

TRANSACTION OF THE POST OFFICE AND GOVERNMENT SAVINGS
BANKS IN CANADA—*Concluded.*

BANKS.	Year.	Balance, 1st July.	BUSINESS DONE.		Balances, 30th June.	Increase or decrease.
			Deposits.	With- drawals.		
			\$	\$	\$	\$
Grand Total, Post Office and Government Sav- ings Banks combined.	1889-90	42,956,358	11,329,625	13,273,518	41,012,465	- 1,943,892
	1890-91	41,012,465	11,096,601	12,709,040	39,400,026	- 1,612,439
	1891-92	39,400,026	11,531,926	11,402,404	39,529,548	+ 129,522
	1892-93	39,529,548	12,484,783	10,164,673	41,849,658	+ 2,320,110
	1893-94	41,849,658	†12,580,136	11,393,782	†43,036,012	+ 1,186,354
	1894-95	†43,036,012	†12,694,527	11,280,041	†44,450,499	+ 1,414,487
	1895-96	44,450,499	13,425,276	11,076,457	46,799,319	+ 2,348,820

†Including \$1,384 Suspense.

The withdrawals during the five years 1890-94 averaged \$11,788,683 and the deposits \$11,804,614. The withdrawals in 1896 were \$712,226 less than the five years' average, and the deposits were \$1,620,662 more than the average for the same five years.

The policy of the Government is to transfer, as occasion arises, the accounts from the savings banks under the control of the Finance Department to the Post Office Department.

Under this policy the following amounts have been transferred :—

Nova Scotia.....	1890.....	\$ 68,579
	1891.....	161,595
	1894.....	84,292
	1895.....	337,349
	1896.....	358,526
New Brunswick..	1890.....	98,923
	1894.....	133,882
	1895.....	156,540
	1896.....	91,455
British Columbia.	1891.....	227,574