

THE CAUSE

Extend organization to every portion of Canada and to every branch of the service.

Establish a publicity bureau to supply copy to all newspapers in order to correct erroneous impressions, and to form a more truthful public opinion regarding the service, its personnel and its problems.

Exhort and pray the government to establish a permanent civil service minister, with a sufficient staff to study exclusively the service, its personnel and its problems.

Exhort and pray the government, or the civil service minister, to intend the merit system to all portions of the service, outside and inside.

Exhort and pray the government, or the civil service minister, to increase the efficiency of the civil service commission, by adding to its numbers a strong man chosen from the civil service.

Exhort and pray the government, or the civil service minister, to extend to civil servants the right of appeal, either to a board constituted in part of civil servants, or to a judge of the supreme court.

fairly represent the opinion of a very large proportion, if not of the majority of the inside service, inasmuch as our association has a membership of about 2,500, or fully two-thirds of the total number, the executive committee being composed of 36 representatives elected by 24 out of the 29 departments of the public service.

In conclusion, we beg to thank you, sir, for this opportunity of placing our views, however briefly and imperfectly, before you, and trust that another opportunity may be afforded us later on of explaining them in greater detail if deemed necessary.

We have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servants,

ARTHUR PARE, President,

WALTER TODD, Secretary,
Civil Service Association of Ottawa.

THE WRONG DELINQUENT.

An impetuous inspector who was visiting a provincial school was much worried by the noise of the scholars in the next room. At length, unable to bear the uproar any longer, he opened the door and burst upon the class. Seeing one boy taller than the others talking a great deal, he caught him by the collar, hustled him to the next room, and placed him in a chair, saying: "Now, sit there and be quiet!" Ten minutes later a small head appeared round the door and a meek little voice said: "Please, sir, you've got our teacher!"