, and opened the way for their peaceful departure, all these are facts of Inspiration, which have been full of encouragement to the church from their day to this. But of Timothy nothing about suffering at that time is said. From the trying and triumphant sorrows of Paul and Silas, he was strangely exempted. But now the purpose of God appears. There is a particular work for him to do, which neither of the others can do at all. His sympathy draws him to it. His promptness in duty and fervor in devotion fit him for it. He is left behind to apply from man to man the encouragements and consolations which the two elders declared to the multitude. His aim is personal; Paul's was general. And so, often in the Book of Acts you read how Timothy remains in a place after the departure of the others, or is sent to a place without the others, to carry on this same line of effort. He followed after the reapers, to bind up the sheaves. His work was supplementary, but saving—true-disciple-work, for he gathered up the fragments, that nothing should be lost.

Unless this be the object of this Christian Association, I know not for what we are assembled to-night. Indeed, is not this the description of all the benevolent organizations, whose anniversaries we have celebrated the past week? They are doing Timothy's work. The old cavil of danger to the Church has died forever. It could only last while the Church was slothful. And that Christian who dares to urge it now, confesses lukewarmness and idleness in the accusation. The more earnestly the Church is engaged in the Master's great work, the more plainly appears the utter impossibility that it can cover these specific fields. If Paul needed a helper, we certainly have not outgrown the need. While every society has a separate class to whom it is the almoner of gracious blessings, this Association is in like manner self-restricted. It interferes with the efforts of no other organization. It is in sympathy with all, and as it succeeds in its endeavors will prove a blessing to each. For in redeeming and reforming the youth of this great city, it is raising up a body of benefactors whose charities and labors will give new life to all the others. It aims at the salvation of young men by young men. It follows Timothy as he followed Paul, and as Paul followed Christ. It strives by all means to rescue some through the personal application of that gloriously accomplished reconciliation of God to guilty man. And it accepts the counsel given to Timothy as intended also for itself, peculiarly its own. It desires to be guided by divine wisdom, and inspired by divine love. And so it is ready, I am sure, to adopt the exhortation of our text as the rule of its work, "to entreat the younger men as brethren," that it may win them to the Father of us all, and bring them home to the family again.

I. I would consider with you this passage as an absolute rule for just the kind of work which this Association proposes. "Entreat the younger



men as brethren." The family is God's great means of grace. Itself a type of our own relationship to the redeemed and the Redeemer, it is the divinely appointed channel of the redemption love. Fathers are commanded to instruct their children in the things of Jesus, that they may also teach their children after them the same. Brothers are made helpers of each other, and with earnest solicitude taught to say to one another, "Know the Lord." Even Dives among the lost is witness to this natural sentiment which is sanctified by the gospel. "I have five brethren—send Lazarus to them lest they also come to this place of torment." There is a natural reverence and affection on the one side, and a positive authority and tenderness on the other, which mutually adapt this home relation to the great office of salvation for which it was designed. But when ungodliness and vanity preside in the house, when self usurps the Saviour's place—when no opportunity for learning the way of life is given—but rather hindrances are put in the path before young feet—a supplementary agency like to the family, as God planned it with the same loving spirit and gentle manner, must do the neglected work. It must be a father to the fatherless, and raise up, for the friendless, brothers indeed, who like Him of heaven are born for adversity, and to be trusted at all times. To labor patronizingly for the poor as objects of commiseration and condescension, from whom we are separated by a great social gulf, whom we are to reach through instrumentalities which will not compromise our position, is a defiance of the divine plan, a subversion of a divine ordinance, a sweet morsel for human pride, not a pleasing sacrifice to God. Much of the so-called charity of the church is godlessness. More than all others must this fraternal, family-feeling animate this Christian Association. Success is contingent on this. Human nature, hard, seared, rebellious, responds to this. And God will bless men who thus reproduce in the gospel a relation which has been to so many lost in life. Manifestly there can be no limit to the exhibition and labor of this spirit. It is an absolute rule, "Entreat the younger men as brethren." No qualifications can be pleaded. The more abject and degraded the youth, the greater is the demand for a brother's office, and the severer the trial of a brother's love. No exception can be admitted. Sin, vice, despair, do not daunt the forbearance and long-suffering tenderness of heaven, and ours must be like that above. There is no difference among men, as this Association regards them. That thoughtless, careless, callous wreck of natural good-heartedness and conscientiousness is to be treated as truly like a brother as the most holy among the sons of God. Whether we rebuke, or warn, or exhort, or instruct, the Apostle's advice to Timothy requires that we should "entreat the younger men as brethren."

II. Again: This absolute rule is addressed to a youth. Whatever Timothy afterwards became to the church, he was always to Paul a young man—his beloved son, who had, as a son with the father, labored with him in the gospel. At the time this epistle was written, Timothy, having attained his thirtieth year of age, had been appointed bishop of the church in Ephesus. But still all the exhortations of the apostle contemplate him as an inexperienced though faithful and zealous youth. His early remembrance of him tinges every sentence of counsel. "Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example. Avoid profane and vain babblings. Rebuke not an elder, but entreat him as a father, and the younger men as brethren: the elder women as mothers, the younger as sisters, with all purity." That very same affection which our silly sensitiveness and pride often tempts us to reject, was this disciple's comfort and joy. He did not rebel against the familiar address of a friend who had really begotten him again in the gospel. Though exalted to the head of a great

and growing church, he was still glad to be plain Timothy to Paul. The obligations and manner of their fulfilment which the text imposed on this young bishop were peculiar but not solitary. He does not bear them alone. They were written for our learning as well, who are of like age and about the same work. However advanced in the service of Christ, whatever may have been our experience of Christian toil, though twice as old as Timothy, we are yet all children when we sit at inspired Paul's feet to learn about Jesus. We are heirs, but the time appointed of the Father has not yet come. Bye and bye we shall be men of full stature in Christ. Now the one nearest to Heaven is only a child, a servant, though he be lord of all.

1. A great responsibility rests upon every Christian young man in reference to others of his own generation. Just as his opportunities and adaptations surpass those of any other class in society, so do his obligations also. Wherever he be led by Divine Providence in business, in pleasure, in the home; whatever be the spiritual privileges of which he is made partaker; whether his acquaintance be limited or enlarged, his influence be sanctifying or depraving; if he is thoughtful, really a man, he must always hear that voice crying to conscience, "Where is thy brother?" More than of all others is it true of us that no young man liveth to himself. We act and react consciously and unconsciously upon each other, and each one of us is producing some positive moral effect on his fellow. The years between fifteen and thirty are the time of impression and imitation. The mind is inquiring; the heart is susceptible; the will is deciding; the conscience is tender; the life is determining its tendency for eternity. This is the part of life which, humanly speaking, is most likely to heed the gospel. Afterwards, much of habit and hardness has to be undone, which in these years has not been acquired. Afflictions move now the spirit by their novelty; warnings awake the soul before it is fast asleep; promises challenge a prudence which has not yet forgotten its heavenly origin; invitations influence the affections with a delight not afterwards experienced. It is the period when Satan is most vigorously employed. Infidelity and indifference and lust are but varying voices of the same foul spirit. Whether he speak through the godless prophet, or the scornful life, or in the harlot's maudlin laugh, it is all for the same end—that the youths may faint and be weary, and the young men utterly fall. A thousand instruments address the passions of men in the same period of life with us where one waylays our fathers. You call them youthful lusts. Such they are, but only because they are excited by an infernal energy which meets us at every corner of the street, and seduces us in the most sacred associations of life. And in this damning service none but the young are employed. How rarely do you find a hoary-headed person serving in the haunts of sin! It was the maiden that occasioned Peter's fall. And half the influence of this evil power is that of youth. It quiets conscience, excites pride, tempts to indulgence. There is a sympathy of years between the siren and the victim which tones the most vulgar voice into treacherous sweetness.

Whilst the prince of this world is thus overturning all the early instructions of childhood, and making merriment of a mother's prayers and tears, a narcotized church, partially under the influence of a worldly spell, soothes itself in its inefficiency with words of Satan's own invention, about "sowing wild oats." And the very days in which sons can be readily saved are dreamed away in self-indulgent sloth. It is in such a crisis as this that the voice of God comes again by the prophet to this Association: "Run, speak to this young man:" meet him wherever you can find him; surround him by influences as constant and strong as those which hell has



weaved around him now. Cry with Judah, "How can I go up to my father, and the lad be not with me?" Take hold of his hand, like the angelic youth in Sodom, and hasten his flight from the swift-coming destruction.

One word of earnest entreaty, one act of godly example, from those who are subject to like temptations, but who have manifestly been delivered through grace from the bands of sensual sin, is worth volumes of exhortation from men in older life. They have outgrown the vices against which they warn. Indeed, in many cases, they know not the power of the sensual habits about which they speak. They may preach professionally; a converted young man, though he knows only the first principles of the gospel, remembers from what he has been rescued, and cannot but preach practically. All these considerations rivet on our consciences the responsibility of our relation. We cannot evade it if we would; we would not if we could. How precious are the assurances that our agency has often more than offset the influence of those depraved youths who sell themselves to be depravers of the innocent! This Association does not lack treasures which have been reclaimed. "And they shall be mine, saith the Lord, in that day when I make up my jewels."

A few months since a young man of godly parentage arrived in this city from England. He had never before been separated from the home circle. But now he found himself a stranger in a strange land, without a friend upon whose society and assistance he could lean. He went from the steamer to the hotel, not knowing what his next step should be. The succeeding day was Sunday. Learning nothing of our churches, and having no one to direct him, he absented himself, for the first time since boyhood, from the house of God. He afterwards said that it was the most miserable day of his life. All his old associations were broken, and it seemed inevitable that he must float down the stream of indifference and irreligion. On Monday morning he saw in the reading-room of the hotel the large advertising card of this Association, of which 2,500 have been distributed through the public buildings, bar and billiard rooms, &c., of the city. Instantly he made his way to our rooms, and was introduced to a member of the Church Committee, who counselled and encouraged him. On the following Sunday, after a week mostly spent in the privileges and exercises of this Association, he was taken by the same new friend to a Mission Sunday School, and established there as a workman. Our committee-man invited him to his own pew in the church he attended, presented him to the pastor, and afterwards entertained him at his own table—in a word, entreated him as a brother. The next morning the young man called at our rooms to say to the Secretary, that yesterday was the happiest day of his life, and to give a hundred dollars, which was absolutely the first subscription to the Building Fund. Is not this a brand plucked from the burning? And do we not do well to congratulate this Association upon a noble disposition to realize and fulfil their vast responsibilities?

2. One such incident as that I have just related will give you more of an insight into the practical working of this organization than volumes of constitutions and reports. And yet you gain thus a very partial view. Let me try to convey to you, in general, some notion of the numbers and classes of these younger men we strive to reach; and then you can, perchance, conceive how manifold must be the agencies employed in addressing a multitude so diversely composed.

It is estimated that there are at this moment in the city of New York 112,000 young men between the ages of fifteen and thirty. To entrap these, for the vast majority of their customers are between these limits,

there are, or have been (blessed be God for the Excise Law!) 228 concert-saloons with female attendants, 10,000 porter-houses and bar-rooms, 20 theatres, and nearly 4,000 confessed prostitutes. There is a large traffic in obscene books and papers which are openly exposed for sale on many streets, and exercise a very wide and debasing influence, sometimes where you would least expect to find them. A young man coming from a quiet, country village, where vice is under the social ban, recognized and avoided, is entered as a clerk in one of our large business houses. His employers regard him too often as a machine, out of which, at the least possible expense, the largest amount of work is to be secured. His fellow-clerks first make him the victim of their jests, ridicule him out of all independence, allure him by sensual descriptions, and then open the way to lust and crime, all the time quieting his conscience with that Satanic suggestion, "that a personal knowledge of vice is necessary to enable him to judge wisely and avoid understandingly," and "that now is a safe time to acquire such knowledge, while he is unknown and far away from the watchful eyes and warning voice of home." The cold cheerlessness of a boarding-house, and the intercourse with fellow-boarders just beginning to form habits of dissipation, who are yet frank, generous, and social, always ready with a kind word, an invitation to the drinking-saloon, the theatre, or the dance-house—all these things drive and draw him, before he knows, into the whirlpool of sensuality and sin. Is it wonderful that under so great a pressure, such a youth forgets every home tie and yields himself the slave of passion? Oh, how slippery are the paths in which young feet are required to tread! To withstand all this there is comparatively nothing. The little that we can do is in an infinite disproportion to the demand.

But let me tell you of another class, and trace some of their steps. I may have to enter some of your houses for the facts of my illustration. There is a young man of perhaps twenty years of age. He is your son, or somebody's son. His life is one of self-indulgent pleasure. As an excuse he may call himself a student, and be enrolled in some one of our institutions of learning, or he may occupy a nominal clerkship in an equally nominal counting-house, or he may be supported by you in his idleness because there is no need of effort on his part, and he has no particular adaptations for any sort of work. His mornings are spent in stupid sleep and lounging laziness. He strolls about the streets to exhibit his disgrace, belongs to some one of those outposts of hell—the fashionable clubs of the city—daily spends hours in its besotting entertainments, is too senseless to seek manly pleasure, but occupies himself in the drawing-rooms of those silly enough to receive him, and every night eagerly seeks some new sensation of polite or polluting vice, until every thing good within him of mind, and heart, and soul, is lost, and men look upon him but to laugh. This is the best side of his life. God forbid, if you know not the rest, that I should be the one to reveal it. Thousands of young men follow each of these different though cognate courses. And thousands more are between these two extremes. I know whereof I affirm. And every pastor in this house of God to-night will assent to the statement. To withstand all this I have said there is comparatively nothing. They are without the pale of charitable associations, and would scorn to be brought under their benevolent care. They are too immured in sin and sloth to be rescued by the literary institutions which few in number are so efficient in work, even if they proposed a moral end. Their consciousness of vileness keeps them from the church, and the minister is more sedulously avoided than the plague. Young men have tempted them, and young men must restore them. There is no hope for this vast multi-



tude of youth but in the earnestness and godly enthusiasm of the Timothys among us, who can and will entreat them as brethren. Oh, dear Christian friends, what a weight of responsibility is thus laid upon your hearts! You do well to shrink from the obligations, for who is sufficient for these things? But you ought to rejoice in the service, for your sufficiency is of God. Alone you might be conquered. Associated you shall for Christ and His Cross triumph most gloriously. You are called Christian, because it is about the same Captain you gather. Oh listen to His commands! Rely on His omnipotent strength. Gird you for the work. Go forth to the battle.

III. But our text is not only an absolute rule, addressed to youth in like case with us, for besides placing the burden upon us, it teaches us how to bear it: it indicates for you most pertinently the true method to be pursued if you would succeed in your godly efforts. "Entreat the younger men as brethren." No class of society is so sensitive of control as that to which we belong. None are so keen in discerning sincerity, and so remorseless in the repudiation of hypocrisy. It is one of their boasts, bad enough at the best, that what they are is apparent, that they make no cloak of their sin. They are dogmatic, conceited, affected. But they are most intolerant of all this in each other. They have little regard for dignities, little submission to authority, and no patience with pity. It will not do to preach a crusade against them. Your purpose cannot be secured by assuming a godly superiority to them. For they will bitterly resent the one and certainly find flaws in the morality of the other. Your best wishes must be wisely manifested. And no measure of perfection can raise you above their ridicule. Doubtless the very announcement of the anniversary of this Association has excited many a ribald jest and scoffing laugh among those for whose binding with us in the bundle of life we earnestly strive and pray. Perhaps some such an one has strayed into this church to-night; his tongue blistered with blasphemies has joined with us in our praise; his mind weakened by excess, his body the wreck of vice, his heart enslaved to sense, have listened under a protest to our prayers, which he is not ready to make his own. He is really a pitiable object, but his pride so deceives him that he cannot perceive it. How shall I move that man to a better life? Coercion is folly. Reformation is superficial. Nay, I must entreat him as a brother. I do not believe him an outcast. He is without hope, but he is not hopeless. I cannot accuse him without condemning myself. I cannot rebuke him, for the reproof shall be reflected back on me. I must entreat him, persuade him, constrain him by the love of that Saviour who, as an elder brother, unites us both. And so I call to such an one, wherever you sit, Brother, come home. The Father yearns for you. The Saviour waits to welcome you. The family cannot be complete without you. Oh, come home, come home!

1. Such an entreaty is to be very gently given. Perhaps even its expression in words may be an obstacle. And you may be required to keep silence lest you hinder the very work so near to your hearts. But if you have the brother-love it will not lack modes of manifestation. It will find some way to make its power felt. No citadel is more difficult of capture for God than a worldly youth's confidence. You cannot storm it. You make little progress with exhortations, and warnings, and reproof. Sometimes you harden the very heart you want to melt. You must besiege it. You must learn a lesson from the strategy of the war. You must conquer by gentleness, indirectly, by the parallel approach, rather than by the direct attack. It is in this view alone that we can justify the literary and secular agencies and accessories of the Christian

tives. I can but suggest them, with a prayer that the Divine Spirit may implant them in your hearts, and make them a power in your lives.

(1.) Remember, "Sirs, that ye are brethren;" you belong to the same generation with those we exhort you to save. All your worldly interests are interweaved. You must part alike. If a Continental morality gain the supremacy here, it will degrade your family with the rest. If the foundations of business confidence are unsettled by fraud which is fashionable, or undermined by extravagance which is fictitious, you must suffer with the multitude. If the youth who are your fellows grow up, as they are now, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God, you cannot escape the universal curse. And so I plead with you for your own sake, for your family's sake, for your country's sake, resist those inroads of vice, and as much as lieth in you elevate the tone of common life. Be careful about your own habits. Be separate from unholy, contaminating pleasures. Be scrupulous in your dealings with men—live peaceably with all—live self-sacrificingly—yea, spend and be spent that you may at least save some. In exalting the condition of others you improve your own. You are members of the same family—brothers of the same age. A stain upon one is a blemish on each. So that in protecting others you serve yourselves. Then "entreat the younger men as brethren."

(2.) Again, remember that ye are brethren in the adoption of grace. The same salvation covers you all. It is just as complete for the poor besotted slave of sin, as for you who have learned the word of Christ's patience and receive in faith his reward. His iniquity is as truly pardoned as yours. His warfare is as surely accomplished. His adoption is as real. And you are to address him, not merely as a lost, but as a redeemed man—a servant of servants indeed, but as having by promise a part in the sonship. Whenever a minister is commissioned in the Church to which I belong, he is addressed in these words which will apply equally to you: "And now again we exhort you, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye have in remembrance, into how high a dignity, and to how weighty an office ye are called; that is to say, to be messenger, watchman, and stewards, of the Lord; to teach and to premonish; to seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for his children who are in the midst of this naughty world, that they may be saved through Christ forever." Oh, how blessed is the privilege of entreating these younger men, to whom an holy God is already reconciled, and to beseech them in Christ's stead to be reconciled to God! How glorious is the errand which is committed to our fidelity! Go where you will, the uncalled children of Jesus are there. The mark of His grace is upon many a soul still careless and unconcerned. He has much people which are yet in captivity to lust. And it is our new instinct as brethren in these best of bonds, to deliver from the bands of death sons of the same spiritual seed, and bid them stand up in the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free.



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