

finding its way throughout Europe and the United States, with the result that the tide of population is already beginning to set in this direction. While population and capital are the most important requisites to our advancement, we desire only population of the right sort—such as will compare favorably with that which we already have—in order that we may continue to be characterized as a nation by intelligence, industry and integrity.

### PROMINENT YOUNG CANADIANS.

#### II.

##### MISS EDITH THOMPSON.

It is a pleasure to be able to record the fact that bravery is characteristic of the young women of Canada as well as the young men.

Miss Edith Thompson, of Toronto, whose portrait is herewith presented to our readers, gave conspicuous evidence of her courage on the 10th of July last, by rescuing from drowning Miss Marion Stanway, a companion of about her own age.

The two young ladies, with three others, were bathing in Lake Ontario about a mile from Long Branch, when they suddenly found themselves in a deep hole, the existence of which they had not known. All but Miss Stanway were able to swim, and on finding themselves beyond their depth, struck out for the shore. Miss Thompson heard a cry, and looking back saw the hair on the head of one of her companions floating on the surface of the water. Heedless of the warnings of some lads on the shore, she immediately swam back, and grasping her unfortunate companion by the hair, succeeded in bringing her into shallow water,

when help arrived, and the unconscious young lady was placed in the hands of a physician. Three hours elapsed before she responded to the efforts made to bring her back to life.

The news of the accident and of Miss Thompson's prompt and courageous act soon became widely known, and congratulations were showered upon her. Not only so, but the incident was brought to the notice of the officers of the Royal Humane Society, with the



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result that she was presented by Mr. W. R. Brock with the society's medal, bearing the following inscription:

"Presented to Edith Thompson for prompt action and bravery in rescuing Tottie Stanway from drowning."

Miss Edith Thompson, who is about fifteen years of age, is the daughter of Mr. H. L. Thompson, President of the Copp, Clark Co. Miss Marion Stanway is the daughter of Mr. Geo. Stanway, Isabella street, Toronto.

What are the most unsociable things in the world? Milestones, because you never see two of them together.