BANKS' APPROPRIATIONS FOR WRITING DOWN PREMISES ACCOUNTS.

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Bank.	1915	1914	1913	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908	1907	1906	1905	1904	1903	Total in 13 years.
Montreal	....	$290,000	$485,000	$511,000	$708,800	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	$1,994,800
Quebec	....	18,018	22,841	26,689	58,192	$133,503	....	....	....	$17,500	....	$25,000	....	301,743
Nova Scotia	....	....	150,000	150,000	125,000	125,000	$125,000	$100,000	$125,000	100,000	$35,870	91,260	$70,000	1,197,130
British	....	*98,306	73,000	48,667	48,667	48,667	73,000	....	97,333	97,333	48,667	48,667	....	682,307
Toronto	....	....	300,000	100,000	100,000	48,751	77,650	95,813	100,000	100,000	35,369	25,493	36,900	1,019,976
Molsons	....	....	47,269	66,516	39,051	16,137	11,952	48,519	151,232	115,390	55,484	9,378	35,908	596,836
Nationale	....	12,000	....	....	....	....	....	12,500	25,000	....	....	....	....	49,500
Merchants	....	100,000	....	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	950,000
Provinciale	$9,664	9,474	14,832	15,869	27,461	21,747	23,062	13,640	36,412	....	7,779	....	....	179,940
Union	....	....	50,000	100,000	100,000	....	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	10,000	....	760,000
Commerce	....	....	500,000	500,000	400,000	300,000	419,801	300,000	350,000	341,435	219,234	127,806	185,007	3,643,283
Royal	250,000	250,000	250,000	300,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	250,000	150,000	100,000	75,000	50,000	2,475,000
Dominion	....	100,000	....	....	....	170,000	150,000	100,000	....	....	75,630	....	....	595,630
Hamilton	....	....	....	....	....	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	....	5,000	5,000	135,000
Standard	25,000	50,000	25,000	20,000	25,000	25,000	....	....	10,000	....	17,394	....	....	197,394
Hochelaga	18,990	....	44,695	45,067	24,000	21,468	13,732	15,141	30,564	50,785	....	....	....	264,442
Ottawa	....	75,151	37,291	54,395	100,000	100,000	57,351	46,720	46,969	32,875	46,998	36,289	19,826	653,865
Imperial	....	74,601	124,771	60,026	71,774	48,851	69,921	36,052	116,392	100,000	25,041	25,000	20,000	772,429
Metropolitan	....	....	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	....	....	150,000
Northern Crown	....	....	....	30,000	15,000	....	5,000	....	....	15,897	....	....	....	65,897
Home	71,836	65,000	....	25,000	....	....	....	....	10,000	....	....	....	....	171,836
Sterling	28,799	47,615	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	76,414
Weyburn	....	1,000	....	1,000	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2,000
	404,289	1,191,164	2,144,699	2,174,229	2,162,945	1,404,124	1,471,469	1,213,385	1,583,902	1,356,215	827,466	528,893	472,641	16,935,422

Bank of British North America and Weyburn Security Bank, 1915 reports not published at date of writing.

*British figures for 1914 represent the total appropriated for year ended May, plus the additional amount appropriated for half-year ended November, 1914.

In connection with the sale of property on Northeast corner of King and Yonge Streets, Toronto, there was in 1912 a decrease of $790,000 in book value of the Dominion Bank's Premises Account. Even though the funds for such writing down were not taken from the Profit and Loss Account, the transaction should be taken into consideration in perusing the above statement.

Included in the above appropriations for premises are a few to write down furniture, safes, etc., and to meet expenses of opening branches.

BANKS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO PENSION FUNDS.

Bank.	1915	1914	1913	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908	1907	1906	1905	1904	1903	1902	Total in 14 years.
Quebec	....	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$7,500	$2,500	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$5,000	$65,000
Nova Scotia	$50,000	50,000	50,000	40,000	30,000	25,000	25,000	15,000	20,000	20,000	18,000	12,000	12,000	10,000	377,000
British*	....	91,849	48,032	32,011	29,194	32,074	22,276	22,215	16,761	12,033	10,668	10,497	13,179	14,410	355,199
Toronto	25,000	25,000	20,000	20,000	15,000	15,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	7,500	7,500	5,000	5,000	185,000
Molsons	21,452	18,070	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	....	149,522
Nationale	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	10,000	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	55,000
Merchants	....	50,000	....	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	25,000	22,000	19,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	376,000
Union	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	25,000	....	....	....	....	....	105,000
Commerce	80,000	80,000	80,000	75,000	55,000	50,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	25,000	25,000	15,000	15,000	620,000
Royal	100,000	100,000	100,000	75,000	50,000	50,000	25,000	25,000	20,000	20,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	605,000
Dominion	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	100,000
Hamilton	19,014	19,309	34,529	33,717	28,977		....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	135,546
Standard	15,000	15,000	12,500	10,000	7,500	7,500	7,500	5,000	....	....	....	....	....	....	80,000
Hochelaga	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	85,000
Ottawa	....	15,000	15,000	15,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	....	....	100,000
Imperial	7,500	27,500	27,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	....	....	25,000	....	....	....	....	....	110,000
Metropolitan	....	....	5,000	5,000	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10,000
Home	....	10,000	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10,000
Northern Crown	....	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	30,000
	367,966	561,728	462,561	428,228	325,671	284,574	224,776	167,215	193,761	136,033	116,168	109,997	95,179	79,410	3,553,267

* British Bank figures include appropriations for the three funds, "Officers' Life Insurance," "Officers' Widows and Orphans," and "Fension Fund." Prior to 1912 the totals for each calendar year were given; in 1912 and 1913 the figures for this bank represent the appropriations for year ending May; in 1914 the amount represents the appropriations for year ending May plus the additional amounts set aside in half-year ending November, 1914. The 1915 figures not published at date of writing.

With reference to the Imperial, appropriations of $7,500 in each of the years 1910 to 1915 inclusive were stated as for "Pension and Guarantee Fund." The Imperial also appropriated $20,000 for Pension Fund in 1900. Appropriations by the Nova Scotia, British, Merchants, Commerce and Royal for Pension Fund purposes were begun prior to 1901. The Bank of Montreal has a Pension Fund which has been long in existence, but the recent annual reports do not reveal the amounts of any appropriations made for this purpose. Weyburn Security report 1915 not published at date of writing.