

Section 11.—The Tariff Board

The Tariff Board was constituted by Act of Parliament in 1931 (c. 55, 21-22 Geo. V). A description of the duties of the Board appears at pp. 965-966 of the 1941 Year Book; as no changes have occurred, the material is not repeated in this volume.

Section 12.—Dominion Trade and Industry Commission

The work of the Commission is closely allied to that of the Tariff Board, and the reader is referred to the note under Section 11, above.

Section 13.—Other Miscellaneous Administration

Certain phases of Dominion Government activity, such as the operations of the International Joint Commission and certain specialized activities of the Department of Mines and Resources, were treated in the 1930 edition of the Year Book, as follows:—

International Joint Commission, pp. 1014-1015;
Geodetic Survey of Canada, p. 1015;
Topographical Survey, p. 1016;
Dominion Observatories, p. 1017.

PART II.—GOVERNMENT WAR-TIME ADMINISTRATION

Under the War Measures Act, the National Resources Mobilization Act and other war-time statutes, the powers of the Government have been vastly extended, and they authorize the complete mobilization of the human and material resources of the nation in any way necessary to the security of the State. The guidance and control of the national effort so as to provide a maximum war contribution has required immense expansion in Government war-time administration. Existing departments have been enlarged and new ones created. In addition, numerous boards, agencies, etc., have been formed to cope with the many problems arising out of the transformation to a war-time economy. In the Introduction to this volume there appears a general survey of the principal accomplishments of these war-time departments, etc., during the past year. More detailed accounts of the work of many of the boards and agencies are to be found throughout the chapter material; adequate references to these are provided in the Index, and in some cases in the Introduction. The present description outlines briefly, the main functions of the two new war-time government departments, namely, the Department of Munitions and Supply and the Department of National War Services, so as to give some idea of the purpose of each in the general war program.

Section 1.—The Department of Munitions and Supply

The Department of Munitions and Supply was created by the Munitions and Supply Act [c. 3, 1939 (2nd Session) as amended by c. 31, 1940], came into force and operation on Apr. 9, 1940. It was preceded by the War Supply Board, which, in turn, had replaced the Defence Purchasing Board, created in July, 1939. The Department centralizes all purchases on behalf of the Armed Forces, the