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This infant magazine—small in physical proportions, is large in aim and strong in purpose. It has come into being to meet a definite need. It will endeavor to encourage all the returned men whose disabilities received in the war prevent them from resuming their pre-war occupations, to take advantage of the practical re-education offered without money and without price by the Vocational Schools. These schools are an important step on the way back to civilian usefulness after military service. They are under the jurisdiction of the Minister of Civil Re-Establishment in the Federal Cabinet.

Several hundred returned disabled soldiers who have been discharged are in the schools at the present time diligently pursuing the practical courses offered which will enable them to take their places in the agricultural, industrial and commercial life of the community. This little periodical will endeavor to be of service to them, pointing the way to true happiness, which can only be attained by a knowledge that one is rendering useful service to the community in which one lives. The men who are being re-educated intend to go back into the workaday world so well equipped with the skill and knowledge of how to do their work, that they will be the equals of the physically fit in the same line of employment. They want no special favors shown to them, all they ask is fair competition.

The third class of our clientele will be comprised of the men who have graduated from the Vocational Schools and who have gone forth to earn their own living. This magazine will endeavor to keep track of them, and by relating their successes and temporary difficulties, much help will be given to the men who are students.

Since the printing of "Coming Back" is to be done by the students in our schools at Tuxedo the edition has to be limited to one thousand copies. However, after attending to the circulation among the students, there will be about 500 copies which can be distributed among the returned disabled men who have not yet signified their desire to be re-educated, and employers.

We want the employers of Western Canada to know that the Vocational Schools are training men in many useful crafts and trades. When they realize the standard of efficiency which is attained by the students who are taking the courses, the employers will turn to the graduates of the Vocational Schools to relieve the labor stringency.