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Coast defence guns have been relined and remounted, giving them a range and firing power ample to cover the waters through which attack might come.

Anti-aircraft guns, and various other modern artillery weapons have been acquired in small numbers and arrangements now under way are expected to produce a substantial increase in the number of anti-aircraft batteries within the present year.

The Dominion Arsenal at Quebec has been enlarged and its production of ammunition and components has been increased by from four to six-fold. New processes of manufacture, never before undertaken in the Arsenal, have been introduced, including certain phases of the manufacture of gas masks. The Lindsay Arsenal, after lying idle for 20 years, has been reopened and is now operating. Plans for greater use of its facilities have been announced and are being carried on. This greater utilization of the Arsenals is in conformity with the Minister's policy of manufacturing the country's defence equipment in State owned plants to the utmost extent possible.

Appropriations for the Militia service approximately \$10,000,000 in 1935 were \$21,000,000 this year.

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