

copyright protection throughout all parts of His Majesty's Dominions, foreign countries of the Copyright Union, and the United States of America, as well as in Canada.

Protection of industrial designs and of timber marks is afforded under the Design Act (c. 71, R.S.C., 1927) and amendments, and the Timber Marking Act (c. 198, R.S.C., 1927) and amendments. Registers of such designs and marks are kept under the Copyright Branch of the Patent Office, and information regarding them is published in the *Patent Office Record*.

## 2.—Copyrights, Industrial Designs and Timber Marks Registered in Canada, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1940-45

Item	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
Copyrights registered.....No.	3,214	3,298	3,741	3,214	2,869	3,374
Industrial designs registered.....“	402	336	256	177	266	326
Timber marks registered.....“	21	11	7	9	8	10
Assignments registered.....“	513	494	485	349	315	422
Fees received, net.....\$	13,535	15,995	15,247	14,252	15,405	16,847

**Trade Marks and Shop Cards.**—Since Apr. 1, 1938, the Trade Marks Office has been functioning as a Branch under the Department of the Secretary of State and, therefore, as an entity separate from the Patent Office with which it had been associated previously.

The Trade Marks Office is charged with the administration of the Unfair Competition Act, 1932, which repealed all previous Acts governing trade marks, and also with the Shop Cards Registration Act, which came into force on Sept. 1, 1938. Applications for registration of trade marks and/or shop cards should be addressed to the Registrar, Trade Marks Office, Ottawa, Canada.

A Register of Trade Marks is kept, in which, subject to the provisions of the Act, any person may cause to be recorded any trade mark he has adopted, and notification of any assignments, transmissions, disclaimers and judgments relating to such trade mark. In order that the public may be kept informed in the matter of trade-mark registration, a list of marks registered appears in the *Patent Office Record* which is issued weekly.

The Shop Cards Registration Act is designed to afford a measure of protection to organizations, such as trade unions, that formerly were able to register their particular designations as Union Labels under the Trade Mark and Design Act. Registrations under the Act may be renewed every 15 years.

## 3.—Trade Marks and Shop Cards Registered in Canada, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1940-45

Item	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
Trade marks registered.....No.	1,721	1,687	1,443	1,185	1,164	1,144
Trade mark registrations assigned...“	1,229	798	392	692	693	706
Trade mark registrations renewed...“	410	376	311	365	627	696
Certified copies prepared.....“	307	245	174	183	193	317
Shop cards registered.....“	4	1	1	Nil	2	1
Fees received, net.....\$	51,719	51,107	42,186	42,385	48,556	76,089