

LIABILITIES.

Loans from other banks in Canada, secured.	Deposits, by other Canadian banks, payable on demand or at fixed date.	Balances due to other banks in Canada in daily exchanges.	Balances due to agencies of the bank, or to other banks or agencies in foreign countries.	Balances due to agencies of bank, or to other banks or agencies in United Kingdom.	Liabilities not included under foregoing heads.	Total Liabilities.	Directors' Liabilities.
.....	137,797	94,848	1,763	.....	100,035	9,858,101	388,413
.....	275,487	46,915	19,105	1,061,268	210,784	21,441,884	317,773
.....	.....	89	.....	140,744	.....	10,143,061	476,000
.....	62,081	449	.....	17,347	.....	8,141,643	507,966
.....	7,597	.....	.....	354,669	.....	6,100,179	185,756
.....	30,600	24	.....	246,679	.....	10,296,420	301,529
.....	100,079	1,613	.....	380,863	.....	4,153,909	262,393
.....	.....	698	.....	133,945	.....	6,421,609	38,760
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,597	5,463,788	71,960
.....	1,080,043	7,397	.....	.....	.....	1,496,303	7,934
.....	17,213	.....	18,135	.....	109,069	58,696,892	680,000
.....	.....	10,043	.....	127,136	293	10,091,714	5,549
.....	.....	2,534	.....	64,096	5,233	6,601,708	205,537
.....	.....	.....	1,671	.....	20,788	3,274,854	181,426
.....	.....	50	.....	.....	21,932	1,152,608	85,173
.....	71,494	6,151	2,664	.....	47,715	8,960,130	257,288
.....	769,580	1,161	.....	307,149	1,596	10,336,404	202,333
.....	15,467	84,966	934	.....	14,160,514	1,811,462	18
.....	38,677	.....	.....	379,486	.....	3,933,491	155,000
.....	60,421	.....	4,846	.....	.....	7,254,740	46,108
.....	.....	1,478	.....	.....	.....	5,847,894	292,656
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	93	98,873	20,721
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,199,995	1,199,995	49,428
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,514	3,722,072	201,010
.....	19,549	182	64,162	.....	578	7,479,170	181,561
.....	145,344	.....	6,977	400,735	115	5,562,085	369,814
.....	33,306	.....	1,672	.....	1,671	1,689,779	166,997
.....	14,350	.....	.....	165,458	7,999	1,685,514	50,600
.....	.....	6,135	.....	.....	6,945	2,401,870	35,433
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	560,869	17,307
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	873	207,473	45,358
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	235	458,277	89,333
.....	35,559	.....	.....	80,535	.....	2,262,106	323,627
.....	13,561	.....	.....	.....	.....	331,589	60,867
.....	.....	1,369	3,513	.....	529	293,695	15,510
.....	520	.....	6,337	.....	21,397	708,213	53,547
.....	18,845	.....	.....	483,199	.....	5,203,819	.....
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,747	101,463	24,213
.....	2,511	.....	.....	.....	.....	266,099	66,892
.....	2,947,491	268,156	131,778	4,419,038	779,634	216,771,481	7,789,930

ASSETS.

Loans to the Government of Canada.	Loans to Provincial Governments.	Overdue debts.	Real Estate the property of the bank (other than bank premises.)	Mortgages on real estate sold by the Bank.	Bank premises.	Other assets not included under the foregoing heads.	Total Assets.	Average amount of specie held during the month.	Average amount of Dominion Notes held during the month.	Greatest amount of Notes in circulation at any time during the month.
.....	.....	147,819	9,339	.....	150,000	.....	13,906,493	537,640	736,475	1,763,700
.....	.....	232,682	10,367	127,961	781,518	74,453	28,714,893	409,000	678,000	3,571,000
.....	.....	119,179	12,449	.....	272,866	4,453	13,343,567	221,000	302,000	1,106,637
.....	.....	67,393	103,688	20,050	173,717	1,875	8,232,402	177,600	336,400	988,201
.....	.....	17,907	.....	.....	90,000	22,542	7,891,781	142,340	264,320	789,803
.....	.....	64,412	64,215	94,637	238,188	18,572	13,538,990	849,796	1,162,621	1,665,159
.....	.....	15,679	.....	941	28,937	18,040	4,878,890	96,000	214,676	596,700
.....	.....	79,599	4,500	12,304	974,503	63,846	4,493,909	169,000	273,000	1,168,010
.....	.....	45,397	25,963	200	103,307	.....	7,928,228	117,308	168,876	1,295,69
.....	.....	28,171	.....	.....	.....	7,928	1,905,605	22,417	36,960	365,63
.....	699,564	227,034	4,523	30,110	600,000	536,553	53,361,454	2,412,020	2,216,000	5,280,390
.....	147,837	235,801	11,895	.....	860,110	30,897	13,346,061	440,756	724,733	1,182,632
.....	50,000	82,003	58,779	85,465	103,310	6,733	8,380,768	47,504	163,545	894,035
.....	.....	76,830	62,335	70,797	96,044	113,766	4,065,361	21,825	70,116	464,242
.....	.....	48,832	68,622	11,983	83,120	279,070	1,643,440	10,000	35,493	345,643
.....	150,000	61,274	48,548	33,443	26,190	26,070	5,022,333	55,704	229,050	700,496
.....	.....	131,891	55,644	5,089	190,600	8,701	13,904,442	115,755	59,078	1,917,741
.....	250,000	180,218	47,218	46,576	524,731	56,303	23,238,923	379,000	890,000	3,304,000
.....	.....	81,316	12,511	92	116,489	56,239	5,199,738	76,000	175,000	1,186,593
.....	102,268	116,331	64,277	5,844	163,673	3,243	10,399,607	53,492	732,090	1,025,577
.....	.....	114,081	22,042	1,700	190,026	112,610	7,410,912	98,667	175,426	1,180,166
.....	.....	38,891	.....	8,773	.....	19,332	387,698	2,450	3,650	62,178
.....	.....	38,139	19,916	11,067	17,216	11,340	1,598,000	15,196	23,622	308,742
.....	.....	64,609	44,867	68,527	101,623	3,743	6,013,761	115,954	99,594	830,792
.....	92,242	63,842	11,246	5,998	76,688	34,311	10,272,157	236,499	456,000	1,286,655
.....	173,239	12,260	1,600	1,000	64,000	14,680	7,089,830	181,767	364,400	1,743,326
.....	.....	26,736	.....	1,837	61,690	2,896	3,006,991	26,696	111,069	490,162
.....	10,968	15,967	.....	.....	59,000	.....	2,987,451	26,165	99,587	379,116
.....	.....	25,791	7,018	.....	1,800	7,713	3,186,853	46,659	104,044	477,844
.....	.....	2,640	3,500	.....	8,000	.....	569,621	82,810	23,149	86,965
.....	.....	6,156	.....	.....	23,416	.....	498,234	2,139	6,061	68,417
.....	.....	19,908	.....	.....	4,000	412	516,639	9,776	15,904	91,937
.....	15,302	.....	.....	.....	30,000	.....	2,484,176	159,386	167,789	490,212
.....	.....	1,150	15,488	.....	6,000	16,948	638,255	8,773	16,494	119,838
.....	8,860	2,000	1,926	.....	12,000	.....	546,742	10,102	11,206	96,411
.....	.....	544,825	32,830	19,123	8,671	15,837	1,291,710	40	140	88,965
.....	25,194	22,069	.....	.....	181,114	3,350	6,950,665	430,537	621,775	1,610,721
.....	.....	843	466	.....	841	734	155,407	1,016	2,317	45,898
.....	54,232	2,513	.....	2,066	8,799	4,718	506,782	9,180	10,622	186,203
.....	1,730,666	3,099,648	828,045	649,844	5,135,699	1,569,404	803,453,870	7,988,948	13,839,384	37,884,627

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A FANCIFUL SHOP.

Does any one remember the description of a shop in Dickens' imaginative story of *The Chimes*, a goblin story of some Bells that rang an Old Year out and a New Year in? It is a wonderful result of mental photography, this picture, as the list of the shop's contents shows. The author first describes that fat, rosy-cheeked, comfortable pair, the joint proprietors of the shop, "Tugby, late Chickenstalker," sitting before a bright fire, with a small table between them, on which had been spread hot tea and muffins. The fire gleamed on the windows of the room, and also on the panes of glass in the door which separated the room from the shop, and which had a curtain drawn half across it.

In the shop itself, two smoky lamps burned but dimly, and customers were scarce. Sleeting and windy, and cold outside, but inside the cheery Mrs. Chickenstalker, who had married the apoplectic Tugby, argued with her selfish husband about matters of Christmas charity.

"A little shop, quite crammed and choked with the abundance of its stock. A perfectly voracious little shop, with a maw as accommodating and as full as any shark's. Cheese, butter, firewood, soap, pickles, matches, bacon, table-beer, peg tops, sweetmeats, boys' kites, bird-seed, cold ham, birch brooms, hearth-stones, salt, vinegar, blacking, red herrings, stationery, lard, mushroom ketchup, stay-laces, loaves of bread, shuttlecocks, eggs, and slate pencils. Everything was fish that came to the net of this greedy little shop, and all these articles were in its net. How many other kinds of petty merchandise were there it would be difficult to say; but balls of pack-thread, ropes of onions, pounds of candles, cabbage-nets and brushes hung in bunches from the ceiling, like extraordinary fruit, while various odd canisters, emitting aromatic smells, established the veracity of the inscription over the outer door, which informed the public that the keeper of this little shop was a licensed dealer in tea, coffee, tobacco, pepper, and snuff."

If our readers will look at this list they will see that this truly remarkable shop was half-a-dozen shops in one, for it kept in stock the merchandise which should properly belong to the following establishments:—A grocer's shop, a toy shop, a provision store, a confectioner's shop, a drug store, a milliner's shop, a bake-shop, a book store, to say nothing of a tobacconist's shop and a tallow chandler's.

How this comprehensive little place and its proprietors, the selfish husband and the big-hearted wife, are interwoven with the imagined fortunes of a group of people among the poor and outcast, one must read the story to learn. It is the most extraordinary of New Year's tales, abounding in fancies grotesque and far-fetched, or poetic and touching, as well as in economic principles and distressing facts of English life fifty years ago. The lessons taught are, however, as befits the season, namely, the frequent kindness of the poor to the poor, the dreadful inadequacy and the hardening influence of the poorhouse system but above all the beauties of faith, and hope, and love among human kind. "I know," says Toby Veek in his vision, "that we must trust and hope, and neither doubt ourselves nor doubt the good in one another." And says the author to the reader in his impressive close, "O Listener, try to bear in mind the stern realities from which these shadows of life come; and in your sphere—none is too wide, and none too limited for such an end—