

weekly a list of current Government publications, as required by Order in Council 1,522). Judgments of the Board of Railway Commissioners, bi-monthly, \$3 per annum; single copies, 20 cents; Exchequer Court Reports, \$4 per annum; Supreme Court Reports, \$3 per annum; Dominion Statutes, 1921, \$4. Acts Public and Private, with amendments to date, 5 cents to 75 cents a copy. Parliamentary Debates, "Hansard", issued daily during session, French and English, \$3 per session each for House of Commons and Senate Debates, single copies, 5 cents. Prices of blue-books are in nearly every case printed upon the front cover and are based practically on the cost of paper and presswork. They may be ordered direct from the Superintendent of Stationery, Department of Public Printing and Stationery, or through any bookseller in the Dominion.

**Mines.**—The Work of the Department of Mines, chiefly scientific and investigatory, is performed by the Department's four principal units, viz: the Geological Survey, Mines Branch, Victoria Memorial Museum Branch, and the Explosives Division.

The Geological Survey carries on areal and economic investigation and research work in mineralogy: the Mines Branch carries on field and laboratory investigations for the furtherance of the mining and metallurgical industries and the compilation of statistics and information relating to them; the Victoria Memorial Museum Branch carries on scientific investigations in anthropology, archæology, zoology and botany; and the Explosives Division, in the administration of the Explosives Act, 1914, has supervision of the manufacture, testing, storage and importation of explosives, and the issuing of licenses under the Act.

The Department of Mines publishes an annual report covering the activities of the whole Department as well as individual annual reports, covering the work of its branches.

*The Geological Survey Branch*, from 1842 to 1904, published annual volumes. From 1904 to 1910 upwards of 80 reports were issued, all separately. Since then, Memoirs to the number of 125, Bulletins numbering 33, and, in addition, miscellaneous publications of various kinds have been issued, including Geological Guide Books and Handbooks. The subjects dealt with include Areal and Economic Geology of particular districts, Mineralogy, Palæontology, Ornithology, Botany, Anthropology and related topics. In the future, publications on the last three subjects, namely, Ornithology, Botany and Anthropology, as well as all Biological papers, will be issued by the newly constituted *Victoria Memorial Museum Branch*.

*The Mines Branch*, from its beginning in 1908, has published annual reports of Mineral Production and summary reports covering the investigations of the Metalliferous and Non-Metalliferous Mines Divisions, the Fuel Testing and Ore-Dressing Divisions, and the Ceramic, Road Materials and Chemical Divisions, and the operations of the Dominion Assay Office. Reports have been published, also dealing with the Technology of most of the economic minerals of Canada.

*The Explosives Division* has published annual reports since 1919.

The publications of the Department of Mines cover the Geology and Mineral Resources of the greater part of Canada. Most of the reports are available free of charge, or for a nominal price, on application to the Deputy Minister of Mines. Some of the reports may be had in French translations.

**Commission of Conservation.**—Annual Reports, 1910-19; Fire Waste in Canada, J. Grove Smith; Altitudes in Canada, James White, F.R.S.C., F.R.G.S.; Dictionary of Altitudes in Canada, James White, F.R.S.C., F.R.G.S. For the numerous other reports of the Commission of Conservation, see 1919 Canada Year Book, pp. 635-636.

**Advisory Council for Scientific and Industrial Research.**—Annual Reports of the Administrative Chairman, 1917-18, 1918-19, 1919-20 and 1920-21. *General Reports.*—(1) The Briquetting of Lignites, R. A. Ross, E.E.; (2) The Recovery of vapours from gases, Harold S. Davis, M.A., Ph.D., Mary Davidson Davis, B.A.; (3) The de-tarring of Gas by Electrical precipitation, J. G. Davidson, Ph.D.; (4) Nicotine and Tobacco Waste, A. D. Hone, M.A.; (5) Canadian Waste