

OTTAWA, December 30, 1913.

The Hon. LOUIS CODERRE, K.C.,
Secretary of State,
Ottawa.

SIR,—I have the honour to submit the following report of the work of the Archives Branch for the year ending the 31st of March, 1913.

During the past year many additions have been made in the Division of Manuscripts, including Transcripts from the Public Records Office, the Foreign Office, Hudson's Bay Company, British Museum, Les Archives des Colonies, Le Ministère des affaires Etrangères, and the Department des Fortifications. The Manuscript Journals of the House of Assembly of Lower-Canada have been transferred from the House of Commons to the Archives, also a number of documents from the Department of Indian Affairs and the Department of Militia and Defence. Transcripts have been made of various documents in the Seminary of St. Sulpice at Montreal, in the Court House and in other Religious Institutions. From the Maritime Provinces, we have received the papers of Joseph Howe, George Johnson and of Joseph Laurence; also various miscellaneous documents which are indicated in the Calendar.

A summary has also been made of the public letters between the years 1801 and 1824 found in the Neilson Collection. The remainder of the papers will be published next year. The papers of Bishop Inglis have also been completed. Several valuable original papers relating to Nova Scotia were presented to the Archives by the British Government, a summary of which is given in appendix 'C.'

The second volume of Constitutional Documents is nearing completion and the two volumes on Prairie Legislation are now in the Press. A new catalogue of additions to our Pamphlet library and a catalogue of prints and engravings are now in course of preparation.

I have the honour to be, sir,
Your obedient servant,

A. G. DOUGHTY.