

footed Mercury. Two insidious full-page designs, scarcely perceptible to the eye at first glance, are displayed, one being a four-funnelled mail-steamer and the other a mail-train. The text of the address is inscribed over the delicate lines of these majestic figures. On the final page is a fine drawing of Parliament Building, and the signatures of the committee, "signed on behalf of the Postal Service," appear at the end.

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Promptly at five o'clock on Wednesday, June 3rd, His Lordship Judge Pelletier arrived at the Blue Room of the Windsor Hotel, Montreal, where he was met by the committee and some 150 members of the various branches of the Postal Service, including Mr. Bergeron and Mr. Barsalou, the Postmaster and Asst. Postmaster of Montreal.

Mr. Carpenter, chairman of the committee, introduced the business of the meeting formally and called upon Mr. Halladay to carry out the programme of the committee. Mr. Halladay read the address and handed it to the guest and then in a few well-chosen words presented the beautiful Victrola.

In reply, His Lordship spoke at considerable length, interrupting the current of his remarks again and again to reiterate expressions of his great appreciation; giving evidence that his emotions had been strongly stirred by the event. The speech was happy throughout and time and again aroused the enthusiastic applause of the audience. He referred briefly to one of the very first things he had been called upon to do in his new office, viz., to find new quarters for the Postal Stores Branch at Ottawa and remove them from the basement of the Langevin Block where the conditions under which they worked were unsanitary and unfitted for the habitation of human beings. Addressing his hearers as "my children," His Lordship expounded two great theories: first, that for an honest day's

work, a fitting remuneration should be paid in order to support the worker in efficiency. Second, that by means of promotion the avenues of advancement should be open to the members of the humblest ranks and that not even postmasterships should be beyond the hopes of the diligent and ambitious member of the department, "for a man who has done the work will be a far more useful member of the Service than a man brought in from outside." It is a matter of regret that a verbatim report of His Lordship's reply was not taken, for it would have made inspiring reading for members of the Post Office Department, especially for those at the bottom of the ladder.

Mr. Bergeron made a witty speech in French at the conclusion of the Judge's remarks.

In the absence of Mr. Robert S. White, President of the Federation, who had to leave Montreal during the day on important matters, it devolved upon the Secretary, Mr. F. Grierson, to represent the Federal organization. He briefly expressed the sympathy of all civil servants not in the Post Office Department in the happy event which had just transpired, and believed that Postmaster-General Pelletier had established a standard in his record as an administrator of the personnel of a great department.

The Address.

To His Lordship, Louis Phillippe Pelletier, Justice of the Superior Court, Quebec.

May it please Your Lordship,—

The officers and men composing the various branches of the Postal Service of Canada were, a few months ago, surprised and grieved to learn that you had ceased to be the head of their Department, and that you were no longer a Minister of the Crown, having accepted an appointment to a judgeship in the Province of Quebec.

The news, unexpected as it was, occasioned a general expression of deep regret in the rank and file of that