## CANADIAN UNION ENSIGN, 1892

## The Red Ensign with the Arms of Canada in the Fly

In 1892, to distinguish Canadian from other British merchantmen, the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty issued a warrant permitting the Arms of Canada (the four original provinces only) to be inserted in the fly of the Red Ensign, thus forming the Canadian Union Ensign. One writer claims that this restriction to its being used only afloat has been modified, and its use on land authorized, but this assertion, made by the same