

NOTES BY THE WAY

LINES MONTREAL TO WINNIPEG

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

Mile from
Montreal

THE CITY OF MONTREAL

Montreal (Tunnel Terminal) Rail Level Alt. 69

As the metro-
polis of the Do-
minion of Canada,

with many important industrial, commercial, financial and trans-
portation interests contributing to its greatness, Montreal is a city
meriting the attention and interest of the traveller. Its location
will be found to be unique and most attractive. Before it rolls
majestically towards the sea the broad waters of the lordly St.
Lawrence. Behind it rise the beautiful, verdure-clad heights of
Mount Royal, whence the city derives its name. Around it is
stretched a charming country-side, rich in splendid watercourses,
picturesque driveways, lovely parks, and shrubberies and pleasant
gardens and orchards.

Historic interest, with its glamor of by-gone romance, adds
greatly to the attractiveness of the city. Dating back to the earliest
days of exploration and conquest, few places on the North American
continent can produce such a record as is contained in its archives.
Originally French, and still populated to a great extent of 75 per cent, by
people of French origin, it possesses much of the gay and light-some
charm of the race, while its older sections are rich in the relics and
lore of the famous old French regime. It is indeed a storehouse
of interest for all who are attracted by the lure of the olden times.

Montreal, however, is also a very modern city. With a rapidly
growing population of 775,000, it is a hive of business and industry.
Manufacturing of every description is extensively carried on. Its
warehouses and elevators are filled with the products of domestic
and foreign enterprise. Through its splendid docks and freight
terminals passes the commerce of half a continent. It is a great
railroad centre, a point where ocean-borne commerce is trans-
shipped for distribution throughout Canada, and where Canadian pro-
ducts are loaded on shipboard for transmission overseas. Powerful
financial institutions line its downtown thoroughfares, while its
shopping district is in keeping with the size and importance of its
population. Famous cathedrals and churches, notable educational
institutions, commodious hotels, modern places of amusement, all
contribute to render Montreal an attractive place of residence or
temporary sojourn.

In leaving the city, the traveller encounters at once one of the
modern marvels of engineering skill, —the famous Mount Royal
Tunnel. To understand its place in the city's organism, one must
appreciate something of the handicaps imposed by Montreal's
location. With the growth of the city, the space originally occupied