

BEST SHOWING SINCE 1865.

STATE BANKING DEPARTMENT SHOWS \$50,000,000 INCREASE IN ASSETS

OF INSTITUTIONS.

Albany, Dec. 29 (Special).—Frederick D. Kilburn, the Superintendent of the Banking Department, in his annual report, which was made public to-day, states that, notwithstanding twelve banks went out of the State system in the year, the combined resources of which had exceeded \$100,000,000, the eight institutions organized in the same period, the quarterly reports of the same banks submitted to the department in September showed an increase of assets, as compared with the same month in the preceding year, amounting to over \$90,000,000.

This surpasses any aggregate except that of the June immediately preceding which this class of institutions reported since 1865. This record Mr. Kilburn considers more significant than any merely general statement of the average soundness and prosperity of the State discount banks of this State. Mr. Kilburn continues:

The number of discount banks under the supervision of this department on September 30 was 193, of which, however, three had not begun business on September 12, as of which quarterly reports are not yet received, and one closed at the close of business on the day named. The aggregate capital of the banks on that date was \$1,000,000,000. The capital of the three banks which did not begin business on September 12 was \$10,000,000. The aggregate resources of the banks reported were \$1,000,000,000, which was a gain of \$52,000,000 over the corresponding date of 1900.

The Controller of the Currency has courteously supplied me with data from which I summarize a corresponding statement of the condition of the banks in this State. The number of these institutions authorized in New York on October 1, 1900, was 193, of which 186 were organized in the year named, and the number closed was seven, of which one was by failure and six by voluntary liquidation. These figures do not include the Seventh National Bank of New York, which appears to have been considered by the Controller as still existing on September 30, though temporarily suspended. It is a somewhat curious circumstance that, whereas during the year 1900 no State banks were organized, and only two of the sixteen new national banks were organized in New York, in 1901, on the other hand, six new State banks and one New York City institution were organized, and the aggregate of the resources of the State banks on September 30, 1901, was \$1,000,000,000, which was a gain of \$52,000,000 over the corresponding date of 1900.

TRUST COMPANIES.

There were sixty trust companies on September 30 under the supervision of this department. Five trust companies were authorized by me during the fiscal year, and a sixth a few days later. No new organizations were authorized during the year, and the number of companies under the supervision of this department on September 30 was sixty. The number of companies which were authorized during the year was five, and the number of companies which were authorized during the year was five. The number of companies which were authorized during the year was five.

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SIGNING BANKS.

No new savings bank was authorized during the year, and none closed, the number of these institutions being 128. The present conditions may not seem to encourage the organization of more savings banks, the continued prosperity and increase of business of the banks existing are evidently to be counted upon. Carefully and adequately regulated by law as to the investments they may make, and the supervision of their business, the State result in continually increasing deposits. From January 1, 1901, to July 1, these deposits increased \$1,000,000,000, and the result of the preceding year, and the gain for the year from July, 1901, to July, 1902, was \$1,000,000,000. The gain for the year from July, 1901, to July, 1902, was \$1,000,000,000. The gain for the year from July, 1901, to July, 1902, was \$1,000,000,000.

TOTAL RESOURCES.

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RECOMMENDATIONS.

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AMONG THE BOWLERS.

MANY HIGH SCORES, TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL ROLLED AS THE SEASON PROGRESSES.

It is not often that any bowling team which does not represent an organization for that sport alone includes many star performers as the first of the two teams which represent our Council in Section 1 of the New York Arcanum League tournament. This five easily won the Royal Arcanum championship on this side of the big bridge last year, and began the current season on Thursday night with two brilliant victories at Starr's alleys in West Fifty-ninth-st. The United States and Citizens' councils were both beaten, the former by 200 and the latter by a much smaller margin. "Our" bowlers recorded 902 and 308 in their first two games, rolled 100 pins in the first game, and the individual championship of the metropolitan district last winter, and still holds that title.

THE NEWARK ATHLETIC CLUB BOWLERS VISITED THE NEWARK ATHLETIC CLUB ALLEYS ON FRIDAY EVENING.

The Newark Athletic Club bowlers visited the New York Athletic Club alleys on Friday evening and rolled a series of three games in the Athletic League against the "Mercury Foot" wearers. The visitors put up good scores in the first two games, totaling one hundred and fifty and one hundred and thirty, but they were out of luck in the last game. On the other hand, the New-Yorkers showed the steadiest kind of work, only two of their fifteen rolls falling below the standard of 100. These two strings, 117 and 118, were rolled by the "Mercury Foot" bowlers for other shortcomings by rolling 302 in his other game. In the first game the home bowlers put in a total of 383 pins.

THE METROPOLITAN BOWLING CLUB HAS ENTERED A TEAM IN THE GRAND CENTRAL TOURNAMENT, IN BROOKLYN, AND IT WAS GENERALLY THOUGHT IN BOWLING CIRCLES THAT THEY WOULD HAVE "A CATCH" ON FRIDAY NIGHT.

However, they "came a cropper" in their first series against the Templeton and Carson teams. With the material aid of a 326 string by John Voorhies, the Metropolitans rolled 579 in their first game and were still beaten handily by the Templeton five, with an aggregate of 300 pins. The New-Yorkers improved in their second game, rolling 620, but they were still out of luck, for the Carson men scored only 769 and were outclassed. The inconsistency in bowling in the short run of the odd game, in which Carson outrolled Templeton.

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Otto Arpa was the star of the last evening's games for the winners, and his 240 was largely responsible for the high total of 929 piled up by the "De Forrest" team. The other bowlers were: Fred W. Lodes, however, rolled a better average for the two games, with totals of 197 and 191.

AS THE AMERICAN NATIONAL TOURNAMENT DRAWS TOWARD ITS CLOSE AT THE WHITE ELEPHANT ALLEYS, IN BROADWAY, THE SCORES BECAME STILL BETTER.

The Empire team rolled two brilliant games Thursday evening, of 376 and 399, beating Freedom as they pleased in the first, but needing all of their big total in the second to win from Hyperion, which aggregated 942. Even the odd game between the Empire five and 889 for Hyperion. D. Schiman, of the Empire five, was the star of the evening, with scores of 218 and 200.

THE FIRE INSURANCE CLERKS FAIRLY OUTDID THEMSELVES IN THEIR SERIES ROLLED ON THURSDAY EVENING.

In the last game of the series the Home Fire Insurance Company won from the German-American Fire Insurance Company by 325 to 281. The latter then dropped nearly two hundred pins in their second game, which was won by the Metropolitan Plate Glass Insurance Company by only 5 pins, but in the last game of the series the Home Fire Insurance Company again rolled over eight hundred, winning easily from the "window smashers." For the double winners Martin rolled consistently and well, with 198 and 217, while Ludlum astounded every one by rolling games of 222 and 117 in succession.

WHOLEMEN, AND ESPECIALLY THE RACING MEN WHO ARE PREPARING TO COMPETE IN THE SEVERAL CONTESTS ON THE ROAD ARRANGED FOR TO-MORROW NIGHT, ARE HOPING THAT THE SKIES WILL CLEAR, SO THAT THE ANNUAL RACES CAN BE DECIDED UNDER FAIR CONDITIONS FOR ONCE.

The annual struggle conducted by the Associated Cycling Clubs, from Fifty-ninth-st. to Yonkers and Tarrytown, has received much favorable notice for the medals, bottles of wine and banners ought to be interesting. The start will be made at Fifty-ninth-st. at midnight. The first twelve bicycle riders to reach Valley Stream, in the Long Island century course, in 1902, will receive handsome prizes given by the Century Road Club Association, which will conduct the Long Island New Year's Eve race as usual. The race is open to everybody, and will start from Bedford Rest, Brooklyn, at one minute after midnight, December 31. It is doubtful whether "Gus" Kligoff, of the Century Road Club Association, will start this time, as he is now racing on the track, and so the race is practically sure to evolve a new winner. Entries will be received at the Century Road Club Association, 210 West Fifty-third-st.

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