

*Catalogue of Archival Material.* An index to the printed catalogue is now being prepared. When it is completed it will be mimeographed and distributed.

*Testamentary Papers Prerogative Court.* These papers which were part of the files of the provincial Prerogative Court are now being arranged in chronological order, and they will be indexed by the name of the decedent. It is not intended to include all names which appear in the record as these may be found in the all-name index of the Testamentary Proceedings completed last year.

Copies of the *Catalogue of Archival Material* and of the *Calendar of the Black Books* published last year are still available at one dollar each. Copies of the annual reports of the Archivist from the fifth through the eighth are available in limited quantities for free distribution.

## ARRANGEMENT

All of the records received during the past year have been serviced. The biggest job was arranging, listing, and accessioning the material received from the Executive Department. The addition of such a large quantity of material to the Executive records already present made it necessary to rearrange and relist the whole set. When this was done, it was extremely gratifying to note that many gaps which we had supposed to be permanent had been filled. For example, we now have a complete record of Executive Proceedings from 1777 to 1911; whereas, formerly we had no record at all for about thirty years of this period and only the Rough Minutes for about forty other years.

We also made a beginning of labeling and arranging the large and varied collection of loose papers of the Executive Department. At present we are marking the date and describing briefly the papers on the folders containing them. Until a better knowledge of the collection has been obtained, the present rough chronological order will not be altered except in those cases where the paper has obviously been misplaced. At the end of the fiscal year, 26 boxes of papers dating from 1775 to 1781 had been labeled.

Finally, we have resumed arranging and indexing the original papers of the Prerogative Court, called Testamentary Papers. (See under "Aids to Research"). During the past year, the papers from 1659 to 1696, a total of 9 boxes, were arranged and indexed.