

The report was received about the middle of February, 1932, and is now under consideration by the Government. One of the principal recommendations is for the reorganization of the administration of the ports under a central authority located at Ottawa, responsible to the Government through the Minister of Marine. This authority will have full control of the financing; of the development of the ports and the provision of the necessary engineering staff; and of the supervision of the operation of the ports—the latter under the direct charge of a Port Director at each port, who will be Chairman of a Local Advisory Board reporting directly to the central control. Recommended changes in the present capital structure of the different ports are made, and there are recommendations, covering a period extending over the next twenty-five years, as to additional development or curtailment of development, as the case may be, at each port.

### **Section 11.—Other Miscellaneous Administration.**

In previous editions of the Canada Year Book this chapter has been brought to a close with outlines of Dominion Government administration as follows:—

Section 12.—The International Joint Commission.

Section 13.—The Geodetic Survey of Canada.

Section 14.—The Topographical Survey.

Section 15.—The Dominion Observatories.

No material change has taken place in these sections and the reader is referred to pp. 1014-17 of the 1930 Year Book for this information.

### **Section 12.—The Advisory Board on Tariff and Taxation.**

An Advisory Board on Tariff and Taxation, established by the Liberal Administration under the Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King in 1926 for the purpose of advising the Minister of Finance in regard to tariff, taxation and related matters (see 1930 Year Book, p. 1018), was dissolved in 1930 by the Conservative Administration of the Right Hon. R. B. Bennett. On May 15, 1931, however, the Prime Minister introduced a Bill in the House of Commons to create a Federal Tariff Board as a fact-finding body (see Chapter XXIX, Section 1, under "Finance and Taxation"). At the date of writing, appointments to the Board have not been made.