

PREFACE

The 1963-64 edition of the Canada Year Book continues a series of annual publications giving official statistical and other information on almost every measurable phase of Canada's development. As the economy of the country has expanded, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has endeavoured to present the story of this development, summarizing a great mass of detailed statistical information concisely within the covers of one volume and supplementing it with data from other Departments of the Federal Government and from the provinces. The 1963-64 edition is so designated because it will be released in the early months of 1964; the cut-off date for each chapter was advanced by about three months from that of the previous edition.

Special feature articles are presented in each edition of the Year Book. Those in the current issue include: "Changes in Canadian Agriculture as Reflected by the Census of 1961", pp. 409-415; "Secondary Manufacturing in Canada", pp. 637-643; "Recent Developments in Public Technical and Vocational Education in Canada", pp. 737-743; "Canadian Merchandise Exports and Imports in 1962-63", pp. 907-911; and "Life Insurance", pp. 1071-1077. In addition, certain standard material is treated in somewhat more detail in this edition, such as the sections on "Main Physical and Economic Features of the Provinces and Territories" and "Provincial Wildlife Conservation Measures".

All chapters include the latest data available at the time of printing. The Population Chapter contains summary population statistics from 1961 Census and the Agriculture Chapter summary agricultural census figures. After the printing of Chapter II on Constitution and Government, changes were made in the administrative functions of several Federal Government Departments and in ministerial responsibility (pp. 104-122). Such changes, up to Nov. 15, 1963, have been included in the Organization Chart inserted facing p. 104. Certain other revisions to the information in this Chapter are given in the Appendix, which also contains a list of the members of the House of Commons as elected at the Twenty-Sixth General Election, Apr. 8, 1963; this was not available in time to be included in Chapter II. Enclosed in the pocket on the inside cover of the volume is a recently completed 140-mile-to-the-inch political map and a 100-mile-to-the-inch map showing the distribution of the population of Canada as at the date of the latest Census, June 1, 1961.

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