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last six months of 1896 there were 569 transfers, amounting to \$1,610,001, and the mortgage loans amounted to \$3,419,920. In the city wards 1,148 transfers recorded during the year made up a total of \$4,210,293, and in Westmount 146 transfers amounted to \$749,146, making an aggregate of 1,294 sales, amounting to \$4,959,439.

The total amount of registered sales during the year 1896 in the outside municipalities (not including Westmount) as shown in detail in another column is \$936,564.

The real estate mortgage loan market has been moderately active during the year, and the supply of money offering for first-class mortgages has been in excess of the demand. Occasional large loans at rates under five per cent. speak well for the confidence felt by insurance companies and other money lenders in Montreal real estate security.

The sales recorded in December at Maisonneuve, DeLorimier, Mile End, Montreal Annex, Outremont, Cote des Neiges and St. Henry, amount to about \$21,000, of which Montreal Annex Mile End and St. Henry were the largest contributors.

TRANSFERS RECORDED IN OUTSIDE MUNICIPALITIES DURING 1896.

Maisonneuve	57,668
Mile End	65,988
Montreal Annex	196,722
Outremont	4,740
Cote des Neiges	56,131
St. Henry	380,483
St. Cunegonde	151,482
Notre Dame de Grace	12,681
De Lorimier	9,110
Cote St. Luc	1,559
	\$936,564

There were 56 real estate transfers in the City Wards and Town of Westmount recorded at the registry offices during the month of December, the particulars of which are given in other columns, amounting to \$159,313.48.

St. Antoine Ward	3	\$29,500 00
St. Ann's Ward	2	1,455 03
St. James Ward	7	18,410 00
St. Louis Ward	1	4,000 00
St. Lawrence Ward	4	18,650 00
St. Mary's Ward	7	27,180 00
St. Jean Baptiste Ward	11	19,006 57
St. Denis Ward	5	4,707 03
St. Gabriel Ward	3	2,590 00
Hochelaga Ward	4	12,411 75
Westmount	9	21,402 50

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