ESTABLISHED 1872

## Bank of Hamilton

Head Office: HAMILTON

CAPITAL AUTHORIZED.... 5,000,000 CAPITAL PAID UP . . . . . . . . 3,000,000 

### THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

SIR EDMUND WALKER, C.V.O., LL.D., D.C.L., President.

SIR JOHN AIRD, General Manager. H. V. F. JONES, Assistant General Manager.

## TRAVELLERS' CHEQUES

Convenience, security and economy are secured by the use of Travellers' Cheques issued by this Bank. They enable the bearer to identify himself and are readily converted into the current coin of any foreign country.

## The Royal Bank of Canada

Incorporated 1869

Capital Authorized	 \$25,000,000
Capital Paid-up	 · · ф17,000,000
Total Assets	 \$427,000,000

HEAD OFFICE: MONTREAL.

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E. L. PEASE, Vice-President and Man.
Director.

C. E. NEILL, General Manager.

530 Branches in CANADA, NEWFOUND-LAND, CUBA, PORTO RICO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, COSTA RICA, VENEZUELA, BRITISH WEST INDIES,
SPAIN, Barcelona—Plaza de Cataluna 6.
LONDON, Eng.
NEW YORK
Prince St. E. C. Cor. William & Cedar St.

SAVINGS DEPARTMENTS' at all Branches

Business Founded 1795

## American Bank Note Company

Incorporated by Act of the Parliament of Canada

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Branches: MONTREAL, Bank of Ottawa Building.
TORONTO, 19 Melinda Street.
WINNIPEG, Union Bank Building.

# Banking Transactions

### WEEKLY CLEARINGS NOT SO HIGH.

The increase in clearings at Montreal last week were almost as high as for the whole of Canada as represented by twenty-two cities. The total clearings for these cities come to \$223,878,386 as against \$255,658,737 last week and \$211,714,517 for the corresponding period a year ago. This shows a decrease of \$31,780,351 as compared with last week and an increase of only \$12,163,869 as compared with a year ago. Montreal showed an increase of approximately \$12,000,000 and Vancouver of approximately \$2,000,000, while Winnipeg showed a falling off. Other clearings were:

	1919.	1918.
Montreal	\$82,259,174	\$70,490,008
Toronto	59,817,589	56,959,240
Winnipeg	30,323,142	38,272,429
Vancouver	10,057,845	8,219,529
Ottawa	0 000 765	4,779,685
Calgary	4 45 4 4 45	5,673,169
Hamilton	1 000 051	4,359,929
Halifax	1000100	3,067,547
Quebec	4 400 255	3,601,942
Edmonton	0.040.007	2,740,522
Regina	0 550 041	2,605,930
London	0 =00 119	1,641,930
St. John	0 400 040	1,876,139
Victoria	1 014 000	1,512,562
Saskatoon	1 000 100	1,448,210
Moose Jaw	1 010 000	1,001,242
Brantford	270 010	856,357
Sherbrooke	000 000	613,860
Peterboro	F00 00F	563,492
Lethbridge		478,260
Fort William		584,794
New Westminster .		367,741
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..\$223,878,386 \$211,714,517 Windsor reported clearings of \$1,108,548, Kitch-

ener \$621,913, and Medicine Hat \$302,827.

#### BANK OF GERMANY.

Berlin, via London, February 25.

The statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany, issued February 15, shows the following changes:

	Marks.
Total coin and bullion, decrease	2.193,000
Gold, decrease	2,601,000
Treasury note, increase	30,144,000
Notes of other banks, increase	87,000
Bills discounted, increase	649.149,000
Advances, decrease	992,000
Investments, increase	171,000
Other securities, decrease	23,093,000
Notes in circulation, increase	95.025,000
Deposits, increase	604.887,000
Other liabilities, decrease	46.639,000
Total gold holdings	

#### EXCESS RESERVE LOWER.

#### Decrease of \$35,593,670 in New York For Week.

New York, Feb. 24.—The actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week (five days) shows that they hold \$16,821,810 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of \$35,593,670 from last week.

The statement of actual condition follows:

Loans	,084,000
Cash in own vaults Inc. 3	,076,000
Cash in own vadics	145,000
Res. in depos Dec.	,813,000
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Circulation Dec.	110,000
Excess reserve	5,593,670
Aggregate reserve\$524	4,334,000
Aggregate reserve	

#### MONTHLY CLEARINGS ADVANCE 29 PER CENT.

Considering the shortness of the month Montreal made a good showing for February. The figures amounted to \$360,083,689 against \$278,-687,555 a year ago, or an increase of \$181,396,134 at the rate of 29 per cent. Toronto clearings showed an increase of approximately \$67,000,-000 while Winnipeg showed a decrease of approximately \$24,000,000. The comparative monthly figures were:

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Montreal	\$360,083,689	\$278,887,555
Toronto	077,000,000	207,252,188
Winnipeg	400 000 000	154,002,226
Vancouver	F1 FF0 102	34,229,519
Ottawa	05 552 506	19,570,622
Hamilton	10 004 696	17,107,522
	17 007 000	15,593,652
Quebec ··	17 999 091	13,076,118
Halifax ··	11 202 050	10,509,864
Regina	10 000 100	7,477,674
London	7 004 009	6,718,129
Victoria	F FOC 115	5,707,743
Moose Jaw	F 000 000	4,252,310
Sherbrooke	0 000 500	2,570,287
Peterboro	0.400.000	2,292,246
Fort William .	4 000 044	2,390,604
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..\$947,275,768 Windsor reported clearings of \$4,663,924, Brantford \$3,554,985, Kitchener \$2,842,088 and Medicine Hat \$1,290,848.

Italy's casualties are now announced. During the war she lost 462,439 killed, 953,886 wounded, half of the latter being permanently disabled. Naval losses are 3,169 killed and 5,252 wounded.



OF CANADA HEAD OFFICE - TORONTO

#### TRUST FUNDS

Our Savings Department gives you a guarantee of absolute security and in erest at current rate.

MONTREAL BRANCH

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