

went away. This he took as an intimation that he would be "fired" if he went to camp.

Upon the advice of Captain Clarke and others he took the leave of absence and attended camp. He returned on Monday last and worked as usual. There was no intimation that the wrath of officialdom would descend upon his head. Without further ceremony, he received the following letter on Tuesday morning, and immediately severed his connection as the faithful servant of a grateful country:

Post Office,
Toronto, June 21st, 1910.

Mr. W. McIntosh,
Post Office Staff,
Toronto, Ont.

By direction of the Department, I am to inform you that owing to your having absented yourself from duty without leave since the 6th instant, it has been decided to dispense with your services as a temporary employee on the staff of the Toronto Post Office.

(Signed) W. B. ROGERS,
Postmaster.

Captain Clark, of the York Ranges, was at once notified. Mr. Robiette as the most influential Liberal in the city, was interviewed, and he advised that the matter be taken to the police. This course was decided on and information has been laid against Mr. Rogers, as postmaster of Toronto, for dismissing Sergeant McIntosh for attending to his military duties.

Postmaster W. B. Rogers, when seen to-day, declined to make any statement in the matter. "Whatever has been done has been done under instructions from the Department. The power to dismiss is alone vested in the Department and not in the local postmasters."

The statement made at the general post office by the under officials is that McIntosh was declined permission to go away because the staff had already been deprived of the services of seven or eight men at the camp.

Athletics.

As midsummer approaches we find all out-door sports booming throughout Canada, the United States and Great Britain. From the more strenuous game of lacrosse to the gentle exercise of lawn bowling, everyone seems to be in action. As the means of transportation improve, one finds competitors going farther afield, after fresh laurels. It is now considered an everyday occurrence for a lacrosse team to travel to Vancouver for a series of matches, or for a Winnipeg crew to take a little jaunt of nearly 5,000 miles to compete at the Henley regatta. Last year an American College baseball nine went over to Japan to cross bats with the Orientals, while this year we learn of a United States football aggregation visiting Australia.

So far as Canada is concerned, unquestionably the two events of recent date of the most interest to us have been the winning of the Stewards' Cup by the Winnipeg Four at Henley, and the capture of the McKinnon Cup by our riflemen at Bisley. These are notable achievements. Indeed, Canada also nearly won the great Kolapore contest at Bisley, coming within two points of this, the principal event of the Meet. The Winnipeg victory was the more significant, owing to the fact that this is the first time on record when this cup has gone out of England. Ottawa had a slight interest in this victory,—if somewhat remote. No. 2 oarsman in the Winnipeg boat, Mr. Alous, is a grandson of our distinguished fellow townsman (closely connected with Federal administration), Sir Henry Bate.

Coming nearer home, Ottawa has just enjoyed a very keenly contested lawn tennis tournament, in which the civil service has reason to be proud, having supplied the winner in the person of Mr. M. S. Bonnell. Tennis is an ideal game, for while