

TOPIC VIII.

1. What are the names of the present members of the cabinet and their departments?
2. Describe the system of "patronage" and its evils.
3. Is management by a board of commissioners an advantage in the case of a public enterprise?
4. Give a brief account of our militia system.
5. What difficulties have arisen in connection with the civil service?
6. Discuss the problem of "strikes."
7. Write a brief account of the development of our railway and canal systems.

TOPIC IX.

1. What are the dangers of a heavy national debt? What is the amount of the national debt of Canada?
2. What is the annual expenditure of the Dominion? Mention the important items of the expenditure.
3. Would it be advisable to adopt a system of direct taxation for the Dominion? Give reasons for your answer.
4. Discuss briefly the Canadian tariff question.
5. Make a note of the important points in the last budget speech.
6. How are customs and excise duties collected?

TOPIC X.

1. Tell how you would proceed at the bank in depositing money and in withdrawing it.
2. What are the merits of the Canadian banking system?