

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES—PERCENTAGE OF PRINCIPAL ITEMS.

ITEMS.	1868.	1877.	1891.
Liabilities—	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.
Notes in circulation	18·99	19·22	16·66
Deposits	75·03	75·03	79·34
Assets—			
Specie and Dominion notes	11·40	8·29	6·46
Debts due to the banks	78·84	80·77	80·54
Notes of and cheques on other banks	2·94	2·30	2·70
Balances due from other banks	4·66	4·59	7·77

700. The next table gives the paid-up capital, assets, liabilities, and other particulars of the various banks in operation in each year since Confederation, according to the returns made to the Government, as required by the Bank Act :—

PARTICULARS OF BANKS IN CANADA, 1868-1891.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE.	Capital Paid up.	Notes in Circulation.	Total on Deposit.	Total Discounts.	Liabilities.	Assets.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1868..	30,289,048	8,307,079	32,808,103	50,500,316	43,722,647	77,872,257
1869..	30,981,074	8,063,198	38,823,332	53,573,307	48,380,967	83,565,027
1870..	32,050,597	14,167,948	50,767,099	62,252,569	66,530,393	102,147,293
1871..	36,415,210	18,339,893	55,763,066	83,989,756	77,486,706	121,014,395
1872..	45,134,709	25,040,077	64,720,490	107,354,115	94,224,644	151,772,876
1873..	55,102,959	29,516,046	68,677,137	117,646,219	98,296,677	168,519,745
1874..	60,443,445	26,583,130	78,790,368	133,731,260	117,656,218	188,417,005
1875..	63,367,687	20,902,991	75,033,811	123,786,038	101,371,845	184,441,108
1876..	67,199,051	20,288,158	74,594,057	128,645,238	101,686,717	184,421,514
1877..	63,923,156	18,265,356	71,284,797	126,169,577	95,004,254	174,375,603
1878..	63,387,034	19,351,109	71,900,195	124,888,552	95,641,008	175,473,086
1879..	64,159,427	18,090,814	71,368,502	122,502,537	93,375,749	170,446,074
1880..	60,584,789	20,186,176	84,818,804	118,916,970	108,833,271	181,741,074
1881..	59,384,987	26,102,368	94,155,621	144,139,875	125,063,546	198,967,278
1882..	58,739,980	32,229,937	113,820,495	177,521,800	153,001,994	229,271,064
1883..	61,404,554	32,211,945	107,148,664	177,222,569	145,296,836	226,803,491
1884..	61,443,397	29,654,511	106,594,253	160,459,183	140,973,233	223,855,601
1885..	61,821,158	29,692,803	104,656,566	158,209,174	138,510,300	217,264,655
1886..	61,841,395	29,200,627	112,991,764	165,044,608	147,547,682	228,422,353
1887..	60,815,356	30,438,152	114,483,190	169,357,325	149,413,632	229,241,464
1888..	60,168,010	30,444,643	128,725,529	173,185,812	166,344,852	244,975,223
1889..	60,236,451	31,209,972	136,293,978	191,721,124	175,062,257	255,765,631
1890..	59,569,765	32,059,178	136,187,515	195,987,400	174,501,422	254,628,694
1891..	60,742,366	31,379,886	149,431,573	202,692,481	188,337,504	269,491,153

701. The number of banks that made returns to the Government on the 30th June, 1868, was 27, being 11 less than in 1891, and the pre-

Increase in number of banks.