

hunter. It is not easy to determine when the pot-hunter and more particularly the political pot-hunter will be delivered from our daily lives.

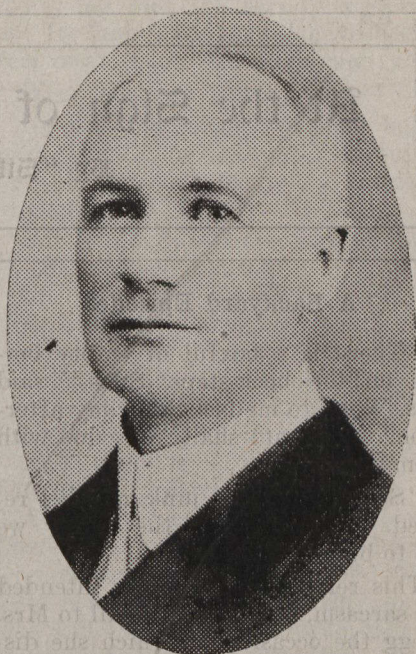
Each time one of this type enters the service to take a place over the heads of those who are proved and tried and are efficient, it is as though so many dirks have been thrust into the bodies of so many men and women.

When an opportunity occurs to fill a position which is exempt from the operation of civil service law, and the position is filled by promotion from the ranks of the service itself, there is joy in Heaven, as for one more sinner that repenteth. We have such instances, we are thankful to say. One noted case of an able officer obtaining the rewards of merit was that of L. J. Gaboury of the Montreal Post Office, appointed Chief Post Office Superintendent of the Eastern Division. A more recent case is that of Duncan C. Scott who has just been promoted to the vacant position of Superintendent General of Indian Affairs. We cannot too warmly congratulate the Government upon these instances of meritorious promotion, for they combine the elements of the maintenance of efficiency and the encouragement and reward of industry and integrity.

#### EDITORIAL NOTE.

The editors have received a letter from "Phonograph" drawing attention to a possible misunderstanding that might arise in the misplacement of the £ mark in quoting the price of Sir Isaac Pitman's "Instructor" in his letter in our last number. The price is three shilling and six pence.

Some one, discussing a member of the Government who had been a great failure, once remarked to Mr. Lowe, "They want to make him a peer!" "No," retorted he with his usual acerbity—"they want to make him disappear!"



MR. J. M. ROBERTS.

In a recent issue *The Civilian* published the portrait of the chairman of the Civil Service Lawn Bowling League of Ottawa, Mr. W. J. McCaffrey. It is with great pleasure that the portrait of the President of the C. S. Alley Bowling League, Mr. J. M. Roberts, is now presented. This is a large and flourishing body of civil servants, and the winter season opens with brighter prospects than ever. The schedule of matches for the season is given elsewhere. Mr. Jas. Mitchell Roberts is a native of Middlesex County, Ontario. He was born in 1866 and entered the Government service in 1904. He occupies the position of Registrar of Correspondence in the Department of Interior. Mr. Roberts has for many years taken a keen interest in bowling. He is also an enthusiastic member of the Interior Rifle League. There is every prospect of a bumper crop of alley bowling scores and records in the Ottawa Alley Bowling League, and the selection of a keen spirited leader like Mr. Roberts will serve to stimulate still further the present enthusiasm.