

C. 3 is the Canadian National Railways Refunding Act, 1935, under which the Governor in Council may, after approval of certain conditions, provide for the refunding of maturing or callable or other obligations of the C.N.R. "Substituted securities" guaranteed by the Government, may be issued by the C.N.R., but only of sufficient amount to provide for such refunding and not to exceed \$200,000,000. The proper cancellation of the original security is provided for.

By the Canadian National Railway Financing Act, 1935, c. 17 of the Statutes, the C.N.R. is given power, subject to the approval of the Governor in Council, to issue notes for refunding and capital expenditures to meet authorized expenditures or indebtedness incurred in 1935 and not sufficiently covered by net operating income or investments. It is stipulated, however, that there shall not be more than \$14,200,000 value of such notes outstanding at any one time. The Minister of Finance with the approval of the Governor in Council may make loans out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund for the purpose of meeting authorized expenditures, and may take the notes as security therefor to the value of \$14,200,000. The Minister of Finance may also make advances on account of net income deficits to the amount of \$44,000,000 during the year 1935-36 out of the Consolidated Fund.

**Radio.**—Under c. 65—an Act respecting Radio Broadcasting, the provisions of certain sections of c. 35, 1932-33 are extended from April 30, 1934 to Mar. 31, 1936, and c. 35 of the Statutes of 1932-33, c. 60 of the Statutes of 1934, and c. 24 of the Statutes of 1935 are not to influence the interpretation of c. 51 of the Statutes of 1932 on and after April 1, 1936.

**Trade and Commerce.**—C. 4 of the Statutes is an amendment to the French version of the Electricity Inspection Act, 1928.

The Precious Metals Marking Act, 1928, is amended mainly with regard to the definitions of "mount" and "Sheffield reproduction", and it is further enacted that in regard to the marks "B.M." and "W.M.", used for plated ware, when the inferior metal contains less than 90 p.c. of pure tin, the name of the predominating metal must be legibly stamped on the article.

C. 18 amends the Copyright Amendment Act, 1931. The right of action for infringement of the performing right in dramitico-musical or musical work is barred against any person who has tendered or paid fees in accordance with the Act, or pending an official inquiry.

A consolidation of the legislation relating to patents of invention (c. 150, R.S.C., 1927, as amended by c. 4, 1928; c. 34, 1930; and c. 21, 1932) is brought about in the Patent Act, 1935—c. 32 of the Statutes.

The Weights and Measures Act (c. 212, R.S.C., 1927) is amended by c. 48. "Pre-packaged goods or articles" are defined, the meaning of "inspector" is amended, and the units "cord" and "fluid ounce" are clearly described. A subsection is added to s. 41 of the original legislation enacting that an official certificate of comparison and verification of local standards of measure and weight shall be *prima facie* evidence that the comparison and verification has been performed as described. The powers of "inspectors" to enter places within their divisions are more specifically defined and the proceedings and penalties in case of offences for short weights, measure or counts, for false weights, etc., are extended under ss. 63 and 64 of the original legislation. The size or capacity of containers is to be in terms of Dominion measure as laid down in an amendment to s. 74. Other amendments of a minor nature are included.