

Treaty Collection

In addition to the regular series of Confidential Prints on special subjects, which were kept up to date by supplementary volumes, or additional prints to be attached, Walker undertook an onerous and slow task of compiling in one volume a collection of all Treaties of Great Britain and the United States affecting Canada. This work came to fruition in 1913, when the compilation was printed in fifty copies, and subsequently in a much larger edition. This useful work was received with acclaim; Sir Robert Borden repeatedly asked for additional copies; and asked that a copy should be sent to each Minister and to some of the Departments.⁽¹⁾ In the same year, another volume was prepared by Mr. Walker on the treaties and correspondence between Great Britain and the United States, from 1906 to the end of 1912, relating to International Boundaries and Boundary Waters.⁽²⁾

Annual Reports

Related somewhat to this matter of prints, may be mentioned the Annual Reports of the Department of External Affairs which were prescribed in both the 1909 and 1912 Acts. They were in fact a continuation, in separate form, of the Annual Reports of the Secretary of State.*

(1) Borden Papers. 2997. (1). (2). (Public Archives).

(2) Ibid.

* While in the Auditor General's annual reports, the Department of External Affairs fiscal report, from 1909 to 1914, was included under a sub-section of the Secretary of State's fiscal report - which made Pope feel that his Department was nothing more than a subordinate sub-department or "branch"; there was nevertheless, from 1909-10, a separate report by the Department of External Affairs itself, equal and parallel to that of the Secretary of State's Department, but distinct from it; and after 1914 the Auditor-General's report presented the fiscal report of the Department of External Affairs as a separate section or chapter.