

The following is the Williams letter read on this occasion:

[Transcript of message spoken by Sir George Williams into a phonograph, the cylinder of which was sent to the Jubilee Class of '94.]

EXETER HALL, LONDON.

*Fellow-workers of the International Young Men's Christian Association Training School:*

I greet you on this Jubilee Day with the expression of my loving regard and esteem:

Join with the workers gathered here from all parts of the world in thanking and praising God for the marvelous blessing He has bestowed upon the work of our beloved Associations. "The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad."

I address you with feelings of profoundest admiration. You have set before you the noble aims of leading the young manhood of America and of the world, to the Saviour. This is an ambition worthy of your best powers—worthy of the highest gifts of character, of mind and heart. What a magnificent service you will render to your country and to the churches in your land if only you go forward to this great work in whole-hearted consecration. Prayer and faith have won victories in the past fifty years—but these may be—will be—as nothing to what shall yet be wrought through the power of Christ resting upon you.

I sincerely pray that you may each be filled with the Holy Spirit. Let it be the aim of each to be able to say: "I can do all things through Christ, who strengtheneth me."

The young manhood of America is a gift to the world. How important that it shall be definitely and decidedly on the side of truth and right. Cherish the desire to be useful to young men, individually, by leading them to the foot of the Cross. Remember how potent will be the influence of your personal example. Your privileges are great in being permitted to labour in so important, so hopeful, and promising a sphere.

From the bottom of my heart I pray that you each,—with all who have been or may yet be, students in the Training School,—may be mightily owned of God.

Yours most affectionately,

GEORGE WILLIAMS.