

### THE BONUS PAID.

The bonus voted to postal employees at the recent session of Parliament has been paid at last. The long delay in sending out the back pay cheques aroused a storm of indignation among clerks and carriers all over the country. The men contend that the increase, in itself insufficient to meet the need with which it was designed to cope, was rendered even less valuable by not being paid sooner. It is said that many have been unable to take advantage of opportunities for advantageous buying of foodstuffs and other necessities early in the autumn, but had the increase come sooner they could have saved materially.

This delay, while extremely vexatious, was not unusual in its occurrence or length. Increases in the Inside Service, which were voted some time before those for the postal services, were not made effective as re-

gards pay cheques until October 15th in many cases, while back pay cheques were still later in making their appearance.

### DIED NOBLY.

It is now more than a year since Thomas Harry Petley, a Brandon postal clerk, died of wounds received on the field of Courcelette, but even at this date *The Civilian* is proud to give a new detail regarding the death of one of the men who have won undying glory for Canada and the Civil Service. A letter recently received states that Petley, finding a comrade lying wounded, in exposed ground, stopped to give him aid, and while thus engaged sustained his fatal wound. He was thirty years of age and a recruit of the 45th Battalion.



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