Funds for lending are borrowed at current interest rates from the Minister of Finance. The aggregate amount of loans from the Minister at any time outstanding may not exceed 25 times the capital of the Corporation. On establishment, the Corporation succeeded to \$5,000,000 capital of the Canadian Farm Loan Board and the Act fixes the authorized capital at \$8,000,000.

In the fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1959, the Canadian Farm Loan Board approved 4,805 loans for a total of \$30,144,950 as compared with 3,702 loans for a total of \$21,278,450 in the preceding year. At Mar. 31, 1959, the total amount outstanding in loans was \$91,298,119, as compared with \$68,490,523 for the previous year. This amount was secured by 25,471 first mortgages and 891 second mortgages.

1.—Loans Approved and Disbursed under the Canadian Farm Loan Act, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1950-59

Note.—Figures for previous years are given in the corresponding table of former Year Books beginning with the 1940 edition.

		L	oans App	Loans Paid Out				
Year Ended Mar. 31—	First Mortgage		Second Mortgage		Total Amount	First Mortgage	Second Mortgage	Total Amount
	No.	Amount	No.	Amount	Amount	mor agage	mor ogage	71mount
		\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1950	1,949 1,796 1,437 1,685 2,091	4,715,500 4,312,450 3,929,500 5,458,750 7,366,800	801 680 494 559 591	473,900 409,550 308,900 393,550 449,950	5,189,400 4,722,000 4,238,400 5,852,300 7,816,750	4,480,779 4,288,866 4,131,141 4,766,149 6,606,323	462,150 404,213 337,951 342,410 394,216	4,942,929 4,693,079 4,469,092 5,108,559 7,000,539
1955. 1956. 1957. 1958. 1959.	2,145 2,057 2,921 3,702 4,805	7,902,100 8,126,900 13,978,700 21,278,450 30,144,950	395 204 — — —	323,400 182,750 —	8,225,500 8,309,650 13,978,700 21,278,450 30,144,950	7,849,663 8,038,877 13,154,066 19,343,560 28,368,239	357.339 215,445 29,926 — 26	8,207,002 8,254,322 13,183,992 19,343,560 28,368,265

2.—First Mortgage Loans Approved under the Canadian Farm Loan Act, by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1957-59

Note.—Figures for previous years are given in the corresponding table of former Year Books beginning with the 1940 edition.

Province	1957		1958		1959	
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	1 \$
Prince Edward Island	136	445,800	142	544,200	150	567.800
Vova Scotia	47	221,350	54	290,500	49	219,450
New Brunswick	60	234,050	67	325, 150	71	303,650
¿uebec	139	707,350	118	667,250	154	891,650
ntario	672	3,916,100	1,084	7,980,500	1,299	10,702,350
lanitoba	284	1,346,200	412	2,133,100	454	2,505,600
askatchewan	897	4,212,600	1,122	5,760,900	1.510	8,665,550
lberta	591	2,381,700	590	2,841,500	961	5, 125, 100
British Columbia	95	513,550	113	735,350	157	1,163,800
Totals	2,921	13,978,700	3,702	21,278,450	4,805	30,144,950

The Farm Improvement Loans Act.—The Farm Improvement Loans Act, administered by the Department of Finance, is designed to provide credit by way of loans made by the chartered banks to assist in almost every conceivable purchase or project for the improvement or development of a farm and includes the purchase of agricultural implements, the purchase of livestock, the purchase and installation of agricultural equipment