

degree that such are multiplied we have every reason to feel assured that community work in our rural districts will increase. I have suggested that this work demands the closest coöperation of clergy, teachers and physicians, with the people of our rural communities, and I can conceive of nothing so likely to make this possible as the unifying of old school sections into a central or consolidated school, where a number of teachers with a trained science principal and enough buildings and equipment, would create a true educational and social centre for the people. To illustrate how the public sense is still little developed with regard to the health phase of this socializing process I shall give a statement regarding the local boards of health in six of the ten health districts of the province of Quebec, supplied through the kindness of Dr. Pelletier, secretary of the Superior Board of Health and of Dr. McCullough of the Provincial Board of Ontario, who informs me that each of the eight hundred and thirty-seven boards of health has its medical officer. In the Montreal Health District there are seventy-nine parishes, eighteen villages, thirty-two towns, six cities.

Of the important municipalities Montreal spends \$250,000 in health work and employs twenty-seven medical men under a chief medical officer, while the salaries run from \$5,000 to \$1,500. Lachine spends \$15,000, and employs three medical officers, with salaries from \$1,400 to \$450. Westmount pays \$1,000 to its medical officer; Maisonneuve \$2,000 and Verdun \$1,000.

	No. of Municipalities	Boards of Health	Medical Officers	Sanitary Inspectors
Montreal District:				
Urban.....	38	20	25	19
Rural.....	97	59	49	42
Three Rivers:				
Urban.....	9	9	7	2
Rural.....	133	133	66	67
No annual salary to medical health officer except in Three Rivers.				
Quebec:				
Urban.....	22	22	14	7
Rural.....	137	106	27	111
Quebec City pays \$2,000 and \$1,800.				
Levis pays \$400.				
Lauzon pays \$300.				
Most medical officers paid when called upon.				