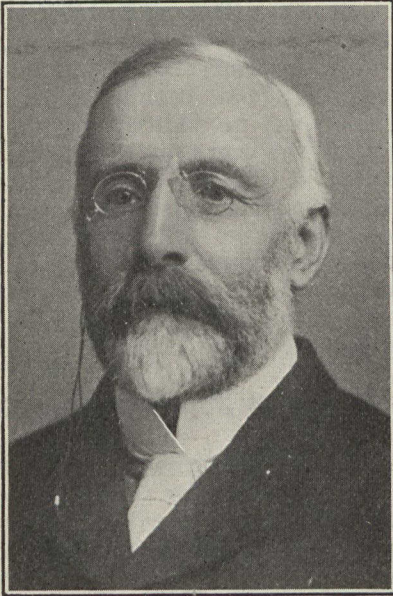


need for the extension of Civil Service regulations to the outside Civil Service, and also in reference to the co-ordination of the work of the various branches handling Dominion forest matters, which he considered necessary in order to secure the greatest efficiency.



MR. AUBREY WHITE, C.M.G.

Among those who were honored by His Majesty King George the Fifth on New Year's Day, 1914, was Mr. Aubrey White, who was created a Companion of the Order of St. Michael and St. George (C. M.G.) Mr. White entered the Crown Lands Department of Ontario in the outside service in 1876, and was made Deputy Commissioner in 1887. Later, when the office was enlarged and the title changed, he was made Deputy Minister of Lands and Forests, which is his present office. Mr. White has been a pioneer in the matter of forest conservation, having recommended and organized, in 1885, the first forest fire protective patrol system on the continent. Mr. White is a Past President of the Canadian Forestry Association, and is one of its most active Directors. His reports and bulletins always receive the most careful consideration from forest administrators. For over a quarter of a

century he has been the administrative head of the Department producing the greatest part of Ontario's revenue, and one of the largest forest services in the world. The Toronto News thus refers to Mr. White's new honor:

'The New Year honor conferred upon Mr. Aubrey White was thoroughly deserved. Civil servants in this country are none too richly recompensed in a material sense, and the prerogative of the Crown is well employed in seeking out men like the Deputy Minister for special distinction. Under Liberal and Conservative Governments alike Mr. White has labored long and faithfully in the public interest. He is one of the most capable administrators in the Province, and in decorating him the Sovereign has recognized the whole civil service afresh in a gratifying manner. Mr. White will wear his C. M. G. with becoming dignity.'

Within the three National parks in which the Dominion Government maintains the buffalo in a state of semi captivity says the sixth annual report of the American Bison Society, there were at the end of March, 1913 1,287 buffalo. The number of males was approximately the same as the number of females, a larger number of the former being aged. The total number of calves successfully raised during the year was 221. An estimate of the number of wood bison in Mackenzie River territory and of those loaned by the Dominion Government to city parks, etc., makes the total number of pure bred bison in Canada about 1,600.

Owing to the crowded state of the columns of the *Journal* this month, several articles dealing with forestry in British Columbia and Ontario had to be held over until the February issue.

Mr. H. A. Preston of Massey, Northern Ontario, writes condemning the carelessness that is often responsible for the spread of, destructive forest fires and suggesting that the Government be more strict in enforcing the law prohibiting settlers setting fires during the months of June July and August.—*Rod and Gun.*