

Report of Interview with the Honorable, the Postmaster General

THAT the Post Office Department is seriously considering an increase in the rate of postage on second-class matter was made very clear during the interview which the deputation representing Canadian Press Association and Canadian Press, Limited, had with the Honorable, the Postmaster-General, L. P. Pelletier, on Saturday, November 23.

As Mr. Pelletier himself said, the deputation that waited on him was a most representative and influential one, for it consisted of the following:—John R. Bone, *Toronto Star*; W. J. Taylor, *Woodstock Sentinel-Review*; W. M. Southam, *Ottawa Citizen*; H. B. Donly, *Simcoe Reformer*; Wm. Findlay, *Ottawa Free Press*; H. A. Robert, *La Presse*, Montreal; J. H. Woods, *Calgary Herald*; P. D. Ross, *Ottawa Journal*; E. F. Slaek, *Montreal Gazette*; Senator Wm. Dennis, *Halifax Herald*; John Weld, *Farm 's Advocate*, London; W. E. Smallfield, *Renfrew Mercury*; Col. J. B. Maclean, *Maclean Publishing Co., Ltd.*, Toronto; John A. Cooper, *Canadian Courier*, Toronto; Senator Robert Jaffray, *Toronto Globe*; J. E. Atkinson, *Toronto Star*; Senator Coffee and L. Burns, *Catholic Record*, London; H. T. Hunter, *Maclean Publishing Co., Limited*, Toronto; E. Norman Smith, *Ottawa Free Press*; R. F. Parkinson, *Ottawa Journal*; and J. J. Reditt, *Methodist Publications*, Toronto.

Mr. Ross said the Postmaster-General might observe that the deputation represented the important press interests of Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific. The publishers of newspapers and other periodicals had received an impression from a recent circular issued by the Dominion Post Office Department that important changes were contemplated in the postal regulations. The postal regulations were a matter of vital consequence to the newspaper associations and consequently at recent meetings of the two great newspaper associations of Canada the matter had come up for discussion. But as no definite