

SERIOUS-MINDED citizens of Canada have noticed the unparalleled annual increase of our population by immigration within the past decade. None of the nearly *Four Hund*red Thousand newcomers of 1912 know anything material about our country's constitution, history or social structure. They are mostly adults more than half of them, probably, of voting age.

This is worth thinking about!

In another generation their blood and ours may be mingling by marriage. They are invited to become Canadians. What kind of Canadians, think you, they are, who knew nothing of Canada, or of what constitutes a single Canadian ideal?

Between you and your national conscience, what do you feel of responsibility for what results may flow from such a tremendous rush of racial forces into the quiet tenor of Canadian national growth?

The Canadian Countryman has made it its special business to provide and encourage in every way those many means of educating our newcomers so that our national future may be more secure and advantageous, rather than less so, because of the new increases of citizens of all races which yearly we receive into our communities.

But—the task is generations long, and deep and varied as human nature. It cannot be performed except by great co-operative effort in which all Canadians, especially all parents, all public-spirited men and women must join, each as he is able.

You are interested. You are concerned. Let us hear from you, offering to help.

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