

Washington, D.C. on September 9, 10 and 11. Since the latter date, the following meetings of the Board have been held:—

October 2..	Boston.
October 3 and 4..	Halifax.
November 13..	San Francisco.
November 14..	Victoria.
November 15..	Vancouver.
December 16 and 17..	New York.

The appointments of Mr. O. M. Biggar, Captain L. W. Murray, Air Commodore A. A. L. Cuffe, Brigadier Kenneth Stuart, and Mr. H. L. Keenleyside, as dated from August 22, 1940, were approved by Order in Council P.C. 5597 of October 10, 1940.

The appointment of Lt.-Col. G. P. Vanier to the Permanent Joint Board on Defence was approved by Order in Council P.C. 5598 of October 10, 1940.

3. *EXTENSION OF CANADA-NEW ZEALAND TRADE AGREEMENT—ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE MINISTER OF TRADE AND COMMERCE, OCTOBER 2, 1940.*

The Honourable James A. MacKinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce has announced that an Order in Council has been passed extending, for a further period of one year, the Trade Agreement concluded between Canada and New Zealand on May 24, 1932. This Trade Agreement was originally concluded for a period of one year but has been extended on a number of occasions, the last being in 1939, when the Trade Agreement was extended for a period of one year up to September 30, 1940. It is now provided that the Trade Agreement will continue in force until September 30, 1941.

The Trade Agreement provides for fixed rates of duty on certain enumerated goods imported into New Zealand, and on all other products the benefits of British Preferential Tariffs. Corresponding concessions are granted on New Zealand's products imported into Canada.

Since December 5, 1938, the Government of New Zealand have found it necessary to impose import restrictions on goods imported into that country. This has been due to the general financial position in New Zealand, while since the outbreak of the war the need for conserving foreign exchange has made it necessary to curtail imports of goods from other countries to an even greater degree than has been the case with the restrictions in force last year. As a result there has been a falling off in Canadian exports to New Zealand, but the balance of trade between the two countries is still in favour