

CHAPTER VII

POST-WAR ADMINISTRATION

DEPARTMENTAL LEGISLATION

INDUSTRIAL AND FOREIGN POLICY

Government Departments for dealing with Economic Questions. Legislation for the Protection of Industry—Conditions relating to Coal-mining—Shipping—Mathematical Instruments—Glassware—Toys—Electrical Industry—Chemicals—The Dye Industry—Machinery for Promoting Export Trade.

CONSIDERATION must now be given to the Government departments explicitly concerned with industrial questions, noting the measure of assistance granted to industrial undertakings and foreign trade. At the head stands the Reichshandelsministerium, to which is attached the Reich's Commissioner for Import and Export Concessions. Next in importance comes the Reichsarbeiterministerium, occupied with the social aspects and conditions of wage-earners generally and having the supervision of all matters to do with Labour, its dependent organisations including the Office of National Insurance. The whole machinery for dealing with Labour was nationalised by the law of July 22nd, 1922.