

Taking specie and Dominion notes held by the banks, the comparison for five years is :

	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	1897.
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Specie .....	6,412,342	7,438,513	7,471,967	7,857,220	8,663,459
Dominion notes .....	12,135,327	14,010,698	13,473,432	14,008,577	15,921,435
Total ..	18,547,669	21,455,211	20,945,399	21,865,797	24,584,894

By five-year periods the average circulation of bank notes is as follows :—

1869-73, average of 5 years.....	\$ 19,613,142
1874-78 " " .....	22,673,300
1879-83 " " .....	27,479,560
1884-88 " " .....	31,377,000
1889-93 " " .....	33,140,630
1894 .....	31,166,003
1895 .....	30,807,041
1896 .....	31,456,297
1897 .....	34,350,118

The circulation of Dominion Government notes of \$20 and under, being the denominations which circulate among the people, averages as under :

1874-78, average of 5 years.....	\$ 3,712,894
1879-83 " " .....	4,928,216
1884-88 " " .....	6,358,407
1889-93 " " .....	7,097,000
1894 .....	7,224,953
1895 .....	7,330,796
1896 .....	7,556,229
1897 .....	7,796,427

Deposits in chartered banks payable on demand and after notice or on a fixed day, 1873-97.

MONTH AND YEAR.	DEPOSITS IN CHARTERED BANKS.	
	Payable on Demand.	Payable after notice or on a fixed day.
	\$	\$
Aug. 31st, 1873.....	30,695,915	25,851,692
July 31st, 1874.....	34,006,905	29,446,777
" 31st, 1875.....	28,900,647	28,431,855
" 31st, 1876.....	34,981,933	22,357,036
" 31st, 1877.....	35,801,559	30,856,287
Total for five years.....	163,486,939	136,943,647
Average.....	32,697,392	27,388,729