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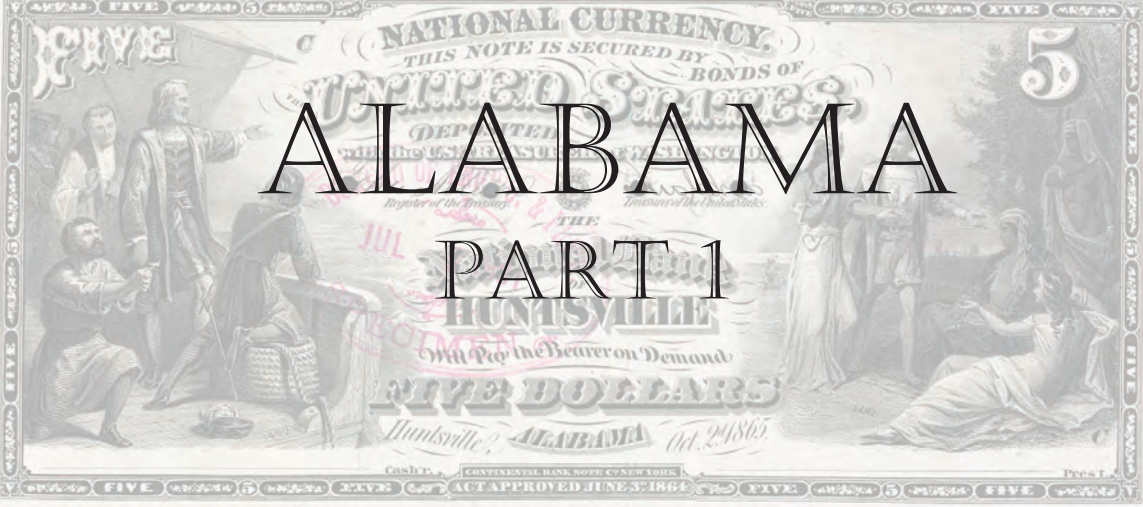
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# Alabama - Banks Issuing National Currency - Table 1

The state of Alabama had 164 banks with Charters in 93 cities that issued national currency.

Charter	Name of Bank	City
1537	First National Bank of Selma, Alabama	Selma
1560	National Bank of Huntsville, Alabama	Huntsville
1595	First National Bank of Mobile, Alabama	Mobile
1736	City National Bank of Selma, Alabama	Selma
1814	First National Bank of Montgomery, Alabama	Montgomery
1817	National Commercial Bank of Mobile, Alabama	Mobile
1817	Alabama National Bank of Mobile, Alabama	Mobile
1822	Gainesville National Bank, Gainesville, Alabama	Gainesville
1853	First National Bank of Tuscaloosa, Alabama	Tuscaloosa
2029	Merchants and Planters National Bank of Montgomery, Alabama	Montgomery
2065	National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
2309	Eufaula National Bank, Eufaula, Alabama	Eufaula
3041	First National Bank of Anniston, Alabama	Anniston
3185	First National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
3442	Berney National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
3452	First National Bank of Opelika, Alabama	Opelika
3587	Alabama National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
3617	First National Bank of Sheffield, Alabama	Sheffield
3622	East Alabama National Bank of Eufaula, Alabama	Eufaula
3663	First National Bank of Gadsden, Alabama	Gadsden
3678	Merchants National Bank of Tuscaloosa, Alabama	Tuscaloosa
3679	Birmingham National Bank, Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
3699	First National Bank of Decatur, Alabama	Decatur
3734	American National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
3899	First National Bank of Talladega, Alabama	Talladega
3931	First National Bank of Eutaw, Alabama	Eutaw
3981	First National Bank of Florence, Alabama	Florence
3993	City National Bank of Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham
4064	First National Bank of Fort Payne, Alabama	Fort Payne
4067	First National Bank of Huntsville, Alabama	Huntsville
4135	Florence National Bank, Florence, Alabama	Florence
4180	Farley National Bank of Montgomery, Alabama	Montgomery
4180	Merchants and Planters Farley National Bank of Montgomery, Alabama	Montgomery
4220	First National Bank of Bessemer, Alabama	Bessemer
4250	Anniston National Bank, Alabama	Anniston
4250	Anniston City National Bank, Anniston, Alabama	Anniston

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4250	Anniston National Bank, Anniston, Alabama	Anniston
4319	Tredegar National Bank of Jacksonville, Alabama	Jacksonville
4319	First National Bank of Jacksonville, Alabama	Jacksonville
4394	First National Bank of Demopolis, Alabama	Demopolis
4591	First National Bank of Bridgeport, Alabama	Bridgeport
4689	Farmers and Merchants National Bank of Huntsville, Alabama	Huntsville
4838	Isbell National Bank of Talladega, Alabama	Talladega
5024	Commercial National Bank of Eufaula, Alabama	Eufaula
5219	City National Bank of Mobile, Alabama	Mobile

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