

MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED METHOD OF EXAMINING CANADIAN
CANDIDATES FOR THE COLONIAL SERVICE.

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There is a good deal of evidence that the interest of Canadians in other parts of the Empire and particularly in the problems of administration in native countries, has been greatly quickened by the war, and it is probable that if the opportunity were offered a certain number of young Canadian University Graduates of the highest stamp might be ready to help Great Britain in the work of the Empire in peace as they did with such marked effect in war. The most practical and interesting field for their activities would seem to be in the various services which administer the colonies and protectorates of the Empire.

The main advantages of such a scheme would be:-

- (1) The opening of a new and interesting field of work to a certain number of young Canadians, giving them experience of life in new countries and under entirely novel conditions.
- (2) The Colonial Service would undoubtedly gain, if the system of selection was sound, by the inclusion of picked representatives of the great Canadian Universities, whose powers of leadership and organisation were so conspicuously proved in the war.
- (3) The inclusion of Canadians in the Colonial Service should tend to a definite increase in Canada of a real knowledge and understanding of the problems and achievements of the Empire.

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