

Advisory Board on iron and steel.

In the budget resolutions of May 1, 1930, full provisions has been made for the carrying out of this recommendation.

The bonus for coal used in the manufacture of steel was supported not only by the companies concerned but by Boards of Trade and organization of employees. It is estimated that it will mean not less than \$350,000 annually to the steel industry of Nova Scotia.

Tariff Revision on Iron, Steel and Coal.

It was recommended by the Duncan Commission that consideration be given to revision of the tariff duties on iron and steel, with a view to assisting the development of these industries in the Maritime provinces. At the time this recommendation was made the custom tariff on iron and steel was under the consideration of the Tariff Advisory Board. During the intervening period the Tariff Board has made a thorough investigation of the iron and steel schedules in the customs tariff and in the budget of 1930, full provision is made for a revision of duties in accordance with the recommendation of the Duncan report. Complaint has sometimes been made of the delay in the implementing this recommendation. It should be pointed out, however, the revision of the iron and steel schedules have been made only a year after the British Empire Steel Corporation submitted its last brief to the Tariff Advisory Board.

New Brunswick Railways.

It was recommended by the Duncan Commission that provision should be made for the taking over of the St. John and Quebec Railway by the Dominion Government. This recommendation has been implemented through legislation passed in the session of 1929.

It was also recommended that negotiations should be reopened by the Dominion Government for the acquisition of the