

up when this issue of *The Civilian* was printed, but it will appear in the next number.

Too much credit cannot be given to Mr. Doyle for bringing off the season's organization. Mr. Doyle is also secretary of the C. S. Baseball League, in which capacity he has shown great ability and judgement.

Our boys at Salisbury Plain cannot be kept quiet. Now we find crews being formed to row on the classic Thames, which should be allowed to have its usual winter rest at this season. Many of the first contingent are members of the Toronto and Winnipeg Rowing Clubs, and some also from Ottawa.

Next it is assumed that hockey matches will be played, if the Canadians are kept in England much longer.

It has been suggested that the members of Parliament play a series of matches for the benefit of the Patriotic Fund. There can be no doubt that huge crowds would attend.

The ski enthusiasts, snowshoeists and others around Ottawa will greatly appreciate the foresight and patriotism of Mrs. Kingsville, wife of Rear Admiral Kingsmill, in establishing a tea room at Rockcliffe Park for the winter months; also the generosity of Mr. Oliver Asselin, who is giving his services gratuitously towards its management. Now let no foolish narrowness prevent its being open on Sundays, and the worthy objects of the tea house will benefit all the more.

Mr. Reg. Sims, President of the Civil Service Athletic Association, Ottawa, and prominently connected with sport in Ottawa, will likely be the permanent commissioner to the A. A. U. of C. in Ottawa. When the A. A. U. of C. annual meeting was held Mr. Sims was requested to act. He is in a position where he can devote the necessary time, and will likely accept the request of the Union to act.

It will be of interest to our athletes, in view of the adverse comments made in regard to the recruiting of the football players in the Old Country, to learn that

recent reports show that 2,368 players and 594 officials of football clubs in the British Isles have joined the colours. The trained athlete makes the best fighting man, and there is little doubt that he will turn out in force.

Many of the old "has-beens" in Canada are coming out to play hockey, simply to help out the Patriotic Funds. No doubt large sums will be realized from this source, even in these dull times.

One of the most popular members of the Service at Ottawa, Wm. Haslett, has gone to Kingston to join the Second Contingent. Mr. Haslett is most prominent in athletics. He played on the Customs team, winner of the C. S. Baseball League. He also managed the Britannia team, winners of the Trolley League championship. In addition to this Mr. Haslett played on the Customs hockey team. *The Civilian* feels certain that he will account for some Germans before he returns.

Quite True.

"Yes, my friends," exclaimed a lecturer, "there are many excuses for the glass. The sick man says he must have his glass to make him well. The shivering taxi-man must have his glass to make him warm. The sweating mechanic must have his glass to make him cool.

"But they lie, friends. Don't believe the workman who says he can't work without his glass. I defy anybody to mention to me a workman who cannot work as well and better without his glass as with it."

A voice in the back of the hall made itself audible:

"I'll tell yer one!"

"I defy you to do so," said the lecturer; "I defy you, sir!" he roared.

Then the voice observed:

"The glazier can't do without his glass."

The lecturer continued his oration at a decided disadvantage.