

PUBLIC HEALTH PROGRESS IN MONTREAL

September, 1924, to June, 1926

In making this report, it is not intended to claim that the Health League has been entirely responsible for the progress, but merely to show that it has shared in the efforts which have secured this advance.

HEALTH LAWS

- I - Passage of the Milk By-Law:- The part the League played in this is well-known, and I believe both agencies and individuals credit it with the final success in securing its enactment and preventing postponement of its application.
- II - Passage of the Meat Inspection By-Law:- The League's part in this was not so evident. We were asked to work quietly as certain individuals were prepared to advocate this by-law in council, and they desired the credit, ^{not} also/wishing it to look as though outside influences were forcing them. This by-law was really made possible by the work done in regard to milk.
- III - Housing Laws:- After fifteen months' study, the Housing Committee of the League, which is composed of representatives from the Montreal Council of Social Agencies, The Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, the Catholic Social Service Guild, the Civic Improvement League, La Société St-Jean-Baptiste and the General Health League, have drafted their recommendation for the necessary changes in the By-Laws of the Provincial Board of Health concerning housing. These have been submitted to the provincial authorities and our next step will depend upon what action they take. It appears as if they were being well-received and that there is a reasonable likelihood of favourable action. Not much has been said about this, because it is intended to give the Provincial authorities all the credit if they will accept the proposals, so as to make the revision appear as their own idea and not as