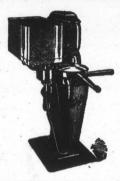
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Bank of Hamilton, "Associated banks have decided sume obligations of the Sovereign Bank and to take over its business." Upon the decision that the united oanks should take over the Sovereign Bank the above official notification was handed out to the press by Mr John Knight, Secretary of the Bankers'

Depositors in the Sovereign Bank are assured by this arrangement of the safety of their money. Under the agreement arrived at depositors wish ing to make withdrawls can call at the branch where their account is, when they will be imformed to which of the guaranteeing banks their account has been transferred and by whom their demands will be met.

STATEMENT OF MR AEMILIUS JARVIS Following a conference between the representatives of the guaranteeing banks and Mr Aemilius Jarvis, Presi dent of the Sovereign Bank, which took place at the Bank of Toronto, Wellington street, Mr Jarvis hande this statement to the press shortly after midnight :-

"For some time past there has been a constant strain upon the bank's re sources, caused chiefly by the unnat ural conditions which have obtained during the last three or four months, which have created a still greater drain upon the deposits and made it corres pondingly difficult to liquidate the These conditions, which in many ways have been far more strin gent than have been experienced in the nemory of this generation, could not possibly have been foreseen, and they were rapidly bringing about a state of affairs under which the business, if con tinued, would not have been sufficient

When this conclusion was reached we at once conferred with the leading bankers of the country and asked them to verify our statements. These bank ers have expressed their opinion that the assets of the Sovereign Bank of Canada are sufficient to pay all the by Mr Aemilius Jarvis at the last liabilities, and an agreement has been annual meeting as having "caused made with a number of banks by which nearly all of the branches of the bank will open this morning as branches of other banks. This arrangement will entail no loss of any kind to the bank's depositors or customers. They can withdraw their deposits if they please, or they can allow them to remain with the bank to which they have been transferred. The Sovereign Bank of Canada pass books can be surrendered and the pass books of the new banks of course, have to make other banking arrangements as soon as possible.
Aemilius Jarvis,

CHANGE IN MANAGEMENT On June 11th last the fifth annual meeting of the Sovereign Bank was held at the head offices in this city, and at that meeting Mr Ralph Macdonald, who had been President of the bank for some time, stated that he desired withdraw from that posiion, and had accepted the Vice-Presidency. With the appointment of Mr Aemilius Jarvis as President, the then manager, Mr D. M. Stewart, was given leave of ation. absence, and shortly thereafter resigned Bank of Commerce was appointed General Manager of the Sovereign Bank, with Mr Robert Cassells as

Assistant Manager. In cloing his remarks, Mr Jarvis said: "In the course of my investiga tion I find that some of your largest losses are in accounts never authorized

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or never reported to the directors; in fact, in some cases the directors were kept in total ignorance of their existence, never having heard of them until they were brought to their attention here."

The General Manager, Mr F. G. Jemmett, in his report, presented to the same meeting, said, among other things:—"I have to recommend that there be written off for bad debts \$700,655.91, for depreciation in securities \$150,607.95, and for reduction in bank premises and furniture \$48,109.25 In addition to the foregoing, the sum of \$541,494 should be set aside in the contingent fund for accounts which are in liquidation, or in which there is a large element of doubt, and a further contingent fund of \$800,000 should be provided in respect of certain unsatis actory advances, the outcome of which is by no means clear. To do this it will be necessary to appropriate the whole of the rest fund, amounting to \$1,255,950, and to take \$1,000,000 from the capital, leaving the bank with a paid up capital of \$3,000,000. After this has been done there will remain \$25,252.50 to carry forward to the pro fit and loss account of current year. BANK WAS TOO AMBITIOUS

"The bank in the past has been too ambitious. It has piled up its figures at an extraordinarily rapid rate, and it has paid the natural penalty for attempting to grow too fast and for departing from the beaten path of experience, which in banking more than in any other business it is most necess ary to follow. But the losses which have been made are far too heavy to be explained in this way, and I ought perhaps to say that in many cases loans have been made for which sound bank ing principles offer no apparent justification, and under methods directly contrary to those which will be followed by the present management.'

Mr Jemmett, in concluding, said he thought the prospects of the bank were good, as their deposits amounted to over \$18,000,000, of which over 90 per cent were of a thoroughly normal and healthy nature.

START OF THE BANK The Sovereign Bank was promoted in 1900 by Mr Duncan M. Stewart, now a broker of Montreal, who early enlisted the support of the Dresdner Bank of Germany and Messrs J. P. Morgan & Co. of New York as shareholders in the undertaking. The enlistment of foreign capital was accom panied by the introduction of banking which, while apparently methods immediately profitable, were describe

great irritation to the other Canadian

banks, who were in consequence not

very friendly to it."

Under heading 'Days of Consolidation," the Globe comments as follows: "The absorbtion by a number of the country's strongest banks of the business of the Sovereign Bank, and the assumption of its obligations, is another evidence that a too great activity in the launching of banking enterprises obtained. Borrowing customers will, is almost invariably followed by con sclidation that, happily, in Canada usually leaves the general public unhurt. In its short career the Sov ereign Bank found it necessary to wipe out a fourth of its capital because unfortunate employment of its funds. It was also able to secure a very con siderable ally in the Dresdner Bank, a large German institution, which holds a portion of its capital. The decision to dispose of the business rather than struggle along with paired assets, will be regarded as a wise step, eliminating, as it does, one of the weak spots of the financial situ There will, of course, be no need for depositors or holders of Sov Mr F. G. Jemmett of the Canadi n ereign Bank notes to worry. Every dollar in the bank's custody is as safe if it were in the Bank of England,

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