# THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

### HEAD OFFICE - TORONTO, ONTARIO

CAPITAL	AUTHORIZE	D -		-	-	-		\$1	,000,000
CAPITAL	PAID-UP	-	_	-	-		_	\$	916,359

### DIRECTORS:

HON. WILLIAM MCMASTER, PRESIDENT.

H. S. HOWLAND, ESQ., VICE-PRESIDENT.

WM. ALEXANDER, ESQ. T. SUTHERLAND STAYNER, ESQ.

JOHN TAYLOR, ESQ.

WM. ELLIOT, ESQ.

R. J. DALLAS, Cashier.

### **BRANCHES**

ONTARIO—
BARRIEAgent.
GUELPH Manage
HAMILTON
LONDON H. S. STRATHY "
ST. CATHARINESH. C. BARWICK "
STRATHROY J. S. SMALL Agent.

### BANKERS:

MONTREAL - - THE MOLSONS BANK.

NEW YORK - - - THE NATIONAL BANK OF THE REPUBLIC

LONDON, ENGLAND - THE LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

### GENERAL STATEMENT

30TH JUNE, 1868.

LIABILITIES				
Capital Stock paid-up		\$	916,359	00
Circulation \$				
Deposits	,302,480	70		
_		_	2,004,868	70
Reserve for interest accrued on deposits	3,098	39		
First Dividend unpaid	101	91		
Second Dividend, payable 1st July inst	32,291	37		
_			35,491	67
Rest	40,000			
Balance of Profits carried forward	362	OI		
			40,362	OI
		_		_
		\$	2,997,081	38
ASSETS		_		_
Specie and Provincial Notes	785,017	35		
Notes and Cheques of other Banks	139,066	69		
Balances due by other Banks, after deducting				
balances due to other Banks	45,781			
		#	969,86 <b>5</b>	53
Government Securities			92,500	
Notes and Bills Discounted				
Bank Premises and Furniture			40,421	82
		\$:	2,997,081	38

### THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

### PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

## FIRST ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS

HELD AT THE BANKING HOUSE, TORONTO, ON MONDAY, 6TH JULY, 1868.

The Chair was taken at noon by the Hon. William McMaster, the President, at whose request the Cashier read the following

### REPORT

In conformity with the requirements of the charter, your Directors have pleasure in presenting the first Annual Report, accompanied by the following Statement of the result of the business, for the period ending 30th June last—embracing thirteen and one-half months—the Bank having commenced business on the 15th May, 1867:

commenced business on the 15th May, 1807:		
The net available profits for the above period		
amount to\$97,7	83	20
From which has been taken Dividend		
No. 1, paid on January 1st, 1868,		
reckoned at the rate of 8 per cent.		
per annum, from 15th May, 1867. \$25,129 82		
Dividend No. 2, of 4 per cent., paid		
rst July inst32,291 37		
Transferred to Rest Account 40,000 00		
97,4	121	19
Leaving a balance at credit of Profit and Loss		
Account of\$	362	01

It will thus be observed that a dividend at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum has been paid from the date on which the Bank opened. The preliminary expenses have been liquidated; and after making all the usual deductions, the surplus profits amount to \$40,362.01, of which \$40,000 has been carried to Rest Account, leaving \$362.01 at credit of Profit and Loss Account.

The profits would have been larger, but in view of the distrust occasioned by the causes which produced the panic of last autumn, every consideration of prudence pointed to the necessity of keeping on hand a much larger reserve of gold and legal tender notes than is required under ordinary circumstances.

The business of the Bank, during the first few months of its existence, was necessarily limited, but subsequently expanded in so desirable a manner as to render it advisable—in the interest of the Shareholders—to call up the capital stock much more rapidly than was originally intended.

The calls were met with unusual promptness, as is exhibited by the fact of \$916,359 of the one million dollars authorized being now paid up.

Your Directors have from the commencement acted upon the principle of establishing only a limited number of branches, and of confining the operations of the Institution to a strictly legitimate banking business; and they cannot too strongly urge upon their successors a rigid adherence to this policy, as being not only in the interest of the Shareholders, but ultimately most conducive to that of the country.

The branches have been recently inspected, and your Directors have no hesitation in representing the entire business of the Bank as being in a safe and most healthy condition.

The protracted illness and lamented death of Mr. Greer, the late Cashier, imposed, for a time, unusual duties upon your Directors, which they continued to perform with unremitting attention until the appointment of his successor, Mr. Dallas, whose management has been of a character to satisfy them that their selection was judicious.

WM. MCMASTER,

President.

The following resolutions were then put and carried unanimously:—

Moved by T. D. McConkey, Esq., M.P., seconded by Noah Barnhart, Esq.:

That the Report of the Directors, now read, be adopted, and printed for distribution among the Shareholders.

Moved by E. H. Rutherford, Esq., seconded by A. T. McCord, Esq.:

That the thanks of the meeting be presented to the President, Vice-President and Directors, for their services during the past year.

Moved by the Hon. J. G. Currie, St. Catharines, seconded by J. H. Mead, Esq.:

That the thanks of the meeting be given to the Cashier, Manager, and other officers of the Bank, for their services during the past year.

Moved by C. Bansley, Esq., seconded by J. H. Seels, Esq.:

That the Directors be allowed \$4 each for each attendance during the past annual period.

Moved by James Norris, Esq., St. Catharines, seconded by V. Cronyn, Esq., London:

That the Directors are hereby authorized to apply to the Parliament of the Dominion for permission to increase the Capital Stock of the Bank to \$2,000,000, should they in their discretion deem it advisable to do so.

A resolution proposing the allowance of a sum to the President for his services during the past year was about to be submitted, but was withdrawn upon his assuring the meeting positively that he would not accept of it. Moved by R. N. Gooch, Esq., seconded by J. H. Seels, Esq.:

That the ballot-box be now opened, and remain open until three o'clock this day, for the receipt of ballot tickets for the election of Directors, and that Messrs. W. J. Mac-Donell and Charles Robertson do act as scrutineers—the poll to be closed, however, whenever five minutes shall have elapsed without a vote being tendered.

The following is the Report of the scrutineers:—

To R. J. DALLAS, ESQ., Cashier, Canadian Bank of Commerce, Toronto:

The undersigned scrutineers appointed to take the votes for the election of Directors for the current year, report the election of the following gentlemen, viz.:

HON, WM. MCMASTER WM. ELLIOT

H. S. HOWLAND T. SUTHERLAND STAYNER

Wm. Alexander James Austin

JOHN TAYLOR.

(Signed) W. J. MACDONELL, CHARLES ROBERTSON, Scrutineers.

Toronto, 6th July, 1868.

At a meeting of the newly-elected Board of Directors, the Hon. Wm. McMaster was elected President, and H. S. Howland, Esq., Vice-President, by a unanimous vote.

R. J. DALLAS, Cashier.

Toronto, 6th July, 1868.