

## THE KINGDOM IN CANADA

### Home Missions and Social Service

#### Extent of Field.

Beginning with January 1st, with the exception of Missions to the Chinese, all Home Mission and Social Service Work of the Presbyterian Church, from rock-girt Newfoundland to the shores of the Pacific, will be under the care of one Board.

#### Variety of Activities:

1. *Augmented Charges* 270, *Mission Fields* 739—Total 1,019. Of the above, 26 are French, 58 New Canadian (in 12 languages) 20 Indian.

2. *Department of the Stranger.* (a) Maintains Port Chaplains, (b) By "follow-up" work holds present church membership, (c) Secures visitation of hospitals.

3. *Five Evangelical Settlements.* Minister in a score of ways to 1,884 families of 28 nationalities.

4. *Seven Redemptive Homes* shelter 221 girls.

5. *Evangelism.* Five teams conduct missions throughout Canada.

6. *Fresh Air Work.* Poor children are given two weeks' outing.

7. *Eight Hospitals and Twelve School Homes* serve largely the non-English speaking.

8. *Deaconesses* are supplied at strategic centres.

**The New Minimum.** The Assembly has increased the minimum stipend by \$300. This is essential to the Church's success and to her self-respect. Ministers and Ministers' wives in many an isolated out-post have waited too long for this token of the Church's appreciation. The task assigned Presbyteries of adjusting congregations to this new scale will, in many instances, prove difficult and perplexing. Over 700 charges, formerly self-sustaining, have been contributing less than the proposed minimum. How many will reach the new line of self-support?

**Missionaries.** During the past summer, 94 Mission Fields were left without supply; but the outlook is hopeful. Scores of young men, many of whom served overseas, are now training for the ministry.