

of officers and men on active service. Conditions are prescribed governing the organization of the corporation, property vested in the corporation, investments, and audit.

C. 10 is an Act relating to war charities. All funds having for their objects, or among their objects, the supplying of needs or comforts, or the relief of suffering and distress, for the personnel of the armed forces of Canada, their families or dependants, or for any other sufferers from the present war, or any other charitable purpose connected with the war, must be registered. The Secretary of State for Canada (or other Minister charged with the administration of the Act) is authorized to grant such registration upon certain conditions being fulfilled to his satisfaction. No such charity is permitted to solicit or make appeal to the public for donations, or to raise funds by means of bazaars, sales, entertainments, etc., unless registration has been effected. When registration has been effected, it is still an offence to make any collection unless authorization in writing, as stipulated in Sect. 4 of the Act, has been obtained. Certain conditions must be complied with, such as the maintenance of proper records and accounts, and the Secretary of State may make regulations prescribing the forms of registers, lists, and returns to be kept or made. A penalty of \$500 may be imposed upon summary conviction for an offence against the Act.

## Section 2.—Principal Events of the Year.

NOTE.—The review of economic and financial conditions, formerly treated in this chapter, will now be found in the Introduction to this volume.

**The Outbreak of War.**—A record of the principal events of the War, to Dec. 31, 1939, will be found at pp. 36-40 of this volume. Happenings from Jan. 1, 1940, to the date of going to press will be found in Appendix I, at pp. 1143-1148. A review of Canada's war effort is given in the Introduction to this volume, pp. xxiv-xliii.

**The Royal Family.**—The death of H.R.H. Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyle, occurred at London, Eng., on Dec. 3, 1939.

**The Governor General.**—The Dominion mourned the loss of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Baron Tweedsmuir of Elsfeld, P.C., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., C.H., who died on Feb. 11, 1940. On Apr. 3 it was announced that Major-General the Earl of Athlone, K.G., P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., D.S.O., had been appointed as His Majesty's representative for Canada. His Excellency arrived at Halifax on June 19, 1940, and was sworn in at Ottawa on June 21.

**Diplomatic Appointments.**—The personnel of Canadian diplomatic representatives abroad and of British and foreign envoys to Canada, as at the end of January, 1940, will be found at pp. 64-67 of this volume. Since the sending to press of Chapter III—Constitution and Government—the President of the French Republic has appointed M. René Ristelhueber as Minister of France to Canada. M. Ristelhueber presented his credentials to His Excellency the Administrator on June 3, 1940. The United States Minister to Canada, having resigned his appointment, left Ottawa on May 16, 1940, and on May 28 it was announced that the President of the United States appointed Mr. Jay Pierrepont Moffat as the new United States Minister to Canada. Hon. Mr. Moffat presented his credentials to His Excellency the Governor General on June 13, 1940.

**Trade Agreements.**—Information regarding trade agreements entered into during the year will be found in the External Trade Chapter, under Subsection 2, *Tariff Relationships with Other Countries*, pp. 483-494. Since that Chapter went