

since we find an almost equal density per acre, and yet the proportion of persons between 5 and 21 years varies between 21 in the former and 30.2 per cent. in the latter. Enquiry shows that in the case of Wellington Ward there seems to be a large number of grown persons, probably employees, both young men and women, living in apartments and boarding-houses, while in Ottawa Ward there is a large family population with many children. The type of the population illustrated in Wellington Ward is accentuated in Central Ward, which is probably explained by its being the oldest of the wards occupied with houses of well-to-do citizens who have resided many years in the city and whose families are grown up, as well as by its having many apartment houses. The remarkable percentage of persons between 5 and 21 years in Rideau illustrates the presence of an area occupied almost wholly by houses, mostly single houses, having in them young families, and presents in its small population per acre an example of a normal suburban development. The abnormally high percentage of persons between 5 and 21 is in fact, however, explained by the presence of an orphanage having yearly in it some 200 infants. Now the study of these figures would be incomplete for our purpose were we unable to indicate their bearing upon the health of the occupants of houses. In the absence of an accurate house census this becomes difficult, but I have been able, through the kindness of our Medical Officer of Health, to give the death rate by wards for the first six months of 1913. It is as follows:

TOTAL DEATHS IN OTTAWA FROM NOV. 1, 1912, TO APRIL 30,  
1913.

Ward.	Pop.	Total deaths	Institution.
	1912.	in 6 months.	
Ottawa .....	9,946	170	St. Charles Home and Water Street Hospital.
Rideau .....	3,239	57	36 from House of Bethlehem.
St. George ....	12,792	179	31 from Ottawa Maternity Hospital.
By .....	7,863	47	
Capital .....	10,376	31	Old Men's Home.
Central .....	12,937	97	St. Luke's Hospital.
Wellington ....	13,571	107	
Dalhousie ....	17,292	194	36 at Misericordia Hospital.
Victoria .....	7,554	16	