

a study of up-to-date methods for the care of mothers and children, and the dissemination of knowledge regarding the best preventive measures to health authorities and welfare groups, as well as to the general public. The publication of a 230-page book on pre-natal and post-natal care, entitled, *The Canadian Mother and Child*, for free distribution to mothers throughout Canada, has been undertaken during the year.

Medical Investigation Division.—This Division is concerned with medical examination of civil servants, supervision of sick leave and superannuation of civil servants throughout Canada on behalf of the Civil Service Commission. Special studies on any medical subjects that may be in the interest of the Department are also undertaken. Statistical studies have been published on: Illness in the Civil Service of Canada; Deaths Among War Pensioners, etc. A standard morbidity code for Canada was constructed and brought into use and, at the outbreak of war, this was adopted by National Defence Medical Services as the official guide for recording illnesses, accidents and injury in the armed forces of Canada.

Publicity and Health Education Division.—As the name indicates, the efforts of this Division are directed towards the dissemination of information on all phases of public health. The work consists of the compilation and distribution of public health literature, of exhibits, lectures, etc. The Division has the co-operation of the press, of Canadian Broadcasting Corporation units and many private radio stations in its health education work. It edits the Departmental quarterly magazine, *The National Health Review*, with a circulation of 12,000, conducts a press clipping service for the National Health Branch, and acts as public relations division for both the Pensions and the National Health Branches.

Subsection 2.—Public Health Activities of the Provincial Governments*

Prince Edward Island.—The supervision of public health matters in Prince Edward Island was placed, on July 1, 1931, under a specially created Department of Public Health, headed by a Minister and a Deputy Minister. Two part-time physicians, five full-time public health nurses, and two food and sanitary inspectors are employed. Under the direction of the Deputy Minister, the Province is divided into five public health districts and each nurse is assigned a territory in which she is responsible for the inspection of school children, home visits, home-nursing classes, immunizing and vaccinating clinics, etc. The sanitary and food inspectors make regular surveys of the food-manufacturing plants, school premises, hotels, boarding houses, restaurants, etc., throughout the Province.

The Government operates the Falconwood Hospital for the Insane and the Provincial Infirmary; it also subsidizes the Provincial Sanatorium, which has a total of 80 beds and has functioned to capacity since July 1, 1931. In charge of the Provincial Sanatorium is a Medical Superintendent with an assistant and a staff of trained nurses. The Superintendent conducts chest clinics throughout the Province at regular intervals as well as a regular weekly clinic in the Sanatorium, where referred cases from physicians are examined.

The Department of Health operates the Provincial Laboratory and a qualified technician examines material forwarded by physicians throughout the Province.

Two venereal-disease clinics are conducted by the Public Health Department, one in Charlottetown and the other in Summerside. All prisoners in the gaols of

* The material under this heading has been revised by the respective provincial authorities.