

Canadian Problems

CHAPTER I.

THE HOME MISSION PROBLEM

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TO secure for truth and righteousness and the fear of God their proper place in the foundations of our country's life—that is the Home Mission problem. In its magnitude, its complexity and its far-reaching issues, it is the biggest, most serious problem that confronts the nation and the church to-day.

Its Magnitude

The magnitude of the task may be inferred from the simple but tremendously significant statement, that the Dominion of Canada is almost as large as the whole continent of Europe, and that, with the exception of the comparatively small portion of it that is thickly populated, this vast territory constitutes the Home Mission field of the Canadian church. The Western provinces alone are thirteen times as