

satisfactory result is shown as to the deposits there. In 1882 there were 2220 depositors, with deposits to the amount of \$620,891; in 1883 there were 2,280 depositors and deposits to the amount of \$654,969, and in 1884 there were 2,280 depositors, with deposits amounting to \$665,018, an average of nearly \$300 to each depositor.

In the Caisse d'Economie de Notre Dame de Quebec we find equal signs of prosperity. From a statement kindly given me I obtain the following. I give only the past five years. In 1880 there were 11,153 depositors, with \$2,360,241 deposited; in 1881, 12,053 depositors, and \$2,634,495 deposited; in 1882, 12,951 depositors, and \$2,915,434 deposited; in 1883, 11,938 depositors, and \$2,690,575 deposited; in 1884, 12,910 depositors, and \$2,586,777 of deposits.

I now give the amounts deposited in the Post Office Savings Bank:

Amount of deposits June 30th, 1884.....	\$13,245,552.64
“ “ June 30th, 1879.....	3,105,190.80
Increase in 5 years.....	<u>\$10,140,361.84</u>

The amount deposited in all the savings banks of the Dominion Government was:

On June 30th, 1884.....	\$29,217,536.84
On June 30th, 1879.....	9,207,683.20
Increase in 5 years.....	<u>\$20,009,853.64</u>
Amount of deposits June 30th, 1884.....	\$29,217,536.84
“ “ June, 30th, 1883.....	26,219,107.55
Increase last fiscal year.....	<u>\$ 2,998,429.29</u>

These figures, which cannot be disputed, show a state of things highly satisfactory, and show that our country is rapidly increasing in wealth, and that notwithstanding all the efforts of some to cry down our country, and prophecy hard times and failures in commerce, manufactures and agriculture, the country is prospering rapidly, and our people have no reason to fear for our future as a nation. We are prospering and will prosper, I believe, beyond our most sanguine expectations. (Applause).