

The Shop Cards Registration Act is designed to afford a measure of protection to organizations, such as trade unions, that were able formerly 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.

4.—Trade Marks and Shop Cards Registered, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1947-52

Item	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
Trade marks registered.....No.	2,703	2,992	3,936	3,408	3,309	2,806
Trade-mark registrations assigned... "	1,241	1,473	1,719	1,485	1,665	1,535
Trade-mark registrations renewed... "	1,206	2,302	2,033	2,064	2,085	2,266
Certified copies prepared..... "	555	570	529	642	699	619
Shop cards registered..... "	—	4	—	1	1	—
Fees received, net..... \$	127,037	133,707	122,147	132,228	132,744	127,053

Section 5.—Subventions and Bounties on Coal*

Subventions have been regulated during past years by Orders in Council authorizing the payment of certain rates of assistance, in respect of the various movements of coal specified therein, from moneys voted annually by Parliament for that purpose. It has not been considered practicable to fix subvention aid by statute owing to the frequent changes in the competitive situation.

5.—Expenditure for Subventions, by Province, 1947-52

Province	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952
Nova Scotia.....ton	296,599	1,403,306	1,853,604	1,165,719	2,286,537	1,897,451
\$	141,156	954,846	2,435,111	1,005,438	3,074,466	5,194,288
New Brunswick.....ton	2,528	724	3,025	2,314	2,709	2,851
\$	1,698	724	3,838	1,939	2,634	3,780
Saskatchewan.....ton	12,559	31,787	94,957	173,694	165,086	139,555
\$	11,923	25,366	64,933	125,707	126,042	113,645
Alberta and eastern British Columbia.....ton	252,076	282,608	441,938	785,148	589,581	613,651
\$	532,139	635,253	897,970	1,482,202	1,163,937	1,161,810
British Columbia bunker and export.....ton	9,294	5,728	36,170	6,092	91,611	59,254
\$	6,971	4,296	29,893	4,569	88,551	56,580
Totals.....ton	573,056	1,724,154	2,429,692	2,132,970	3,135,523	2,712,762
\$	693,887	1,620,487	3,431,745	2,619,915	4,455,629	6,530,103

The Coke Bounty Act, 1930 (20-21 Geo. V, c. 6), implemented one of the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Maritime Claims and was approved by Parliament on May 30, 1930. The bounty is paid on Canadian coal converted to coke and used in the manufacture of Canadian iron and steel and places the coal on a basis of equality with imported coal.

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