

Conference of 1927, met in Paris on November 5. The Canadian representative was the Hon. Philippe Roy. The conference adjourned without being able to secure any definite results, but is to be reconvened during 1930.

The Canadian Government was represented at the Imperial Mycological Conference in London by the Dominion Botanist; at the Imperial Meteorological Conference in London by the Director of the Meteorological Service of the Department of Marine and Fisheries; and at the Fifteenth International Geological Congress, held in South Africa, by the Director of the Geological Survey.

At the International Congress of Military Medicine and Pharmacy, held at London in May, the Canadian Government was represented by Captain J. V. Williams, who was also its representative at the first International Sanitary Aviation Conference held at Paris later in the month. At the Fourth Congress of the Pacific Science Association, held in Java, Canada was officially represented by Prof. McLean Fraser of the University of British Columbia, and Mr. Diamond Jenness of the National Museum. Mr. S. A. Cudmore of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics was the official representative at the Conference of the International Statistical Institute, held in Warsaw during August.

Canada, as a member of the Council of the League, was represented at the Sixteenth International Zionist Congress held at Zurich in July by Mr. S. W. Jacobs, M.P., of Montreal.

Canada was represented at the Congress of the Universal Postal Union, held in London, by Mr. L. J. Gaboury and Mr. Arthur Webster of the Post Office Department. The Government was also officially represented by members of the staff of the Paris Legation at the following International Conferences: High Tension Electric Transmission Systems, in Paris, in June; the International Life Saving Congress held at Trouville, in July; and that on the Nomenclature of the Causes of Death, in Paris in October.

The business of the Passport Office continues to be maintained in undiminished volume. For the year ending December 31, 1929, there were issued 29,222 new passports and 2,567 renewals. The income derived from the fees on these and on the granting of visas amounted to \$150,889.98.

It gives me pleasure to express my satisfaction with the manner in which the various members of the staff have discharged their duties.

Your obedient servant,

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