Subsection 1.—The Current Balance Sheet of the Dominion.

A summary review of the current financial situation of the Dominion as at Mar. 31, 1934 and 1935, is given in the balance sheets shown as Table 1. This shows the figures for gross debt on the above dates to have been \$3,141,042,097 and \$3,205,956,369 respectively, partly offset by active assets aggregating \$411,063,956 and \$359,845,411, leaving the figures for net debt at \$2,729,978,141 and \$2,846,110,-958 respectively.* Non-active assets, including such public works as canals and railways, also loans to railways, amounted in the aggregate to \$1,794,558,865 and \$1,803,304,906, leaving debit balances on Consolidated Fund Account on Mar. 31 of \$935,419,276 and \$1,042,806,052 respectively. The details of the various assets and liabilities are contained in the schedules accompanying the balance sheet and printed in the Public Accounts.

* The net debt on Mar. 31, 1925, was \$2,417,437,686; on Mar. 31, 1926, \$2,389,731,099; on Mar. 31, 1927, \$2,347,834,370; on Mar. 31, 1928, \$2,296,850,233; on Mar. 31, 1929, \$2,225,504,705; on Mar. 31, 1930, \$2,177,-763,959; on Mar. 31, 1931, \$2,261,611,936; on Mar. 31, 1932, \$2,375,846,172; and on Mar. 31, 1933, \$2,596,480,826 See Table 19, p. 847).

1.—Balance Sheet of the Dominion of Canada, as at Mar. 31, 1934 and 1935.

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Item.	1934.	1935.
ACTIVE ASSETS-	\$	\$
Cash on hand and in banks Specie reserve	9,874,579 71,406,030	
Advances to provinces, banks, etc. Advances to foreign governments. Soldier and general land settlement loans. Miscellaneous current accounts.	191,920,712 30,494,720 45,219,132 62,148,783	2,443,224 175,034,198 30,494,720 44,648,325 90,928,247
Total Active Assets	411,063,956	359,845,411
Balance of Liabilities over Active Assets, being Net Debt, Mar. 31, (exclusive of interest accrued and outstanding carried forward)	2,729,978,141	2,846,110,958
	3,141,042,097	3,205,956,369
NON-ACTIVE ASSETS-		
Public Works, canals. Public Works, railways. Public Works, miscellaneous. Military property and stores. Territorial accounts. Railway accounts (old). Railway accounts (loans non-active). Canadian National Steamships (loans non-active). Miscellaneous investments and other accounts (non-active). Balance Consolidated Fund as at Mar. 31 of preceding year. Excess of expenditure over revenue, year ended Mar. 31.	242,079,744 443,182,346 252,124,944 12,035,420 9,895,948 88,398,829 655,527,456 15,353,467 75,960,711 811,417,164 124,002,112	242,411,265 442,884,582 259,118,195 12,035,420 9,895,948 88,398,829 655,527,455 15,840,634 77,192,578 935,419,276 107,386,776
	2,729,978,141	2,846,110,958
LIABILITIES1 Dominion Notes in circulation Bank Note Circulation Redemption Fund. Post Office account, money orders, postal notes, etc., outstanding. Post Office Savings Bank deposits. Insurance and superannuation funds. Trust funds. Contingent and special funds. Province accounts Funded Debt. Interest due and outstanding.	23, 158, 919 109, 481, 507 18, 271, 120 4, 441, 481 9, 623, 817 2, 791, 706, 560 1, 683, 672	1,858,613
Total Liabilities or Gross Debt	3,141,042,097	3,205,956,369

(From the Public Accounts.)

¹ Indirect Liabilities-Guarantees given by the Dominion of Canada are listed on pp. 853-855.