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For the Outside Postal Employees.

Two Resolutions introduced in the House by the Postmaster General with Every Prospect of becoming law.

For Railway Mail Clerks.

Resolved, that it is expedient to amend the Post Office Act by provid-

(a) for the temporary employment of railway mail clerks for a period of not more than one year, at a salary of \$500 and mileage allowance;

(b) for the appointment of temporary railway mail clerks as permanent clerks, with salaries not exceeding that which they received as such temporary clerks, but who shall not be eligible for an increase of salary until they have passed the necessary examination.

Civil Service Act Amendments .-Grades and Salaries in Post Office Department.

Resolved, that it is expedient to amend the Civil Service Act by-

(a) changing the classification of the clerks in the City Post Office. offices of the Post Office Inspectors, office of Superintendent of Railway Mail Service, and in the Money Order Exchange Offices by abolishing the stampers and sorters class and fourth-class clerkships, and substituting therefor third-class clerkships, ranging from \$500 to \$1,000, and divided into two classes known as third-class 'A' and 'B.'

(b) abolishing the junior and senior second-class clerkships and substituting therefor classes 'A' and 'B' of the second-class, and increasing the maximum of the class formerly known as junior second, and

now known as class 'B,' to \$1,200, and increasing the maximum of class 'A,' corresponding with the former senior second-class, to \$1,400;

(c) dividing the first-class clerkships into division 'A' and 'B' with maximum salaries of \$1,800 and 1,-600, respectively, and increasing the minimum of the first-class clerkships from \$1,200 to \$1,400, and creating a new class of clerks, to be known as chief clerks, in the city post offices, subject to certain restrictions;

(d) improving the position of office superintendents in city offices, and changing what was formerly a fixed salary of \$1,800 to a minimum of \$1,800 and a maximum of \$2,500;

(e) providing for the employment of temporary clerks in the above named offices for a period of not more than one year, at a fixed salary of \$500, and temporary helpers to meet the exigencies of the service at a salary not exceeding \$2.50 a day:

(f) increasing the salaries of certain inspectors, assistant inspectors and superintendents of the Railway Mail Service in recognition of years

of service;

(g) increasing the minimum of the salaries of inspectors and superintendents of the Railway Mail Service from \$1,600 to \$1,800.

Bill Introduced.

Following the adoption of the above resolutions, a bill was introduced and received its second reading during the past week.