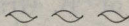


past week the memorial on this topic has been carefully rewritten by a special committee of five and before the Christmas holiday has passed the executive of the Federation which is holding a special meeting for the purpose will have taken it up with Mr. White. The memorial has been already endorsed by the service inside and outside. It is safe to say that in no department of its activities has better work been done by the civil service organization. We have reason to know that the recent government is not in the position of one who needs any arguments in favor of the principle of superannuation. The government approves it, and the service is unanimous in seeking it with all the force at its command. If anyone is worrying to the contrary let him take heart of grace. Superannuation is coming.



### THE CIVILIAN.

To the civil servant with an idea—constructive or destructive—we repeat, *The Civilian* is your paper. If we fail to miss a point, to state a pertinent fact, or to press an argument, please regard it as your opportunity not primarily to hit *The Civilian* but to set the matter straight. Write down what you think and send it in. It will be given prominence if it is anything short of libel, for the prerequisite of progress is honest discussion. This paper literally belongs *pro tanto* to anyone who will join in the work of conducting it. It was to help to clarify and chrystalize the views of the service, and for that purpose alone, that *The Civilian* was founded. Please let us hear from our readers. As no Englishman is worthy of the name who has not at one time or other written a letter to the *Times*, so let no civil servant regard himself as full-fledged till he has aired his views on all and sundry questions in *The Civilian*.

### CIVIL SERVICE CLUB NOTES.

There was a meeting of members of the Club on Tuesday evening, Dec. 5th, for the purpose of ratifying certain amendments proposed by the committee to the Constitution. The meeting approved of the changes proposed.

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The following new members were elected since the last issue of *The Civilian*:

J. H. Digram, Interior; S. C. McLean, Mines; S. Maher, Interior; O. E. Leroy, Mines.

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On the evening of Nov. 30th the first of a series of Club dinners was held and a most enjoyable evening spent. About 20 members sat down to an excellent repast. After dinner those present engaged in bridge and billiards. It is proposed to hold these dinners monthly.

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The billiard and bridge tournaments are progressing well. Mr. C. H. Young of the Mines Dept., is leading in the billiards, having won 13 matches and lost but one. He has five more to play.

### TO PHILATELISTS.

A correspondent writes as follows from England:

I wonder while I am writing if you will mind me mentioning a personal matter. I am an enthusiastic philatelist and desire to increase my collection of Canadian stamps—used specimens. Are there any gentlemen you know who would be willing to exchange with me for other colonies, or sell me any they happen to come across; of course the older issues the better. I will send selection sheets with the greatest of pleasure. Officially used stamps are particularly useful.

*The Civilian* will be glad to forward replies to the above.