

EASTERN TOWNSHIPS BANK.

The forty-seventh annual meeting of the shareholders of the Eastern Townships Bank was held in the board room of the bank in Sherbrooke at 2 o'clock on Wednesday, December 6th. In addition to the directors, there were present:—Judge Alfred, Newport; Hon. M. F. Hackett, Stanstead; A. N. Thompson, Stanstead; F. Spaulding, Burlington, Vermont; C. M. Sherman, Newport; Rev. A. Lee Holmes, Stanstead; C. W. Mansur, Stanstead; R. F. Morris, H. D. Lawrence, Col. Felton, Dr. F. J. Austin, J. W. Woodside, C. W. Cate, Capt. Bennett, C. D. White, of Sherbrooke, and others.

The president took the chair and the general manager acted as secretary.

Mr. C. W. Cate and Mr. C. D. White were appointed scrutineers of votes.

The directors' report was read as follows:—

Report.

The directors have much satisfaction in presenting to the shareholders the accompanying balance sheet and profit and loss statement, showing net earnings exceeding 12½ per cent. Considering the low rates of interest which have prevailed and the necessity of keeping a good cash reserve, they consider the results very satisfactory.

Out of the balance of profit as shown, provision has been made for two semi-annual dividends at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, one paid 2nd July last and the other payable 2nd January next.

One hundred thousand dollars has been carried to reserve fund, making that amount up to \$1,600,000, being 64 per cent. on the capital, leaving a balance of \$24,566.18 to be carried forward.

Branches have been established during the year at Actonville, Hemmingford, Lennoxville and Waterville, in the Province of Quebec, and at Vancouver and Midway, in British Columbia. Sub-agencies have also been opened at Valcourt, Beloeil, Iberville, Clarenceville, Lacolle, Scotstown, Howick and Stanstead, in this Province. They are also about to open a branch on Wellington Street, in this city, in order to accommodate the growing business in that section. Previous reports have foreshadowed the opening at Vancouver, and although the branch has only been opened for a few months a very satisfactory business is being done. The Midway office is at a point where large expenditure is being made by the construction of two railways and is a central point in that section.

Deposits have increased during the year nearly \$2,000,000, being largely in excess of any previous year, showing the increasing growth and prosperity of the country, which is very gratifying.

In view of the increasing business of the bank, the directors have decided to issue the balance of the \$1,000,000 capital authorized at the special meeting of shareholders in February, 1903, viz.: \$500,000, the calls being payable 10 per cent. monthly with the premium commencing on second day of January next, the issue being at 60 premium.

As there appears to be a pretty general desire by investors for more frequent division of profits, your directors have decided to meet this demand, and in future dividends will be paid quarterly, viz.: January, April, July, and October.

The inspections of the various offices have been made as usual.

In conclusion the directors have much pleasure in testifying to the zeal and fidelity of the general manager, inspec-

tors, managers, and other officers of the bank.

The whole respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM FARWELL,

President.

Profit and Loss.

The statement of profit and loss account for the year ending November 15th, 1905, is as follows:—

Balance at credit of profit and loss brought forward from November 15, 1904	\$ 30,217 74
Profit of head office and branches, after deducting charges of management, interest due depositors, and provision for bad and doubtful debts	317,279 84
Premium paid on new issue of capital stock	14,055 00
	<u>\$361,552 58</u>

Appropriated as follows:

Dividend of 4 per cent., paid 2nd July, 1905	\$ 99,986 40
Dividend of 4 per cent., payable 2nd January, 1906	100,000 00
Transferred to reserve fund	100,000 00
Applied in reduction of value of securities	29,000 00
Bonus to employees	8,000 00
	<u>\$336,986 40</u>

Balance carried forward.. \$24,566 18

J. MACKINNON,

General Manager.

The president addressed the meeting and covered very fully the points mentioned in the report, after which he moved its adoption, seconded by vice-president Wood.

The general manager followed and reviewed the financial statement which was presented, and spoke of the general prosperity which Canada had enjoyed during the past year.

The meeting was also addressed by Judge Alfred, Hon. Mr. Hackett, A. N. Thompson and other shareholders of the bank, all of whom expressed themselves as being highly pleased with the report that was submitted and with the bank's position.

Votes of thanks were passed to the president and directors for their attention to the affairs of the bank; also to the general manager and staff for the efficient manner in which they had performed their duties during the year.

The Directors.

The ballot resulted in the election of the following directors:—Wm. Farwell, Israel Wood, N. W. Thomas, Gardner Stevens, C. H. Kathan, H. B. Brown, K.C., James S. Mitchell, S. H. C. Miner, A. C. Flummerfelt and Frank Grundy.

At a meeting of the new board Mr. William Farwell was re-elected president and Major Wood vice-president.

General Statement.

The General Statement at 15th November, 1905, is as follows:

LIABILITIES.	
Notes of the bank in circulation	\$ 2,068,885 00
Deposits payable on demand	\$2,816,622 82
Deposits payable after notice	9,094,237 20
	<u>11,910,860 02</u>
Dividend No. 92, at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum, payable 2nd January next	100,000 00
Dividends unclaimed	3,291 72
	<u>103,291 72</u>
	<u>\$14,083,036 74</u>
Capital paid up	2,500,000 00
Reserve fund	1,600,000 00
Reserved on account of rebate on bills discounted, unexpired	35,000 00
Balance profit carried forward	24,566 18
	<u>4,159,566 18</u>
	<u>\$18,242,602 92</u>
ASSETS.	
Gold and silver on hand	\$ 150,316 01
Dominion notes on hand	1,087,022 00
Deposit with Dominion Government for security of bank note circulation	103,000 00
Notes of and cheques on other banks	561,188 30
Balance due from other banks	2,070,529 20
Government, municipal, railway and other debentures and stocks	584,039 62
Call loans on bonds and stocks	297,189 76
Total assets immediately available	<u>\$ 4,853,285 07</u>
Loans and bills discounted	12,740,039 34
Loans overdue (estimated loss provided for)	80,219 48
Real estate (other than bank premises)	45,613 46
Mortgages on real estate sold by the bank	66,401 60
Bank premises and furniture, including safes and vaults at head office and branches	427,751 65
Other assets	29,292 32
	<u>13,389,317 85</u>
	<u>\$18,242,602 92</u>

J. MACKINNON,

General Manager.

Eastern Townships Bank, Sherbrooke, 15th November, 1905.

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