

CIVIL SERVANT IMPROVES ON "TIPPERARY."

Mr. T. A. Browne, of the Immigration branch, Department of the Interior, Ottawa, has written two additional verses to "It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary," which were sung last Friday evening by Mr. Charles Parkinson, another Civil Servant, at the opening meeting of the Ottawa Women's Historical Society. They were so well received that Mr. Parkinson was obliged to respond twice.

The verses are:—

Back to Tipperary started Paddy on the run,

But when half way he heard them say,
the fighting has begun.

He wrote to Molly, saying, "Dear although I love you so,

My country's callin', darlin'; as I'm Irish,
I must go."

Now Paddy's in the trenches, fightin' like
a lion bold,

And Irish Mollie's waitin' with a heart as
true as gold.

But when the Kaiser's down and out and
Belgium's free again,

He'll start for Tipperary town a singin'
this refrain:

FOR UPWARD EXTENSION OF THE MERIT SYSTEM.

Resolutions calling for examinations to fill all supervisory positions in the postal service, for keeping the assistant postmasters' positions under the civil service law, for extending that law to the positions of all postmasters, in short, for providing "that all positions in the post office should be filled by promotion from the ranks of those who have proven themselves capable of larger responsibilities," were, perhaps, the most interesting resolutions, from a strictly civil service point of view, adopted at the recent Omaha convention of the United National Association of Post Office clerks. These resolutions undoubtedly reflect the sentiment held by the rank and file of the men who have gone into the clerical department of the post office ser-

vice, ambitious to go as far as they justly can on their merits.

There is nothing very grasping in this demand of the post office clerks. All they ask is an opportunity to advance to the top in their chosen career. All they ask is an opportunity to prove their fitness for the higher positions and to get them on the basis of their fitness.

From the public's point of view there can be no question but what uniformly better service would be given if the civil service law extended to all of the positions at the top and these positions were filled by the men who have had their schooling in the ranks.—"Civil Service News."

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

The Civil Service Commissioners gives notice that applications will be received from candidates qualified to fill the following positions in the Inside Division:—

1. A junior geologist in the Geological Survey Branch of the Department of Mines, Subdivision A of the Second Division, initial salary \$1,600 per annum.

2. An assistant dry plate photographer in the Geological Survey Branch of the Department of Mines, Subdivision B of the Second Division, initial salary \$800 per annum.

Application forms must be filed in the office of the Civil Service Commission not later than the 26th day of October.

"He is the most tender-hearted man I ever saw." "Kind to animals?" "I should say so. Why, when he found the family cat insisted on sleeping in the coal bin, he immediately ordered a ton of soft coal."—Buffalo "Express."

At first the parcel post seemed to be about as welcome as a nightmare to many of our prosperous, as well as our struggling merchants and storekeepers. If it has anything dreadful to you at all, make up your mind right now that it isn't going to harm you, but that it is going to HELP you.