General.

Miss Vera Simpson of the Postal Notes Division of Post Office Dept., is absent on account of illness.

Mr. R. G. MacPherson, ex M.P., and now Postmaster at Vancouver, B.C., was recently in Ottawa on official business.

Mr. E. G. Blackader has been promoted to the post of actuary in the Annuities branch.

The Finance Dept. Hockey team has issued a challenge to all comers. Practicing every week in Gladstone ave. rink, they are prepared to give a good run to any challanger.

Mr. E. L. Brittain of the Department of Finance has been forced to remain at home through a severe accident

The many friends of Mr. W. A. Found, Marine & Fisheries Dept., will be sorry to hear that he is confined to his home with a severe cold.

Mr. Chas. J. Allen of the Auditor General's office is confined to St. Luke's Hospital where he was removed owing to an acute attack of appendicitis.

Mr. W. P. Archibald, Parole officer, is suffering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

Mr. A. H. Bellineau, Chief Clerk in the Marine & Fisheries Department, who has been granted extended leave of absence, is not expected back for some time yet.

Mr. C. W. White of the Marine & Fisheries Department is again confined to his home by illness.

Mr. Godfroy Langlois has been appointed secretary of the deep waterways commission to replace Mr. Thomas Coté who is at present in Europe.

Mr. U. Valiquette of the Chief Engineers branch of the P.W.D., has gone to St. John, N. B. on business.

The many friends of Miss Irene Baudry, of the Post Office Department, will be sorry to hear of her serious illness.

DOMINION C. S. ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The annual general meeting of the Dominion Civil Servants' Association of British Columbia was held in Victoria, B.C., on Saturday, the 12th February. The meeting was in every respect a success. The Secretary's report showed that there had been a substantial increase in membership over the previous year, and that the Association was never in a more flourishing condition.

The officers elected for the ensuing

year were:

President—J. R. Greenfield.

Vice-President—F. R. Greer, Vancouver.

Vice-President—D. B. McConnon, Victoria.

Vice-President — Geo. Kennedy, New Westminster.

Secretary-Treasurer-W. F. Trant.

EXECUTIVE.

Vancouver—N. Allan, L. C. Carl, J. F. Power, A. McRae, H. Lyon, J. O. MacLeod, A. B. Sowter, W. J. Holland, J. B. Marshallsay, G. P. Carr.

Victoria—E. Godson, D. McLean, J. E. Miller, W. Marchand, G. L. Milne, J. A. Thomson.

New Westminster—Jas. Leamy, Rev. A. E. Vert, Angus Munn, A. P. Halliday.

HIGH FAILURE.

He did not rise; he could not climb,
And every comrade downward thrust;
He would not fawn, or change with time,
As time-servers successful must.
He did not live for self alone,
And make each friend a stepping-stone.

And envy did not sour his soul
When ruthless comrades reached the height;
He had a nobler, higher goal—

He lived his life, and did the right. None from his steadfast course could swerve Or bend his will as slave to serve.

Thus when the lengthy course was run, The winners failed, the loser won: His failure was a true success

In all that could a mortal bless, And they, successful in their parts, Won everything but human hearts.