

“3. The Postmaster General may decide whether any publication, for which transmission at the rates herein mentioned is claimed, is or is not a newspaper or periodical within the meaning and intent of this section, and whether the requirements thereof have or have not been complied with in regard to it, and from time to time may make any regulations he deems necessary to give full effect to the provisions of this section, or to prevent fraudulent evasions thereof.”

Powers of  
Postmaster  
General.

4. Section 42 of the said Act is hereby amended by adding thereto the following subsection :—

Section 42  
amended.

“8. Books for the use of the blind shall be free of Canada postage under such regulations as are from time to time made in that respect by the Postmaster General.”

Books for the  
blind, free of  
postage.

5. The subsection substituted for subsection 1 of section 44 of the said Act by section 10 of chapter 20 of the statutes of 1889, is hereby repealed and the following is substituted therefor :—

New section  
44.

“44. Except as in this Act otherwise provided, letters or other articles which, from any cause, remain undelivered in any post office, or which, having been posted, cannot be forwarded by post, shall, under such regulations as the Postmaster General makes, be transmitted by postmasters to the Post Office Department, or to such other places as the Governor in Council directs, as dead letters, there to be opened and returned to the writers or senders on payment of any postage due thereon with three cents additional on each dead letter to defray the cost of returning it, less, in the case of insufficiently prepaid letters or other mailable matter posted in Canada, such amount of postage as has been prepaid thereon; or such dead letters may, in any case or class of cases, be otherwise disposed of as the Postmaster General directs; provided always that with regard to letters the only places other than Ottawa to which they may be so transmitted and dealt with as dead letters, shall be the cities of Montreal, Toronto, Victoria, Winnipeg and Halifax, subject to such regulations as are approved by the Governor in Council.”

Dead letters,  
how dealt  
with.

6. Hereafter clerks employed in post offices shall not be required to pass the promotion examination provided for by section 39 of *The Civil Service Act*, but shall be examined on the work of the post office, at such times and by such persons as are from time to time designated by the Postmaster General.

Examination  
of post office  
clerks.