

THE Canadian Bank of Commerce

REPORT OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OF

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

TUESDAY, 12th JANUARY, 1900.

The forty-second Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of The Canadian Bank of Commerce was held in the banking house on Tuesday, 12th January, 1900, at 10 o'clock.

The President, Mr. B. E. Walker, having taken the chair, Mr. A. St. L. Triggs, was appointed to act as secretary, and Messrs. W. Murray Alexander and Edward Croux were appointed scrutineers.

The President called upon the Secretary to read the Annual Report of the Directors, as follows:—

REPORT

The Directors beg to present to the Shareholders the forty-second Annual Report, covering the year ending 30th November, 1900, together with the usual Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account, brought forward from last year was

The net profits for the year ending 30th November, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, amounted to

Which has been appropriated as follows:—	
Dividends Nos. 85, 86 and 87, at Eight per cent. per annum	\$ 800,000.00
Transferred to Pension Fund (annual contribution)	300,000.00
Subscriptions to Quebec Battlefields and Patrie Fire Funds and other objects	83,000.00
Transferred to Ret. Account	12,000.00
Balance carried forward	1,000,000.00
	161,244.88
	\$ 2,303,244.88

All the assets of the Bank have been, as usual, carefully revalued and all bad and doubtful debts amply provided for.

Your Directors have the pleasure of reporting earnings amounting to \$1,627,327.78, which, in view of the disturbed financial conditions of the year, we consider very satisfactory. After providing for the dividends and for the usual contribution to the Pension Fund, we have been able to write \$300,000 off Bank Premises Account to add \$1,000,000 to the Reserve, making that account \$8,000,000 and to carry forward \$161,244.88 at the credit of Profit and Loss Account.

During the year the Bank has opened new branches at the following places: In Ontario, at Verdun, Exeter, Forest and Thedford; the first two and the "inst. named being branches taken over from the Sovereign Bank of Canada; in Manitoba, at Rivers; in Saskatchewan, at Delisle, Ebor, Melville, Outlook, Tugaskie and Watrous; in Alberta, at Monarch and in British Columbia, at Revelstoke and Park Drive, Vancouver. The branches at Kamille, Min. Kingstun, Sask. Norwood, Man. and Ross Avenue, Winnipeg, have been closed. Since the close of the Bank's year a branch has been opened at Provost, Alta.

In accordance with our usual practice, the branches and agencies of the Bank in Canada, the United States and Great Britain, and the various departments of the Head Office have all been thoroughly inspected during the year.

The Directors again have pleasure in recording their appreciation of the efficiency and zeal with which the officers of the Bank have performed their respective duties.

B. E. WALKER,
President.

Toronto, 12th January, 1900.

GENERAL STATEMENT

30th NOVEMBER, 1900

LIABILITIES.

Notes of the Bank in circulation		
Deposits not being interest		
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date	\$22,201,124.05	\$9,640,845.68
	72,808,686.97	
Balances due to other Banks in Canada	95,037,769.02	
Balances due to other Banks in foreign countries	165,408.36	
Dividends unpaid	1,131,386.64	
Capital paid up	1,533,693.69	200,000.00
Rest	\$10,000,000.00	
Balance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward	6,000,000.00	
	161,244.88	
	16,161,244.88	
	\$12,338,314.27	

ASSETS

Coin and Bullion	\$1,584,049.06	
Domestic Notes	\$8,393,293.25	
Balances due by other Banks in Canada	\$ 11,859.55	\$13,087,312.31
Balances due by Agents of the Bank in the United Kingdom	6,750,669.18	
Balances due by Agents of the Bank, and other Banks in foreign countries	3,191,278.58	
Note of and Cheques on other Banks	4,341,792.50	
Call and Short Loans in Canada	14,398,361.11	
Call and Short Loans in the United States	7,314,181.33	
Government Bonds, Municipal and other Securities	10,822,768.14	
Deposit with Dominion Government for security of Note circulation	4,678,399.71	
	450,000.00	
Loans to other Banks in Canada, secured	\$30,446,178.80	
Other Current Loans and Discounts	1,061,235.00	
Overdue Debts (less fully provided for)	63,694,649.07	
Real Estate (other than Bank Premises)	143,648.74	
Mortgages	39,375.41	
Bank Premises	27,102.01	
Other Assets	1,727,444.31	
	201,162.87	
	\$12,338,314.27	

ALEXANDER LAIRD, General Manager

The motion for the adoption of the report was then put and carried. The proposed revised list of the Bank were read to the meeting and accepted by the shareholders. The usual resolutions expressing the thanks of the shareholders to the President, Vice-President and Directors and also to the general manager, superintendent of branches and other officers of the Bank, were unanimously carried. Upon motion, the meeting proceeded to elect Directors for the coming year and then adjourned.

The scrutineers subsequently reported the following gentlemen to be elected as Directors for the coming year: B. E. Walker, C.V. O. L. L. D., Robert Kilgour, Hon. George A. Cox, M. Leggat, James Crathern, John Hoskin, K. C. L. L. D., J. W. Flavell, L. S. D., A. Kingman, Hon. L. Melville, Hon. F. R. Nicholls, H. D. Warren, Hon. W. C. Edwards, Z. A. Lash, K. C. E. R. Wood.

At a meeting of the newly elected Board of Directors held subsequently, Mr. B. E. Walker was elected President, and Mr. Robert Kilgour Vice-President.

Thanks

We wish to thank our customers for their liberal patronage during the year 1900 and trust by our best attention to their requirements to merit a continuance of same for 1901.

We also extend our best wishes for a Bright and prosperous New Year.

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STEAMER FIBRA A TOTAL WRECK

AUX HAVEN, Germany, Jan. 18.—The British steamer Fibra, has been wrecked off Amrum, and is a total loss. The steamer carried a crew of eighteen, and it is believed that the majority perished while endeavoring to reach the shore.

(Amrum is one of the North Frisian Islands in the North Sea, west of Schleswig. Its length is six miles.)

THE MONGOLIANS KEEP INFORMATION

MONTREAL, Jan. 18.—A wholesale scheme for smuggling Chinese into the United States was discovered here. Grand Trunk railway detectives found ten Chinamen hidden in a car described as theatrical scenery, billed to Albany.

The Chinese refused to give any information.

He Knows From His Experience

That Dodd's Kidney Pills Will Cure Bright's Disease

Postmaster Cote Tells How the Great Canadian Kidney Remedy Cured Him After Doctors Had Given Up.

Le Petit Bois Franc, Temiscouata Co., Que., Jan. 19.—(Special.—Mr. Charles Cote, postmaster here, is firmly convinced that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure Bright's Disease or any other disease of the kidneys. He knows it from his own experience.

"For over four years I was troubled with Backache, Rheumatism and lack of ambition, and my urine was of a dark unnatural color. I was attended by three doctors who did me no good. The last one told me it was only a waste of money to try anything else as I could not live more than a year at the outside.

"At the verge of death I decided to give Dodd's Kidney Pills a trial. I used eighteen boxes and to-day my Rheumatism, Backache and Headache are gone. My urine is like that of a child. I feel I owe my life to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Postmaster Cote had all the symptoms of Bright's Disease. The doctors evidently knew he had Bright's Disease—the most deadly form of Kidney Disease. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured him. They will cure any form of Kidney disease.

SAYS POE WAS BORN IN HUB

BOSTON, Jan. 16.—I have discovered that while the father of Edgar Allan Poe was an actor in Boston the Poes were living in a brick house on the east side of Carver street, and here Edgar Allan Poe was born.

This statement was made by Walter Kendall Watkins at a meeting of the Bostonian Society, held yesterday afternoon in the council chamber of the Old State House.

Mr. Watkins has been investigating the facts of Poe's life for some time. In making his announcement to the society he said he considered their anniversary of the day of Poe's birth, a peculiarly appropriate occasion for disclosing this literary secret.

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Opens an Engagement at New Wonderland To-night Billings and Blaney in Their Popular, Clever and Entertaining Specialty.

Tonight, if the boats are not interrupted, Billings and Blaney open their engagement at New Wonderland, giving an entirely new entertainment in the way of musical attractions. They open their act with a cafe, the "Ley's Strategy" a comedy film of colored waiter dusting and getting more than ordinary amusing propensities neat. The proprietor comes in love and duty as the others. And before he leaves the two play together everything in the room. Alison sings for the last time from the stove pipe to the dishes. "We'll get you be my Honey." Change of musical instruments are played, not any make believe, and the performance is interspersed with a running fire of comedy which will be sure to please. This act was pronounced the biggest business drawer five cents admission to all parts of any which ever played in Acker's theatre in Halifax, and as all acts booked for New Wonderland, contains nothing but what the most refined can listen to and enjoy.

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6,000,000 FOLLOW IN CHRIST'S FOOTSTEPS

CLEVELAND, O., January 16.—Between five and six million young Christians will be following in the footsteps of Christ, not as an experiment, but permanently, within a short time, if the plans formed by the leaders of the movement in Cleveland are carried out.

A committee of thirty, composed of ten representatives of each of the Episcopalian, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, and Lutheran Societies of Christian Endeavor, and the Baptist Young People's Union, has been appointed to undertake the task of making the movement a national one.

Letters have been sent to northern and southern branches of the Episcopalian League and of the Baptist Young People's Union. Each is requested to take up the question with the state and local organizations throughout the United States and Canada.

THE C. P. R. AS A NATION BUILDER

OTTAWA, Jan. 16.—Railway officials who were present at the first dinner of the Central Railway Club at Buffalo the other evening declared that the oratorical gem of the evening was the speech delivered by Mr. George H. Ham who represented the Canadian Pacific Railway on the occasion.

It was only a quarter of an hour's duration, but for that time the company was rolling out laughter as the steam engine throws out smoke.

Among the more serious things Mr. Ham said was the statement that the Canadian Pacific although essentially a Canadian line had so many connections with the United States, running all the way from the Maine coast to Seattle that it had voluntarily placed itself under the Interstate Commerce Law of the Republic. It was at the same time under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Railway Commission. These two propositions were kept in mind when it might almost be feared it would get out of plumb.

Another point made was that while Canada had given many great railroads to the United States it had taken back other Americans, who were among the leaders in the building up of the Canadian West.

Railways must be regarded as chief among the nation building factors of the age. The Canadian Pacific, for instance, was not merely to adapt the legal phraseology of the statute book, "common carrier," but took settlers to virgin lands that were settled ahead of the railway locomotive. The bringing of population for settlement in a new country was the most effective and practical kind of nation building.

MONCTON WINS FROM CHATHAM

MONCTON, Jan. 18.—In a close and exciting finish, the Moncton curlers defeated four skips of Chatham curlers here last evening, in the McCaffrey cup series. In order to allow the visitors to return home on the maritime express, play began about half past six and finished a few minutes past eight. The home rink took a long lead in the first half of the game and the real struggle for supremacy came in the last few ends. When the contest was about half through Moncton had a lead of about 26 shots, but when the second half ended was finished, Chatham had pulled this down to three and the final end was consequently watched with a great deal of interest. The local players, however, not only held their lead, but increased it by one, winding up with the narrow margin of four shots. The feature of the game was a seven end made by skip E. W. Givan against skip Howard McKenzie in the ninth, and this came as a finale to a succession of wins, the score then standing at 19 to 3. Notwithstanding this big lead, skip McKenzie kept at it and brought his score up to 12 before his opponent scored again.

For the first twelve ends there was a battle royal between skips Dickson and Heckert and skips G. S. Allen and B. A. Snowball, but in the last half of the game the visitors on these two rinks pulled away from their opponents, skip Henderson took a good lead on skip McLaughlin at the start and held a fair margin to the close.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of FIFTY DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE. FRANK J. CHENEY Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 16th day of December, A.D. 1899.

(SEAL) J. W. GLEASON, Notary Public

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TWELVE MEN FIND A WATERY GRAVE

NEW YORK, Jan. 18.—During the blinding snowstorm of yesterday the schooner Swallow, of St. John's Nfld., Gloucester with herring and lumber, drove ashore on the Fire Island Shoals and in a few minutes was smashed to pieces. Dripping wreckage conveyed to the life savers the information of the tragedy. But although careful watch was kept along the shore no traces of the crew were discovered. The Swallow carried twelve men and was commanded by Capt. Dargett. She belonged to Newfoundland, all the crew lost their lives.

MARRIED.

CHALMERS—REAGH—At Grand Coulee, Saskatchewan, on Tuesday December 29th 1900, Miss Eva B. Reagh, daughter of Archdeacon Reagh of this Province, to Ernest D. Chalmers of Grand Coulee.

BELL—GREEN—At the home of the bride on Jan. 11, 1900, by Rev. Ernest E. Weeks B. A., B. D. Daniel S. Bell of Emmore, Lot 10 to Mary U. Green of Mt. Pleasant, Lot 13.

BARRETT—MUTTART—At the bride's home on Jan. 12th, 1900, by Rev. Ernest E. Weeks B. A., B. D. Charles William Barrett, son of Charles Barrett, Lot 16 to Gertrude Rosamond Muttart, daughter of the late Sampson Muttart, Union Corner, Lot 15.

THE FRUITS OF THE EARTH

Seem To Be Nature's Provision For Keeping Man Healthy and Warding Off Disease.

Cereals, vegetables and meat supply the elements needed for man's nourishment. Yet fruit—though it has very little food value—has proved to be absolutely necessary for perfect health.

Careful investigation has shown that all the common fruits act on the liver, kidneys, bowels and skin. These are the organs that rid the body of dead tissue and waste products, and the fruit juices stir them up to more vigorous action, thus keeping the whole body clean and healthy.

But few people eat enough fruit. Realizing this, after several years of experimenting, a prominent Canadian physician succeeded in combining the juices of apples, oranges, figs and prunes in such a way that the medicinal action of many times multiplied. Then he added valuable tonics and made the combination into tablets and called "Fruit-a-tives." They are really Nature's cure for Constipation, Indigestion, Biliousness and Stomach Troubles. Mild as Nature itself—yet more prompt and effective. Sold by all druggists. A box—6 boxes for \$2.50—trial size box 25c. Fruit-a-tives Limited, Ottawa.

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Our Thanks

We take this opportunity of extending our thanks to our numerous friends and customers for the very generous patronage accorded us during the year 1900. For the many kindly expressions of approval of our work which have come to us we thank you, and trust by our continued courteous, careful and prompt attention to merit a continuance of the same.

Hoping the New Year may bring each one continued happiness and prosperity, we remain, Yours for good luck

Alvin F. Webster.

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