

We propose to publish these and other statistics and reports from time to time, and we trust that they will prove of interest as showing the state of the health of the province, the relative healthfulness of various localities, and the measures taken to promote and guard the health of the population.

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The Board of Health for the Province of Quebec have, during the past month, established a Bacteriological Laboratory in connection with their office, at 76 St. Gabriel street. This laboratory, which is in charge of Dr. Wyatt Johnston, is well equipped with the best modern apparatus for sanitary investigations. A Chemical Laboratory for the sanitary analyses of water and food supplies, drugs, etc., is also being fitted out, and will be in charge of Prof. R. F. Ruttan, who, in the meantime, is carrying on the work in his laboratory at McGill College. Besides making such analyses and researches as may be required by the Provincial Board, it is proposed to make arrangements by which local health boards and municipalities can have analyses made at a very moderate cost. We congratulate the Board upon providing what has long been a great want in connection with public medicine in the province.

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Dr. J. E. Laberge has been appointed City Bacteriologist in connection with the Montreal Health office. Dr. Laberge has received his training in the Pasteur Institute of Paris, and his appointment is considered an excellent one in every way. There is a great opportunity for making a record in connection with civic health matters which has long needed the attentions of a bacteriologist.