

INTRODUCTION.

The present edition of the Civil Service List is the first issued by the Civil Service Commission under the provisions of the Civil Service Act 1918. Some slight changes and additions have been made which it is believed will make the List more useful and complete. The Departments have been arranged alphabetically, the Table of Contents extended and amplified, the Index carefully revised and a tabulated summary added which will show approximately the total strength of the Service as it stood on April 1, 1918. From this it will be noted that in addition to 4,147 names in the permanent inside service and 18,593 in the permanent outside service there were at that date 6,324 temporary inside and 12,555 temporary outside employees, making a total of 41,619. To this again may be added some 13,000 rural postmasters, all of whom are under the jurisdiction of the Civil Service Commission and indubitably a part of the personnel of the Service. Thus a grand total of 54,619 is arrived at, and this may be accepted as the approximate strength of the Civil Service of Canada on April 1, 1918.

It should be borne in mind, however, that during April and May several hundred "Season" appointments are made which are not included in the above totals, so that through the summer and early fall the numerical strength of the Service is augmented to that extent.