# MPERIAL BANK OF CANADA

## Forty-Second Annual Meeting of the Shareholders

Held at the Head Office, Toronto, on Wednesday, May 23, 1917, at 12 Noon

The Forty-Second Annual General Meeting of the Imperial Bank of Canada was held, in pursuance of the terms of the Charter, at the Banking House of the Institution, 23rd May, 1917.

### THE REPORT

The Directors beg to present to the Shareholders the Forty-Second Annual Report and Balance Sheet of the Affairs of the Bank as on 30th April, 1917, accompanied by statement of Profit and Loss Account, giving the result of the

The balance at credit of Profit and Loss Account carried forward doubtful debts and for rebate on unmatured bills under discount, amounted to ...... Making a total at credit of Profit and Loss of ......

This amount has been applied as follows: 7,500 00 Contributions to Patriotic and other War Funds..... War Tax on Bank Note Circulation..... Contingent Appropriation to cover depreciation in Bonds and De-

Branches of the Bank have been opened during the year at Iroquois Falls and Mount Dennis, Ontario; at Denholm, Laird, McLean, Pilot Butte, Suddell and Springwater, Saskatchewan; and at New Norway and Peace River, Aberta. One branch has been closed, namely, North End Edmonton, Alberta.

carefully inspected during the year. The Auditors appointed by the Shareholders have also made their examinations as required by the Bank Act, and their report and certificate is attached to the Balance Sheet

The Head Office and Branches of the Bank, now numbering 128, have been

A further subscription of \$25,000 has been made to the Canadlan Patriotic Fund, and will be required during the course of the year. The Directors have much pleasure in testifying to the loyalty, faithfulness

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PELEG HOWLAND, President. LIABILITIES.

Notes of the Bank in circulation..... Deposits not bearing interest..... . \$14,845,206 10 Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued Due to Banks and Banking Correspondents in the then in Canada and the United Kingdom .....

Acceptances under Letters of Credit (as per contra) 57,600 00 Total Liabilities to the public...... \$75.400.852 14 Capital Stock paid in.
Reserve Fund Account. Dividend No. 107 (payable 1st May, 1917) for three months, at the rate of 12% per annum...... Salance of Profit and Loss Account carried forward. 1,164,876 20

	\$90,775,728 34
ASSETS.	
Current Coin held by the Bank	5,832 00
Deposit in the Central Gold Reserve	
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulatio	n Fund 948,495 33
Notes of other Banks	905.817 00
Checks on other Banks	£ 199 209 10
Balances due by other Banks in Camada	276 621 51
Due from Banks and Banking Correspondents in the	United
Kingdom	2,078,811 63
Due from Banks and Banking Correspondents, elsewhere	than in
Canada and the United Kingdom	1,858,167 68
	\$22,204,696 91
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exceeding market value..... Canadian Municipal Securities, and British, Foreign. Colonial Public Securities other than not exceeding market value..... 14,866,892 5 Loans to Provincial Governments .... 28,885 52 Districts. Towns, Municipalities and School Districts

Call and Short Loans (not exceeding thirty days) in Canada on Bonds. Debentures and Stocks.

Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest) Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit (as per contra)... Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)..... Real Estate (other than Bank premises)...... Mortgages on Real Estate sold by the Bank. Bank Premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off....

Other Assets, not included in the foregoing.....

AUDITORS' REPORT TO SHAREHOLDERS.

We have compared the above Balance Sheet with the books and accounts the Chief Office of Imperial Bank of Canada, and with the certified returns received from its Branches, and after checking the cash and verifying the securities at the Chief Office and certain of the principal Branches on April, 1917, we certify that in our opinion such Palance Sheet exhibits a true and correct view of the Bank's affairs, according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us, and as shown by the Bank of the Bank.

In addition to the examinations mentioned, the cash and securities at the Chief Office and certain of the principal Branches were checked and verified by us during the year, and found to be in accord with the books of the Bank.

All information and explanations required have been given to us, and all ransactions of the Bank which have come under our notice, have, in our opinion, seen within the powers of the Bank.

> G. T. CLARKSON, F.C.A., R. J. DILWORTH, F.C.A.,

Of Clarkson, Gordon & Dilworth.

IL FLAY, General Manager,

The customary motions were made and carried unanimously Mr. G. T. Clarkson, F.C.A., Toronto, and Mr. R. J. Dilworth, F.C.A., Toronto. were appointed Auditors of the Bank for the ensuing year. The Scrutineers appointed at the meeting reported the following Share-

holders duly elected Directors for the ensuing year: Messrs. Peleg Howland, Elias Rogers. William Ramsay (of Bowland, Stow, Scotland), Crawtha Mulock, Hon. Richard Turner (Quebec), William Hamilton Merritt, M.D. (St. Catharines), W. J. Gage, Sir James A. M. Aikins, K.C., (Winnipeg); Hon. W. J. Hanna, M.P.P.; John Northway, J. F. Michie, J. W. Woods. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, Mr. Peleg Howland was re-elected

President, and Mr. Elias Rogers, Vice-President, for the ensuing year. PELEG HOWLAND, President.

MONEY

PELEG HOWLAND, President,

New York, May 24.-Money on call New York, May 24.-Flour dull. Rue firmer 214 to 514 per cent; ruling rate flour dull. Time toans steady: 60 days 414 to 414

per cent.

Sterling exchange steady at \$4.72 for 60 day bills and at \$4.75.9-16 for de-Bar siver, 74%c. Mexican dollars, 58%c.

SUGAR

New York, May 24.—Sugar futures closed steady and 4@8 points higher.
Sales 18,500 tons. May 4.98; July 5.03; July . 37 95
September 5.12,
Raw sugar nominel, centrifugal 5.98; July . 22 37
molesses, 5.03; sales 7,000 bags June
Ribs—
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Ribs ed steady: fine granulated, \$7.50

THE LOCAL MARKET

London, May 25.—Good Italian war news had a further cheering effect on the stock exchange today, and enabled the market to close strong, with m

peck. Asparagus sold for 7c to 9c a bunch. Seed plants brought from 20c to 125c a box.

Single dozens of eggs were offered at 42c and 44c. Crate lots sold for 41c, and this price was also paid for basket lots. Crock butter brought 40c a pound wholesale, and retailed for 42c. Pound dairy rolls retailed for 44c, the wholesale price being 42c. Creamery butter was firm at 47c a pound retail and 44c wholesale.

As expected, hay advanced to \$14 and \$14.50 a ton as a result of the scarcity of the past week. Straw, of which little was offered, sold for \$3 to \$10 a ton. Oats were inclined to be firmer, \$2.35 a cwt. being paid in some instances.

Hogs were unchanged at \$16 a cwt. Itseweight and \$21 a cwt. dressed. Fat sows brought \$13.50 a cwt. liveweight. Veal and beef prices were unchanged.

Grain, Per Cwt.

Oats, per cwt. 417 to 417

Wheat, per cwt. 417 to 417

Wheat, per bu. 250 to 250
Oats, per bag. 400 to 450
Seed potatoes, bag. 350 to 450
Seed potatoes, bag. 350 to 450
Seed potatoes, bag. 350 to 30
Cabbage, per doz. 150 to 30
Cabbage, per doz. 150 to 30
Cabbage, per doz. 150 to 30
Cabbage, per doz. 25 to 40
Parsiey, per doz. 40 to 40
New carrots, quart. 10 to 10
Lettuce, per head. 5 to 75
Seed lettuce, box. 35 to 75
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Tomato plants, box. 25
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Seed onions, box. 25
Green onions, doz. 25
Parsiey, per doz. 40
New carrots, quart. 10
Lettuce, per doz. 59
Lettuce, per head. 5
Seed lettuce, box. 35
Tomato plants, box. 20
Rhubarb, per doz. 40
Radishes, per bunch. 5
Beets per bushel. 1 75
Spinach, per peck. 30
Spinach, per pec. 30
Asparagus, per doz. 75

Apples, per bu... 1 35 to

Dairy Produce, Retail.

Butter, creamery, lb. 47 to
Butter, dairy lb rolls. 44 to
Butter, crocks, lb... 42 to Dairy Products, Wholesale,

Dalry Products, Wholesale Butter, creamery, lb. 44 to Butter, dairy, lb. rolls 42 to Butter, crocks, lb. ... 40 to Butter, store lots, lb. 39 to Eggs, crate lots. ... 41 to Eggs, basket lots. ... 42 to Poultry, Dressed, Retail. Chickens, per pair. ... 2 to Geese, per lb. ... 22 to Poultry, Alive. D Steel C 6 Duluth. 50 Mackay, 35 do pfd. 65 M Leaf. 109 do pfd. ... Old fowl, per lb..... 25 Chickens, per lb..... 25 Live Stock. 

7,000,000 00 Wool, unwashed, ib. 40 to 40 Wool, washed, ib. 43 to 50 Cow hides, No. 1. 20 to 20 Cow hides, No. 2. 19 to 19 Calfskins, per ib. 30 to 35 Sheepskins, each 250 to 300 Horsehides, each 600 to 700 LIVE STOCK.

## wethers, \$1225@14 75; lambs, native, \$13@16 60.

East Buffalo, N.Y., May 25.—Cattle—Receipts, 300; active and steady.

Veals—Receipts, 1,900; active and 25c lower, \$5@14 25.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,400; active and 10c to 15c lower; heavy and mixed, \$16 75@16 85; yorkers, \$16 60@16 75; light yorkers, \$15@16; pigs, \$14@14 55; roughs, \$14 75@14 90; stags, \$12 50@13.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 1,600; active lambs 5c higher, others steady; lambs, \$10@16 75; others unchanged.

GRAIN.

Chicago, May 25.—Although wheat prices showed a temporary disposition to rably from the declines which resulted from false rumors of a naval victory, the market soon began to sag. Restrictions on new buying proved too much of a handicap for any strength due to a merely negative development.

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Opening prices, which ranged from 4c lower to 1c advance, with July at 52 23 and September at \$1 33, was followed by a slight further handening of values and then a setback all around to well below yesterday's finish.

COTTON.

Liverpool, May 25.—Cotton—Futures closed strong: May, 13.69d; May and June, 13.61d; June and July, 13.52d; July and August, 13.44d; August and September, 12.73d; December and December, 12.73d; December and January, 12.69d; January and March, 12.69d; March and April, 12.54d.

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London, May 25.—Calcutta linseed.
May and June. £30; tinseed oil, 53s 9d.
Sperm Oil—£54.
Petroleum—Alderican refined, 1s 2d;
spirits. 1s 3d.
Turpentine Spirits—54s.
Rosin—Anterican strained, 32s 3d; type C 32s 9d.

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Financial, Market and Commercial Section

Chicago Great Western Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul.

New York, May 25—Wall Street, 10:30
a.na.—United States Steel again overshadowed all other stocks at the very
active opening of today's market.
Steel's first sale comprised a block of
20,000 shares at 132½ to 132½, representing a gain of a point over its previous high fecord. A further rise to
133 occurred before the end of the first
half hour. Kindred industrials, especially Bethlehem and Crucible Steels.
Republic Iron and Great Northern Ore
were correspondingly strong. Coppers,
oils, Central Leather, Industrial Alcohol, the motors and Ohio Gas all rose
appreciably. Lackawanna Steel lost a
point at the cutset, but more than recovered its loss later. Rails recorded
only fractional changes except New
Haven, which rallied another point from
yesterday's minimum.
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Denver & Rio Grande
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Missouri, Kansas & Texas.
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miy fractional changes except New Haven, which rallied another point from yesterday's minimum, Noon.—The furious pace of the first half hour was maintained with little cessation throughout the morning. Sales for that period were estimated at 800,000 shares. In every noteworthy interest early gains were enhanced. Steel rose to the new record of 133% before it receded to 132%. The movement of Steel was typical of other industrials, also shippings, metals and oils. Specialties were represented by Sears-Roebuck at an extreme advance of 7% points. Rails were the only laggards, ven standard issues showing irregularity. Reversals at noon resulted from increased heaviness in that group. Delaware and Hudson felt 5% points. Lackawanna Steel fives favored the bond market at a gain of 3 points.

1:30 p.m.—Features of the less active mid-session included Steel's new high record of 134, and extreme gains of 3 to 4 points in shippings. Rails became firmer, and coppers and oils rose above best prices of the morning. 

MONEY. London, May 25 .- Bar silver, 87%d New York, May 25 .- Bar silver, 74%c

ley, Galt, Ont.

Killed in Action—No. 642673 R. Morgan, Barrie, Ont.; 757701 E. Nicholls,
431 Caledonia avenue, Toronto; 767158

J. W. Payne, 43 Ruskin avenue, West

CADET IS

Shornelmer; Ssoues W. Bouek, Madoc, Ont.; 645135 M. H. Hill, Vancouver; 645866 T. Simmons, Vancouver.

Presumed Dead—No. 68200 J. G. Cleave, Mount Forest. Ont.

Died—No. 210607 G. G. Morrison, Niagara Falls, Ont.

Presumed Dead—No. 131472 J. Crew, 362 Princess street, Hamilton, Killed in Action—No. 59,616 G. Macbonald, Kingston; 645645 S. G. Stewart, Vancouver; 422,792 K. C. Taylor, Port Arthur, Ont.; 145613 W. M. Gallagher, Ottawa; 790538 J. Boyd, New Westminster, B. C.; 790419 J. A. Gray, New Westminster, B. C.; 790419 J. A. Gray, New Westminster, Stils41 L. E. Gainer, Edmonton; 812107 W. J. Martin, Honeywood, Ont.; 790303 A. Henderson, Vancouver; 791200 A. Priest, Cambridge, Mass.; 887317 R. Rousay, Yorkton, Sask; 790637 H. R. Powers, Rossland, B. C.; 258130 W. Dunkell, North Seattle, Wash.; 791025 A. Gray, New Westminster; 628090 A. Grain, Vernon; 790525 R. M. Westayay, Georgetown P. E. L. 790,993 A. Georgetown

Vancouver; 161084 D. H. Scotland, ry; 707152 J. Petre, Nanaimo, B. 52003 J. H. Adams, Swift Current; J. Taggart, Vancouver; 1010054 Anderson, Manor Saskatchewan; H. J. Thomas, Vancouver

were sunk by the Germans, although nearly 800 left or entered the ports of Italy.

Eleven German airplanes were brought down by the British on Wednesday, Three British machines are missing. The British Admiralty has taken over the entire output of the Egyptian oil

Trucible Steel. 978
Lackawanna 97 9874 9674 9779
Pressed Steel Car. 7774
Republic Iron. 9214 9334 9134 9314
Railway Steel. 538 5376 53 53
Sloss-Sheffield. 58 6074 58 6074
U. S. Steel. 13214 134 13214 13254
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Rands— Anglo-French 5's. 93% 93% 93% 93% fields. The Russian garrison at Sebastopol forty years by The T. M. Limited, Toronto, Ont. Germans.

STANDARD STOCK AND MINING EXCHANGE.

Bulgarian Socialists at the Stockholn conference have demanded the restora-tion of all land taken by the Teutons in the Balkans. Italy's mission to Washington were the guests of President Wilson yester-

Ports of Brazil may shortly be opened the ships of the Allies. Teutonic papers say that the Austrian Archduke Stephen is to be made regent of Poland.

U.S. STEEL CORPORATION TO BUILD IMMENSE SHIPBUILDING PLANT

NEW YORK, May 24. - The United tates Steel Corporation has purchased a big acreage near Newark, in the New Jersey meadows, within striking dis-tance of deep water, and will erect im-mediately one of the largest shippards in the world, where standard 8,000 and 10,000 ton steel ships will be constructed, probably with the co-operation of the Government shipping board,



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405.100 C. R. Owens, Niagara, Ont.

Missing—No. 814691 R. Bray, Cobourg, Ont.

Killed in Action—No, 102576 C. H.
Holcomb, Elizabeth, Illinois; 464165 E.
A. Smith, West-Vancouver, West Vancouver; 706842 D. McCormick, Alexandria, Ont.; 75889 J. Davidson, Vancouver; 707.170 D. E. Pye, Waldo, B. C.; 645566 R. A. Etchelis, Vancouver; 116379; J. Brett Vancouver; 463941 D. W. Roberts, Vernon; 467436 A Cameron, Caledonia, N. S.; 175256 R. C. Rogers, Welland, Ont.; 706271 G. N. Vernon, Cloverdale, B. C.; 789,270 T. C. A. Stugh, Shorneliffe: 869063 W. Bouck, Madoc, Ont.; 645135 M. H. Hill, Vancouver; 197,170 M. E. Pritchard, 19 years of age, son of A. J. Pritchard, C. P. R. agent at Weston, who had been at Camp Borden for the past six weeks, was instantly killed this afternoon about a mile west of Allandale, when his machine was caught by a heavy gust of wind and crashed down in a spinning dive from a height of 400 feet.

He had landed a short time before on the Dyment farm with two companions, and later made two flights successfully. It was on his third flight that the accident happened. His neck, one arm and both legs were broken. BARRIE, May 24. - Flying Cade one arm and both legs were broken

# SEVERE HEADACHES FOR TWO YEARS

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two sizes, 70c for 50c, for ..... 35c Grey Enamel Mugs, hold near ly a quart, first quality Only ...... 15c Enamel Pie Plates, 9-inch 10c Three-Quart Enamel Round Dinner Pails, worth 50c.

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Ten-Quart Strainer Pails, regular 70c, for ..........50c Two-Quart Tin Teapots, regu-One-Pint Tin Cups, regular 5c ...... 2 for 5c Galvanized Iron Pails.

made, worth 70c, for ... 50c Ten-Quart Tin Milk Pans, regular 25c size, for ..... 15c Electric Egg Whips, regular 10c, for .................5c Wire Sink Whyps, regular 10c,

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