



REGINA offers many advantages and opportunities as a place of residence. Chief among these is its remarkable climate. Located in the heart of the great prairie country it is surrounded by an atmosphere of which dryness and clearness are prominent characteristics. The total volume of sunshine is as much as in any other place in the country, and it is far larger than in the majority of them. Records show that the sun shines brightly on an average of about 300 days in the year, and only a small proportion of the balance are wholly cloudy. The clearness of the air is partly due to the altitude. Regina is 1,885 feet above the sea level, and enjoys all the advantages which accrue from such an elevation.

Material aids have gone a long way towards improving the natural advantages of the city as a place of residence. An elaborate system of waterworks has been installed, with abundant springs seven miles north-east of the city as the base of supplies. The water is delivered in the city mains with little or no expense, the gravitation system being employed for this purpose. Extensions of the system are constantly being made, and additional springs are being tapped to keep ahead of the demand. The quality of the water is in general extremely good, and instances of its deterioration have been rare. The district adjoining the city abounds in springs of pure water, and an enormous supply is guaranteed for years to come.

The septic tank system of sewage disposal is being employed with great success. Sewers have been laid throughout the main portion of the city, and extensions in the outskirts are under way. The effectiveness of this system is forcibly demonstrated by the good health record of the community. The amount of illness is very small in proportion to the population, while the death-rate is extremely low, even for Western Canada.

Prosperity and contentment are exemplified in the homes of Regina, and handsome and commodious residences are to be found in large numbers. Comfort rather than elegance is apparently the prime consideration. The demand for houses has for some time exceeded the supply, and builders have been unable to answer the calls made upon them. Blocks of residences have sprung up as if by magic, and a steady improvement in the general style has been noticed. The permanence of a city is indicated in no better way than in the quality of its residences, and in this respect Regina occupies an excellent position.