CLEARING HOUSE RETURNS.

The following are the figures for the Canadian Clearing Houses for the weeks ended November 5th, 1908, October 28th, and November 4th, 1909, with percentage increase or decrease:—

	Nov. 5, '08.	*Oct. 28, '09.	Nov. 4, '09.	Change
Montreal	$32,081,537	$36,288,073	$41,611,529	+ 29.7
Toronto	30,569,706	27,041,465	32,917,431	+ 7.6
Winnipeg	20,065,173	20,585,412	26,727,163	+ 33.2
Vancouver	4,192,850	6,293,357	6,892,045	+ 64.3
Ottawa	3,054,832	3,151,348	3,146,268	+ 2.9
Quebec	2,675,790	2,172,716	1,580,636	— 40.9
Halifax	2,171,565	1,482,199	2,077,653	— 4.3
Hamilton	1,699,417	1,527,737	2,102,319	+ 23.7
St. John	1,493,294	1,370,892	1,666,760	+ 11.6
Calgary	1,665,784	2,265,901	2,712,803	+ 62.8
London	1,306,095	1,059,420	1,360,239	+ 4.1
Victoria	1,340,208	1,222,191	1,546,777	+ 15.4
Edmonton	1,121,706	948,806	1,457,972	+ 29.9
Total	$103,437,957	$105,409,517	$125,799,595	+ 21.6
Regina	....	831,875	1,176,657	

*Five days only, Thanksgiving, October 25, 1909.

The following are the bank clearings for September and October, 1909, compared with October, 1908:—

	Oct., 1908.	Sept., 1909.	Oct., 1909.	
Montreal .	$140,602,161	$145,341,695	$186,151,093	+32.3
Toronto ..	115,724,711	112,854,897	133,768,916	+15.5
Winnipeg .	73,794,782	60,827,428	97,862,863	+32.6
Vancouver .	17,502,569	28,035,000	29,995,112	+71.3
Ottawa ..	14,594,847	13,864,221	15,243,202	+44.4
Quebec ..	10,023,826	9,393,651	10,530,055	+ 5.05
Halifax ..	8,147,192	7,082,760	7,840,631	— 3.7
Hamilton .	6,813,326	6,916,970	8,056,929	+18.2
St. John ..	6,733,530	6,124,893	6,454,628	— 4.1
Calgary ..	6,491,078	9,175,036	9,581,691	+47.6
London ..	4,816,683	4,820,908	5,271,849	+ 9.4
Victoria ..	5,062,689	5,864,553	6,873,867	+35.5
Edmonton .	3,429,841	4,372,343	4,464,143	+30.1
Total ..	$413,737,235	$414,674,355	$522,094,979	+26.1
Regina			3,769,900	

The project of building a bridge over the Second Narrows, Vancouver, was reviewed at a conference held recently. It is understood that the promise of financial support is such as will warrant the work being undertaken in the near future. The proposal to span the Second Narrows has brought about the idea of forming a joint stock company, in which the cities and municipalities adjoining, will take stock, the railways giving assistance, and the provincial and Dominion governments making grants. Should the project be worked out, it must be voted on by the several districts interested.