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# BANK LIABILITIES AND ASSETS.

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SUMMARY OF SWORN RETURNS FOR THE QUARTER  
ENDED 31<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 1917.

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SUMMARY of Sworn Returns, rendered pursuant to Part I. of the *Banks and Currency Act 1915* (6 Geo. V. No. 2618), showing the Average Amount of the Debts, Engagements, and Liabilities, and of the Assets, Property, Credits, and Securities, within Victoria, of all the Banks trading in Victoria engaged in the ordinary business of banking by receiving deposits and issuing in Victoria or elsewhere bills or notes payable to the bearer at sight or on demand, taken from the several Weekly Statements, for the quarter ended 31st December, 1917.

No.	Banks.	LIABILITIES.																	
		Notes in Circulation.				Deposits due to other Banks.				Deposits by the Crown.				Deposits by other Persons.				Total Amount of Liabilities.	
		Not Bearing Interest.		Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Bearing Interest.		Not Bearing Interest.		Bearing Interest.			
£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.				
1	Australasia ..	11,022	5 8	22,300	2 5	31,571	8 3	34,694	13 6	2,906,929	15 5	3,611,054	10 4	6,621,172	15 7				
2	Union, of Australia Limited ..	3,705	10 0	12,236	12 4	12,365	0 9	600,148	18 8	2,284,528	5 9	3,559,356	8 11	6,472,371	5 5				
3	New South Wales ..	28,251	1 5	15,013	11 10	..	..	448,642	17 2	1,730,332	6 10	2,870,449	14 9	5,401,602	10 9				
4	Victoria Limited ..	7,114	11 6	20,628	4 10	..	..	972,487	3 2	2,524,393	13 5	3,214,420	2 9	7,109,385	19 8				
5	London, of Australia Limited ..	3,929	11 2	6,254	4 6	..	..	31,597	16 5	1,432,659	2 11	1,407,440	2 6	3,734,841	19 0				
6	English, Scottish, and Australian, Limited ..	488	0 0	21,262	19 2	..	..	21,841	10 7	1,762,115	16 11	1,264,986	7 5	5,104,438	15 1*				
7	Colonial, of Australasia Limited ..	18,135	10 0	8,232	2 4	..	..	45,218	19 4	1,673,276	8 11	1,916,966	8 4	4,129,637	1 9				
8	National, of Australasia Limited ..	16,700	18 6	12,753	12 2	..	..	68,887	17 11	761,882	13 2	3,438,844	4 0	7,267,281	14 8				
9	Commercial, of Australia Limited ..	6,249	3 1	8,099	2 7	..	..	44,349	10 8	580,927	6 8	1,915,366	14 3	5,220,890	6 7				
10	Royal, of Australia Limited ..	857	0 0	13,267	7 9	..	..	21,819	15 8	817,495	15 6	735,489	15 6	2,139,742	9 5				
11	New Zealand ..	..	..	1,919	3 4	..	..	49,851	3 1	520,166	1 0	27,374	11 1	134,583	6 1				
12	Queensland National, Limited ..	..	..	2,293	9 9	..	..	..	..	83,945	13 10	35,758	12 5	121,401	16 0				
13	Queensland Limited ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,264	5 8	6,669	15 2				
14	Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris (French Bank) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
15	Australian Bank of Commerce, Limited ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
	Totals ..	96,453	11 4	144,502	13 2	..	..	1,023,489	2 4	322,305	11 9	5,827,311	7 6	21,053,246	16 0	24,043,159	10 10	53,551,798	11 5

No.	Banks.	ASSETS.												Percentage the Reserves of Gold, Bullion, and Australian Notes bear to the Bank's Liabilities.				
		Gold and Silver Coins, and other Coined Metals.		Gold and Silver Bars and Bullion.		Australian Notes.		Landed and other Property.		Notes and Bills of other Banks.		Balances due from other Banks.			All Debts due to the Bank.*		Total Amount of Assets.	
		£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.		£	s. d.	£	s. d.
1	Australasia ..	641,286	9 1	11,015	3 4	1,181,786	2 3	2 0 0	68,696	7 8	4,711,245	19 19	6,614,053	2 8	27.70			
2	Union, of Australia Limited ..	351,442	0 8	13,150	5 5	365,659	19 3	102,600	0 0	59,822	6 8	3,162,578	5 5	4,257,069	1 4	14.37		
3	New South Wales ..	1,483,381	4 11	11,563	16 5	572,089	17 10	76,196	18 7	559	0 3	3,024,836	9 6	5,168,627	16 6	38.26		
4	Victoria Limited ..	365,832	2 8	25,316	2 0	983,680	0 0	334,931	16 3	31,834	14 0	6,428,900	13 10	8,212,446	6 1	19.338		
5	London, of Australia Limited ..	123,465	10 4	2,342	18 7	454,576	11 5	131,313	8 9	20,850	12 9	2,181,974	15 6	2,950,717	4 8	15.54		
6	English, Scottish, and Australian, Limited ..	250,987	18 10	6,269	7 9	432,932	6 5	108,635	0 0	25,578	2 8	3,144,809	5 4	4,905,111	2 9	13.521†		
7	Colonial, of Australasia Limited ..	309,226	14 8	12,406	3 2	401,604	5 0	196,165	9 1	24,645	4 3	2,866,373	2 6	3,841,194	16 4	17.51		
8	National, of Australasia Limited ..	385,217	14 4	5,755	16 0	919,022	7 2	197,463	13 7	44,466	0 8	4,995,168	8 1	6,624,258	17 8	17.97		
9	Commercial, of Australia Limited ..	382,667	6 6	7,333	1 8	580,116	18 5	222,489	12 3	66,007	6 11	3,073,860	17 0	4,362,909	0 0	18.53		
10	Royal, of Australia Limited ..	98,916	15 8	9,009	2 3	372,514	0 0	62,000	0 0	34,484	5 1	2,147,864	9 6	2,751,089	1 9	22.45		
11	New Zealand ..	183,208	15 5	..	..	5,588	18 7	30,277	15 6	1,295	3 7	187,556	12 0	443,293	10 3	140.17		
12	Queensland National, Limited ..	236	19 10	..	..	2,509	1 5	..	..	568	19 8	238,499	6 0	241,813	6 11	2.26		
13	Queensland Limited ..	139	18 8	..	..	977	17 9	..	..	..	..	7,113	3 6	22,971	9 8	16.7		
14	Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris (French Bank) ..	17,735	4 10§	..	..	390	10 0	..	..	333	19 6	7,611	6 3	26,121	0 7	58.036¶		
15	Australian Bank of Commerce, Limited ..	20,416	8 4	..	..	6,747	9 3	..	..	..	..	79,643	14 1	112,807	11 8	58.53¶		
	Totals ..	4,820,204	4 9	98,981	16 7	6,280,106	5 3	1,462,105	14 0	379,142	12 8	457,925	14 1	36,135,847	1 6	49,634,403	8 10	20.91

\* Including Perpetual Inscribed Stocks, £1,044,329 18s. 6d. † Including notes, bills of exchange, and all stock and funded debts of every description, excepting notes, bills, and balance due to the bank from other banks. — ‡ Or £16,999 excluding Perpetual Inscribed Stocks. — § Including £26,170 2s. 4d. cash at bankers. — ¶ The amount of cash at bankers is also included.

SUMMARY OF SWORN RETURNS—continued.

		CAPITAL AND PROFITS.					
No.	Banks.	Amount of Capital Stock paid up.	Rate of last Dividend declared to Shareholders.	Amount of last Dividend so Declared.	Amount of Reserved Profits exclusive of such Dividend at the time of Declaring such Dividend.		
		£ s. d.		£ s. d.	£ s. d.		
1	Australasia Union, of Australia Limited ..	2,000,000 0 0	14 per cent. and bonus of 12s. per share	170,000 0 0	2,997,850 0 0		
2	.. ..	2,000,000 0 0	14 per cent. per annum (10 per cent. per annum and bonus of 2 per cent.)	140,000 0 0	2,053,133 0 6		
3	New South Wales .. ..	3,904,860 0 0	10 per cent. per annum	97,621 10 0	2,994,187 8 1		
4	Victoria Limited .. ..	1,478,010 0 0*	6 per cent. per annum (preference)	44,340 6 0	448,958 2 3		
5	London, of Australia Limited ..	669,670 0 0†	7 per cent. per annum (preference)	23,199 11 6‡	375,680 11 8		
6	English, Scottish, and Australian, Limited ..	539,437 10 0	7 per cent. per annum (ordinary)	43,155 0 0	534,263 8 1		
7	Colonial, of Australasia Limited ..	439,280 10 0	8 per cent. per annum	15,374 16 3¶	297,584 11 9		
8	National, of Australasia Limited ..	1,498,220 0 0	7 per cent. per annum (preference)	52,437 14 0	690,745 11 10		
9	Commercial, of Australia Limited ..	2,213,009 0 0†	7 per cent. per annum (ordinary)	42,347 0 0	9,406 10 9		
10	Royal, of Australia Limited ..	300,000 0 0	8 per cent. per annum	12,000 0 0	288,461 18 6		
11	New Zealand .. ..	2,279,988 10 6§	12 per cent. and bonus of 3 per cent. on ordinary shares and "B" preference shares and 10 per cent. on "A" preference shares	237,500 0 0	2,246,595 0 0		
12	Queensland National, Limited ..	480,000 0 0	3 per cent. per annum (ordinary)	12,000 0 0	36,933 17 8		
13	Queensland Limited .. ..	450,000 0 0	6 per cent. per annum (ordinary)	13,500 0 0	2,952 4 6		
14	Comptoir National d'Escompte de Paris (French Bank) ..	8,000,000 0 0	6 per cent. per annum	480,000 0 0	1,715,070 12 3		
15	Australian Bank of Commerce Limited..	1,198,679 0 0	3 per cent. per annum	17,980 3 7	116,758 16 5		
	Totals .. ..	27,451,154 10 6	.. ..	1,491,456 1 4	14,808,581 14 3		

  

* Preference shares	£416,760 0 0	\$ 4 per cent. guaranteed stock	.. ..	.. ..	£29,988 10 6
Ordinary shares	1,061,250 0 0	"A" Preference shares	.. ..	.. ..	500,000 0 0
	£1,478,010 0 0	"B" Preference shares	.. ..	.. ..	250,000 0 0
		Ordinary shares	.. ..	.. ..	1,000,000 0 0
					£2,279,988 10 6
† Preference Ordinary	£171,930 0 0	Preference Ordinary	.. ..	.. ..	£6,017 11 0
	497,740 0 0		.. ..	.. ..	17,182 0 6
	£669,670 0 0				£23,199 11 6
‡ Preference Ordinary	£2,117,350 0 0	Preference Ordinary	.. ..	.. ..	£10,641 10 9
	95,659 0 0		.. ..	.. ..	4,733 5 6
	£2,213,009 0 0				£15,374 16 3