

filling such position in a sub-division higher than that to which he is assigned by this section: *the facts shall be set forth in the report to council made in the case.*"

As the Honourable the Minister has stated that he is not concerned in the Civil Service Bill proper with the question of increases to present salaries on account of the enhanced cost of living, the Association does not deem itself at liberty to press, in this communication, for consideration of this most important point; in other words, the Association defers without reservation to the Minister's view. We cannot refrain, however, from observing that the matter of giving increases to such of the present members of the Service as are deserving is as much a question of Civil Service Reform in the broad sense as the making provision for higher permanent scales of salaries, as has been done in the Bill. Whether such increases be granted by this Bill or by

a separate measure is a matter of indifference, but we would bespeak the Minister's kind intervention with the Government to the effect that though separate legislation may be necessary, the several questions connected with Civil Service Reform, of which this is one, are not separate in idea. The Association is anxious to avoid the reproach of being actuated solely or chiefly by self-interest, while at the same time it believes that until this most practical and pressing question is dealt with, the very condition which led to the appointment of the late Royal Commission, and there-through to the agitation for reform, is not being recognized.

We have the honour to be, Sir,  
On behalf of the Association,  
Your obedient servants,  
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