

would place the Dominion government in a position to discharge effectively its international and national obligations, and at the same time, place the provincial governments in a position to carry out effectively their ~~own~~ obligations and responsibilities.

During the years of the war Canada achieved a higher level of employment and national income than ever before. Effective Dominion-Provincial co-operation is essential if we are to maintain a high level of employment and national income, and to extend social security in Canada.

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The present Dominion-Provincial Conference opened its proceedings on August 6th of last year. Prior to the opening of the conference and following months of co-operation with the provinces in the preparation of essential statistical material, a comprehensive set of proposals for ^a Dominion-Provincial ~~co-operation~~ ^{agreement} was worked out by the Dominion. These proposals were submitted to the conference at the opening of its proceedings.