

main directions of change. Each chapter has been recast in ways too numerous to mention here, in order to show the reorientation of the economy that has taken place and that is bound to affect the lives of future generations in a very real sense.

The following are among the contributions that do not relate directly to the War. For the most part they deal with subjects long overdue for revision:—

Chapter III—Constitution and Government—contains at pp. 34-60 an extended article on the Evolution of the Constitution down to Confederation. This article has been prepared in co-operation with E. H. Coleman, K.C., LL.D., Under Secretary of State, with whom arrangements have been made for a companion article—Developments of the Constitution since Confederation—which it is planned to publish in a later edition. The article closes with the British North America Act annotated in such a way as to direct the reader's attention to all amendments and indicate their significance. This basic legislation of the Constitution has not previously appeared in the Year Book.

In Chapter V—Vital Statistics—a special study on Nuptiality and Fertility in Canada, prepared by Enid Charles, Ph.D., appears at pp. 100-115.

In Chapter XVII—Internal Trade—the subject of Co-operation in Canada is dealt with in a special article at pp. 543-556 prepared by J. E. O'Meara and Lucienne M. Lalonde of the Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture.

In Chapter XIX—Labour—the account of the set-up of the administrative organization of the Unemployment Insurance Commission should be noted at pp. 686-692. This Commission came into being in July, 1941, and, as pointed out in the 1941 Year Book, this section of the Labour Chapter is destined to become very important in the near future. The groundwork is now being laid for a comprehensive statistical presentation of the working of the Unemployment Insurance Act in Canada. It is too early as yet to publish final statistics along these lines.

The important changes of the past few years, as between Dominion and provincial jurisdiction in the field of fire and casualty insurance are brought out in an article on this subject contributed by G. D. Finlayson, Superintendent of Insurance, and which appears at pp. 842-846 of Chapter XXIII.

Several additional lithographed inserts are included. This has been made possible through the courtesy of the Under Secretary of State and by the use of plates from the Census Atlas of Canada.

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