

1931. Mar. 12-Aug. 3, Second session of the seventeenth Parliament of Canada. June 1, Seventh Dominion Census. June 11, Remembrance Day (Nov. 11) proclaimed a general holiday by Act of Parliament. June 30, The Statute of Westminster exempting the Dominion and the provinces from the operation of the Colonial Laws Validity Act and the Merchant Shipping Act approved by the House of Commons. Aug. 6, Provincial election in Prince Edward Island resulted in defeat of the Liberal Administration of Hon. W. M. Lea by the Conservatives under Hon. J. D. Stewart. Aug. 24, Hon. L. A. Taschereau's Liberal Administration sustained in a general election in Quebec. Sept. 21, Great Britain suspended specie payments, following which Canada restricted the export of gold. Nov. 21, Abnormal Importations Act, extending preference to Empire products, assented to in the United Kingdom. Dec. 1, Ottawa Branch of the Royal Mint transferred to the Dominion. Dec. 12, Statute of Westminster establishing complete legislative equality of the Parliament of Canada with that of the United Kingdom became effective.
1932. Feb. 4-May 26, Third session of the seventeenth Parliament of Canada. June 16, General election in Manitoba; the Bracken Administration retained power. July 21-Aug. 20, Imperial Economic Conference at Ottawa. Aug. 6, Official opening of the Welland Ship Canal. Oct. 6-Nov. 25, Beginning of fourth session of the seventeenth Parliament.
1933. Jan. 17-19, Dominion-Provincial Conference. Jan. 30-May 27, Continuation of fourth session of the seventeenth Parliament. May 18, Celebration of the 150th anniversary of the landing of the Loyalists at Saint John. Aug. 22, Provincial general election in Nova Scotia; Conservative Administration of Hon. G. S. Harrington defeated by Liberals under A. L. Macdonald. Nov. 2, Provincial general election in British Columbia; Conservative Administration of Hon. S. F. Tormie defeated by Liberals under T. D. Patullo.
1934. Jan. 25-July 3, Fifth session of the seventeenth Parliament of Canada. Mar. 6, Centenary of city of Toronto celebrated. June 19, General elections in Ontario and Saskatchewan; Ontario Conservative Administration of Hon. G. S. Henry defeated by Liberals under M. F. Hepburn; Saskatchewan Conservative Government of Hon. J. T. M. Anderson defeated by Liberals under J. G. Gardiner. July 15, Three Rivers began tercentenary celebrations. August, Celebration at Gaspé of the four-hundredth anniversary of the first landing of Jacques Cartier.
1935. Jan. 17-July 5, Sixth session of seventeenth Parliament of Canada. May 6, Celebrations throughout the Empire of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the accession of King George V to the Throne. June 16, Sir Wm. H. Clark succeeded by Sir Francis Floud, K.C.B., as British High Commissioner to Canada. June 27, Provincial general election in New Brunswick; Conservative Administration of Hon. L. P. D. Tilley defeated by Liberals under A. A. Dysart. July 23, Provincial general election in Prince Edward Island; Conservative Administration of Hon. W. J. MacMillan defeated by Liberals under W. M. Lea. Aug. 22, Provincial general election in Alberta; United Farmers of Alberta Administration of Hon. R. G. Reid defeated by Social Credit party under W. Aberhart. Sept. 4, Special Session of the League of Nations convoked to discuss the Italo-Ethiopian crisis. Sept. 15, Conference of British Commonwealth Statisticians met in Ottawa. Oct. 2, Outbreak of hostilities between Italy and Ethiopia. Oct. 7, The thirteen member nations of the Council of the League of Nations found the Italian Government guilty of resorting to war in violation of its covenants. Oct. 14, Dominion general election; Conservative Government of Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett defeated. Oct. 23, Liberal Government of Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King took office. Nov. 2, Lord Tweedsmuir assumed office as Governor General of Canada. Nov. 15, Canada, by Order in Council, supported the League in the application of certain economic sanctions against Italy. Nov. 25, Provincial general election in Quebec; Liberal Administration of Hon. L. A. Taschereau returned to office. Dec. 9, Dominion-Provincial Conference met in Ottawa; Naval Limitation Conference met in London.
1936. Jan. 20, Death of H. M. King George V and accession of H. M. King Edward VIII.