

Successful Candidates

The following appointments to the positions indicated have been made as the result of special examinations:

Fruit Inspector for Western Ontario District, Agriculture Dept., salary, \$2,000 per annum, J. R. Hastings, Winona, Ont.

Officer, Poultry Division, New Brunswick, Agriculture Dept., salary \$1800 per annum, G. R. Wilson, Merriekville, Ont.

Indian Agent for Cape Croker Agency, Cape Croker, Ont., Indian Affairs Dept., \$900 per annum, with free house and office, R. G. Garland, Vankleek Hill, Ont. (R.S.)

Assistant Astronomer, Dominion Astronomical Observatory, Interior Dept., salary, \$1800 per annum, J. P. Henderson, Toronto, Ont.

Petroleum Engineer, Mining Lands and Yukon Branch, Interior Dept., salary, \$2,700 per annum, Stanley Eades Slipper, High Prairie, Alta.

Assistant in Cereal Division, Experimental Farm, Ottawa, salary, \$1700 per annum, J. G. C. Fraser, Quebec, P.Q. (R.S.)

Assistant to Superintendent, Experimental Farm, Fredericton, N.B., salary, \$1400 per annum, E. M. Taylor, Fredericton, N.B.

Congressmen's Rake-off for Clerk Hire Eliminated

Criticism in congress of federal employees for accepting outside work after office hours reacted so strongly that the house of representatives was forced to a radical change in the manner of paying congressmen lump sums from the United States treasury for their clerk hire.

Instead of putting into the hands of each representative \$3,200 a year for clerk hire in addition to his \$7,500 a year congressional salary and an allowance of 20 cents a mile on his trips from his home to Washington and return, the house adopted an amendment to the District of Columbia appropriation bill which calls for the payment of the \$3,200 a year to the congressmen's clerks direct.

It has been an open secret for many years here that no small number of congressmen have one-way pockets, and that a fish-hook lining kept the clerk hire allowance that entered them intact. Even when congressmen were getting \$1,500 a year clerk hire, instead of the present \$3,200, some of the congressmen made money on it.—*U. S. Civil Service News.*

Arthur Young and Company, the Chicago firm which is at present completing for the Dominion Government a classification of the Federal Civil Service, have been retained by the City of Montreal to establish a classification scheme for that city's employees. The experts have been given a free hand by the Adminis-

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trative Commission and will study a project and report their findings and suggestions, in time it is expected to allow the commissioners to prepare next year's budget accordingly.

The U. S. Reclassification Commission has been given more funds. The Sundry Civil bill as it passed the Senate provides for a fund of \$65,000 for the continuance of the work of the Joint Congressional Commission on Reclassification of Salaries in the Government service. The House provided \$25,000 for the Reclassification Commission. If the \$65,000 is retained by the conferees, the Commission, according to Secretary Edward Keating, will be able to submit its complete report on the 105,000 government positions in the District of Columbia by January, 1920, as provided by law. An earnest demand for extension of the Commission's work to the field, where there are 370,000 federal employees in the various services in all parts of the country, has been made by local unions of the National Federation of Federal Employees, and it is recognized generally that reclassification is as much needed in the field as in the District of Columbia. According to a member of the Commission, Senator Spencer of Missouri, it is the sentiment both of the Commission and of Congress, that the work be nearly completed for the District of Columbia before the larger field is undertaken, but it is expected that provision will eventually be made for covering the entire field of government employment, not only the District of Columbia.

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