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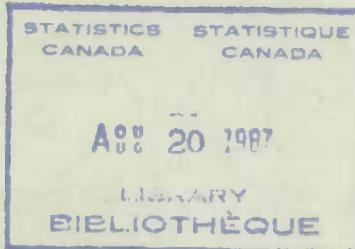
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ON THE
WOMEN'S FACTORY CLOTHING INDUSTRY
IN
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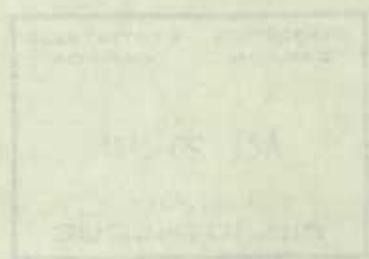
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THE WOMEN'S FACTORY CLOTHING INDUSTRY IN CANADA, 1941.

In 1941 reports were received from 671 establishments engaged primarily in the manufacture of women's factory clothing and ready-to-wear garments which was an increase of 67 over the number reporting in 1940.

This industry is composed of five divisions, so closely allied as to make it impracticable to treat each one as a separate industry. The divisions comprise (1) Womens cloaks and suits, (2) Womens dresses, (3) Ladies wear, (4) Childrens wear, (5) Embroidery, pleating and hemstitching. Laces, tapes and bindings which previous to 1938 comprised a division, are now classified as a separate industry under the title "Narrow Fabrics." In 1941 there were 671 establishments reporting under the above classification. They reported a capital investment in fixed and current assets of \$38,646,342. They gave employment to 24,545 persons who received \$24,063,722 in salaries and wages and produced goods with a factory value of \$23,941,940 from materials costing \$55,574,273 leaving the value added by manufacture at \$38,078,934.

The output of the industry was considerably higher in 1941. Compared with the previous year there were increases of \$25,354,104 in the gross value of production, \$9,189,996 in the capital invested, 3,996 in the number of employees, \$5,771,373 in the salaries and wages paid, \$15,367,647 in the cost of materials used and \$9,933,265 in the value added by manufacture.

The establishments reporting in 1941 were located by provinces as follows: Quebec 532, Ontario 236, Manitoba 26, British Columbia 13, Alberta 6, and New Brunswick 3.

Montreal is the centre of the industry. In 1941 the establishments located there produced 47 per cent of the total output of the women's factory clothing industry. Establishments classified in the "dress" section produced 48 per cent of the total, "coats and suits" 18 per cent, "ladies' wear" 21 per cent and "childrens wear" 3 per cent. Toronto with 24 per cent of the total for the industry ranked second. The following table gives the standing of the two cities as regards the number of employees and value of products.

Production of Women's Factory Clothing in Cities of Montreal, Toronto and Canada, 1941

| Industry | MONTREAL | | TORONTO | | CANADA | |
|--|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|
| | Em- ployees No. | Value of Products \$ | Em- ployees No. | Value of Products \$ | Em- ployees No. | Value of Products \$ |
| Coats and suits | 3,263 | 11,236,173 | 1,939 | 3,604,233 | 5,133 | 24,532,521 |
| Dresses | 7,230 | 30,548,994 | 1,195 | 4,566,402 | 3,971 | 36,400,555 |
| Ladies wear | 3,734 | 15,207,721 | 1,347 | 5,921,590 | 6,584 | 21,368,411 |
| Children's wear | 1,040 | 5,816,651 | 470 | 1,626,148 | 2,595 | 7,502,731 |
| Embroidery, pleating hemstitching, etc. | 911 | 2,170,277 | 325 | 918,181 | 1,207 | 3,210,631 |
| TOTALS | 16,053 | 68,988,000 | 5,335 | 22,656,604 | 24,545 | 98,941,940 |

Table I. - Principal Statistics representative years, 1928 to 1941.

| Year | Establishments | Capital Invested | Employees | Salaries and Wages | Cost of Materials Used | | Gross Value of Production |
|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------------|------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
| | | | | | No. | \$ | |
| 1928 | 444 | 23,557,610 | 16,351 | 16,685,394 | 36,233,645 | 68,326,501 | |
| 1929 | 461 | 25,087,862 | 17,024 | 17,128,421 | 30,058,860 | 66,346,417 | |
| 1930 | 455 | 23,432,441 | 16,782 | 16,483,011 | 35,759,351 | 61,315,348 | |
| 1931 | 471 | 21,420,983 | 15,648 | 15,018,105 | 30,955,973 | 54,140,770 | |
| 1932 | 461 | 18,147,033 | 14,276 | 12,117,879 | 27,085,585 | 42,564,530 | |
| 1933 | 540 | 18,152,022 | 15,264 | 11,328,378 | 25,685,073 | 44,035,323 | |
| 1934 | 577 | 19,309,407 | 17,000 | 13,591,131 | 30,473,677 | 51,533,001 | |
| 1935 | 591 | 22,668,528 | 17,694 | 14,593,361 | 31,642,215 | 53,706,274 | |
| 1936 | 585 | 25,114,251 | 18,924 | 15,255,725 | 32,706,792 | 56,118,773 | |
| 1937 | 593 | 26,734,768 | 19,981 | 16,026,471 | 34,915,480 | 60,610,755 | |
| 1938 | 567 | 24,095,843 | 19,171 | 16,274,057 | 31,254,375 | 55,342,800 | |
| <u>1939 (1)</u> | | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 575 | 26,054,183 | 19,367 | 16,568,612 | 32,773,057 | 57,281,666 | |
| New Brunswick .. | 3 | 56,423 | 27 | 14,780 | 25,450 | 42,675 | |
| Quebec | 324 | 17,726,570 | 13,006 | 10,711,863 | 22,566,012 | 38,904,950 | |
| Ontario | 202 | 6,639,083 | 5,085 | 4,745,723 | 8,051,450 | 14,689,044 | |
| Manitoba | 26 | 1,154,503 | 927 | 803,933 | 1,747,229 | 2,741,507 | |
| Alberta | 4 | 96,335 | 74 | 68,186 | 97,700 | 187,776 | |
| British Columbia | 16 | 380,624 | 248 | 224,162 | 310,111 | 555,705 | |
| <u>1940 (1)</u> | | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 304 | 20,456,346 | 20,549 | 18,691,844 | 40,206,626 | 68,587,845 | |
| New Brunswick .. | 3 | 51,000 | 29 | 17,010 | 50,530 | 70,526 | |
| Quebec | 334 | 19,372,747 | 13,700 | 12,250,973 | 27,573,810 | 46,519,860 | |
| Ontario | 221 | 7,300,095 | 5,526 | 5,455,748 | 10,070,046 | 17,937,532 | |
| Manitoba | 25 | 1,190,740 | 948 | 886,307 | 2,014,781 | 3,141,441 | |
| Alberta | 5 | 105,546 | 98 | 72,525 | 113,501 | 208,557 | |
| British Columbia | 16 | 417,226 | 254 | 230,272 | 573,240 | 705,400 | |
| <u>1941 (1)</u> | | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 371 | 38,846,342 | 24,545 | 24,663,722 | 55,574,273 | 93,941,940 | |
| New Brunswick .. | 3 | 54,341 | 26 | 16,762 | 43,425 | 62,461 | |
| Quebec | 332 | 25,923,550 | 16,469 | 15,870,045 | 38,530,342 | 64,368,328 | |
| Ontario | 236 | 10,223,772 | 6,410 | 7,254,300 | 13,525,347 | 24,027,032 | |
| Manitoba | 26 | 1,816,803 | 1,202 | 1,130,575 | 2,850,000 | 4,317,250 | |
| Alberta | 6 | 114,404 | 112 | 95,461 | 142,431 | 265,486 | |
| British Columbia | 13 | 500,412 | 317 | 295,939 | 463,050 | 698,393 | |

Note: Profits or losses cannot be estimated from Census figures as no data are collected for certain expense items, such as interest, rent, depreciation, taxes, insurance, advertising, etc.

(1) Exclusive of "laces, tapes and bindings".

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Table 2. - Comparison of Principal Statistics, 1940 and 1941.

| Items | | 1940 | 1941 | + Increase - Decrease |
|------------------------------------|------|------------|------------|--------------------------|
| Establishments reporting | No. | 604 | 671 | + 67 |
| Capital invested | \$ | 29,456,346 | 33,646,342 | + 3,189,996 |
| Employees on salaries - | | | | |
| Total | No. | 3,821 | 3,613 | + 208 |
| Male | No. | 2,179 | 2,402 | + 223 |
| Female | No. | 1,142 | 1,211 | + 69 |
| Total salaries | \$ | 5,553,707 | 6,744,764 | + 1,191,057 |
| Employees on wages - | | | | |
| Monthly Average | No. | 17,228 | 20,952 | + 3,724 |
| Male | No. | 4,536 | 5,208 | + 622 |
| Female | No. | 12,642 | 15,724 | + 3,082 |
| Total wages | \$ | 13,338,137 | 17,810,952 | + 4,580,815 |
| Power Equipment - | | | | |
| Units | No. | 1,513 | 1,793 | + 280 |
| Horse-power capacity | H.P. | 2,493 | 3,046 | + 543 |
| Cost of fuel and electricity | \$ | 240,550 | 238,742 | + 43,192 |
| Cost of materials used | \$ | 42,206,626 | 55,874,273 | + 13,667,647 |
| Gross value of production | \$ | 68,537,345 | 95,941,949 | + 25,354,104 |
| Value added by manufacture | \$ | 20,140,669 | 33,072,934 | + 9,932,265 |

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Table 3. - Principal Statistics of the Various Sections Comprising the Women's Factory Clothing Industry, 1941.

| Items | Establishments whose principal products were: | | |
|---------------------------------|---|------------|--------------|
| | Coats and Suits | Dresses | Ladies' Wear |
| Establishments reporting | No. 178 | 194 | 162 |
| Capital invested | \$ 9,325,750 | 18,267,242 | 9,951,770 |
| Employees on salaries - | | | |
| Total | No. 853 | 1,441 | 322 |
| Male | No. 592 | 965 | 510 |
| Female | No. 260 | 476 | 312 |
| Total salaries | \$ 1,651,251 | 2,820,664 | 1,360,129 |
| Employees on wages - | | | |
| Monthly average | No. 4,335 | 7,580 | 5,762 |
| Male | No. 2,490 | 1,525 | 635 |
| Female | No. 1,345 | 6,305 | 5,067 |
| Total wages | \$ 5,017,130 | 6,375,032 | 5,883,578 |
| Power equipment - | | | |
| Units | No. 445 | 444 | 400 |
| Horse-power capacity | H.P. 839 | 797 | 341 |
| Cost of fuel and electricity .. | \$ 62,584 | 96,637 | 65,352 |
| Cost of materials used | \$ 14,751,684 | 21,280,416 | 13,464,080 |
| Gross value of production | \$ 24,532,561 | 30,400,555 | 21,388,411 |

| Items | Establishments whose principal products were: | | |
|---------------------------------|---|---|--|
| | Children's Wear | Embroidery, Pleating and Hemstitching | |
| Establishments reporting | No. 55 | 82 | |
| Capital invested | \$ 3,702,600 | 1,803,000 | |
| Employees on salaries - | | | |
| Total | No. 305 | 102 | |
| Male | No. 231 | 133 | |
| Female | No. 104 | 59 | |
| Total salaries | \$ 526,108 | 534,522 | |
| Employees on wages - | | | |
| Monthly average | No. 2,200 | 1,105 | |
| Male | No. 438 | 360 | |
| Female | No. 1,762 | 745 | |
| Total wages | \$ 1,705,015 | 951,705 | |
| Power equipment - | | | |
| Units | No. 146 | 230 | |
| Horse-power capacity | H.P. 275 | 244 | |
| Cost of fuel and electricity .. | \$ 26,866 | 17,302 | |
| Cost of materials used | \$ 4,633,190 | 1,094,933 | |
| Gross value of production | \$ 7,005,781 | 3,238,861 | |

NOTE: - The Classification of a firm is determined by its products of chief value. For example, a firm whose production is composed of \$100,000 worth of women's dresses and \$35,000 worth of embroideries and trimmings is placed in the "Dresses" section.

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Table 4. - Principal Statistics of the Industries Comprising the Women's Factory Clothing Industry by Cities, 1941. - Cont'd.

| Industry by Principal Cities - | Estab- lish- ments | Capital Invested | Em- ployees | Salaries and Wages | Cost of Materials Used | Gross Value of Production |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | No. | \$ | No. | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Coats and Suits - | | | | | | |
| Montreal, Quebec | 82 | 4,750,560 | 2,365 | 2,843,574 | 6,863,306 | 11,236,173 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 70 | 5,543,257 | 1,989 | 2,820,505 | 5,523,933 | 9,064,233 |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | 15 | 1,254,271 | 766 | 844,449 | 2,107,780 | 3,195,626 |
| Vancouver, British Columbia . | 7 | 178,012 | 102 | 110,432 | 177,704 | 347,733 |
| All other Cities | 4 | 114,659 | 68 | 42,361 | 73,461 | 143,453 |
| TOTAL | 173 | 9,825,750 | 5,180 | 6,608,381 | 14,751,054 | 24,372,521 |
| Dresses - | | | | | | |
| Montreal, Quebec | 126 | 10,943,610 | 7,280 | 7,593,808 | 18,543,070 | 36,543,904 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 57 | 1,794,400 | 1,105 | 1,422,492 | 2,537,341 | 4,336,402 |
| Vancouver, British Columbia . | 3 | 76,200 | 60 | 51,002 | 106,278 | 183,257 |
| All Other Cities | 8 | 543,924 | 430 | 327,004 | 637,027 | 1,000,002 |
| TOTAL | 194 | 13,267,342 | 8,971 | 9,190,206 | 21,630,416 | 36,400,555 |

NOTE: The classification of a firm is determined by its products of chief value. For example, a firm whose production is composed of \$100,000 worth of women's dresses and suits and \$35,000 worth of embroideries and trimmings is placed in the "Dresses" section.

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Table 4. - Principal Statistics of the Industries Comprising the Women's Factory Clothing Industry by Cities, 1941. - (Concluded.)

| Industry by Principal Cities - | Estab- lish- ments | Capital Invested | Em- ployees | Salaries and Wages | Cost of Materials Used | Gross Value of Production |
|--|--------------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | No. | \$ | No. | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Ladies Wear - | | | | | | |
| Montreal, Quebec | 85 | 5,916,391 | 3,704 | 2,864,891 | 8,392,303 | 13,307,721 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 50 | 2,762,503 | 1,847 | 1,739,539 | 3,453,373 | 5,921,590 |
| Winnipeg, Manitoba | 6 | 405,092 | 319 | 102,031 | 557,186 | 803,150 |
| Vancouver, British Columbia ... | 6 | 186,536 | 114 | 92,047 | 118,059 | 252,429 |
| All Other Cities | 15 | 631,402 | 540 | 360,199 | 943,154 | 1,583,541 |
| TOTAL | 162 | 9,951,779 | 6,584 | 5,248,707 | 13,464,080 | 21,888,411 |
| Children's Wear - | | | | | | |
| Montreal, Quebec | 34 | 2,715,293 | 1,840 | 1,596,894 | 3,324,035 | 5,216,631 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 13 | 303,013 | 479 | 512,502 | 963,717 | 1,626,148 |
| Brantford, Ontario | 3 | 45,966 | 38 | 52,367 | 100,001 | 205,057 |
| All Other Cities | 5 | 136,234 | 98 | 72,410 | 152,937 | 255,965 |
| TOTAL | 55 | 3,702,600 | 2,505 | 2,254,113 | 4,653,190 | 7,903,781 |
| Hemstitching, Pleating and Embroidery - | | | | | | |
| Montreal, Quebec | 47 | 1,186,169 | 911 | 907,601 | 709,591 | 2,172,377 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 23 | 590,244 | 325 | 356,473 | 518,458 | 912,181 |
| All Other Cities | 7 | 113,542 | 61 | 52,151 | 66,384 | 139,323 |
| TOTAL | 82 | 1,890,956 | 1,307 | 1,316,225 | 1,094,935 | 3,286,331 |

NOTE: - The classification of a firm is determined by its products of chief value. For example, a firm whose production is composed of \$100,000 worth of women's dresses and \$35,000 worth of embroideries and trimmings is placed in the "Dresses" section.

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Table 5. - Production - 1941.

| Principal Products | Unit of Measure | 1941 | |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Quantity | Selling Value at Factory \$ |
| Coats and Cloaks - | | | |
| Women's and Misses' - | | | |
| Woollen, all kinds | Number | 1,403,932 | 21,122,289 |
| Silk, all kinds | " | 600 | 2,250 |
| All other | - | 10,005 | 580,055 |
| Coats - Children's - | | | |
| Woollen, all kinds | Number | 447,200 | 2,545,728 |
| All other | " | 117,326 | 512,490 |
| Suits - Women's and Misses' - | | | |
| Woollen | " | 185,004 | 2,021,947 |
| Silk and rayon | " | 241,673 | 658,901 |
| All other | " | 76,973 | 70,950 |
| Paincoats - | | | |
| Rubber and rubberized | Dozen | 9,960 | 598,925 |
| Women's and Misses' Dresses - | | | |
| Woollen | Number | 384,830 | 2,314,512 |
| Velvet | " | 54,680 | 404,026 |
| Rayon | " | 3,710,511 | 12,630,810 |
| Rayon and Mixtures | " | 2,755,475 | 10,115,560 |
| Linen | " | 25,400 | 63,108 |
| Cotton | " | 4,902,000 | 5,740,400 |
| All other | " | 520,765 | 387,221 |
| Skirts - | | | |
| Woollen | " | 751,453 | 1,353,993 |
| Rayon | " | 244,654 | 400,484 |
| Rayon and mixtures | " | 195,057 | 560,101 |
| All other | " | 22,450 | 52,455 |
| Blouses - | | | |
| Cotton | Dozen | 32,108 | 836,532 |
| Rayon | " | 91,270 | 1,353,750 |
| Rayon and mixtures | " | 51,583 | 616,400 |
| All other | " | 18,612 | 237,605 |
| Uniforms - | | | |
| Cotton | " | 52,910 | 878,633 |
| Other | " | 2,148 | 41,477 |

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Table 8. - Production, 1941 (Cont'd.)

| Principal Products | Unit of Measure | 1941 | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| | | Quantity | Selling Value at Factory |
| Children's Dresses - | | | " |
| Cotton | Dozen | 244,880 | 1,373,463 |
| Woollen | " | 30,174 | 614,551 |
| Rayon | " | 52,874 | 373,814 |
| Rayon and mixtures | " | 206,066 | 983,343 |
| All other | " | 6,130 | 45,303 |
| Sports Clothing - | | | |
| Ski and snow suits - | | | |
| Wool | Number | 153,202 | 590,336 |
| Wool and cotton | " | 60,080 | 152,449 |
| Jackets - | | | |
| Wool | " | 155,137 | 563,150 |
| Wool and cotton | " | 38,517 | 147,005 |
| Cotton | " | 23,344 | 53,705 |
| Other | " | 20,156 | 59,359 |
| Slacks - | | | |
| Wool | " | 37,053 | 241,663 |
| Wool and cotton | " | 50,740 | 70,821 |
| Cotton | " | 343,090 | 210,971 |
| Other | " | 35,456 | 37,987 |
| Windbreakers - | | | |
| Wool | Dozen | 12,350 | 44,040 |
| Other | " | 70,809 | 180,867 |
| Blazers all kinds | " | 53,415 | 112,720 |
| Shorts - | | | |
| Cotton | " | 51,342 | 64,053 |
| Other | " | 7,800 | 9,557 |
| Beachwear | Number | 219,736 | 423,323 |
| Other sportswear | - | 43,055 | 147,667 |
| Bathrobes, Kimonos, Housecoats, Etc. - | | | |
| Wool and flannel | Dozen | 31,221 | 840,000 |
| Silk and rayon | " | 17,580 | 681,488 |
| Other | " | 32,656 | 1,100,910 |
| Underwear - | | | |
| Cotton | " | 153,606 | 620,512 |
| Rayon and mixtures | " | 189,145 | 927,237 |
| Rayon | " | 475,001 | 1,465,513 |
| Other | " | 109 | 683 |
| Underslips | | | |
| Cotton | " | 55,080 | 128,373 |
| Rayon and mixtures | " | 97,722 | 1,027,929 |
| Rayon | " | 257,776 | 1,349,616 |
| Brassieres | " | 68,552 | 186,571 |
| Pajamas - | | | |
| Cotton and flannelette | " | 113,586 | 977,034 |
| Silk and rayon | " | 14,014 | 298,365 |

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Table 5. -- Production, 1941. (Cont'd.)

| Principal Products | Unit of Measure | 1941 | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------|--------------------------------|
| | | Quantity | Selling Value at Factory |
| Nightdresses - | | | \$ |
| Cotton and flannelette | Dozen | 94,789 | 867,045 |
| Silk and rayon | " | 55,647 | 337,371 |
| Smocks, cotton and other | " | 15,600 | 116,932 |
| Aprons, all kinds | " | 187,786 | 626,938 |
| Children's play suits | " | 97,877 | 529,053 |
| Children's rompers | " | 17,411 | 97,669 |
| Infants' and babies' wear | | | |
| all kinds | - | - | 653,375 |
| Hospital clothing | - | - | 62,696 |
| All other articles of women's and | | | |
| children's wear | - | - | 1,485,377 |
| Men's and boys' wear | - | - | 478,894 |
| Bindings - | | | |
| Cotton | Yard | 70,210,350 | 650,500 |
| Silk | " | 16,000 | 198 |
| Artificial silk | " | 310,775 | 6,807 |
| Artificial silk and mixtures | " | 750,000 | 18,071 |
| Tapes, , braids, cords, etc. | - | - | 105,978 |
| Trimmings | - | 40,000 | 3,000 |
| Crests, badges, | - | - | 86,432 |
| Handkerchiefs | - | - | 194,527 |
| Neckwear, women's all kinds | Dozen | 125,315 | 496,736 |
| Scarves and mufflers | " | 97,824 | 560,725 |
| Gaiters, leggings and spats | " | 1,696 | 11,804 |
| Stamped goods - Cotton | Yard | 127,204 | 110,449 |
| Linen | " | 5,200 | 1,900 |
| Rayon and other | " | 350 | 675 |
| Lace | Yard | 192,940 | 118,532 |
| Embroidery | " | 375,775 | 356,600 |
| Embroidery, custom | - | - | 1,019,160 |

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Table 5. - Production, 1941. (Concl'd.)

| Principal Products | Unit of Measure | 1941 | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|--------------------------------------|
| | | Quantity | Selling Value at Factory \$ |
| Pleating, hemstitching, button covering, frillings, etc. | - | - | 530,835 |
| Buttonholes | - | - | 53,064 |
| All other products | - | - | 471,957 |
| Amount received for custom work and repairs | - | - | 45,878 |
| TOTAL VALUE OF PRODUCTS | - | - | 98,941,949 |

NOTE: The items of women's wear, etc. enumerated in the above table do not necessarily represent the entire output for the Dominion, as many of them are also manufactured in other industries. For the Total Canadian production reference should be made to the Appendix to annual reports on "The Manufacturing Industries of Canada."

Statistics covering materials used are not collected in detail. The total cost is shown by provinces in table 1 and by sections in table 4.

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Table 6. - Capital Invested representative years, 1923 to 1941.

| Year and Provinces | Fixed Capital | Working Capital | Cash trading and operating accounts, etc. | Total Capital |
|---------------------|--|--|---|---------------|
| | Present value of land, buildings, fixtures, machinery, tools, etc. | Inventory value of materials on hand, stocks, in process, finished products, fuel and miscellaneous supplies, etc. | | |
| 1923 | 5,498,723 | 16,291,772 | 9,767,110 | 25,557,610 |
| 1929 | 4,387,978 | 9,932,194 | 10,287,600 | 25,037,332 |
| 1931 | 5,551,600 | 6,783,153 | 9,091,230 | 21,430,933 |
| 1932 | 5,471,312 | 5,326,225 | 7,349,400 | 18,147,033 |
| 1933 | 4,378,826 | 5,500,287 | 7,662,000 | 18,132,022 |
| 1934 | 5,318,031 | 5,899,571 | 3,171,005 | 19,339,407 |
| 1935 | 8,309,568 | 6,013,354 | 7,345,000 | 22,668,523 |
| 1936 | 10,235,626 | 6,571,627 | 8,306,000 | 25,114,251 |
| 1937 | 10,535,764 | 7,316,330 | 8,882,674 | 26,734,763 |
| 1938 | 9,372,959 | 6,200,016 | 8,522,373 | 24,095,348 |
| <u>1939</u> | | | | |
| CANADA | 9,375,906 | 7,149,144 | 9,520,133 | 26,054,183 |
| New Brunswick | 12,564 | 31,913 | 12,141 | 56,423 |
| Quebec | 6,535,932 | 4,623,235 | 6,767,353 | 17,726,570 |
| Ontario | 2,536,336 | 1,225,296 | 2,368,061 | 6,030,693 |
| Manitoba | 291,153 | 506,777 | 356,073 | 1,154,503 |
| Alberta | 37,373 | 35,290 | 23,019 | 92,682 |
| British Columbia .. | 162,845 | 116,578 | 101,281 | 380,624 |
| <u>1940</u> | | | | |
| CANADA | 10,091,045 | 8,414,194 | 10,051,107 | 29,456,340 |
| New Brunswick | 12,246 | 33,023 | 11,716 | 51,990 |
| Quebec | 6,641,703 | 5,419,429 | 7,311,615 | 10,372,747 |
| Ontario | 2,913,549 | 2,145,000 | 2,749,577 | 7,800,095 |
| Manitoba | 283,454 | 643,983 | 267,503 | 1,190,740 |
| Alberta | 44,620 | 37,760 | 23,150 | 105,548 |
| British Columbia .. | 100,473 | 139,016 | 87,737 | 417,220 |
| <u>1941</u> | | | | |
| CANADA | 12,257,804 | 13,756,831 | 12,631,707 | 38,646,342 |
| New Brunswick | 16,944 | 31,055 | 6,342 | 54,341 |
| Quebec | 8,230,674 | 8,943,467 | 8,690,400 | 25,823,550 |
| Ontario | 3,590,553 | 3,465,806 | 3,363,413 | 10,228,772 |
| Manitoba | 362,776 | 1,051,324 | 401,363 | 1,315,363 |
| Alberta | 50,950 | 34,510 | 23,955 | 114,404 |
| British Columbia .. | 146,918 | 230,169 | 132,325 | 500,412 |

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Table 7. - Employees by Sex and Remuneration, by Provinces, 1940 and 1941.

| Provinces | Salaried Employees | | | Wage-earners (Monthly Average) | | | Total Employees | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------------|
| | Male | Female | Total Salaries | Male | Female | Total Wages | Male | Female | Salaries Wages, etc. |
| | No. | No. | \$ | No. | No. | \$ | No. | No. | \$ |
| <u>1940</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 2,170 | 1,142 | 5,553,707 | 4,530 | 12,642 | 15,338,137 | 6,765 | 12,784 | 18,031,344 |
| New Brunswick | 1 | 1 | 1,300 | 10 | 18 | 15,710 | 7 | 19 | 17,010 |
| Quebec | 1,453 | 707 | 3,671,187 | 2,504 | 8,917 | 3,570,736 | 4,310 | 9,684 | 12,250,975 |
| Ontario | 640 | 526 | 1,693,068 | 1,507 | 2,983 | 3,032,360 | 2,257 | 5,239 | 5,455,748 |
| Manitoba | 52 | 25 | 163,437 | 378 | 490 | 701,870 | 450 | 515 | 865,307 |
| Alberta | 10 | 9 | 33,407 | 8 | 71 | 50,118 | 18 | 80 | 72,525 |
| British Columbia | 24 | 14 | 61,263 | 33 | 183 | 168,084 | 57 | 197 | 230,272 |

AMOUNT PAID TO CONTRACTORS \$785,916

| Provinces | Salaried Employees | | | Wage-earners (Monthly Average) | | | Total Employees | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|--------|-------------------------|
| | Male | Female | Total Salaries | Male | Female | Total Wages | Male | Female | Salaries Wages, etc. |
| | No. | No. | \$ | No. | No. | \$ | No. | No. | \$ |
| <u>1941</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 2,402 | 1,211 | 6,744,764 | 5,203 | 15,784 | 17,918,953 | 7,610 | 16,035 | 24,688,722 |
| New Brunswick | 2 | 1 | 2,500 | 7 | 16 | 14,262 | 9 | 17 | 16,702 |
| Quebec | 1,605 | 703 | 4,420,445 | 3,000 | 11,007 | 11,420,600 | 4,814 | 11,855 | 15,870,945 |
| Ontario | 675 | 737 | 1,374,725 | 1,714 | 3,612 | 5,230,165 | 2,410 | 6,000 | 7,254,830 |
| Manitoba | 67 | 31 | 208,922 | 400 | 704 | 921,653 | 407 | 736 | 1,130,575 |
| Alberta | 80 | 8 | 41,312 | 9 | 75 | 54,149 | 50 | 85 | 95,461 |
| British Columbia | 33 | 16 | 77,360 | 39 | 220 | 218,120 | 72 | 245 | 295,939 |

AMOUNT PAID TO CONTRACTORS \$665,912

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Table 8. - Monthly Employment of Wage-earners, 1940 and 1941.

| Months | 1940 | | | 1941 | | |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|
| | Male | Female | Total | Male | Female | Total |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| January | 4,585 | 12,251 | 16,836 | 5,050 | 14,189 | 19,230 |
| February | 4,359 | 13,032 | 17,391 | 5,434 | 15,350 | 20,784 |
| March | 4,341 | 13,370 | 18,211 | 5,557 | 16,080 | 21,617 |
| April | 4,453 | 12,506 | 18,758 | 5,583 | 16,063 | 21,426 |
| May | 4,271 | 12,544 | 16,815 | 5,034 | 15,701 | 20,735 |
| June | 3,906 | 11,392 | 15,298 | 4,525 | 14,874 | 19,399 |
| July | 4,312 | 10,412 | 14,724 | 5,124 | 14,338 | 19,462 |
| August | 4,300 | 12,689 | 17,489 | 5,666 | 16,581 | 22,247 |
| September | 5,016 | 13,897 | 18,913 | 5,516 | 17,271 | 22,787 |
| October | 4,387 | 13,925 | 18,312 | 5,102 | 17,085 | 22,377 |
| November | 4,640 | 13,254 | 17,894 | 5,065 | 16,238 | 21,303 |
| December | 4,290 | 12,419 | 16,718 | 4,571 | 14,315 | 19,386 |
| MONTHLY AVERAGE | 4,586 | 12,642 | 17,228 | 5,208 | 15,724 | 20,952 |

Table 9. - Number of Hours Worked by Wage-Earners During one week together with Average Weekly Earnings, 1940 and 1941.

| Number of Hours Worked per Week | 1940 | | 1941 | |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. |
| 30 hours or less | 138 | 632 | 213 | 777 |
| 31 - 43 hours | 1,219 | 1,703 | 1,462 | 3,660 |
| 44 hours | 1,383 | 2,974 | 1,530 | 3,069 |
| 45 - 47 hours | 400 | 2,406 | 424 | 2,568 |
| 48 hours | 345 | 3,565 | 1,630 | 4,012 |
| 49 - 50 hours | 310 | 702 | 291 | 1,205 |
| 51 - 54 hours | 453 | 1,840 | 615 | 2,112 |
| 55 hours | 104 | 397 | 132 | 254 |
| 56 - 64 hours | 234 | 1,056 | 528 | 684 |
| 65 hours and over | 16 | 22 | 24 | 24 |
| Average hours per week | 45.0 | 46.4 | 45.0 | 45.7 |
| Average weekly earnings | \$29.00 | \$15.09 | \$29.52 | \$17.45 |

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Table 10. - Number of Wage Earners in Month of Highest Employment, with their Regular Hours of Work per Week and average weekly earnings, 1941. (Overtime Included).

| Number of Hours Worked per Week | Coats and suits | | Dresses | | Children's Wear | | Ladies Wear | | Embroidery Plaiting, hem- stitching, etc. | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------|---------|-------------|---------|---|---------|
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| 30 hours or less .. | 108 | 122 | 50 | 307 | 11 | 44 | 37 | 105 | 12 | 40 |
| 31 - 43 hours | 1,254 | 850 | 92 | 933 | 69 | 137 | 33 | 619 | 29 | 121 |
| 44 hours | 508 | 401 | 401 | 1,344 | 96 | 245 | 92 | 714 | 154 | 265 |
| 45 - 47 hours | 209 | 264 | 157 | 1,106 | 23 | 224 | 81 | 387 | 24 | 87 |
| 48 hours | 250 | 183 | 301 | 1,003 | 100 | 1,075 | 230 | 1,472 | 63 | 213 |
| 49 - 50 hours | 53 | 44 | 30 | 538 | 7 | 63 | 103 | 580 | 32 | 40 |
| 51 - 54 hours | 301 | 253 | 189 | 630 | 40 | 162 | 94 | 954 | 41 | 68 |
| 55 hours | 108 | 115 | 23 | 60 | 4 | 11 | 38 | 51 | 9 | 19 |
| 56 - 64 hours | 141 | 125 | 80 | 108 | 28 | 56 | 46 | 260 | 33 | 45 |
| 65 hours and over . | 13 | 12 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 4 |
| Average hours per week | 43.1 | 43.6 | 43.4 | 45.2 | 46.3 | 46.3 | 47.6 | 46.8 | 46.6 | 45.2 |
| Average weekly earnings | \$30.89 | \$18.04 | \$19.78 | \$16.00 | \$26.95 | \$13.94 | \$31.00 | \$19.52 | \$22.69 | \$14.73 |

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Table 11. - Power Installation, 1940 and 1941.

| Classed of Power | 1940 | | | 1941 | | |
|--|--------------------|--|--------------------|--|--|--|
| | Number of Units | Manufacturers' Rating of Horse-power Capacity | Number of Units | Manufacturers' Rating of Horse-power Capacity | | |
| Steam engines and steam turbines | 2 | 55 | 2 | 55 | | |
| Diesel engines | 1 | 5 | 1 | 5 | | |
| Gasoline, gas and oil engines | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| Electric motors, operated by purchased power - | | | | | | |
| In use | 1,410 | 2,287 | 1,687 | 3,828 | | |
| Idle | 93 | 150 | 103 | 157 | | |
| TOTAL POWER USED IN MANUFACTURING | 1,513 | 2,438 | 1,793 | 3,943 | | |
| Boiler installation in use | 12 | 257 | 16 | 305 | | |

Table 12. - Consumption of Fuel and Electricity, 1941.

| Kinds of Fuel | Unit of Measure | 1940 | | 1941 | |
|---|-----------------|-----------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| | | Quantity | Cost Value at Factory | Quantity | Cost Value at Factory |
| Coal - | Ton | | \$ | | \$ |
| Pituminous | (2000 lb.) | 921 | 5,346 | 1,136 | 8,936 |
| Anthracite | " | 609 | 5,949 | 710 | 7,003 |
| Lignite | " | 2 | 25 | 62 | 328 |
| Coke (for fuel only) | " | 43 | 411 | 47 | 472 |
| Gasoline | Imp.Gal. | 2,980 | 870 | 9,700 | 3,011 |
| Kerosene or coal oil | " | 340 | 123 | 3,346 | 593 |
| Fuel or diesel oil | " | 51,274 | 4,738 | 50,741 | 3,666 |
| Wood | Cord | 24 | 118 | 26 | 161 |
| Gas, manufactured | M.cu.ft. | 13,004 | 12,559 | 11,593 | 10,615 |
| Gas, natural | M.cu.ft. | 886 | 586 | 786 | 590 |
| Other fuel | - | - | 2,905 | - | 3,066 |
| TOTAL COST OF FUEL | - | - | 33,610 | - | 33,465 |
| Electricity purchased (including service charges) | K.W.H. | 7,814,907 | 206,040 | 3,509,921 | 250,277 |
| TOTAL COST OF FUEL AND ELECTRICITY | - | - | 240,550 | - | 283,742 |

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SECTION II. - CLOTHING CONTRACTORS, 1941.

Prior to the year 1941 all women's clothing manufactured under contract was included in Section II of the report on Men's Factory Clothing and comprised all clothing contractors. For this reason it would not be possible to present comparative statistics in this present report.

In this branch of the clothing industry, reports were received from 56 establishments of which 39 were located in the Province of Quebec, mostly in the city of Montreal, and 17 in Ontario with Toronto being the principal centre of activity. The total value of work performed during 1941 was \$1,087,934. The capital investment was \$384,170 whilst there were 929 persons employed who received \$340,251 in salaries and wages.

The materials used, which are supplied by the contractors themselves, consisting principally of thread, buttons, etc., amounted to \$62,491 in 1941. Tables 14 to 21 inclusive, cover the principal statistics - capital investment, salaries and wages, employment, hours of work, power installation and consumption of fuel and electricity.

Table 13. - Principal Statistics by Provinces, 1941.

| Year and Provinces | Establishments | Capital Invested | Employees | Salaries and Wages | Cost of Materials Used | Gross Value of Work Performed |
|--------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | No. | \$ | No. | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| <u>1941</u> | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 56 | \$384,170 | 929 | \$340,251 | \$62,491 | \$1,087,934 |
| Quebec | 39 | \$301,609 | 763 | \$244,382 | \$34,795 | \$812,386 |
| Ontario | 17 | \$82,561 | 161 | \$94,869 | \$27,700 | \$275,696 |

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Table 14 . - Principal Statistics by Cities with Three or More Contractors.

| City | Estab- | Capital | Em- | Salaries | Cost of | Gross |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------|---------|-----------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| | lish- ments | Invested | ployees | and Wages | Materials Used | Value of Work Performed |
| | No. | \$ | No. | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| <u>1941</u> | | | | | | |
| CANADA | 56 | 384,170 | 920 | 848,251 | 62,491 | 1,037,384 |
| Montreal, Quebec | 39 | 301,600 | 768 | 644,382 | 54,735 | 812,283 |
| Toronto, Ontario | 17 | 82,561 | 161 | 204,869 | 27,700 | 275,600 |

Table 15. - Capital Invested, by Provinces, 1941.

| Year | Fixed Capital | Working Capital | | |
|---------------|---|--|---|------------------|
| | Present value of land, buildings, fixtures, machinery, tools, etc. | Inventory value of materials, stocks in process, finished products, fuel and miscellaneous supplies on hand | Cash, trading and operating accounts, etc. | Total Capital |
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| CANADA | 314,035 | 24,281 | 45,254 | 384,170 |
| Quebec | 251,401 | 17,284 | 32,434 | 301,000 |
| Ontario | 63,144 | 6,507 | 12,820 | 82,561 |

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Table 16. - Employees by Sex and Remuneration and by Provinces, 1941.

| 1941 | Canada | Quebec | Ontario |
|--------------------------------|------------|---------|---------|
| Salaried Employees - | | | |
| Total | No. 35 | 53 | 27 |
| Male | No. 70 | 46 | 24 |
| Female | No. 18 | 12 | 3 |
| Total salaries | \$ 117,051 | 79,513 | 37,533 |
| Wage-earners - | | | |
| Monthly average | No. 344 | 710 | 134 |
| Male | No. 179 | 94 | 85 |
| Female | No. 665 | 616 | 49 |
| Total wages | \$ 732,200 | 564,869 | 167,331 |
| All Employees - | | | |
| Total | No. 929 | 733 | 161 |
| Male | No. 349 | 140 | 109 |
| Female | No. 680 | 623 | 52 |
| Total salaries and wages | \$ 849,251 | 644,382 | 204,869 |

Table 17. - Monthly Employment of Wage-earners, by Provinces, 1941.

| Months | Canada | | Quebec | | Ontario | |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| | Male No. | Female No. | Male No. | Female No. | Male No. | Female No. |
| January | 150 | 561 | 95 | 532 | 61 | 29 |
| February | 164 | 633 | 104 | 582 | 90 | 54 |
| March | 211 | 607 | 102 | 550 | 100 | 53 |
| April | 214 | 706 | 102 | 643 | 113 | 63 |
| May | 131 | 767 | 100 | 720 | 81 | 58 |
| June | 165 | 792 | 135 | 752 | 72 | 40 |
| July | 176 | 595 | 106 | 537 | 73 | 43 |
| August | 198 | 803 | 105 | 751 | 95 | 57 |
| September | 212 | 813 | 114 | 750 | 98 | 54 |
| October | 206 | 662 | 102 | 607 | 104 | 55 |
| November | 153 | 479 | 71 | 431 | 32 | 48 |
| December | 126 | 463 | 69 | 426 | 57 | 37 |
| MONTHLY AVERAGE | 179 | 665 | 94 | 616 | 85 | 49 |

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Table 18. - Number of Wage-earners in One Week of a Month of Normal Employment, With Their Regular Hours of Work, and Average Weekly Earnings, 1941.

| Number of Hours Worked per Week | 1941 | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------|---------|
| | Male | Female | |
| | No. | No. | |
| 30 hours or less | 14 | | 70 |
| 31 - 43 hours | 37 | | 126 |
| 44 hours | 60 | | 232 |
| 45 - 47 hours | 9 | | 34 |
| 48 hours | 40 | | 309 |
| 49 - 50 hours | 14 | | 54 |
| 51 - 54 hours | 15 | | 47 |
| 55 - 64 hours | 12 | | 4 |
| Average hours per week | 42.8 | | 44.9 |
| Average weekly earnings | \$31.75 | | \$24.67 |

Table 19. - Power Installation, 1941.

| Classes of Power | 1941 | | |
|---|-----------------|---|-----|
| | Number of Units | Manufacturers' Rating of Horse-power Capacity | |
| Electric motors operated by purchased power - | | | |
| In use | 83 | | 111 |
| Idle | 3 | | 1 |
| TOTAL POWER USED IN MANUFACTURING | 86 | | 112 |

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Table 20. - Consumption of Fuel and Electricity, 1941.

| Kinds of Fuel | Unit of Measure | 1941 | |
|--|-----------------|----------|--------------------------|
| | | Quantity | Cost Value at Factory |
| Coal - | | | \$ |
| Anthracite | Ton | 4 | 50 |
| Gas, manufactured | M cu. ft. | 750 | 770 |
| Other fuel | - | - | 770 |
| TOTAL COST OF FUEL | - | - | 1,500 |
| Electricity purchased (including service charges) . | Kw. h. | 543,000 | 10,404 |
| TOTAL COST OF FUEL AND ELECTRICITY | - | - | 12,000 |

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