

Auditor General's Report—Part N

Letter Carriers at Brantford not entitled to Privileges of Superannuation Act.

AUDIT OFFICE, OTTAWA, December 22, 1898.

SIR,—I beg to bring to your notice the deductions made from the salaries of Messrs. Broatch, Lake and Waddington, letter carriers at Brantford, Ont., during the past fiscal year, for superannuation purposes.

Please let me know under what authority these employees have been brought under the provisions of the Civil Service Superannuation Act.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

The Deputy Postmaster General.

J. L. McDUGALL, A.G.

POST OFFICE DEPT., OTTAWA, December 28, 1898.

SIR,—I am in receipt of your letter of the 22nd instant, asking upon what authority Messrs. Broatch, Lake and Waddington, letter carriers at Brantford, have been brought under the provisions of the Superannuation Act. In reply, I beg to say that provision was made by Parliament for the salaries of these letter carriers, and, having complied with the provisions of the Civil Service Act, and being regularly appointed by Order in Council, of 30th December, 1897, they were considered members of the Civil Service.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

The Auditor General.

R. M. COULTER, D.P.G.

AUDIT OFFICE, OTTAWA, December 31, 1898.

SIR,—With reference to your letter of the 28th instant, in explanation of the application of the Civil Service Superannuation Act to the letter carriers within the prescribed age, who have been recently appointed at Brantford, I beg to point out that they do not come within the provisions of the Civil Service Act for the reason that they are not letter carriers in connection with a city post office.

Brantford is not a city post office within the meaning of that term in Schedule B of the Civil Service Act.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

The Deputy Postmaster General.

J. L. McDUGALL, A.G.

Note by A.G.—These clerks have been brought under provisions of Civil Service Retirement Act by Order in Council, October 26, 1898.—J. L. McD.

Employment of Mr. Lefebvre at Sherbrooke Post Office.

AUDIT OFFICE, OTTAWA, October 24, 1898.

SIR,—I beg to bring to your notice a payment of \$292.44 made to Mr. J. V. Lefebvre in May last, for services at the Sherbrooke post office, from August 6, 1897, to May 31, 1898. The nature of the services rendered is not stated on the voucher, nor is there any explanation given for not having paid Mr. Lefebvre for his services at the end of each month, as is usual with other employees. Has Mr. Lefebvre passed the Civil Service qualifying examination, and if so, when and where did he present himself for examination?

I ask this question because I notice that payment has been made at the rate of \$400 per annum, which is the rate of pay for a temporary clerk.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

The Deputy Postmaster General.

J. L. McDUGALL, A.G.

POST OFFICE DEPT., OTTAWA, Dec. 1, 1898.

SIR,—I beg to acknowledge your letter of October 24th, re payment made to Mr. J. V. Lefebvre, and to say that the sum of \$292.44 was paid to him for services as a labourer at the Sherbrooke Post Office, from August 6th, 1897, to April 31st, 1898. Mr. Lefebvre has not passed the Civil Service qualifying examination, and is employed as a labourer in the Sherbrooke post office.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

The Auditor General.

R. M. COULTER, D.P.G.