over the water courses which supply our Water Works an the war declared to all nuisances which may contaminate the water of our water supply.

And to close this long enumeration, let us note the considerable work accomplished by the department of the Recorder's Court to which has been added a special service of public morality.

Before closing these remarks, we must note the remarkable results obtained in the negotiations begun with the Government of Ottawa in 1910 under the Laurier administration, in order to secure the completion of the railway plant and other public enterprises so important for the City of Quebec, which negotiations have been continued with the Borden administration since its accession into power in 1912.

The municipal authorities of Quebec have keenly appreciated the good will and sympathetic dispositions of our Government towards Quebec, and we hope to continue these amicable relations in the future.

Circumstances, no doubt, have delayed the execution of those great plans, but we must acknowledge that they are in progress, and in due time, we expect to reap all the benefits of those great works.

Such are the remarks which are inspired by the careful reading of the more detailed statements contained in this summary of the civic administration of Quebec during the last six years.

The Mayor and Aldermen of the City Council whose powers are going to expire are conscious of having accomplished their duty and given an honest administration of public affairs, and in retiring from office, they have to their successors as a parting farewell: "continue forward in the way of progress, and like us maintain an absolute confidence in the future of Quebec".