

CONCLUSION.

30. It is gratifying to record that despite conditions of exceptional difficulty affecting all operations of the Department the work has proceeded systematically and smoothly, and that the high standard of service which has come to be associated with the name of the Public Trust Office has been fully maintained.

The foremost position which it occupies in the Dominion in executorship and trustee work has been maintained, and satisfactory progress in future may confidently be anticipated. The results which have been achieved would not have been possible but for the devoted and efficient services of the staff of the Office and of the Agents who represent it in many parts of the Dominion, and I desire to take this opportunity of recording appreciation of the manner in which their duties have been performed. Cordial thanks are also due to the members of the Investment Board for the assistance which they have given throughout the year in matters relating to the investment of the Office funds.

I have, &c.,

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The Right Hon. the Prime Minister.

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