

EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

ECONOMICS.

LESSON XV.

1. Under what circumstances did trade unions first come into existence? Why did they arise in some trades and not in others?
2. What was the attitude of the law toward trade unions? When and why was that attitude changed?
3. Why have modern English trade unions resorted to political methods and organized a Labour Party?
4. Write a note on the causes of the recent rapid growth of Canadian trade unionism.
5. What are the aims of the trade union? How does it try to realize those aims? How would employers naturally oppose it?
6. Compare the success of unions in the skilled trades with that of those in the less skilled occupations.
7. Show (from local cases, if possible) the interest which the public has in the prevention of strikes and lockouts. State the main principle of the Industrial Disputes Investigation Act, and comment on its working.
8. Give instances of Canadian legislation with regard to sanitation, rates of pay, and hours of labour. (Refer to the Statutes of your Province at any lawyer's office or public library.)
9. Discuss minimum wage legislation as it exists in England and Australia. Where does it seem most needed?