

18. *The Oath of Allegiance*, which the applicant is required to take, is on a prescribed form which he must sign and swear in the presence of an authorized official. The form of oath is as follows:—

I, swear by Almighty God that *I will be faithful and will bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George VI, his heirs and successors, according to law. So help me God.*

19. *British Allegiance* is a term meaning loyalty, devotion and duty which every British subject owes, and is bound to pay, to the British monarch as the representative of law, order and authority in the land.

20. *The Certificate of Naturalization* is granted by the Secretary of State of Canada, and is evidence of the applicant's new nationality. It is a document of the greatest importance to the holder, and should be carefully preserved. A certificate may in any case be granted or refused at the discretion of the Secretary of State.

21. *The Effects of the Certificate on the Grantee* include the following:—

- (a) *it confers* on him "all the rights, powers and privileges" of a natural-born British Subject;
- (b) *it imposes* on him "all the obligations, duties and liabilities" of a natural-born British Subject;
- (c) *it creates* in him "the status" of a natural born British Subject;
- (d) *it terminates* for him his previous nationality; and
- (e) *it confers*, when facts warrant, upon his wife and minor children, certain rights and privileges.

22. *The Grant of the Certificate is Conditional*. The new citizen must observe the conditions imposed upon him by law and authority, if he is to continue his citizenship; otherwise his Certificate may be *Revoked*.

23. *The Rights, Powers and Privileges* conferred by Naturalization are, in part—

- (a) *to engage* in any legitimate work, labour, occupation, trade, calling, business or profession. Aliens may engage in only some of these.
- (b) *to take part* in all civil and political life and activities; to vote at elections; and to be candidates at elections for municipal, legislative and parliamentary assemblies. Aliens enjoy none of these rights.
- (c) *to hold office*—political, governmental and judicial, under the Crown. Aliens enjoy none of these privileges.

These rights, powers and privileges are the greatest benefits and favors that any nation can bestow upon its citizens, and they should be respected and cherished.

24. *The Obligations, Duties and Liabilities* imposed by Naturalization are, in part,—

- (a) *to observe and obey* all the laws of the land. Aliens are almost equally bound in this respect.
- (b) *to take part* in the responsibility of governing the community and country. Aliens have very little duty in this respect.
- (c) *to uphold the authority* of law and of all legally constituted bodies, and to serve our country in time of need. Aliens have some responsibility in this respect.

These obligations, duties and liabilities are heavy and serious, and may call for service and sacrifice. They should, therefore, be understood, so that they may be well and faithfully performed, especially in times of our country's need.