

colleges. But the fact remains, and no one, whose knowledge warrants an opinion, and who is not a one-eyed partizan, will hesitate to admit it, that the desired Canadian review has not been announced.

Such a review should be devoted to theology, and the other sciences in relation to theology, literature and Christian work. Its standpoint should be Canadian ; its outlook wide ; its attitude fair ; its tone reverent. The financial basis of such a review should be such as would command the best Canadian thought. The editorial management should be such as would ensure catholicity and make subservience to merely local or party interests an impossibility.

Is there a field for such a magazine in the Presbyterian Church in Canada? A united and vigorous Church in a young and growing country ; stretching across a continent ; with six theological colleges, one university, and enjoying the sympathy and support of the majority of the leading professors in the non-sectarian and state universities ; with a ministry decidedly the strongest and most scholarly in the country, and a membership the most intelligent, as college statistics shew, and as journalists and book-sellers have learned by experience ; with questions of doctrine, polity, and methods of work, of world-wide interest, pressing heavily for solution, —is there not a field for such a publication? Was ever field more inviting? Was ever need more urgent? Was ever time more opportune? A dozen questions of theology are awaiting fresh examination and study. Creed revision, long postponed, must soon be faced. Ecclesiastical reconstruction,—continued separation, federation, or organic unity,—is already forced upon us. What shall be done with these subjects? To shirk them would be unworthy ; to depend on foreign solution would be a humiliating confession of our own babyhood. But how can they be satisfactorily discussed without such a review? It cannot be done in any well-edited weekly newspaper, for the newspaper's material is news, passing events, isolated facts. It is the magazine that, careless of mere news, marshals isolated facts as substantiating a theory, observes casual occurrences as indicating a tendency, correlates passing events as constituting a current. The sphere of the newspaper and of magazine are quite distinct and separate. And the critical examination and exhaustive discussion of such problems as those mentioned belongs, in the main, not to the newspaper, but to the more judicial review.

Can such a review be produced in Canada? "It can be done and England should do it." But how? Several plans are suggested. (1) An entirely new enterprise. Let some publishing firm launch a periodical of