SEVENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA (Incorporated 1832.)

CAPITAL .... $3,000,000. | **RESERVE FUND .... $5,400,000.**
Head Office .... Halifax. | **General Manager's Office .... Toronto.**

Profit and Loss.

1907.	Dec. 31.	By Balance	$ 71,164.20	
1908.	Dec. 31.	" Net profits for current year; losses by bad debts estimated and provided for	559,577.58	
				$630,741.78
1908.	Mar. 31.	To Dividend No. 153, at 12% per annum, payable 1st April, 1908	90,000.00	
	June 30.	" Dividend No. 154, at 12% per annum, payable 2nd July, 1908	90,000.00	
	Sept. 30.	" Dividend No. 155, at 12% per annum, payable 1st Oct., 1908	90,000.00	
	Dec. 31.	" Dividend No. 156, at 12% per annum, payable 2nd Jan., 1909	90,000.00	
		" Contribution to Officers' Pension Fund	15,000.00	
		" Written off Bank Premises Account	100,000.00	
		" Provision for anticipated loss through guarantee of $200,000 in connection with liquidation of the Ontario Bank	50,000.00	
		" Provision for anticipated loss through liquidation of Sovereign Bank of Canada	50,000.00	
		" Balance carried forward	55,741.78	
				$630,741.78

General Statement as at December 31st, 1908.

LIABILITIES.

Deposits not bearing Interest	$ 6,418,908.81	
Deposits bearing Interest	24,667,959.23	
Interest accrued on Deposits	131,230.93	
		31,218,098.97
Deposits by other Banks in Canada	242,339.96	
Deposits by other Banks in United Kingdom	21,864.57	
Deposits by other Banks in Foreign Countries	691,155.88	
		955,360.41
Notes in Circulation	2,888,974.89	
Drafts drawn between Branches outstanding	923,476.20	
		3,812,451.15
		35,985,910.53
Capital paid up	3,000,000.00	
Reserve Fund	5,400,000.00	
Reserve for loss in liquidating insolvent Banks	100,000.00	
Profit and loss, balance carried to 1909	55,741.78	
Rebate of Interest at 6% on Time Loans	114,560.72	
Dividend Warrants outstanding	435.00	
Dividend No. 156, payable 2nd Jan., 1909	90,000.00	
		8,760,737.50
		$44,746,648.03

ASSETS

Specie	$ 2,399,623.44	
Dominion Notes—Legal Tenders	2,598,022.25	
Notes of and Cheques on other Banks	1,865,707.69	
Due from other Banks in Canada	574.94	
Due from other Banks in Foreign Countries	1,953,006.11	
Sterling Exchange	1,218,349.73	
	10,035,284.16	
Investments (Provincial, Municipal and other Bonds)	6,699,958.95	
Call Loans, secured by Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	6,391,511.01	
Call Loans, secured by Grain and other Staple Commodities	3,675,727.67	
		26,802,481.79
Deposits with Dominion Government for security of Note Circulation	151,236.81	
Loans to Provinces and Municipalities	338,341.13	
Current Loans, secured by Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	1,099,509.41	
Current Loans, secured by Grain and other Staple Commodities	1,183,780.25	
Overdrafts, secured	159,295.63	
Overdrafts authorized, but not specially secured	88,738.37	
Notes and Bills discounted and current	14,436,121.15	
Notes and Bills overdue	714.35	
Advances to the Sovereign Bank of Canada in connection with its liquidation	613,860.18	
Bank Premises	850 409.48	
Stationery Department	22,159.48	
		17,944,166.24
		$44,746,648.03

Note.—A contingent liability of $200,000, in conjunction with several other banks in connection with the liquidation of the Ontario Bank, is not fully expressed in the above statement.

The latest return from Mandeville, Jamaica, is dated December 23rd, 1908, and the figures thereof are incorporated herein.

H. C. McLEOD, General Manager.

AUDITORS' REPORT.

We hereby certify that we have personally checked the cash on hand at Halifax, St. John, Montreal and Toronto. We have also verified the securities held as investments, personally examining those held by the Canadian branches of the Bank, and procuring certificates by responsible business men not in the employ of the Bank, certifying to the existence of the remainder of these securities.

We have further to report that having examined the foregoing Balance Sheet, and having compared the same with the books of the Head Office, and the certified returns from the branches, we are of the opinion that it is a full and fair Balance Sheet, exhibiting a true and correct view of the Bank's affairs as at 31st December, 1908.

J. MAXTONE GRAHAM, C.A., Edinburgh.
D. H. HUIE, C.A., Edinburgh.