

FIRE PROTECTION AND WATER SUPPLY. Belleville's waterworks system, which now has 25 miles of water mains has an average pressure of about eighty pounds on the three hills, and more in the central river valley. This gives force enough to throw water in ample quantities over the tops of the highest buildings without the aid of auxiliary engines. The pump house is equipped with the most modern electric pumps. The firemen are all salaried men, devoting their whole time to the work. The alarm system is quick and efficient. All this ensures quick service and reduces the fire loss to a minimum. The average annual fire loss for the four years 1915-1918 was only \$13,549; the loss for 1919 was only \$9,899 to December 1st.

FRATERNAL SOCIETIES. All the better known lodges and fraternal organizations are represented in Belleville, including. Ancient Order of Foresters, Ancient Order of United Workmen, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Canadian Order of Foresters, Canadian Order of Oddfellows, Woodmen of the World, Canadian Order of Chosen Friends, C.M.B.A., Catholic Order of Foresters, St. Michael's Total Abstinence Society, K. of C., Independent Order of Foresters, Independent Order of Oddfellows (6 lodges), Masons (5 lodges), Royal Arcanum, Sons of England, Sons of Scotland, Royal True Blues, Prentice Boys (7 lodges).

HOSPITALS. See page 26.

HOTELS. See page 7.

HOUSING FACILITIES. Building is going on continuously. A large number of houses were erected in all sections of the city in 1919, and a still larger building programme is planned for 1920. The supply of houses has always kept ahead of the demand. The city has adopted the Government housing plan to enable those with limited capital to build their own homes.

LIBRARIES. The Public Library has a paid librarian, and a large, carefully selected stock of books. The legal fraternity have a large legal library, with a librarian. Bridge Street Church has a library of about 5,000 volumes, and the other churches, colleges and schools have libraries of their own.

MARKET. See page 28.

MUSIC. Belleville is a musical city, and offers the best of musical educational facilities. It has a good city and regimental band and a good Salvation Army band. The Belleville Orchestral and Philharmonic Societies are also well supported.