

THE SALARY INCREASE.

The following is a copy of the resolution introduced in the House of Commons by the Hon. Mr. Fisher for the purpose of providing the money for the proposed salary increases:

"Resolved, That it is expedient to provide that the Governor in Council, upon the recommendation of the head of a department, based upon a report of the deputy head, may grant to any officer, clerk or employee under the deputy heads in the inside service as defined by the Civil Service Amendment Act, 1908, who was in the public service at the time of the coming into force of that Act, an increase of salary of \$150 a year, subject to the provisions hereinafter contained; that, in the case of any officer, clerk or employee who has received an increase of salary upon organization and classification under the said Act, such increase shall be offset against the increase which such person might otherwise receive under any Act to be founded on this resolution; that no increase under any Act to be founded on this resolution to any officer, clerk or employee shall exceed the difference between his present salary and the maximum salary of the subdivision in which he has been placed upon organization and classification under the said Act of 1908; that all increases provided for hereunder shall take effect from the first day of September, 1908; that all sums of money voted by

Parliament for the financial year ending on the 31st day of March, 1909, and applicable to the payment of salaries or increase of salaries of persons in the inside service shall be applicable to the payment of increases of salary granted under the Act to be founded in this resolution, so far as such sums are not required for the specific purposes for which they were granted; and during the said financial year there may be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of Canada such moneys required for the payment of increases of salary hereunder as have not been voted by Parliament."

ATHLETICS.

Probably to none in the service will the news of the increase in salary be more welcome than to those who have soaring ambitions for the Athletic Association. Prior to the final announcement of an increase, the athletic ground boomers had to express their hearts' desires "with bated breath and whispered humbleness." In a short time, however, the clerks in the Ottawa service will see strange and fantastic figures on their pay cheques representing six months' back pay. It is to be hoped that none of the recipients will suffer from heart failure, nor is there need of such a catastrophe for the surplus may be set aside to buy stock in one of the best civil service projects,—an athletic grounds.

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