

value is beyond rubies, that is righteousness, which alone exalteth a nation. When one occasionally reads of corruption in Canadian public life he sometimes wonders whether Canada does not stand more sorely in need of Doukhobortsi righteousness than of the gold which politicians regret they did not bring, and if we will, as a people, but learn what the Doukhobortsi can teach us concerning the full meaning of the principles taught in the Sermon on the Mount and of their power, when applied, of curing all the ills which still exist in our social and economic life. If, I say, we will but learn these lessons from the Doukhobortsi we will have neither the opportunity nor the desire to speak further, of their pauperism.

But Galicians and Doukhobortsi are still very poor. They have not yet been a sufficient time on the land here to have become self-supporting. But both peoples are energetic, frugal and economical, and in future years they will be not only self-supporting but prosperous farmers, and their children, if educated, will be able to do their part in the building of our nation.

For these poor people a ton of clothing has recently been sent by the Presbyterian Ladies of Montreal, by the Presbyterian churches of Hamilton, by Miss Jack, of Chateauguay Basin, and by the Countess of Minto. Part of this has been distributed amongst the Galicians and the rest is at Christmas to be distributed amongst the Doukhobortsi. "Come ye blessed, I was naked and ye clothed me."

With sincere thankfulness to those Christian women of Montreal for their practical interest in my work, with gratitude to the members of Faculty at whose feet I heard taught so many lessons of great beauty and vital import, with congratulations to the JOURNAL upon the evident mental calibre of the editorial staff, with fond remembrances to the "boys," all of whom I hope to see in the West, where so many good and true men like them are so very urgently needed, and hoping that when they do come, they may receive such a loyal moral support from the ecclesiastical powers that be, that they may not, like medical missionaries, be at times strongly tempted to sever all connection with the Church and to work under other auspices.

I am, yours very truly, J. T. REID.