

FINANCIAL

WINNIPEG BANK CLEARINGS.

Returns from the Winnipeg Clearing House for the week ending March 1, shows as follows:

Week ending Mar. 1, 1900 ... \$1,538,313
Corresponding week, 1899 1,508,418
Corresponding week, 1898 1,506,141

The monthly totals are as follows:

	1899.	1898.
January	\$7,083,052	\$6,347,168
February	6,209,471	5,517,340
March	6,756,094	5,968,000
April	6,016,431	6,240,000
May	7,472,855	8,683,364
June	8,213,716	7,396,799
July	8,169,595	6,316,238
August	7,995,291	6,180,385
September	8,281,159	6,414,551
October	12,689,000	9,347,692
November	14,435,219	11,553,689
December	12,966,905	10,708,731

Totals \$107,786,814 \$90,674,325

1900.

January \$9,906,607
February 6,702,646

FINANCIAL NOTES.

Bank clearings at Winnipeg for the month of February show an increase over 1899 of \$493,175 being \$6,702,646.

G. F. R. Harris, manager of the Canada Permanent Loan Company, has received notice of his transfer to Toronto.

Dominion savings' bank returns for the month of February at Winnipeg are as follows: "Deposits \$19,694, withdrawals \$20,861.27.

The Bank of British North America has declared a dividend for the current half year at the rate of 6 per cent. an increase of 1.2 of 1 per cent over the previous half year.

B. H. Joy, formerly accountant in the Portage la Prairie branch of the Merchants Bank has been appointed manager of the newly opened Carberry branch, H. R. Bell, of the Winnipeg staff, takes his place at the Portage.

According to the monthly statement of the Canadian banks for January, which has just been published, shows a falling off in note circulation from December of \$4,600,000, but an increase over the same month last year of \$4,400,000. Public deposits with the banks was also smaller than in December. Balances due from the United Kingdom and foreign countries were smaller, owing, it is said, to heavy buying of merchandise for Canadian account in those places. Mercantile loans increased \$1,500,000 over December and were \$29,000,000 greater than a year ago.

The immense packing and manufacturing business of Armour & Co., Chicago, is to be converted into a joint stock concern.

Steamship passenger rates for the great lakes for 1900 have been fixed by the agents of the various companies. They remain practically the same as last year, with a few slight advances.

The trade returns published in last week's Canada Gazette show the exports for January to have been \$10,076,999, and imports \$14,125,218, an increase over January last year of \$2,369,747 in the exports, and \$3,629,132 in imports.

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The Icelanders of Manitoba have subscribed \$3,200 for the purpose of assisting their countrymen in Iceland to emigrate to Canada. The Dominion government is administering the fund.