

# The Teachers Monthly

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"Canadian papers for Canadian Sunday Schools" is no narrow or sectional cry. It is the voicing of a need that was never more widely or more profoundly felt than at the present moment.

Canada has put her shoulder under tremendous responsibilities. She has claimed her place in the Empire and a right to carry her full share of its burdens. And the carrying of those responsibilities and burdens can only be done by a people which knows itself—its country, its history, the life of its cities and farms and camps; and by a people, every man, woman and child of whom is Canadian to the core.

EAST AND WEST, for the young people; THE KING'S OWN, for the boys and girls; JEWELS, for the little ones, have been and are, great Canadianizers. Every scholar in every one of our Sunday Schools should have one or other of them.

## The Joy of Sacrifice

There is joy in sacrifice. This is the testimony which has come, again and again, from our brave soldiers in the trenches and in training. They have given themselves without reserve for the service of king and country, and, with that surrender, there has come into their hearts a great gladness. They are convinced that their cause is righteous and is sure in the end to prevail. If they live, theirs will be a full share in the final triumph, and if they die, their supreme offering will not have been in vain.

It is not alone in the camp and on the battle field that sacrifice is needed and called for. Every day of the most commonplace life brings its opportunities and its demands for the yielding of self to the claims of others

upon one's sympathy and help. And, just as truly as, in the case of our soldiers, who are cheerfully laying their all on the altar of duty, will the spirit of sacrifice in the more ordinary tasks and pleasures that fall to most of us, bring in its train the sweetest and purest joy which the world can give.

With greater boldness and confidence than has been common should all teachers of the young appeal to the willingness for sacrifice which the war has shown to be latent in the most unsuspected quarters. There will be a response, which will surprise many, to every appeal that sets before our boys and girls and young people a suitable and really worth while purpose to which they may devote the energies of their growing life.

## How Pentecost Comes

By Rev. Harvey Carmichael, M.A.

There has always been a tendency to regard the experience of Pentecost as one in which the disciples were merely the passive recipients of a spiritual endowment externally bestowed. But it was neither passively received nor mechanically bestowed. How the disciples waited for it, how they prayed for it, how, with one accord, they companied each with other and spake often one to another of their Lord, recalling his words of eternal life, his deeds of heavenly mercy and power, his crucifixion, his death, his resurrection and ascension! How eagerly they searched the scriptures, studying the psalms, the prophets and the law in the light of all their past experiences to secure for their faith the testimony they contained concerning their Lord! Each ray of light created hope, each word of testimony awakened and deepened conviction, until the day came when all doubts were resolved, all uncertainty vanished, and, with