18.—Seamen Shipped and Discharged at Canadian Ports, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1939-48

Norz.—Figures for the years 1908-17 are given at p. 690 of the 1938 Year Book and for 1918-38 at p. 587 of the 1941 edition.

Year	Seamen Shipped	Seamen Discharged	Year	Seamen Shipped	Seamen Discharged
	No.	No.		No.	No.
1939	32,416 22,892 28,782 23,064 19,255	29, 226 20, 760 25, 134 20, 312 15, 250	1944	26,068 29,230 30,361 43,973 59,768	20, 491 25, 056 27, 042 42, 205 60, 793

Canadian Government Merchant Marine.—The circumstances under which the Canadian Government became possessed of, and responsible for, the operations of a merchant marine are explained at p. 776 of the 1934-35 Year Book. A table showing the operating results from 1919 to 1936 is given at p. 689 of the 1937 Year Book.

The original fleet of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Limited, consisted of 66 vessels with a total deadweight tonnage of 391,212. The original cost of the fleet was \$79,661,921 and the capital loss thereon was \$74,239,356, the total capital recovery of \$5,422,565 being made up as follows: (1) the sale of 56 vessels for \$2,378,018; (2) the proceeds of insurance on four vessels lost, amounting to \$2,111,475; (3) the sale of six vessels to the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships, Limited, for \$933,072.

The charter of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Limited, and its subsidiary companies, although inactive since 1936, had not been surrendered and in 1940 the Company was reconstituted and is operating on behalf of the Canadian Government certain ships seized in prize and either requisitioned for use by the Canadian Government or condemned by the Court.

Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships, Limited.—In conformity with the Canada-West Indies Trade Agreement of 1926 (16-17 Geo. V., c. 16) the Federal Government has provided direct steamship services to the West Indies through the medium of Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships, Limited.

At the end of 1948, the Canadian National Steamships, Limited, owned and operated ten vessels between Canada and the British West Indies.

19.—Financial Statistics of Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships, Limited, 1939-48

Note. - Statistics for the years 1929-38 are given at p. 620 of the 1942 Year Book.

Year	Operating Revenues	Operating Expenses	Operating Net	Depre- ciation	Interest	Book Loss or Surplus
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943	4,642,306 5,750,341 6,756,464 5,600,496 4,492,189 5,378,059	4,018,447 4,545,306 5,029,107 4,220,219 2,949,216 3,160,568	+623,859 +1,205,035 +1,727,357 +1,380,277 +1,542,973 +2,217,491	328,829 329,079 262,645 160,634 239,363	816,366 816,661 816,701 816,701 813,073	$\begin{array}{r} -524,429 \\ -12,733 \\ +593,216 \\ +273,880 \\ +438,837 \\ +1,271,387 \end{array}$
1945. 1946. 1947. 1948.	4,412,252 6,669,129 7,857,471 7,964,720	2,569,626 4,671,148 6,534,600 6,828,392	+1,842,626 +1,997,981 +1,322,871 +1,136,328	279,466 288,092 493,594 492,222	612,999 596,499 573,298 563,794	+1,116,086 +1,302,052 +522,677 +166,044