

Fourthly, owing to the large proportion of French-Canadians in this district, it was thought that it would be of considerable interest to inquire as to their numbers in the industrial world.

Fifthly, what is the proportion of married women workers in Montreal?

The above information is then amplified in regard to the respective industries which have been considered. Following this description and explanation are comparative statistical tables which set forth the conditions existing in the several industries. Below each table is a general survey and summary of the figures there set forth, and such conclusions are drawn as may present themselves as worthy of special note.

The next section of the thesis is devoted to the comparative views and opinions of the employers regarding the changes involved in their respective industries, and the future outlook for women.

As a preliminary it is proper to explain with some accuracy the area included in this study. The city of Montreal is situated on the island of Montreal at the head of ocean navigation of the St. Lawrence River. It is the terminus of the great inland waterways which stretch from the head of Lake Superior. The population of the city as returned in the Canadian Census of 1911 was 466,197. As there is no annual census taken in the city of Montreal it is impossible to obtain an official statement as to the population in 1918. It is estimated, however, by Dr. M. O. Ward, Chief Statistician of the Montreal Health Department, that the population of Montreal proper for 1918 was about 640,000. But as usually happens in the case of large modern cities the statutory limits of the municipality do not necessarily cover the full area of the inhabited district. In and about Montreal itself there are independent municipalities in which large industries draw their workers from the city proper. Therefore, for the purposes of this investigation Montreal is considered to include all those independent municipalities which are closely connected with it. These comprise Outremont, Verdun, Westmount, Montreal West and La-chine. The population of this enlarged Montreal in 1911 was estimated to be about 710,750. Taking for