COMPARATIVE ABSTRACT OF THE BANK STATEMENT, SEPTEMBER, 1918.

(Compiled by the Chronicle).

	September 30 1918	August 31 1918	Month's Movement 1918	September 30 1917	Month's Movement 1917	Year's Movement
Assets						
Specie	$ 74,684,377	$75,222,384	−$ 538,007	$ 69,848,798	−$ 1,374,430	+$ 4,835,579
Dominion Notes	187,080,654	186,256,488	+ 824,166	121,691,837	+ 1,183,620	+ 65,388,817
Deposits in Central Gold Reserves	100,070,000	91,470,000	+ 8,600,000	64,870,000	+ 11,550,000	+ 35,200,000
Notes of other Banks	28,999,657	25,854,067	+ 3,145,590	19,895,554	+ 2,932,687	+ 9,104,103
Loans to other Banks in Canada	4,000,000	4,000,000	....	....	....	+ 4,000,000
Cheques on other Banks	91,670,689	73,238,661	+ 18,432,028	73,965,050	+ 5,282,588	+ 17,705,639
Deposit to secure Note issues	5,850,615	5,845,902	+ 4,713	5,761,342	+ 4,719	+ 89,273
Deposits with and balances due from other Banks in Canada	5,461,514	4,846,301	+ 621,213	6,841,139	+ 1,192,622	− 1,379,625
Due from Banks, etc., in U.K.	8,325,560	9,108,360	− 782,500	13,841,655	− 5,899,232	− 5,516,095
Due from Banks, etc., elsewhere	43,763,911	54,455,629	− 10,691,718	56,492,760	+ 6,434,585	− 12,728,849
Dom. and Prov. Securities	223,313,609	179,039,711	+ 44,273,898	142,698,962	+ 215,574	+ 80,614,647
Can. Mun. Brit., For. & Col. Pub Securities	250,698,255	252,239,043	− 1,540,788	176,015,496	− 233,696	+ 74,682,759
Rlwy. and other Bonds and Stocks	55,903,534	56,190,748	− 287,214	58,894,390	+ 130,425	+ 2,990,856
Total Securities held	529,915,398	487,469,502	+ 42,445,896	377,608,848	+ 112,303	+ 152,306,550
Call Loans in Canada	74,137,860	73,509,571	+ 628,289	72,421,187	+ 1,216,836	+ 1,716,673
Call Loans outside Canada	159,680,810	160,544,990	− 864,180	166,480,004	− 12,130,621	− 6,799,194
Total Call and Short Loans	233,818,670	234,054,561	− 235,891	238,901,191	− 10,913,785	− 5,082,521
Current Loans and Discounts in Canada	942,802,018	920,775,269	+ 22,026,749	855,306,953	+ 18,877,283	+ 87,495,065
Current Loans and Discounts outside	109,850,161	101,551,546	+ 8,298,615	87,265,325	+ 182,478	+ 22,584,836
Total Current Loans and Discounts	1,052,652,179	1,022,326,815	+ 30,325,364	942,572,278	+ 19,059,761	+ 110,079,901
Loans to Dominion Government	....	....	....	1,790,151	+ 182,388	− 1,700,151
Loans to Provincial Governments	3,099,312	3,107,083	− 7,771	5,430,535	+ 419,307	− 2,331,223
Loans to Cities, Towns, etc.	47,977,472	56,662,931	− 8,685,459	42,721,563	− 1,228,613	+ 5,255,909
Bank Premises	53,268,468	53,333,467	− 64,999	51,188,669	+ 463,357	+ 2,079,799
Total Assets	2,507,714,981	2,423,466,887	+ 84,248,094	2,126,571,342	+ 30,180,680	+ 381,143,639
Liabilities						
Notes in Circulation	211,623,856	200,839,660	+ 10,784,196	177,589,268	+ 21,138,611	+ 34,034,588
Due to Dominion Government	97,328,077	85,393,676	+ 11,934,401	19,888,938	− 5,382,777	+ 77,439,139
Due to Provincial Governments	20,216,474	22,037,448	− 1,820,974	21,392,853	+ 145,795	− 1,176,379
Deposits in Canada, payable on demand	588,940,119	554,906,517	+ 34,033,602	451,749,532	+ 11,754,273	+ 137,190,587
Deposits in Canada, payable after notice	1,037,498,020	1,014,711,865	+ 22,786,155	965,393,541	+ 12,801,720	+ 72,104,479
Total Deposits of Public in Canada	1,626,438,139	1,569,618,382	+ 56,819,757	1,417,143,073	+ 24,555,893	+ 209,295,066
Deposits elsewhere than in Canada	217,486,568	220,124,417	− 2,637,849	180,535,043	− 6,116,610	+ 36,951,525
Total Deposits other than Govt	1,843,924,707	1,789,742,799	+ 54,181,908	1,597,678,116	− 18,439,283	+ 246,246,591
Deposits and Bal., other Can. Bks.	10,072,133	8,406,023	+ 666,110	10,408,394	+ 2,016,519	− 336,261
Due to Bks. and Correspts. in U.K.	6,122,571	3,757,405	+ 2,365,166	2,860,387	− 221,637	+ 3,262,184
Due to Banks & Correspts. elsewhere.	26,674,357	26,778,640	− 104,283	21,030,174	− 448,791	+ 5,644,183
Total Liabilities	2,248,965,343	2,169,483,583	+ 79,481,760	1,876,390,291	+ 228,613,543	+ 372,575,052
Capital, etc.						
Capital paid up	111,453,477	111,451,963	+ 1,514	111,666,656	+ 2,507	− 213,179
Rest	114,142,333	114,141,248	+ 1,085	113,517,153	+ 2,050	+ 625,180
Loans to Directors and their Firms	7,227,344	7,544,298	− 317,154	8,367,365	+ 476,237	− 1,140,021
Greatest Circulation in Month	213,066,909	202,489,039	+ 10,577,870	178,139,958	+ 15,443,919	+ 34,926,951

SOLDIERS' INSURANCE.

Toronto Ratepayers to Answer a Series of Questions.

At the request of the Toronto Board of Control, the city treasurer and the city solicitor have drawn up a series of questions which may be submitted to the ratepayers at the next municipal elections on the subject of soldiers' insurance. According to a resolution of the City Council passed in December last, insurance is now paid to (a) widows and children of the deceased wherever resident, (b) parents, or those acting as parents, only if resident in Toronto. The questions drawn up by the officials for an enlargement of these payments are as follows:

"Are you in favor of the city paying $1,000 on the death of each soldier who was a resident of the city and enlisted before the Military Service Act came into effect:

"(a) To his parents not residing in the city?

"(b) To his brothers and sisters residing in the city?

"(c) To his brothers and sisters not residing in the city?"

The idea is that the elector could answer each question separately. If each was answered in the affirmative by a majority of the voters, the city would have to pay an additional $300,000, or half a mill of taxes, for claims already incurred, and would, of course, be under still further expense for future claims.

Aldermen who were shown the foregoing questions criticized them on the ground that electors might infer that more than one party or class is to receive $1,000 for a single death; that they do not specify the length of residence before enlisting which would be a qualification, and that they do not state what dependents are already receiving insurance.