

## Civil Service Casualties.

A record of enlistments, casualties, etc., of men of the Hudson Bay Railway staff, just received, shows several casualties not previously reported, although they occurred some time ago. The names of these men were not previously entered in *The Civilian's* Roll of Honor.

### CAPT. H. J. HALL.

Captain H. J. Hall, of the Hudson Bay Railway staff, went overseas with the 1st Division, having a commission in the 16th Battalion, and has been wounded. He belongs to the 79th Cameron Highlanders of Winnipeg.

### C. S. MATHESON.

Corporal C. S. Matheson was another Hudson Bay Railway man who went with the 16th. He was wounded at St. Julien.

### D. J. PHILLIPS.

D. J. Phillips was the first Hudson Bay Railway man to lose his life. He was in the 5th Brigade, C.F.A., and was one of the victims of the German air raid on the Canadian artillery camp at Otterpool on October 13th, 1915.

### W. C. THOMAS.

W. C. Thomas was one of several British army reservists on the Hudson Bay Railway staff who went home to join their old regiments. He is in the 14th Hussars and has been wounded.

### A. E. RICHARDSON.

Albert E. Richardson, an employee of the Department of Public Works in Ottawa, was killed in action on January 16, 1917. Pte. Richardson enlisted with a local battalion in 1915 and had been in the trenches since August, 1916. He had gone through many big battles safely, though he was badly shaken up several times.

In his last letter to his wife, which he wrote the day after Christmas, he said he was doing mining work and was not in the best of health. Pte. Richardson was forty-one years of age, and came to this country from England about six years ago with his wife. He is also survived by four daughters, at home, his parents and one brother in England.

### DR. SHORTT STANDS FIRM.

Those who entertained some hope that Dr. Adam Shortt would modify his attitude on the Third Division question were doomed to disappointment, for the Commissioner has reiterated his formerly expressed opinion,—he sees no reason for changing the regulations.

While no statement has been issued regarding progress in the long Third Division fight, it may be said that President Todd and other members of the Executive Committee of the Civil Service Association of Ottawa have had an interview with Commissioner Shortt and that the result was to draw from that official a statement substantially as above.

The representatives of the organization had a long conference with the Commissioner and the whole range of arguments and counter-arguments were gone over again, with the general outcome that, instead of drawing together in any way, the parties merely agreed to disagree.

The result of the interview was not unexpected by those best acquainted with the attitudes of the parties. Nevertheless, it had its advantage to the Association in that Commissioner Shortt's position is now definitely established. An understanding on this point was necessary to progress towards a final decision in the long controversy. The Executive is now considering what direction its next move shall take.