

Subsection 4.—Unemployment Relief.

The assistance rendered by the Dominion Government under The Unemployment Relief Act, 1930, The Unemployment and Farm Relief Act, 1931, and The Relief Act, 1932, is fully set out in the Canada Year Books for the years 1931, 1932, and 1933 respectively. The recapitulation appearing at the end of this statement shows the Dominion's disbursements under those statutes as at Jan. 31, 1935.

The Relief Act, 1933.—The Relief Act, 1933, which received Royal Assent on Mar. 30, 1933, was enacted at the fourth session of the 17th Parliament. The administration of the Act was, by Order in Council, vested in the Minister of Labour.

Pursuant to the terms of the agreements entered into between the Dominion and the provinces, the Dominion continued under the 1933 Act to contribute to the expenditures of the provinces for direct relief, the contribution to organized municipalities being 33½ p.c., with equal contributions from the province and municipality concerned. In the case of unorganized territory, the Dominion continued to pay 50 p.c. of the provincial expenditures for direct relief. In the four western provinces, the Dominion also continued to contribute to the care of homeless unemployed persons, the contribution of the Dominion being 20 cents per day per individual cared for in camps and urban centres, and \$5 per month for each individual placed on a farm.

Under the agreements contributions were also made by the Dominion for approved work in connection with the construction of the Trans-Canada Highway and also for provincial roads and undertakings and work carried out by municipalities. Relief works in the National Parks were continued by the Department of the Interior, while the Department of National Defence continued to operate camps throughout the Dominion for the care of single homeless unemployed men.

The extent of the Dominion's expenditures under The Relief Act, 1933, as at Jan. 31, 1935, is indicated in the recapitulation of relief expenditures shown in Table 23 at the end of this summary.

The Relief Act, 1934.—At the fifth session of the 17th Parliament, The Relief Act, 1934, which received the Royal Assent on April 20, 1934, was enacted. The administration of the Act was, by Order in Council, vested in the Minister of Labour.

Under this statute the Dominion continued contributing to the direct relief expenditures of the provinces and municipalities to July 31, 1934, on a similar basis to that in effect under the Relief Act, 1933.

The agreements with the provinces under the Relief Act, 1934, provide that from July 31, to Mar. 31, 1935, the Dominion's contribution for the relief of necessitous persons be made in the form of monthly grants-in-aid. In addition to the monthly grants-in-aid, provision is made for carrying to completion with