PART III.—PROVINCIAL AND LOCAL DISTRIBUTION OF MANUFACTURING PRODUCTION

Section 1.—Provincial Distribution of Manufacturing Production

This Section shows the distribution and concentration of the manufacturing industries in each province followed by a general analysis of the leading industries in the individual provinces. Ontario and Quebec are by far the most important manufacturing provinces of Canada. Their combined production in 1955 amounted to \$15,540,000,000 or 80 p.c. of the total factory shipments of manufactured products. The water power and other varied resources of the two provinces and their nearness to the larger markets of Canada and the United States have all contributed to this progress.

Table 1 shows the outstanding predominance of Ontario and Quebec in each industrial group. Quebec leads in the manufacture of tobacco and tobacco products, textiles and clothing, paper products and products of petroleum and coal. In each of the other groups Ontario has the greater production of the two provinces. In the production of wood products British Columbia with 43 p.c. of the total holds the dominant position, outranking both Ontario and Quebec which account for 24 and 21 p.c. respectively of the total. In each of the other groups Ontario and Quebec lead by a wide margin.

