

them with influences which shall gradually change their social customs and permeate their home life.

It has been said that "To be great, a nation does not need to be of one blood, but it does need to be of one mind." This is what we covet for Canada, and this is one of the ideals our missionary teachers have before them as they go among our foreign population with their inspiring message. This is indeed a patriotic work, not of the effervescent type, bubbling and foaming one minute, then dying down, till not a fizz remains, but a steady effort to bring Christ to the stranger, to avert the dangers following the trail of immigration and to weld the peoples who come here, often with hatred in their hearts for each other into the very fibre of the nation, each bringing an added strength and special gifts to enrich our national life.

When we come to the last analysis of this work of assimilation it is traceable to personality, to individual service. It is the consistent life, the personal interest and the helpful teaching of our missionaries and Christian workers that are breaking down the barrier between the different races in Canada, and showing them in an unmistakable way that we count them as brethren and expect them to become loyal citizens of this country.

Too much stress cannot be laid upon the influence of our lives upon those around us.