has offered to its officers of the past and present year. Imitation, they say, is the sincerest flattery; re-election to office may be called the sincerest gratitude.

There are many and weighty problems to be solved for the benefit of the Ottawa association and its members. There is no need to dwell upon these problems here, for they have been, and must continue to be, the subject of a considerable part of the discussion carried on in these columns.

The main point is that the members of the association have declared themselves satisfied with the policy which their officers have adopted, and have massed themselves to back up those officers in carrying that policy into effect. Everything is ready for a forward move.

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THE CIVIL SERVICE CLUB OF OTTAWA.

That the above named institution is still in existence is due to the unwavering devotion of certain of its members who have endeavoured to guide its course through the pitfalls inevitably to be met in attempting an innovation of this kind in the service. The club has just given accommodation and entertainment to the forty delegates from outside of Ottawa who attended the annual convention on the 4th and 5th instant. It was considered most agreeable by the visitors that the discussions, of far reaching importance to the whole service, could be held under the roof of a civil servants' club.

Mr. T. N. Doody the president of the club, was one of the members of the original sub-committee appointed by the Ottawa association to found a rendezvous for business and other purposes. The club owes much to Mr. Doody's quiet advice and cool judgment. Under Mr. Doody's regime, the service may feel assured that the strict rules will be carried into force and any objectionable features, which may have been allowed to develop through laxity in the management, will be discontinued. Mr. Doody issues a letter to the members of the club and *The Civilian* ventures to hope that his appeal will result in an instant support of his efforts to rear and maintain an institution in keeping with the dignity of the public service.

The letter is as follows:-

Dear Sir.—As you are doubtless aware, the Civil Service Club is now in a position to offer to all, the service and comfort so esential to a gentleman's club.

The increasing and greater success of the club, however, will be obviously augmented to a large extent by your individual exertions in increasing from amongst your friends, even if it be only one, the membership of the club.

In this connection, at the last general meeting, the by-laws of the club were amended, and we may now admit associate members, that is to say, members from outside the Civil Service, who will have the full privileges of ordinary members, with the sole exception of their not being entitled to hold office nor to vote at general meetings of the club.

Possibly amongst your friends you might have one who would be glad to avail himself of the privilege opened by such concession. It is hoped that you will do your part in this way in assisting and assuring the success of the club.

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GENUINE PROMOTIONS.

A genuine feeling of pleasure has been aroused in the Ottawa service on hearing of the promotion of F. E. S. Grout to the office of Superintendent of the Money Order Branch. Frank Grout, as we all know him, is one of the good ones. Many of us remember him on the cricket field in the palmy days of the Athletic Association. A gentleman of a quiet and dignified manner, the post of superintendent is graced and honoured in this excellent promotion. The Civilian had occasion to refer, a few issues ago, to the promotion of Mr. Duncan Scott to the position of Deputy Superintendent General of Indian Affairs. These promotions with-