

EDITORIAL

Presbyterian Publications

The July issue of the **TEACHERS MONTHLY** will give some interesting details from the Reports to be presented to the General Assembly in June, of the work of our Church's Board of Publication, popularly known as **PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS**.

It has been a difficult year, owing to the continuous increase in costs, and the difficulty of getting full supplies of materials. But there has been distinct and substantial progress. A notable achievement has been the establishment of the Lantern and Lantern Slide Department, now fully equipped for its varied and important service, and the setting up in the Maritime Provinces, and in each of the Provinces west of Lake Superior, of Lantern Depots, where Lantern Lectures are held for rental, and through which orders for Lanterns and Lantern Slides may be placed. This arrangement is proving a great convenience to local churches and Sunday Schools, saving both time and expense to them in the rental of Lantern Lectures.

The Lantern Department was able to render extensive and important service in the promotion of the Forward Movement, and the demand for missionary slides is constantly increasing.

It may be mentioned also that **PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS**, by reason of its close interlocking with the missionary and other Boards of the church for publicity purposes, has proved an influential factor in the indispensable task of bringing information as to the work of our Church and its various Boards before all the people. Canada is a wide country. Our Church is far flung. To get all her members to know all the things that she is trying to do for the establishment and spread of the Kingdom of Christ, requires an intelligent, vigorous policy of publicity. It is gratifying to those in charge of **PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS** that this Board, year by year, is taking a larger share in this indispensable work.

For a New Canada : A Patriotic Service

That there is to be a New Canada admits of no question. The tremendous upheaval of the War has released forces, social, industrial and political, which cannot but produce radical changes in every part of our national life. What the new Canada will be must be a matter of deep concern to all thoughtful, earnest-minded citizens.

It is certain that the future will bring an enormous addition to the population of this country and will witness an immense development of its amazing natural resources.

But neither numbers nor material wealth will make Canada great. The real greatness of a nation consists in the greatness of the national soul. It is character that weighs heaviest in the scales of a right estimate of nations and individuals.

The New Canada will be, in large measure, what the boys and girls and young people in our Sunday Schools make it. The destiny of Canada is in their hands. It is the characters which they are forming that will determine the character of the nation.

It is fitting, therefore, that, on the Sunday just before Canada's national holiday, the scholars in our Sunday Schools should have brought before them their shining opportunities and their solemn responsibilities as the coming citizens of our great Western land.

In every Sunday School of our Church, from coast to coast, on Sunday, June 27th, the Patriotic Service should be carried out with an intelligent understanding of its purpose and with all the enthusiasm which the occasion should inspire. It will be easy to obtain copies of the Service by ordering from **PRESBYTERIAN PUBLICATIONS**.