

technical men, is not met. We have allowed the services of several such of our men to be commandeered by the British government. The engineering profession has no place in the Union Cabinet. A party politician, for whom we have respect as a politician and as a lawyer, is the new Minister of Public Works. He is, so far as we know, without any of the technical or engineering knowledge which *The Canadian Engineer* deems very desirable for such an important cabinet position. The same is true of other portfolios, such as the Railways and Canals and the Marine and Fisheries.

## PERSONALS

MATTHEW W. KIRKWOOD, formerly general superintendent of the G., P. and H. and L. E. and N. Railway, Galt, Ont., has been appointed general manager of the two roads.

R. S. GOURLAY has had his term as Toronto harbor commissioner extended, by an order-in-council by the Dominion Government, for a further period of three years, from October 22, 1917.

M. WILFRID BOURASSA, civil engineer, Montreal, has been appointed by the Shawinigan Water and Power Co. to supervise the construction of the steel towers now being erected at Three Rivers, Que.

M. J. McCORMICK, for some time manager of the machine tool department of the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co., Montreal, has resigned to accept a position with the McCormick Machinery Co., Montreal.

AMBROSE MONELL, president of the International Nickel Company, New York City, has tendered his resignation to accept a commission as colonel on the staff of the commander of the American aviation forces abroad.

GILBERT B. McCOLL, B.A., D.T.S., M.L.S., addressed the Manitoba Branch of the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers last Thursday evening on "Drainage in the Red River Valley in Manitoba." The meeting was held in the engineering building of the University of Manitoba.

MICHAEL P. FENNELL has been appointed secretary-treasurer of the Montreal Harbor Commission, to succeed Major David Seath, who has retired after holding that position for eighteen and a half years. Mr. Fennell has been assistant secretary-treasurer of the Commission since 1909.

HAROLD GORDON YOUNG, of Ellesmere, Ontario, a former third year student in the electrical engineering department of the School of Practical Science, Toronto, has been promoted to the rank of warrant officer in the R.M.C.V.S. He enlisted from school last year with the Canadian naval service.

JAMES HAROLD RAMSAY, Jr. Mem. Can. Soc. C.E., son of Rev. Dr. D. M. Ramsay, of Toronto, formerly of Ottawa, has been awarded the Military Cross. He enlisted early in 1916 as a lieutenant in the Canadian Engineers. He graduated in science from Queen's University, Kingston, and was a post-graduate of Cornell.

Gunner PETER ANDERSON DURBROW, a student at the School of Applied Science, Toronto, has won the Military Medal. Gunner Durbrow left in March, 1915, and served with the 26th Battery, C.F.A. Later he acted as signaller in the 17th Battery in France, and returned to England in July to take out a commission with a machine gun battery.

Lieut. ALEXANDER G. SCOTT, of Smith's Falls, Ont., who graduated as an electrical engineer at the School of

Applied Science, Toronto, in 1915, has been awarded the Military Cross for conspicuous gallantry in the recent fighting at Lens. He went overseas with the second contingent, and crossed to France with the 11th Machine Gun Division.

Lieut. W. J. T. WRIGHT, B.A.Sc., 1911, Toronto, the first officer commanding the 67th Battery, has transferred to the Royal Flying Corps and is now acting as intelligence officer of the 6th Squadron R.F.C., B.E.F. Lieut. Wright went overseas with a draft from the 67th Battery and had been serving in France with No. 1 Canadian Railway Battalion.

Major LOUIS ELGIN JONES, a graduate of the School of Applied Science, Toronto, 1911, has been gazetted lieutenant-colonel. He was a captain in the militia when war broke out and went overseas as major with the 2nd contingent. He crossed to France with the 18th Battalion in which he received his promotion. He has previously been awarded the D.S.O.

Lance-Corporal ROBERT THOMPSON, of Toronto, reported missing on September 20th, is now a prisoner of war in Germany. He attended the School of Applied Science before enlisting with the Divisional Cyclists in February, 1916, afterwards transferring to an infantry unit, and later to a machine gun battery. He was wounded in November of last year.

NOEL J. OGILVIE, has been appointed to succeed the late Dr. W. F. King, C.M.G., as superintendent of the Geodetic Survey of Canada. Mr. Ogilvie received his commission as surveyor in February, 1905, and in 1914 he was appointed assistant superintendent of the Geodetic Survey. Recently he was in charge of the Geodetic Survey of the British Columbia coast.

F. BORYSEWICZ has been appointed assistant general manager for Canada, of the Liquid Air Society, with headquarters in Montreal. Before coming to Canada, Mr. Borysewicz was connected with the work of the society of Japan, having taken a similar position there some years ago, previous to which he had been associated with the head office in Paris, France.

Lieut. R. DOUGLAS HUESTIS, son of Mr. A. E. Huestis, 54 Huntley Street, Toronto, was wounded in action on October 3rd. Lieut. Huestis was in his second year at the School of Practical Science when he enlisted, and trained in the C.O.T.C., obtaining his commission in Kingston a year ago last May. He left in July, and has been in France with the 2nd Howitzer Battery, C.F.A., since January of this year.

F. B. CARVELL, M.P., of New Brunswick, has joined Premier Borden's Union Government, and has been appointed Minister of Public Works. The Hon. C. C. Ballantyne, who was only last week sworn in as Minister of Public Works, has been transferred to the portfolio of Minister of Marine and Fisheries. The Hon. Mr. Carvell was born August 14th, 1862; he was educated in the public schools of New Brunswick, and was elected to the legislature of that province in 1899. The following year he was elected to the Dominion government as member for Carleton County, N.B., and was re-elected in 1904, 1908 and 1911. He is a lawyer and one of the Liberal leaders of the Maritime Provinces.

H. E. HILTS, formerly district engineer of the Portland Cement Association at San Francisco, Cal., has succeeded the late J. P. Beck as general manager of the association. Mr. Hilt has had extensive engineering experience with various railroads and has designed a great many concrete structures. In 1913 he became road