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Proposing to Give the Preference in the Civil Service to Survivors of Civil War and the Spanish War—Would Have Shut Civilians Out Completely

Washington, Dec. 17.—This was incidental suspension day in the House of Representatives. The speaker first recognized Mr. Bromwell of Ohio, who moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill reported by the Civil Service Commission to give preference to honorably discharged soldiers in the executive departments of the government. It provided that honorably discharged soldiers of the Civil War, and after them honorably discharged soldiers of the Spanish war and the war in the Philippines, be given preference both in appointment to office and retention therein, and that loss of limbs or other physical impairment which does not incapacitate shall not disqualify them.

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MOB LAW IN INDIANA

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