

APPENDIX

NATURALIZATION IN CANADA PROCEDURE AND SIGNIFICANCE

FOREWORD

This booklet was prepared a few years ago but has been revised to include the 1942-3 Procedural Amendments to our Naturalization Act.

The purpose of this Booklet is to outline briefly some of the things which ought to be known and appreciated by applicants for British Citizenship in Canada. The hope is, that if distributed to applicants for Naturalization, this Booklet will be followed up by voluntary systematic explanation and exposition at the hands of sympathetic and patriotic citizens organized for that purpose. If this be well and faithfully done, much benefit is bound to accrue to our newly naturalized citizens and to others associated with them, as well as to Canada as a whole.

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I. NATIONALITY

1. *Nationality Means* membership in a nation. The civilized people in the world are grouped in large aggregations called *nations*. Each nation occupies some clearly defined territory as its *Country* or *Homeland*, over which it has exclusive authority or control. Most persons residing within the territory of a nation are members of that nation, and are called *Citizens* or *Subjects*. When abroad, they are sometimes referred to as its *Nationals*.

2. *Nationality is a Status*. Our civilization is established upon the basis that every nation shall guard and protect its own members, and, in return therefor, will receive the support and service of its members. Without these mutual duties and obligations, no individual could have stable personal security, and no nation could long exist. Nationality is, therefore, a necessary condition of life, or state of being, in which every person lives; and is called a *Status*.