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Comparative view of the average weekly condition of the banks of the State of South Carolina from their returns for the month of December, 1858, made conformably to acts of 1840 and 1855.

	Bank State of South Carolina.	Branch Bank State of South Carolina, Columbia.	Branch Bank State of South Carolina, Camden.	Southwestern Railroad Bank.	Planters & Mechanics' Bank.
DEBTS DUE BY THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Capital stock	$1,090,976 93	.....	.....	$872,475 00	$1,000,000 00
Bills in circulation	1,709,718 62	.....	.....	383,975 00	293,115 00
Net profits on hand	39,143 63	$12,516 86	$6,346 66	134,739 77	139,454 20
Balance due to banks in this State	36,546 83	*1,070,759 99	*350,947 93	132,164 19	46,577 87
Balance due to banks in other States	14,562 19	.....	.....	110,332 92	366,409 16
All other moneys due which bear interest	157,682 40	.....	.....	9,250 00	.....
State treasury for balance current fund	134,768 54	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for balance sinking fund	1,843,573 45	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for loan for rebuilding the city	1,189,945 63	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cash deposited and all other moneys due, exclusive of bills in circulation, profits on hand, balances due other banks, and money bearing interest	581,306 89	256,127 56	35,073 59	554,525 36	203,815 70
Total liabilities	6,798,325 11	1,339,404 41	392,367 58	2,197,462 24	1,958,371 95
RESOURCES OF THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Specie on hand	343,430 94	12,107 20	4,114 95	160,515 42	188,351 61
Real estate	111,048 69	.....	890 52	41,702 46	98,525 41
Bills of other banks in this State	49,280 00	103,977 00	31,081 00	47,959 00	40,962 40
Bills of banks in other States	3,065 00	.....	125 00	.....	.....
Balance due from banks in this State	89,205 41	.....	1,143 12	13,810 67	87,939 96
Balance due from banks in other States	39,568 52	20,089 87	2,785 10	104,827 34	10,123 97
Notes discounted on personal security	1,689,522 07	714,526 60	206,192 20	586,955 18	703,546 13
Loans secured by pledge of its own stock	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,844 00
Loans secured by pledge of other stock	319,206 95	.....	.....	.....	123,930 40
Domestic exchange	416,744 12	50,290 01	58,693 38	597,591 56	969,236 26
Foreign exchange	159,441 62	.....	.....	45,291 61	133,462 97
Bonds	421,975 32	30,613 20	42,338 31	101,879 80	77,517 00
Money invested in stock	531,224 83	.....	.....	166,362 69	167,249 61
Suspended debt and debt in suit	559,193 92	197,896 43	43,954 50	32,519 58	12,349 87
State treasury	.....	279,904 10	.....	.....	.....
Branches and agencies	1,492,181 61	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bonds under law for rebuilding Charleston	137,546 35	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest and expenses of State loan	8,945 09	.....	.....	.....	.....
Money invested in every other way than is specified in the foregoing particulars	†406,434 67	.....	.....	299,016 73	17,992 36
Total resources of the banks	6,798,325 11	1,339,404 41	392,367 58	2,197,462 24	1,958,371 95
Rates and amounts of the last dividend	.....	Included in profits of parent bank.	Included in profits of parent bank.	6 per cent. per annum. 26,174 25	8 per cent. per annum. 40,000 00
Amount of reserved profits at date of last dividend	.....	.....	.....	113,542 81	104,077 42

* This is due the mother bank at Charleston for capital, &c.
† Includes advances to State for new State house, &c.

N.—*Condition of the banks in South Carolina*—Continued.

	Union Bank of Charleston.	State Bank of South Carolina.	Bank of South Carolina.	Bank of Charleston.	Farmers' and Exchange Bank.
DEBTS DUE BY THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Capital stock	$1,000,000 00	$1,000,000 00	$1,000,000 00	$3,160,800 00	$1,000,000 00
Bills in circulation	197,220 00	388,740 00	79,212 50	722,930 00	883,120 00
Net profits on hand	40,403 78	85,287 85	104,241 71	393,544 35	104,640 57
Balance due to banks in this State	28,463 95	115,335 54	36,356 67	122,925 43	110,927 66
Balance due to banks in other States	1,686 76	15,656 75	14,778 48	696,877 37	9,460 09
All other moneys due which bear interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for balance current fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for balance sinking fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for loan for rebuilding the city	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cash deposited, and all other moneys due, exclusive of bills in circulation, profits on hand, balance due other banks, and money bearing interest	164,682 84	250,502 80	221,134 94	630,801 49	134,516 14
Total liabilities	1,432,457 33	1,855,522 94	1,455,724 30	5,727,678 64	2,252,664 46
RESOURCES OF THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Specie on hand	74,788 77	220,105 84	45,205 79	507,709 11	222,667 55
Real estate	40,000 00	86,825 05	40,000 00	101,000 00	48,354 62
Bills of other banks in this State	15,609 00	23,128 00	33,719 00	45,345 00	14,551 75
Bills of banks in other States	4,596 00	947 00	.....	5,923 00	.....
Balance due from banks in this State	100,957 85	77,693 09	74,666 22	127,732 25	28,432 05
Balance due from banks in other States	50,899 07	418 51	17,203 06	410,054 32	71,172 23
Notes discounted on personal security	687,579 49	523,935 67	830,879 07	2,282,431 22	768,296 30
Loans secured by pledge of its own stock	37,504 98	3,000 00	13,705 00	18,075 00	43,687 59
Loans secured by pledge of other stock	103,672 91	33,050 00	61,490 00	26,495 00	56,227 50
Domestic exchange	261,070 64	609,399 63	244,273 98	1,225,416 26	904,989 53
Foreign exchange	.....	21,144 92	.....	.....	.....
Bonds	85,077 65	39,729 83	37,596 42	50,853 36	6,000 00
Money invested in stock	34,347 60	178,063 66	29,696 41	737,748 25	6,620 00
Suspended debt and debt in suit	16,353 37	28,015 74	8,781 95	153,706 04	50,314 32
State treasury	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Branches and agencies	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bonds under law for rebuilding Charleston	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest and expenses of State loan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Money invested in every other way than is specified in the foregoing particulars	.....	.....	18,577 40	40,886 82	50,931 11
Total resources of the banks	1,432,457 33	1,855,522 94	1,455,724 30	5,727,678 64	2,252,664 46
Rates and amounts of the last dividend	5 per cent. per annum, 25,000 00	6 per cent. per annum, 30,000 00	6½ per cent. per annum, 33,333 00	8 per cent. per annum, 126,432 00	8 per cent. per annum, 40,000 00
Amount of reserved profits at date of last dividend	16,435 98	58,118 33	69,965 25	281,773 33	84,252 94

N.—*Condition of the banks in South Carolina*—Continued.

	Bank of Hamburg.	Commercial Bank of Columbia.	Bank of Newberry.	Exchange Bank of Columbia.	Merchants' Bank of Cheraw.
DEBTS DUE BY THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Capital stock	$500,000 00	$800,000 00	$364,200 00	$500,000 00	$400,000 00
Bills in circulation	935,074 00	291,955 00	569,076 00	566,337 00	364,906 00
Net profits on hand	176,527 51	42,535 94	94,556 87	64,489 56	74,925 75
Balance due to banks in this State	.....	8,947 24	.....	171 55	.....
Balance due to banks in other States	972 34	12,526 48	.....	.....	829 06
All other moneys due which bear interest	.....	.....	14,469 51	.....	.....
State treasury for balance current fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for balance sinking fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
State treasury for loan for rebuilding the city	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cash deposited, and all other moneys due, exclusive of bills in circulation, profits on hand, balance due other banks, and money bearing interest	27,755 63	215,070 38	67,058 05	63,632 34	28,477 57
Total liabilities	1,640,329 48	1,371,035 04	1,109,390 46	1,194,630 45	869,168 05
RESOURCES OF THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Specie on hand	150,969 05	96,414 50	65,155 92	55,687 22	50,817 21
Real estate	18,500 00	15,776 70	3,000 00	.....	22,558 03
Bills of other banks in this State	16,643 80	58,852 50	5,175 00	9,003 60	4,855 00
Bills of banks in other States	13,446 80	.....	302 00	200 50	7,459 00
Balance due from banks in this State	58,565 60	19,352 03	152,978 47	12,740 59	22,755 03
Balance due from banks in other States	93,437 59	91,660 75	49,370 75	36,963 49	36,441 87
Notes discounted on personal security	261,122 55	523,250 39	92,054 22	184,874 96	144,367 73
Loans secured by pledge of its own stock	14,132 79	52,658 04	16,665 36	8,050 00	23,804 18
Loans secured by pledge of other stock	4,775 00	24,063 00	97,515 23	99,472 87	.....
Domestic exchange	827,468 24	435,144 66	458,220 76	602,754 55	524,604 57
Foreign exchange	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bonds	.....	4,299 85	48,820 00	29,250 00	.....
Money invested in stock	.....	.....	.....	54,649 71	.....
Suspended debt and debt in suit	82,836 01	66,532 62	139,170 26	80,422 77	12,975 30
State treasury	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Branches and agencies	92,432 05	.....	35,594 99	20,566 98	.....
Bonds under law for rebuilding Charleston	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest and expenses of State loan	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Money invested in every other way than is specified in the foregoing particulars	.....	.....	15,367 34	.....	6,500 53
Total resources of the banks	1,640,329 48	1,371,035 04	1,109,390 46	1,194,630 45	869,168 05
Rates and amounts of the last dividend	12 per cent. per annum, 30,000 00	8 per cent. per annum, 32,000 00	8 per cent. per annum, 14,568 00	8 per cent. per annum, 20,000 00	8 per cent. per annum, 16,000 00
Amount of reserved profits at date of last dividend	143,081 59	14,607 10	83,136 29	46,265 19	68,808 59

N.—*Condition of the banks in South Carolina*—Continued.

	Bank of Chester.	Bank of Camden.	People's Bank of S. Carolina.	Bank of Georgetown.	Total.
DEBTS DUE BY THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Capital stock	$300,000 00	$400,000 00	$1,000,000 00	$200,000 00	$14,568,451 93
Bills in circulation	582,685 00	245,474 00	644,830 00	179,335 00	8,957,778 12
Net profits on hand	70,306 55	91,981 91	138,873 37	51,001 71	1,664,547 95
Balance due to banks in this State	4,098 00	5,267 88	335,803 62	1,335 94	2,406,650 29
Balance due to banks in other States	2,619 50	17,537 19	71,994 61	.....	1,336,143 09
All other moneys due which bear interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	181,401 91
State treasury for balance current fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	134,768 54
State treasury for balance sinking fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,843,573 45
State treasury for loan for rebuilding the city	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,189,945 63
Cash deposited, and all other moneys due, exclusive of bills in circulation, profits on hand, balances due other banks, and money bearing interest	72,925 31	21,137 34	147,956 01	65,167 49	3,741,067 76
Total liabilities	1,032,634 36	781,418 32	2,339,457 81	496,840 14	36,244,883 67
RESOURCES OF THE SEVERAL BANKS.					
Specie on hand	57,633 63	14,359 98	291,648 35	29,619 93	2,561,293 57
Real estate	.....	4,000 00	38,800 00	5,000 00	677,641 48
Bills of other banks in this State	11,675 00	1,522 20	40,619 00	3,302 00	557,799 25
Bills of banks in other States	1,364 00	.....	4,005 00	20 00	40,753 60
Balance due from banks in this State	42,313 77	31,806 41	76,114 45	16,060 36	1,027,617 33
Balance due from banks in other States	21,762 47	16,610 69	92,444 90	29,083 94	1,134,918 36
Notes discounted on personal security	148,872 34	169,289 34	316,317 79	137,568 96	10,950,642 37
Loans secured by pledge of its own stock	8,540 00	70 00	92,000 00	14,650 00	359,386 85
Loans secured by pledge of other stock	1,200 00	.....	293,491 30	.....	1,174,680 16
Domestic exchange	629,088 79	404,693 78	883,686 15	205,762 48	9,619,067 35
Foreign exchange	.....	.....	9,247 23	.....	368,588 35
Bonds	20,252 00	16,074 29	167,525 14	.....	1,178,852 17
Money invested in stock	10,000 00	.....	8,707 00	5,800 00	1,971,098 96
Suspended debt and debt in suit	36,932 40	22,583 28	14,850 90	49,966 47	1,540,357 43
State treasury	.....	.....	.....	.....	979,904 10
Branches and agencies	42,637 62	85,468 35	.....	.....	1,774,881 60
Bonds under law for rebuilding Charleston	.....	.....	.....	.....	137,546 35
Interest and expenses of State loan	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,945 09
Money invested in every other way than is specified in the foregoing particulars	162 34	15,000 00	10,000 00	.....	680,929 30
Total resources of the banks	1,032,634 36	781,418 32	2,339,457 81	496,840 14	36,244,883 67
Rates and amounts of the last dividend	10 per cent. per annum, 15,000 00	8 per cent. per annum, 16,000 00	8 per cent. per annum, 40,000 00	8 per cent. per annum, 8,000 00	.....
Amount of reserved profits at date of last dividend	60,783 15	85,141 19	102,579 29	43,404 26	.....

NOTE.—The Planters' Bank of Fairfield having failed to make a return in December, 1858, it has been deemed expedient to take its returns for September, 1858, and add them to the above amount, in order to give a view of the operations of all the banks of South Carolina. The total will be found in table E E: "A general statement of the condition of the banks according to returns dated nearest to January 1, 1859."

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