

CIVIL SERVICE DEPUTATION

THE MINISTER OF CUSTOMS
INTERVIEWED.

Some Very Practical Points Discussed
and Grievances Placed Before the
Head of the Department.

On Monday, the 21st instant, a deputation consisting of Messrs. McKay and Locat, waited on the Hon. Minister of Customs, by appointment, at the Government offices in this city, to lay before him a petition on behalf of the supernumeraries of the inside service of the port, praying for the amelioration of their position in the service, either by an increase of salary, or by being appointed to the permanent list. The former would be gladly received, but the latter most gratefully, as it would tend to the elevation of their social status and add to their family comforts. The Minister received the delegates in a most frank and hearty manner, and at once placed them at perfect ease by turning the formal interview into a discussion of the different points, *en famille*. He spoke earnestly on the petitioners' position in the service, and said it was his intention to appoint all the men constantly employed in the Inside Service. In fact the deputation withdrew highly satisfied with the result of their audience.

The deputation represented the English and French speaking elements amongst the employees. Mr. Locat ably seconded Mr. McKay's able *expose* of the case, and that young gentleman deserves high credit for the energy he displayed, and for his great interest in the welfare of his fellow-employees. As to the spokesman, Mr. McKay, it was he who drew up the petition, commenced the agitation, did no end of correspondence, interviewed Sir Donald Smith, and left no stone unturned to secure the success of the application made on behalf of that branch of the service. He did yeoman's service for his colleagues with his pen. He first petitioned for holidays for them, with their pay to run on the same as with classed men. In this it is believed he has been successful. After all this one might humbly suggest that it is high time he made some move for himself, individually, seeing the results of his efforts for his *compagnons* collectively. There are some men who always think of others, but never of themselves. These good-hearted people deserve encouragement, and a reminder now and again that they should not allow their disinterestedness to prevent them from grasping opportunities when they arise.

In this matter of the above mentioned petition Mr. O'Hara, the Deputy Collector, has been in harmony with the employees, and with his accustomed consideration is lending them every help within the limits of his power, to forward their cause.

The petition, read by Mr. McKay, was prefaced by him with some exceedingly timely and well-chosen remarks. We regret that our space will not permit of even the text of the petition much less the accompanying statements; but the substance of the petition was as follows. These employees are men having large families to support and educate, and it cannot be expected that in a city like Montreal they should live on the common laborer's hire. Rents, taxes and the common necessities of life are increasing. They have had battles to fight with adverse circumstances, in order to keep up respectable appearances. It would, therefore, be only just that they, whose work is the hardest and whose remuneration is the smallest, should be placed above the bare necessities. They have no revenue to draw upon in hours of illness, and their position obliges them to work extra hours, at cost of health and strength, to keep up the families dependent upon them. These and the many other points of the petition the Minister fully appreciated and confidence is entertained that the delegates' mission will be a success.

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NEWS FROM ROME.

The Holy Father is said to be anxious to create Mgr. Perraud, of the Oratory Bishop of Autun, amongst the next batch of Cardinals.

Mgr. Satolli, Archbishop of Lepanto and Special Delegate of the Pope to the United States, has forwarded a dispatch to the Vatican expressing his grateful sense of the cordial manner in which he had been received at the inauguration of the Chicago Exhibition. The prelate is at present engaged on a tour of visits to the educational institutes of the country beginning with the new university at Washington.

His Holiness having acceded to the petition of several influential persons in Chili that he would ask the Government to mitigate the punishment of prisoners of State, the President of the Republic has signified by telegram to the Vatican that the generous and humane desire of the "Pontiff who was the honor of the age and the glory of the Church" would be forthwith carried out. A commission has been named to visit the various prisons and draw up a list of modifications of sentences.

The Papal Secretary of State has addressed a note to the Nuncios asking them to call the attention of the respective Governments to which they are accredited to fresh recent encroachments of the Italian Government on ecclesiastical property. The theory emitted by the ex-Minister of Worship Zanardelli, that the *ex equatur* and the *placet* should be revoked from the bishops and parish priests if they did not conform to the desires of the Government having been recognized as acceptable by the Ministers, Giolitti and Bonacci, and they having declared, in addition, that no law was required to put it into practice, the Vatican is righteously agitated. The suppression of the salaries of ecclesiastics in Italy would be still the more odious that the Government would not close upon the money but upon the goods, the houses, and the annuities belonging to the Church.

As but natural, rumors are still circulating anent the new Cardinals, and they will circulate until the day when Rome speaks, and silence necessarily descends upon the faithful. We have not heard of an Irish Cardinal yet, but we await some allusion to that much-desired dignity with a certain trust. Nowhere would the compliment be more genuinely esteemed. Meantime, we append such whispers as have come to our knowledge, merely promising that in these matters the Pope is the arbiter, and it would be sheerest of impudence to call his judgment in question. Two Cardinals are to be named in France on the recommendation of the President of the Republic, but His Holiness is reported to wish to name a third of his own proper motive, but this is not to be taken as a precedent. The Archbishop of Seville, whose candidature is strongly supported by Cardinal Rampolla, is mentioned among the most likely of the Spaniards for selection. The negotiations for a German Cardinal are in active operation. It is affirmed that Berlin proposes the Bishop of Breslau, but the Vatican is in favor of His Lordship of Posen. The parish priest of Berne is spoken of as the probable Swiss nominee for the Sacred College.

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Mr. Alfred J. Raven is known to all the people of Brockville. He was afflicted for eight years with a cruel form



ALFRED J. RAVEN.

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IRISH NEWS.

Sister Mary Vincent Carton died on October 25, at the Presentation Convent, Bagenalstown, at the age of sixty-five years.

Daniel Goran was evicted from the estate of Col. Logan at Sraheen, on Oct. 19. The unfortunate man, although quite sick, declined to go to the workhouse.

Father William Buckley, parish priest of Upper Finkle, died on the 26th ult. at Clontadda, Kildaloe. He was forty-three years old and in the eighteenth year of his sacred ministry.

Lord Sligo has served notices to the Westport Board of Guardians of his intention to evict seventeen families in one district of that neighborhood, and forty-three families in another.

During October the number of emigrants who embarked at Derry was 779, of whom 728 went to the United States and 51 to Canada. The total for the same month last year was 796.

The Rev. Eugene O'Sullivan, a young Kerry priest attached to the Diocese of Southwark, Eng., has been appointed pastor of the new mission which has just been established at Sittingbourne, near Chatham. It is now 300 years since a priest took up his residence in that town.

Over 100 ejectments have been granted at the Ennis quarter sessions. There were besides several processes for rent, in which decrees were given. The proceedings were mostly against tenants on the estates of the Marquis of Conyngham, Major Molney, Major Pocklington, Captain Sampson and E. P. Westby.

The Land Commission has ordered some big reductions in rents in Limerick. On the estate of Ellard the landlord has his rent reduced from £109 to £67. Mary A. Kirby, a tenant of J. K. Murphy's, has had £34 taken off a rental of £168. The Commission has cut £63 off the rental of £261 hitherto charged Roger Hayes. A reduction of 43 per cent. has been given to John Waters, whose rent of £123 is reduced to £70.

Aching Pains Removed.

Gentlemen,—I cannot but praise B.B.E. for it has revived me wonderfully. I was completely run down, had aching pains in my shoulders, a tired feeling in my limbs, low spirits, in fact I was in misery. Being recommended to try B.B.E. I did so, and with the use of only one bottle I am to-day strong and healthy. I prize it highly. Mrs. B. TUCKER, Toronto, Ont.