Trade Marks.—The Trade Marks Office, a Branch of the Department of the Secretary of State, administers the Trade Marks Act (SC 1952-53, c. 49) which covers all legislation concerning the registration and use of trade marks and supersedes from July 1, 1954, former legislation enacted under the Unfair Competition Act, the Industrial Design and Union Label Act and the Shop Cards Registration Act. All correspondence relating to an application for registration of a trade mark or for the use of a trade mark should be addressed to the Registrar of Trade Marks, Ottawa.

A Trade Marks Journal is published weekly giving particulars of every registration of a trade mark and every registration of a registered user, as well as other advertisements and rulings required under the Act. The required fee payable on application for registration of a trade mark is \$25 and for registration of a person as a registered user of a trade mark, \$20.

| Item | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|--|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Trade marks registered. No. Trade mark registrations assigned. " Trade mark registrations renewed. " Certified copies prepared. " Fees received, net. \$ | 3,377 | 2,911 | 3,508 | 3,769 | 3,992 |
| | 2,040 | 2,652 | 1,858 | 3,078 | 2,642 |
| | 2,812 | 2,035 | 2,002 | 3,434 | 1,117 |
| | 678 | 689 | 716 | 1,069 | 906 |
| | 222,029 | 326,619 | 260,305 | 273,558 | 268,437 |

4.---Trade Marks Registered, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1955-59

Section 7.—Subventions and Bounties on Coal*

A major problem of the Canadian coal mining industry arises from the fact that its fields are situated far distant from the main consuming markets of the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec while these markets lie in close proximity to the bituminous and anthracite fields of the United States. Transportation subventions, which have been maintained in varying degree during the past 30 years, were designed to further the movement of Canadian coals to some portions of Central Canada by equalizing as far as possible the laid-down costs of Canadian coals with imported coals. Subventions have been regulated by Orders in Council; it has not been considered practicable to fix the assistance by statute because of frequent changes in the competitive situation.

| Province | 1955 | 1956 | 1957 | 1958 | 1959 |
|--|------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| Nova Scotia ton | 2,588,400 | 2,543,302 | 2,372,678 | 2,370,131 | 2,154,034 |
| | 8,355,623 | 6,962,694 | 7,087,994 | 8,352,014 | 11,822,776 |
| New Brunswick ton | 33,108 55,925 | $21,359 \\ 42,214$ | 47,769 82,770 | 120,963 193,996 | 137,613 253, 55 7 |
| Saskatchewan ton | 259,518 | 247,814 | 320,500 | 297,892 | 111,006 |
| | 222,454 | 215,407 | 282,718 | 268,479 | 96,751 |
| Alberta and eastern British Columbia ton | 730,905 | 782,228 | 440,174 | 216,825 | 130,956 |
| | 2,058,942 | 2,375,295 | 1,401,767 | 666,452 | 401,820 |
| British Columbia and Alberta export ton | 219 | 1,290 | 40,560 | 21,533 | 192,857 |
| | 164 | 1,217 | 87,004 | 68,982 | 845,895 |
| Totals ton | 3, 612, 150 | 3,595,993 | 3,221,681 | 3, 027, 344 | 2,726,466 |
| \$ | 10, 693, 108 | 9,596,827 | 8,942,253 | 9, 549, 923 | 13,420,799 |

5.-Expenditure for Coal Subventions, by Province, 1955-59

The Canadian Coal Equality Act (RSC 1952, c. 34), which implemented one of the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Maritime Claims (1926), is designed to assist the Nova Scotia steel industry and only incidentally affects coal. It provides for

* Revised by G. W. McCracken, Administrative Officer, Dominion Coal Board, Ottawa,