

weeders and complete parts thereof; from 27½ to 17½ p.c. on ploughs and complete parts thereof, windmills and complete parts thereof, portable engines and traction engines for farm purposes, horse-powers and threshing machine separators and appliances therefor. On hay-loaders, potato diggers, fodder or feed cutters, grain crushers, fanning mills, hay tedders, farm, road or field rollers, post-hole diggers, and other agricultural implements, provision was made for a reduction of duty to 20 p.c. with a similar reduction on farm wagons. Respecting cement, the war customs duty was repealed and the general tariff rate reduced to 8 cents per 100 lb. Specific instead of ad valorem rates of duty were enacted for pig-lead, zinc spelter, and copper ingots.

Department of Health.—Under chapter 24 was established a Department of Health, over which a Minister of the Crown appointed by the Governor in Council is to preside. A Deputy Minister and staff were authorized to be appointed. The duties of the Department include the administration of the Quarantine Act, the Adulteration Act, the Public Works Health Act, the Leprosy Act, sections 406, 407 and 408 of the Canada Shipping Act (being chapters 74, 133, 135, 136, 113, respectively of the Revised Statutes of Canada, 1906), also of the Proprietary or Patent Medicines Act (Statutes of 1908, chapter 56) and amendments of any of the aforesaid Acts; also co-operation with provincial, territorial and other health authorities with a view to improving the public health, conserving child life and promoting child welfare; the establishment of a national laboratory for public health and research work; inspection and medical care of immigrants and seamen; supervision, as regards public health, of all means of transportation, as well as of all Dominion public buildings and offices; also, subject to the provisions of the Statistics Act, the collection, publication and distribution of information relating to public health, improved sanitation, social and industrial conditions affecting the health and lives of the people. A Dominion Council of Health is also established.

Board of Commerce.—By chapter 37 a Board of Commerce of Canada is established, to consist of three commissioners appointed by the Governor in Council, each Commissioner holding office for ten years and devoting his whole time to the duties of his office. Provision is made for the appointment of a secretary and staff, and experts may be employed in an advisory capacity, and an advisory council may be established. The Board of Commerce is to administer the Combines and Fair Prices Act of 1919. An appeal shall be had from the Board to the Supreme Court upon a question of jurisdiction or of law. By chapter 45 (Combines and Fair Prices Act, 1919) machinery is provided for the investigation and restraint of harmful combines, monopolies, trusts and mergers, and for restraining the enhancement of the prices of commodities. The Board of Commerce is empowered and directed to restrain and prohibit the formation and operation of combines, which are operating to the detriment of the public. Any British subject of full age resident in Canada may apply to the Board for an order directing investigation into any al-