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THE BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA

The Remarkable Strength Percentages—A Notable Increase in deposits

The Bank of Nova Scotia, true to the exceptionally high standard it has set in previous years, presents a statement for the business of the twelve months of 1907 that is well in advance of any previous elevation. Without any depreciation of the reports of other banks, it would appear that the Nova Scotia must be accorded a class by itself. This is the comment that is naturally aroused by an institution which shows a ratio of quick assets to public liabilities of 71 per cent. Liabilities to the public \$30,801,632 Quick assets 22,133,744

The quick assets do not include the deposit with the Dominion Government on account of note circulation, \$146,813, or current loans secured by bonds and stocks or by grain and other commodities which would swell these figures by another \$2,244,000—figures which are frequently included in other statements over the line of immediately available assets. The actual cash in another high water mark, being over 19 per cent of the public liabilities and if sterling exchange bills which are the equivalent of immediately realizable cash were added, the percentage would be over 23. Another item of great interest is the comparative figure under the United States reserve law. The Bank of Nova Scotia reserves as against deposits are over 30 per cent., where the legal requirement in the United States for a bank situated in a reserve city is 25 per cent., and in non-reserve cities 15 per cent. These are figures which the Canadian bank regard with very considerable pride a system which has evolved a bank of this character.

It is natural that a bank report possessing these characteristics must be the subject of a very high plane. The profits for the year were the largest in the history of the bank, \$681,709, or at the rate of 22.72 on the capital. Last year the percentage on a smaller average capital was a shade higher, 23.50 per cent., but in either case the earnings are of the record order. With such revenues there is ample margin over the 12 per cent. dividend for such items as "transferred to reserve," \$150,000, and "written off bank premises," \$125,000; for contributions to the officers' fund and the Jamaica relief fund; and for a profit and loss credit of \$71,164.

In a sense, the most gratifying feature of the exhibit is the increase in deposits which have advanced from \$25,061,907 in 1906, to \$26,999,193 a gain of \$1,937,286, or nearly eight per cent. The increase being practically contributed by interest bearing deposits. This is easily the largest percentage of increase reported by any of the long-established banks.

The bank was in a very strongly fortified position at the beginning of this eventful year, and was consequently in a position to employ its resources to great advantage. It was thus enabled to increase its call loans and contribute assistance to the security market, and, at the same time, to lend readily on commercial paper. One achievement it accomplished has been particularly mentioned in the English financial papers, and is in itself a striking example of the superiority of our banking system contrasted with that of the United States. Subsequent to the panic in New York it sent \$6,000,000 in gold to assist the needs at the storm centre. On the broad principle it was applying a remedy where the sore in the financial body was most acute and from the individual view point it was accomplishing an exceedingly profitable business transaction of a very clean-cut character.

Other figures might be given, but the previous quotations amply demonstrate most of the salient features of the Bank of Nova Scotia's year.

Two distinctions in its annual report are, however, worthy of special mention. Firstly, the list of investments in bonds, debentures or stocks is given in detail, and it is almost needless to say the valuation is of an extremely conservative character. Secondly, the statement has been audited by two leading chartered accountants from Great Britain, who are experienced in bank auditing, and who have personally checked the cash on hand at the four leading offices, and have verified the securities held as investments either directly or through the deputizing of responsible business men not in the employ of the bank.

PLOT TO DESTROY AMERICAN FLEET

Washington Warned that Attempt Will be Made at Rio Janeiro—Vessels Said to Have Fitted out in France and Loaded With Explosives.

PARIS, Jan. 25.—The report cabled from Rio Janeiro that the Brazilian authorities were warned from Paris of a possible attempt to blow up the American battleship fleet while in the harbor there, are true.

Some time ago certain suspicions indicating the existence of a plot to destroy the whole or a portion of the fleet either at Rio Janeiro or in the Straits of Magellan were aroused here and naturally communicated to Rio and Washington. A chartered steamer was reported to have conspired to the use of the explosives there about the middle of December, and John Fedher, whose name is mentioned in the Rio despatches, was revealed here as interested in the conspiracy.

The alleged plot is supposed to have some rather startling ramifications, but the evidence along this line is far from conclusive and rests chiefly upon the statement of an individual, whose record was subsequently proved to be anything but creditable. Consequently the whole affair is regarded with much skepticism and indeed the presumption has been raised that it may have been a deliberately concocted scare. In any event it is now believed here that the plot actually did exist, the timely warning and precautions taken have completely frustrated the plans of the conspirators at Rio Janeiro, and compelled them to transfer their operations further south. It is not to be abandoned entirely. The latter hypothesis is considered here to be the most probable.

Only a few people here treated this story seriously, others regarded it as fantastic, while many dismissed the whole affair as a myth.

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buildings and endangered the lives of more than 700 persons, occurred early today.

The fire was the worst in the State since the great conflagration in Portland in 1866, when the city's business and residential sections were almost completely wiped out.

Death was absent from the fire, a fact considered very remarkable as there were more than 700 members of the Western Maine Knights of Pythias at the jubilee gathered in Auditorium of City Hall when the flames were discovered, but only a few persons were injured.

It is, therefore, not a matter of surprise with earnings on a higher ratio than any other institution with a reserve 180 per cent. of the capital, and with resources of unequalled amplitude that the shares of the Bank of Nova Scotia should be quoted where they are today.

It is not the practice of this paper to indulge in personal encomia, but any comment necessitated by the necessity a tribute to the master mind which has been able to secure such results. The general manager, H. C. McLeod, has applied from a widely extended experience to the conduct of the bank the best principles of British and American banking practice, and while following a conservative course, has not hesitated to seize upon opportunities resulting in great benefit to the institution he so ably commands. Suaviter in modo, fortiter in re is a maxim which sums up the ideal of banking practice, and these words can be appropriately written under the signature in the seventy-sixth report of the Bank of Nova Scotia. (The Financial Post of Canada.)

MILK LENS FOR UNION STATION

At Winnipeg for Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern

MONTREAL, January 25.—The statement was officially made today that the union terminals to be provided at Winnipeg for the joint use of the Grand Trunk Pacific and Canadian Northern railways will be the most extensive and complete of any on this continent. A conference was held here today between Messrs Mackenzie and Mann, of the Canadian Northern railway; and Charles M. Hays, P. W. Morse and Chief Engineer Gallagher of the Grand Trunk Pacific. At the close of the conference it was announced that the plans were practically passed and the details were under consideration by the engineers preparatory to the commencement of active building operations at Winnipeg in the early spring. While no estimate of the cost has yet been prepared, it is expected that the terminal will involve an expenditure of several millions of dollars.


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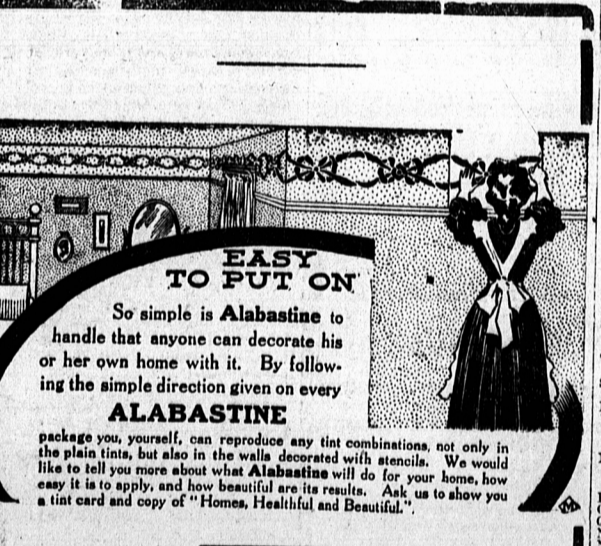
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Death Claims	\$2,291,861.1
Total Disability Claims	324,433.31
Old Age and Expectation of Life claims	\$3,440.31
Sick and Funeral Claims	293,335.32
Total	\$2,707,070.04
Total Benefits Paid from the Income of the Order	\$24,027,990.02
Surplus, 31st December, 1907	11,025,352.04
Gain during the year	1,029,233.54
Membership, 1st December, 1907	258,137
Net gain during the year from Dec. 1st, 1906 to Dec. 1st, 1907	12,920
MEMBERSHIP	
Membership outside of Canada, 1st December, 1907	155,407
Membership in Canada, 1st Dec. 1907	
PROVINCES	TOTAL
Ontario	59,051
Quebec	24,954
New Brunswick	4,180
Nova Scotia	4,217
Manitoba (Alberta and Saskatchewan)	3,797
British Columbia	2,811
Prince Edward Island	1,937
British Columbia	1,828
Newfoundland	163
Total	102,870
Membership, 1st December, 1907	258,137
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