

Benefits.—Under each Act, a fixed period must elapse between the date of the accident and the date when compensation begins but in all cases medical aid is given from the date of the accident. This waiting period varies from three to seven days and in some provinces compensation is paid for the waiting period, if disability continues beyond it.

At present, compensation in fatal cases is paid as follows:—

Burial expenses, \$100 in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, \$150 in Manitoba and \$125 in the other provinces. In certain cases costs of transporting the body are also allowed.

To a widow or invalid widower, or to a foster-mother as long as the children are under the age limit, a monthly payment in Ontario of \$45 and in the remaining provinces \$40; in addition a lump sum of \$100 is paid in New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta, and British Columbia.

For each child in the care of a parent or foster-mother receiving compensation, a monthly payment of \$10 in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Ontario, and British Columbia, but in the latter province \$12.50 is paid to children between 16 and 18 years of age attending school; in Manitoba \$12 for the eldest child, \$10 for the second, \$9 for the third, and \$8 for each additional child; in Alberta and Saskatchewan, \$12 for each child. To each orphan child \$20 per month is paid in Nova Scotia, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia and \$15 in the other provinces with a maximum of \$80 per month to one family in Nova Scotia and British Columbia.

Except in the case of invalids, payments to children are not continued beyond the age of 16 in Nova Scotia, Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, 18 in Quebec, Alberta and British Columbia, and 16 for boys and 18 for girls in New Brunswick. In Manitoba, Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia payments for children may be made up to the age of 18 if it is desirable to continue their education. In British Columbia and Manitoba payments to invalid children are continued until recovery, while the other provinces make payments only for the length of time the Boards consider that the workman would have contributed to their support.

Where the only dependants are persons other than consort or children, all the Acts provide that compensation is to be a reasonable sum proportionate to the pecuniary loss but the total monthly sum to be paid to all such dependants is limited to \$40 in Manitoba, \$70 in Alberta, \$45 in Nova Scotia and \$55 in British Columbia. In British Columbia, however, if there are also dependants such as widow, invalid widower or children the maximum payable to other dependants is \$40 per month. In all provinces compensation to dependants other than consort or children is continued only for such time as the Board considers that the workman would have contributed to their support.

Except in Alberta and British Columbia, maximum benefits payable to dependants in case of death of the workman are two-thirds of the earnings. The minimum payable to a consort and one child in Quebec is \$50 per month or \$12.50 per week if there is more than one child; in Manitoba and Saskatchewan the minimum is