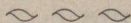


report of the meeting of Comptrollers and Accounting Officers to the attention of our readers. The endeavour to analyze the powers of the mind and to allot avocations compatible therewith is a valiant attempt to advance the cause of a science little understood. In order to whet the appetite of our readers, we excerpt the following from the report in question.

"Fortunately, there is a new movement in business and educational life which borrows the principles of psychology for the development of efficiency. In adapting these principles, psychological and technical analysis of applicants for positions are made and according to their mental, moral and physical attributes, they are placed in positions where they will give the most efficient results and perform their duties under the most happy conditions."



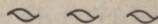
LETTER CARRIERS.

The carriers have carried their case for better pay to the Trades and Labour Congress which lately met at Guelph. If the facts are as represented, there is no wonder the carriers have gone outside of our own Federation, or even presented their case at the "Mercy Seat" itself. A delegate representing the carriers stated that, "the poorest labourer working on the streets of Victoria was better paid to-day than the letter carrier. They ask fifty cents per day increase, pay when sick, an eight-hour day and better uniforms.

This seems to be an outstanding case for the post office section of the Federation to take up and incorporate *especially* in the memorial to government. The language cannot be too strong if the distress is such as to warrant the statements made at the Labour Congress. The *Civilian* offers its pages gladly and freely in any way that will assist in placing the case for the carriers fairly before the government and the people.

THE COLONIAL THEATRE.

The Colonial Stock Company of Ottawa does not advertise in *The Civilian*, so when we commend it to our local readers we cannot be suspected of mixed motives. We have not even so much as a pass. Nevertheless we do not hesitate to regard it as a most worthy enterprise in a direction that peculiarly merits the support of civil servants. As a class we civil servants claim some refinement of taste and interest, and the Drama is about the only form of art, apart from literature, to which in this new country of ours we have access. Till now Ottawa has had to trust largely to luck for the drama at her disposal. This the Colonial Stock Company will cure. If it succeeds, Ottawa may count on a succession of plays presented by a company that is first class both in individual merit and in balance that will give no one an excuse for not knowing, under the most favourable conditions, the very best the modern stage produces. But to succeed it needs appreciation and patronage. *The Civilian* would like to see civil servants take their part in support of the venture. It is worthy,—and the price is cheap.



CORRECTION.

The cover of the last number of the *Civilian* contained a typographical error for which the editors tender apologies. The date and volume number was as follows:—

Sept. 23rd, 1912. No. 6 instead of Sept. 6th, 1912. No. 10.

OBITUARY.

The Civilian records with deep regret the death of Mr. George Bell, who for thirty years has been a member of the Interior Dept. An old landmark in the service, George Bell, will be missed by a large circle of friends.