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 $=$ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1920 BETMER GOVERNMENT FOR BELLEVILLE There is a general feeling of dissatisfaction throushout the coiteril thefeference to our ssstemof munictpal government. of munictpal government.
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even to ttitelf, where the source of disatisfac
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things are not right with the boody poilicic

 ions who are given to serions thinking and who
do not form hasty conccusions.
The disastistaxtion that is so general at
 bills, the heaviest in the history of Believile,
The payment of taxes is never a popular pastime. But reasonable paople will not grum-
be if they are satisfed they are reeviving omewhere near one hundred conts in value for
the dollat that is taken, The trouble is that hey are constinced that the money is not al
ways being spent to the best adrantage. Here
 ment of inemiciency and they soon convince
themsalvee that bad management and tineflo-

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a molutain of tueless debt.

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to feel that way it is a serious thing because of


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for the sewer, whico had all ben toone by hend work and by city Tabor, wes indeed very seeat.
Ad. Woodes was suceeded by Ald Ran-




 Workse Department, the Bellevile waterrorks,
the Bellovile Gas Deparment and the Beil Tel. ephone Company seemed to vie wit one an
other in trench-disking and to see which could hold out the longet. But the time antred
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But the Concli ot 1920 is composed or
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could not be completed that year. The Murney
 cil of 1919. The Council of 1920 took up the
 expense to the city, accompizined one of the
most important tmurovements that has beent
 vill two main business thorougharese instead
of one. It must also be realled that Belle-
 was held up by the war. Bellevile tis now
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even at that , go slow until prices have eased
 ly all of the public works beles completed this
season were many years overdue.
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The disatisfaction and unrest that are so
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in . Bellevile are not pecular to this city alone. They are to be found in many othOf ail branches of our public service and government, the municipal adiministrations
are the least teapabie and satitsactory. With ail their genius for demoratio government the
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been soing along with a system of municipal
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The causes of weakness are not hard to
discover The annual election and changes of
dersomel in
 policy. Amateurs surceed amateurs year. after
year. Our. Benlerilie Council is divided finto nine departments, each practically independent of the other. This prevents 0 -operation, or ce-
ordination, and insures over-lippping of erort

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 known as the Manager Plan of city govern
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The Manager Plan is simplictity itself. A
city council or commission, usually of members, is elected in the regular way. One
of the members is called the of the members is called the mayor and the
others commisioneners. The five commisisioners hire a manager, whose business it is to administer and manage the various departments frames and lays down general porlicteo the duty of the manager to carry out the pol-
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But is the best thing that Anglo-Saxon na-
tions have done for themselves yet in the way tions have done $f$
of public services. of public services.
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ducted by the board of trustees, do not tilutret. he manager system. Butt the board of trustees In their relation to the teacher give us a per-
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act illustrations of the manager plan of gov-
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rallways, manufacturing concerne rallways, manufacturing concerns and other
great business enterprises invariably engage genrar managers with the required technical skill, breadth of mind and good juddement to carry
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same business government as makes our bussame business government as makes our bus-
iness corporations prosperous and effective. At Iness corporations prosperous and eifective. At
the same time the principle of democratic gov-
ernment is not in the least turrendered

We would like to see some member of the
Councll give notice of motion, at the next sion, that he will introdice a bylaw to give the
people the chance of voting upon the question people the chance of voting upon the question
at the January election. We fancy the proposal to have a manager would be endorsed by the
toetors by an ovefwhelming matorty electors by an ovefwhelming majority
There would not need to be an elaborate change in our system of election, requiring It would be best to reduce the Council to ive members a mayor and four aldermen.
Otherwise no further change would need to be
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