

than the wisest books of theory and argument.

What an amount is being written these days about Social conditions, funds and pensions; more by far than points to the real solution. The old Tasmanian pioneer would have said,

"Why don't you girdle the trees?" for "see," said he, as we drove into a clump of barkless, withered timber, "this is what we do with the Shadowland, we girdle the trees and let in the sunlight!"

THE VALUE OF A COLLEGE

Those who are concerned for the future of Western Canada through whose gates is now sweeping so vast a human tide, all who care for what shall be the type of citizenship here, who hope that the domestic and civic virtues shall continue to flourish, who boast that there never was and never will be "a wild and woolly West," ought to stand behind every agency aiming to promote the well-being of the people, the press, the school, the Church. These forces should be linked together in the public service.

All over our prairies the free winds carry the floating poplar seeds and plant them down by river-bank and sloo, and soon little tree-colonies spring into being. We must spread just as rapidly and broadly the seeds of an upright citizenship and a real Christianity, and "the wild and woolly West" will remain what it has hitherto been—a sheer imagination.

To do this requires eternal vigilance, prayer and aggressive effort. The editor, the teacher, the lecturer, the educationalist, the public-spirited citizen, all have their part to play in the undertaking, but who can estimate the importance of having a **trained religious leader** in every community? It is the aim of the Theological College to fit men for this heavy and responsible task of spiritual leadership. Anything done now for such a college is a good deed put out at compound interest, whose force will remain and grow long after these present voices are silent.

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