

CHAPTER XXI.—DOMESTIC TRADE

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NOTE.—The interpretation of the symbols used in the tables throughout the Year Book will be found facing p. 1 of this volume.

PART I.—THE MOVEMENT AND MARKETING OF COMMODITIES

Domestic trade is broad and complicated: it encompasses all values added to commodities traded, provincially and interprovincially, by agencies and services connected with the storage, distribution and sale of goods, such as railways, steamships, warehouses, wholesale and retail stores, financial institutions, etc. Taken in a wide sense, it embraces various professional and personal services including those directed to the amusement of the people, such as theatres and sports. Only certain phases of this broad field are covered here and, wherever possible, cross references are given to related material appearing in other Chapters. The arrangement of material in a volume such as the Year Book is governed by the necessity of interpretation from various angles. The Index will be found useful in this respect.

Section 1.—Merchandising and Service Establishments*

Complete coverage of the business of wholesale and retail trades and of service establishments is attempted only as part of the decennial census. The first such detailed survey was taken in connection with the 1931 Census and related to business transacted during the calendar year 1930. Similar detailed records were again secured with the 1941 and 1951 Censuses. The results of the 1930 and 1941 Censuses of Merchandising and

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