

giving the town greater powers, and establishing three wards—East, West and Centre. The town then sent representatives to the Counties Council, but a separation took place in 1859. In 1874 the town limits were extended, and divided into five wards, as at present, North, South, East, West and Centre.

The members of the town council are eleven in number, made up of two councillors, elected by each ward, and the mayor elected by the vote of the whole people. For the present year the council is made up as follows : *Mayor*, John Culbert ; *Councillors*, V. R. Marshall, M. H. Bissell, C. C. Lyman, Geo. Crain, A. F. Stagg, W. Carruthers, E. A. Buckman, W. A. Johnston, W. Simpson, J. Stagg.

The principal civic officers are : John Dargavel, *Clerk and Treasurer* ; E. J. Reynolds, *Solicitor* ; H. E. Vaux, M. D., *Health Officer* ; Geo Smith, *Street Surveyor* ; B. J. Saunders, *City Engineer* ; Joseph Deacon, *Police Magistrate* ; Miss Snider, *Tax Collector* ; Charles Rose, *Chief of Police*.

With the municipal management of the town, the very efficient system of fire protection is intimately connected, the magnificent system of water works being now corporation property, and it is proving an excellent investment. Two powerful Holly pumps are used, and the system includes 11 miles of pipe and about 90 hydrants. An additional pipe, 6000 feet in length, is now being laid for the supply of water to the new asylum buildings just east of the town, for which supply a contract has been made between the Department of Public Works of the Province of Ontario and the Brockville Board of Water Commissioners. This Board consists of Dr. V. H. Moore, Mr. Geo. A. Dana and Mayor Culbert. In addition to the water works, there is an efficient paid and volunteer fire brigade, one steamer and one hand fire engine.

The educational facilities of Brockville are of the best, and her Collegiate Institute, Public, Separate and Private Schools and Business College have no superiors in the Dominion.

In addition to these are the Art School, the pupils of which have won proud distinction in the Provincial examinations, and the Mechanics' Institute, which with its handsome library is a very popular institution.

The inhabitants of Brockville are religiously inclined, and there are ten churches, in addition to a well attended Young Men's Christian Association, and a Salvation Army Barracks. This is also a town of societies,