

the zenith of her career had such institutions—then why not *the* nation of the twentieth century?

If Canada is to be the foremost nation of the world, then she must pioneer—not follow—and her civil administrators should be her first care.

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Everybody may not be aware that a civil service chess club has been formed. This is due to the enterprise of Mr. G. H. Wattsford, of the Public Works Department, whose suggestion it was that such a club might "catch on," and it has done so. Over fifty members have signed on so far, and now that the club intends including draughts in its schedule, it is anticipated that even a larger membership will result. A room has been procured at 111 O'Connor street, with suitable accommodation, and it is hoped that intending members will send in their names immediately, so as not to delay arrangements for the winter schedule. The subscription fee is but a paltry dollar. Any other information may be obtained from the Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. G. H. Wattsford, Department of Public Works, West Block.

### "THE CO-OPERATOR."

#### The Montreal Industrial Co-operative Society, Limited.

In the month of May, 1908, a society for the purpose of carrying on the trade of general dealers in household supplies on a co-operative plan began operations in Montreal under the title of the "Montreal Industrial Co-operative Society, Limited." The society was incorporated, April 25, 1908, under the Quebec Syndicate Act of 1906. It began on a small scale, and with only 49 members. At the present time, the membership has increased to 125, and the undertaking is reported by its officers to be in a fair way to

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