

## Good Citizenship

It is a never-ceasing pleasure to record the splendid work prosecuted from year to year by the Department of Education in the sections of Manitoba occupied by parents who hail from alien lands. The vast majority of the "foreign" children are Manitoba-born and they will be thoroughly Canadian, or half-and-half, just as the State is able to look after their education. The State insists on the use of the English language, and it is the rare exception today to find in any of these schools, now under compulsory attendance laws, one child that cannot speak the common language of the nation. It is announced today, on the re-opening of the schools, that there is an ample number of teachers to man the classes. This is good news. These teachers are indeed national missionaries. They not only do their duty within the four walls of the little schoolhouse, but they go out and in among the people, enter into their life, and prove to their full satisfaction that the State has no other aim than the well-being of its subjects. It is a glorious work; most interesting and attractive, viewed from every standpoint. Whatever the future holds for Manitoba along lines of political change, every man and woman with patriotic instincts must resent and bludgeon any attempt at interference with a policy, the effect of which is to make loyal Canadians and intelligent citizens out of every growing boy and girl in the land.