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THE SOLUTION OF A PROBLEM.

Before I went to London for further studies in the English language, I was not a member of any Young Men's Christian Association, I only heard of it once from a friend of mine. But when I was about to leave Switzerland, the question of joining a new society, in order to make true friendship in a foreign country, arose.

My friend at once offered me his assistance and gave me the address of the Swiss Young Men's Christian Association in London. It was the Secretary of this Association who helped me to settle down in this enormous, and to me quite unknown city.

From the very first moment I was able to see what useful task the Swiss Y.M.C.A. in London fulfils. There is a constant coming and going of young fellows, some of whom were never abroad before. Members of the Association look for a good place where these students find suitable accommodation and quickly feel at home; they go to the stations to fetch them, and assist them in any circumstances. Whoever wants help, can be sure of the assistance of this Association. Most of these young people are students coming over for a temporary stay only. Last year many of these joined the club during their short sojourn. But still, considering the big number of these students who are in London, too few make full use of the offered advantages.

The Swiss Y.M.C.A. is comparatively a small Association, but all the same it is very active. There is a constant joining and leaving of students all throughout the year, and it was not spared by organisatory and financial crisis in nowadays hard times, and such obstacles were always courageously and trustfully overcome. The internal idea of the World's Y.M.C.A. movement is very well developed and practised in the Swiss Y.M.C.A. At the weekly meetings on a Thursday evening, the true idea of Christianity is revealed; the Christian spirit of reciprocal help is strengthened, its regular contemplation is very useful and educating for all these who are so far away from their homes. A band of unity keeps the members together in good and practical friendship.

Time of leisure and pleasure is considered as well. Beside the weekly meetings there are monthly fellowship meetings to which all friends of the Association are heartily invited. At these meetings the club tries to offer hours of interesting instruction by giving lectures, or hours of amusement are held at the regular tea parties.

There is only one thing that struck me a little strangely: the absence of the young fellows of the Swiss Colony which is fairly big in London. The young temporary members would be very pleased if they could make the acquaintance of some of the many compatriots who live abroad, far away from their home-country. A good attempt is made to bring these fellows into closer touch with one another; last autumn a youth section of the Swiss Y.M.C.A. was established which is open to all Swiss boys up to the age of eighteen. Certainly this establishment is a necessary and a most useful one, and it is hoped that later on its members will join the actual Association.

Unfortunately the time of my stay in London has already elapsed, and I have to go back to Switzerland; but I know that I can recommend the Swiss Y.M.C.A. in London to all my friends and acquaintances, for I can never forget the hours I enjoyed in its midst.

H. BIPP.

(It is a fact, that in the past few years, our members have very often passed the examinations of the Swiss Mercantile Society with distinction. We wish to congratulate our Member for the excellent results he obtained at the examinations of the above mentioned school. H. Pluss, Hon. Secretary of the Swiss Y.M.C.A.)

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Peter Henri Hyde, né le 20 Février, 1935, fils de George Ernest de Salford (Lancs) et de Marie Mathilde née Magnenat de Vaulion (Vaud) — le 30 Juin, 1935.

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