Power to suspend.

(2) The Governor in Council, from time to time and for such period as he may deem desirable, may suspend the operation of the next preceding subsection and remove such suspension.

Gold and securities to be turned over to Bank.

(3) On the day on which the Bank is authorized to com- 5 mence business the Minister shall transfer to the Bank

(a) gold held by the Minister for redemption of Dominion

notes:

(b) silver held by the Minister for redemption of Dominion notes valued at the market price of the fine 10 silver content thereof:

(c) securities of the Dominion of Canada bearing interest at three per centum per annum, payable half-yearly and having a maturity not exceeding five years, valued

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at par:

to the amount of Dominion notes outstanding on that day, except notes issued under the authority of the Finance Act.

(4) On and after the day on which the Bank is authorized to commence business the Bank shall be responsible for the redemption of all Dominion notes then issued and out-20 standing and such notes shall be and continue to be legal tender.

Repayment of advances

Power to issue securities 1931, c. 27.

(5) On the day on which the Bank is authorized to comunder Finance mence business, the chartered banks shall repay all advances then outstanding under the Finance Act.

> (6) The Minister, for the purposes of paragraph (c) of subsection three of this section, is authorized to issue securities under the provisions of The Consolidated Revenue and Audit Act, 1931, and payment of the principal of and interest on such securities shall be made out of the Con-30 solidated Revenue Fund.

RESERVES.

Reserve.

25. (1) The Bank shall always maintain a reserve, as hereinafter provided, as security against its outstanding notes and deposit liabilities.

"Reserve" defined.

(2) The reserve required by this section to be main-35 tained shall comprise

(a) gold coin and bullion in the unrestricted ownership of the Bank to the amount of twenty-five per centum of the notes and deposit liabilities aforesaid;

(b) silver bullion received from the Minister under the 40 next preceding section or purchased under the authority of subsection four hereof, valued at the market price of the fine silver content thereof; and

(c) foreign exchange, which shall mean

(i) Balances with the Bank of England, the Bank for 45 International Settlements, banks in the city of New York approved by the Board and a central bank in any country whose currency by law and in fact is convertible on demand at a fixed price 50 into exportable gold;