# British American Bank Note Company

LIMITED

Ottawa, Ontario



New Head Office and Plant, 975 Gladstone Ave., Ottawa.

# Annual Report

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1948.

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### BRITISH AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

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### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

To the Shareholders:

Your Directors submit herewith the Company's Annual Report showing the Balance Sheet as at December 31, 1948, the Statement of Earned Surplus and the Profit and Loss Statement of the same date, all duly certified by the Company's Auditors.

Net profits for the year transferred to Surplus Account amounted to \$176,625.35, representing a slight increase over last year.

In December, 1948,  $2\frac{1}{2}$ % Serial Debentures in the amount of \$90,000.00 were redeemed, leaving a total amount of \$710,000.00  $2\frac{1}{2}$ % to  $3\frac{1}{2}$ % 1949 - 1955 Debentures still outstanding.

During the year dividends were paid at the rate of 75c per share.

After consideration your Directors decided that, in the interests of the Company, it would be better to retain a somewhat larger share of profits than usual as an addition to Working Capital.

The new controlled-conditions plant in Ottawa was fully occupied in the month of April. There has thus been a good opportunity to appraise the value of air conditioning and of other factors resulting from the carrying on of operations on one floor. It has been clearly demonstrated that in the handling of the Company's product and in certain mechanical improvements there has been a marked gain in efficiency. This gain is offset by higher wages, taxes, insurance, materials and upkeep but it is believed that substantial economies will steadily accrue and with some increase in the volume of sales the Company should be in an excellent competitive position as a result of its enterprise in erecting this fine modern plant.

After prolonged negotiations, new agreements were signed during the year involving substantial increases to all employees. Since the controls were lifted there has been a notable rise in wages with very little additional production. This is a matter of some concern to your Directors, especially in view of the fact that under many of the Company's fixed contracts, prices cannot be readily increased.

During the period under review there was a slight decrease in sales. Foreign business was in good volume and will be maintained during 1949. From present appearances the total sales for 1949 will be somewhat larger than last year.

Your Directors are happy at this time to pay tribute to the loyalty and zeal of the officers and employees of the Company.

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#### **ASSETS**

Current:		
Cash on hand and in banks	\$ 15,837.84	
Accounts receivable	87,180.57	
Refundable portion of excess profits tax due in 1949	72,972.17	
Investments—bonds and stocks at cost(Quoted market value \$186,765.75)	208,641.53	
Inventories of raw materials, work in process and finished stock, valued at cost or market whichever was lower, according to physical count taken December 31, 1948	366,204.57	\$ 750,836.68
Other:		
Refundable portion of excess profits tax	123,163.97	
Prepaid charges	1,295.17	124,459.14
Fixed:		
Building	1,481,194.92	
Plant	745,399.72	
Engraved stock	368,138.96	
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	82,889.25	
	2,677,622.85	
Less: Reserve for depreciation	1,046,857.66	
	1,630,765.19	
Land	30,000.00	1,660,765.19
		\$2,536,061.01

APPROVED ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD:

Marold Burland

Director.

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#### LIABILITIES

Current:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 113,624.87	
Customer's deposit re contract	50,213.50	
Provision for taxes on profits	47,607.01	\$ 211,445.38
Funded Debt:		
2½% to 3¼% Serial debentures maturing December 15, 1949 to		
1955		710,000.00
Net Worth:		
Capital stock—Authorized and issued—		
150,000 common shares of no par value	300,000.00	
General reserve	100,000.00	
Earned surplus—as per statement attached	1,214,615.63	1,614,615.63

NOTE: The years 1944 to 1947 inclusive are being assessed by the Income Tax Department. Pending final settlement, no provision has been made in the above Balance Sheet for additional taxes which might amount to \$15,000.00.

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#### AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

British American Bank Note Company Limited, Ottawa, Ontario.

We have made an examination of the books and accounts of the British American Bank Note Company Limited for the year ended December 31, 1948 and have obtained all of the information and explanations which we have required.

We report that, in our opinion, the accompanying Balance Sheet and related Statements of Surplus and Profit and Loss are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the affairs of the Company at December 31, 1948, and the result of its operations for the year ended that date, according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Company.

P. S. ROSS & SONS,

Chartered Accountants.

Montreal, Que., February 10, 1949.

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# STATEMENT OF EARNED SURPLUS AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1948

Balance at credit—January 1, 1948	\$1,150,955.44
Less: Net Loss on disposal of Fixed Assets	551.72
	\$1,150,403.72
Add: Net profit on sale of securities	86.56
Net profit for the year ended December 31, 1948	176,625.35
	\$1,327,115.63
Less: Dividends paid on Capital Stock	112,500.00
Balance at credit—December 31, 1948	\$1,214,615.63

# PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1948

Profit from operations before deducting the expenses shown below		\$470,531.21
Deduct:		
Depreciation on plant, building and equipment	\$ 116,506.83	
Moving expenses	7,533.22	
Legal fees	9,394.49	
Executive remuneration	49,940.00	
Directors' fees	1,340.00	
Debenture interest	22,981.25	207,695.79
Net Profit from operations		262,835.42
Add: Revenue from investments		7,651.59
		270,487.01
Provision for taxes on income		93,861.66
Net profit transferred to Earned Surplus		\$176,625.35

# BRITISH AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY



Steel Plate Making and Transfer Department



Bank Note Inspection and Finishing Department

### BRITISH AMERICAN BANK NOTE COMPANY

#### LIMITED

HEAD OFFICE AND PLANT — OTTAWA, ONTARIO BRANCHES — TORONTO, ONTARIO AND MONTREAL, QUEBEC

### **OFFICERS**

Howard W. Pillow Chairman of the Board

Charles G. Cowan

Duncan K. MacTavish, K.C. Vice-President G. Harold Burland Comptroller and Treasurer Archie E. Grier Secretary

### DIRECTORS

F. E. Bronson Ottawa, Ontario

G. Harold Burland Ottawa, Ontario

Ross Clarkson Montreal, Quebec

Charles G. Cowan Ottawa, Ontario Duncan K. MacTavish, K.C. Ottawa, Ontario

Howard W. Pillow Montreal, Quebec

A. Murray Vaughan Montreal, Quebec

Bernard C. Westall London, England

### TRANSFER AGENT

The Royal Trust Company, Montreal and Toronto

### REGISTRAR

The Montreal Trust Company, Montreal and Toronto