

Other Branches of the Industry.Par. 21.

In addition to the three sections of the primary textile industry already described, there are the cotton thread industry with, in 1934, 613 employees with an annual pay roll of \$635,849, the cordage and rope industry with 952 employees and an annual pay roll of \$981,653, the dyeing and finishing industry with 940 employees and an annual pay roll of \$931,721, and unenumerated groups with 2,580 employees and an annual pay roll of \$2,641,093. (Exhibit 788, p.41).

Benefit to Municipalities.Par. 22.

It is apparent from the foregoing summaries of the sections in the primary textile industry that the economic and social life of a large number of villages and towns in Canada is dependent upon the local textile mill, and in other cases the mill or mills are substantial contributors to the economic and social welfare. To appreciate this point one has only to consider what the loss of the textile mills' annual pay rolls would mean to the following list of towns picked out at random:

Town	Population	Textile Mill Pay roll
Truro, N.S.	7,562	\$ 300,000
Preston, Ont.	5,423	200,000
Marieville, Que	1,748	70,000
Arnprior, Ont.	4,077	135,000
St. Johns, Que.	9,137	101,242
Hespeler, Ont.	2,777	500,000
St. Jerome, Que.	5,491	250,000

Exhibit 615.

Par. 23.

The direct pay roll of the mill spent for housing, food, clothing and various services, is of direct benefit to these municipalities and through them to the country at large, especially to the farming community surrounding each centre by providing a convenient and steady market for its products. Also the purchases by the industry of large quantities of supplies, such as soaps, oils, chemicals, raw and semi-manufactured goods and power, and expenditures for taxes, Municipal, Provincial and Federal, and for freight and passenger rail fares in connection with the industry, contribute further to the economic life of the country as a whole. There is also further evidence as to what mills mean to their municipalities as follows: