

OTTAWA ASSOCIATION.

A special meeting of the Executive was held Tuesday, December 28th, for the purpose of receiving the reports of the sub-committee on Patriotic Affairs and the special sub-committee appointed to meet the Directors of the Civil Service Club in conference regarding the affairs of the Club.

Briefly, the report of the sub-committee on Patriotic Affairs recommended as follows:

(1) That an appeal for further subscriptions to the Patriotic Fund be made to the Inside Service at an early date.

(2) That the appeal be made in the form of a circular with a detachable coupon on which each individual may indicate the amount and the method of payment of his subscription, it being understood that such would be the authorization for making the deductions from the salary cheques.

(3) That a general meeting of the Association be held in January for the purpose of acquainting the Service with the needs of the Fund and with the methods of its administration, and for the further purpose of endorsing the action of the Executive.

After some discussion the report was passed without amendment, the arrangements for carrying it out being left in the hands of the sub-committee on Patriotic Affairs.

The report of the delegates to the conference regarding the Club consisted mainly of a statement of the present financial position of the Club, which has already been published in *The Civilian*. As no definite proposal for immediate action was submitted, a sub-committee of Messrs. McVeigh, Tremaine and Doyle was appointed to endeavor to find some way of assisting to put the Club again amongst the flourishing organizations of the Service.

**SIR COLLINGWOOD SCHREIBER,
K.C.M.G.**

One of the oldest and most distinguished technical officials of the Dominion Civil Service was honored by the King at New Year's. Collingwood Schreiber, C.E., general consulting engineer, formerly a Companion of the Most Distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, was raised to the dignity of a Knight Commander.

Sir Collingwood Schreiber is a native of England, being born in Essex in 1831, a son of the late Rev. Thos. Schreiber and Sarah Schreiber.

He came to Canada in 1852 and almost immediately obtained a position on the engineering staff of the Toronto and Hamilton Railway, continuing in the employ of that company until the completion of the road in 1856. He practiced engineering in Toronto as a member of the firm of Fleming, Ridout and Schreiber from 1856 until 1860, following which he was superintendent of engineers for the Northern Railway until 1863. At this date he became divisional engineer for the Nova Scotia Government on the Pictou Railway, remaining in charge of the works until their completion in 1867. Subsequently he became connected with the Intercolonial Railway in charge of surveys, taking charge of the Eastern Extension Railway as superintending engineer in 1869. He was appointed chief engineer and general manager of government railways in 1873, and in 1892 he was appointed chief engineer of the Department of Railways and Canals and also Deputy Minister of Railways and Canals. Since 1905 he has been general consulting engineer to the Dominion Government.

One lie engenders another. Once committed, the liar has to go on in his cause of lying; it is the penalty of his transgression.—*F. Jacob.*