

DEPARTMENT OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

Charters of Incorporation.—The number of companies incorporated under the Companies Act and amending Acts during the fiscal year 1918-19 was 512, with a total capitalization of \$214,326,000, and the number of existing companies to which supplementary Letters Patent were issued was 117, of which 69 increased their capital stock by \$67,583,625, and 11 decreased their capital stock by \$2,115,985, the remaining 37 being granted supplementary letters patent for various purposes, such as changing names, extending powers, etc.

There were also issued 37 charters of association (without share capital) under the Companies Act Amendment Act, 1917, making a total of 666 charters and supplementary charters issued during the year, an increase of 15 as compared with the previous year, while the total capitalization of new companies and the increased capital of existing companies amounted to \$279,793,640.

Canada Temperance Act.—This Act prohibits the sale of intoxicating liquors in places that have adopted it and is administered by the Department of the Secretary of State. No votes or changes have taken place since the last statement, page 591, Canada Year Book, 1918.

Naturalizations.—The naturalizations effected under the Naturalization Act (R.S. 1906, c. 77), for the 12 months ended December 31, 1917, numbered 9,029. Of these, 5,192 were formerly citizens of the United States. Table 10 shows by principal nationalities the number of naturalizations effected in Canada during the years 1908 to 1917 under the Act. This Act was repealed as from January 1, 1918. Naturalization is now granted solely under the Naturalization Act, 1914. The naturalizations granted under this Act in the years 1915, 1916, 1917 and 1918 are given in Table 11.

10.—Naturalizations in Canada by Principal Nationalities during the Calendar Years 1908-1917.

Nationalities.	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916 ¹ .	1917.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Austrians.....	3,982	1,588	1,902	3,833	2,030	2,766	7,128	1,810	251	471
Belgians.....	318	205	191	350	152	288	380	250	132	170
Chinese.....	355	241	78	180	136	173	69	135	16	18
Danes.....	146	154	92	169	158	201	290	201	124	158
Dutch.....	78	65	85	136	81	178	219	133	72	60
Finns.....	328	231	328	534	1,259	884	835	219	31	40
French.....	652	344	397	534	346	359	588	216	193	290
Galicians.....	1,083	512	686	818	295	406	1,024	183	20	—
Germans.....	585	293	333	484	344	539	1,070	326	188	43
Greeks.....	83	96	63	268	205	233	224	199	55	19
Hungarians.....	580	164	254	395	217	214	392	129	49	32
Icelanders.....	187	68	114	67	34	53	149	40	28	34
Italians.....	1,852	866	813	2,009	1,598	3,162	3,221	1,592	258	170
Japanese.....	439	341	306	229	161	292	1,120	561	314	107
Norwegians.....	444	399	429	597	653	1,074	1,180	641	411	406
Poles.....	75	51	102	98	31	68	77	29	27	27
Rumanians.....	271	184	278	442	184	278	344	168	78	87
Russians.....	3,046	1,944	2,865	2,787	1,586	3,696	5,737	2,418	1,270	1,163
Swedes.....	905	623	516	844	845	1,752	1,693	690	405	338
Swiss.....	81	44	45	67	46	69	145	95	44	47
Syrians.....	221	162	140	204	176	185	95	30	19	9
Turks.....	59	92	95	236	252	226	501	79	3	2
U. S. of America.....	9,000	7,266	5,854	8,021	6,890	11,339	8,056	5,301	4,478	5,192
Other nationalities.....	246	123	186	301	263	335	328	174	355	35
Re admission.....	715	294	196	505	300	348	214	139	95	111
Total.....	25,731	16,350	16,348	24,108	18,242	29,118	35,079	15,758	8,916	9,029

¹ Includes a delayed return from the Yukon District for the period previous to 1902 of 899 names.