including the imposition of penalties not exceeding \$50 on any person offending against them. Chapter 7 of the statutes of 1897, intituled an 'Act respecting Cold Storage on Steamships from Canada to the United Kingdom and in certain cities in Canada' is repealed.

A series of regulations under the act, approved by the Governor in Council on May 3rd, 1907, provides inter alia for the Regulations temperatures that must be maintained in subsidized cold storage under the act. warehouses for the preservation therein of different kinds of produce.

Recent development of the mining industries of Canada has rendered desirable a better organization of the department of Department the Government which is concerned with the geological and mineral resources of the Dominion. By the Geology and Mines Act, chapter 29, the Geological Survey, which was established in 1890 by act of parliament (53 Vict., ch. 11) as a department under the control of the Minister of the Interior, is replaced by a separate Department of Mines to which is entrusted the administration of all laws of the Parliament of Canada relating to mines and mining. The new department consists of two branches, the Mines Branch and the Geological Survey.

The functions of the Mines Branch will include the collection and publication of statistics of mineral production and of the The Mines mining and metallurgical industries of Canada and of such data regarding the economic minerals of Canada as relate to processes and activities connected with their utilization. The branch will also undertake the collection and preservation of all available records of mines and mining works in Canada, and will make detailed investigations of mining camps and areas containing economic minerals or deposits of other economic substances for the purpose of determining the mode of occurrence and the extent and character of the ore-bodies and deposits of the economic minerals or other economic substances.

The Geological Survey will continue the scientific work upon which it has heretofore been engaged as a separate department, Geological and, in addition, the branch will be required to map the forest Survey. areas of Canada and to make and report upon investigations useful to the preservation of the forest resources of Canada.

The Electricity Inspection Act, ch. 14, whilst repealing the Electric Light Inspection Act of 1894, re-enacts its main provisions Inspection of with amendments found necessary by experience and progress. electricity. Instead of being limited to electric lighting as in the act of 1894, the new act applies to electricity in all its uses whether for light, power or any other purpose. The act provides also for the appointment of a chief electrical engineer and for a special qualifying examination in electricity to be passed by candidates for appointment as inspectors or assistant inspectors under the act.

Chapter 16 is an act to regulate the exportation of electric $_{\rm Exportation}$ power and of certain liquids and gases. By it the exportation of electric