

tics and become in a more direct sense one of the determining factors of the Kingdom. If that day comes, another class of leaders will be needed, women of balanced judgment and wide statesmanship, who may help in guiding the opinion of other women who, so far, have given comparatively little thought to outside subjects.

The question therefore resolves itself into higher ideals in education, more virile Christianity, stronger altruistic and practical leadership. But you may say ideals and openings are well enough in their way, but come tamely as a sequel to a titanic struggle like the present. If the Crimean war could develop a new type of woman, what type of woman will the present war develop? Who can tell? The war clouds hang too heavily over the world of labour and of women for any present answer to be given. All we know is that there are more tendencies at work for the better than for the worse. A serious reality is settling down over the whole country, over educational and spiritual as well as military life, and seriousness means the death of faddism and formalism. The clash of international war will die away, but other conflicts must follow, for men and women who have faced death daily will never stop until the inner as well as the outer national life has been put upon a firm foundation. God grant that that new foundation may be a new-born world of lasting spirituality and reality.