

POLICE COMMITTEE.

The Government Refuse to Lead Rifles to the Police - Police Protection for Churches - Billiard Play- ing to be Prohibited on Sundays - Asking for Tenders.

The regular monthly meeting of the Police Committee was held yesterday. Alderman Jeannotte was in the chair, and there were present Aldermen McShane, Lee, Kennedy, Dubuc and Grenier.

Alderman McShane asked why the carters on Mountain street had been ordered away from their stand on that street by Alderman Kennedy.

Ald. Kennedy said he had merely asked them to remove from before the door of his daughter's house on Mountain street and if there was any ordering to be done it was the chief's duty to do it.

Ald. McShane asked that the carters be allowed to remain at their stand on Mountain street, which was agreed to.

The chairman stated that he had received a letter from the Government refusing to lend the force long rifles for the purpose of drilling.

The Mayor had answered the letter stating that the volunteers occupied a building owned by the city free of charge.

The chairman said that some regulation should be made to forbid the playing of billiards on Sundays in places of public resort.

Alderman McShane said he had received a letter from Archbishop Evans, of St. Stephen's Anglican Church, on Spadina street, complaining that some un- known persons had broken into the vestry and had stolen an overcoat and other wearing apparel.

The chairman stated that he had received a letter from the Toronto papers regarding the treatment which their editor received here on Saturday and the character of the play are probably a little exaggerated; still, it must be admitted that they have a good deal of truth in them.

As a witness of the game, who would have liked to see the Montreals win, but one who was not blinded by prejudice and partisanship, as most of the spectators were, I must say I was heartily ashamed, for once, of the conduct of a Montreal crowd.

From first to last the popular opinion was raised for the home team, and once within my observation did a plucky move or dexterous achievement (and they were not scarce) on the part of the Toronto receive the slightest encouragement.

making an action for the recovery of \$22,000 damages. This was rather a peculiar case. It appears that Mr. R. Dandurand represented the plaintiff, and Messrs. Abbott, Tait & Abbott, the defendants.

Before the case came up for trial an agreement was signed by both parties to accept a general verdict for the plaintiff. This agreement was subsequently objected to by the defendants' counsel and a request was made that it be withdrawn.

In the Superior Court, before the Hon. Justice Mathieu, yesterday morning, the contested election case of Mr. G. W. Stephens vs. Mr. J. S. Hall, Jr., M. P. C., was proceeded with.

The preliminary objections to the petition to unseat the member for Montreal West, Mr. Davidson was opposed by Mr. Tremblay, Mr. C. A. Geoffroy and Mr. J. Buchan. The exceptions to the petition taken by Mr. Davidson were that no true copies of the proceedings had been served on Hall, and secondly that the petition was not filed in time.

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Various small notices, advertisements, and legal notices scattered throughout the right margin of the page.

AN INTERESTING EXHIBITION.

The Young Ladies' Missionary Society Provide a Delightful Entertainment for All Comers.

The Industrial and Art exhibition under the auspices of the Ladies' Missionary Society, which was opened yesterday evening in the Dominion Square Methodist Church, is a very pretty and a very interesting show.

There are in it rare and wonderful things from many mission lands, from China, Japan, India, the Fiji and other South Sea Islands.

The department contains a varied collection of paintings in oil and water color, drawings, engravings, and a number of very fine etchings.

There is also a cookery and preserving department for the ladies. Diplomas are to be given for the best made cake, pie, bread, rolls, jellies, pickles, &c.

This piece was played last night to the best house of the week. There is something about Mr. Verter that creates a sympathy with his audience, and this is something by familiarity.

This is a melodrama dealing with certain strata of London life, and it was written by Wilson Barrett and Henry Jones, so that it should contain good dramatic work.

POLITICAL NOTES.

LA MINERVE VS. THE MAIL. La Minerve has at last taken up the gauntlet thrown down by the Mail, and in its issue of yesterday it devotes a long editorial to advising the Toronto Tory organ not to carry on its anti-Catholic and anti-French crusade.

A JAPANESE COLONY. An interesting exhibit of Eastern Art. The Japanese colony which is shortly to make a sojourn in this city will be well worth seeing.

MONTREAL SNOWSHOE CLUB. The members of this, the leading snowshoe club of the Dominion, held their opening tramp of the season last night to the Athletic Club House at the back of the mountain.

AMUSEMENTS. Academy of Music. SHAMUS O'BRIEN. This piece was played last night to the best house of the week.

HOODMAN BLIND. This is a melodrama dealing with certain strata of London life, and it was written by Wilson Barrett and Henry Jones.

THE THEATRE ROYAL. This play seems to have "caught on" as all houses greet its every performance. The company is a good one, the scenery excellent and the plot well worked up.

ANNUAL MEETING. The annual meeting of St. Stephen's Church Association was held last evening in the lecture hall of the church.

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FROM DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW.

"The French" Before Quebec Turned Against Sir John Macdonald.

The Toronto Globe has discovered an article in the Atlantic Monthly, written by the talented editor of the Toronto Mail, on the subject of the French of Lower Canada. It is written in a very different spirit from that which prompted the able articles of our Toronto contemporary, which during the last six months have been directed against the French and their institutions. It presents quite a different picture, but tempora mutantur et nos, etc. The French were then supporting the present Government. The Globe says:—

Now in the Atlantic Mr. Farrer answered by anticipation the contemptuous charges of the Mail against the habitants and their clergy. He said:— "The French-Canadian is an admirable colonist. He may force enterprises, but his staying qualities are not surpassed by those of the Scotchman. He is a living monument to the truth of the saying, 'the French tell.' The earliest emigrants were honest and intrepid pioneers, like Carlier and Champlain, who led them."

This good strain of blood, Mr. Farrer goes on to remark, was reinforced by later immigrants. The Carignan regiment was disbanded in Canada in 1665.

"And this crack regiment, fresh from beating the Creeks on the plains of Hungary, was speedily absorbed in the population. The Governors, the Intendants, and the minor officers of the King were of the bluest blood in France; and their influence upon the manners of the people is visible to this day."

This is an effective quotation against those of the Bunter faction who talk of the Canadians as almost inhuman.

Mr. Farrer proceeds to sketch, skillfully and most sympathetically, the progress of Quebec under the old regime. He speaks of the "robustness and virtue" of the Canadian women, and the "singular purity of the people," of the admirably large families they reared in frugality and piety.

"Fetters and religion walked hand in hand in those days," he says. "The colony was strong with a pious, thrifty and proud people." Also:— "The system, rude as it was, taught the people the virtue of obedience to constituted authority."

Further:— "The habitant of to-day, whether in his native parish, or as an alien in New England, is loyal and respectable to his superiors—a great and necessary force on which we have always been the refuge of the uneasy spirits of the world."

This is a splendid writing, I faith! I and every Ontario Tory would have cheerfully acknowledged the truth of Mr. Farrer's testimony till the time when the worthy habitants turned from the support of that conservator of virtuousness, Sir John Macdonald, to approval of that enemy of goodness and destroyer of order, Mr. Edward Blake!

Mr. Farrer goes on:— "A French-Canadian settlement is founded on religion and industry. The habitants are not a clerical impost, as the New Englanders have been misled to think. They are the backbone of the colony. They are the men of the colony; they are the men of the colony; they are the men of the colony."

This seems a good and sufficient answer to the absurd contention of the Mail that the habitant is crushed by clerical imposts, and that the Protestants of Quebec have cause for complaint against the little system.

Our recent contemporary's tirades against the Canadian clergy are doubtless well remembered by the public. Now, Mr. Farrer says, and Mr. Farrer knows:—

"As a class the French-Canadian priests are men of much merit. Their parishes in very many cases are extremely fertile, and their work, especially in the winter time, is not only arduous but also of great value. The history of the priest-hood is the history of the colony. They were the discoverers of the land, the men of the colony; they are the men of the colony; they are the men of the colony."

Alas! that considerations of space do not permit us to quote extensively from those passages wherein Mr. Farrer beautifully demonstrates the value of the habitant as a citizen. We are told "his house is a model of thrift," "his house is a picture of neatness," "the patriarch of the family sits in the inglenook," as a most reverend and distinguished preceptor should; "the good wife is at the spinning-wheel," "the eldest daughter, soon to marry the honest husbandman in the next clearing, is weaving her linen outfit at a handloom," and when the excellent habitant "comes in from the woods," "the blessing of God is asked on the substantial repast, and he falls to, a valiant trenchman, with an appetite as keen as his axe. The bon homme gets out his resin and his bow, the lads and lasses come in from the neighboring farmhouses, and as Longfellow has it of the Acadians in Evangeline:—

"Gayly the old man sings to the vibrant sounds of his fiddle. Tous les deux jouent de la Charte et de la Carlin de Dunkerque."

Isn't a charming picture of a happy, innocent, thrifty, and pious people? And isn't it a burning shame for the Mail to propose that these habitants, so pleasing to Mr. Farrer, shall be "driven into the sea," for no more reason than that of John A. Macdonald?

But the most striking testimony of this truly delighted essayist is still to come. It has been said, again and again by the Mail, that there is no freedom in Quebec Province, the priests, whom Mr. Farrer says are "men of merit," are village tyrants, and that education is a mere farce. But Mr. Farrer knows the truth, and tells it over his own name. He says:—

"The parish municipal system is organized and governed on a system similar to that which is in vogue in the American Upper Canadian townships, the people having paramount control of affairs and enjoying absolute home rule."

We are confident that Mr. Farrer will pardon our italicizing of his pellucid statements in consideration that thus their contradiction to the Mail is accentuated.

Who are the administrators of affairs and the guides of opinion in our Ontario villages? Why, the leading men—the clergyman, the lawyer, the doctor, the merchant. Just so Mr. Farrer testifies it to be in those Quebec places which the Mail asserts to be tyrannized over by the priests. He says, "The priest, the notary, the doctor and the village postmaster are the leaders of public opinion."

Again he observes:— "It was the fashion not long ago to describe the habitant as steep in ignorance and superstition. The absurd stories always find the readiest credence. A matter of fact, the system of education in use in Lower Canada is equal to the best of the American continent. The better class of people speak pure French, and nearly all can speak fair English. The Church has encouraged education since the earliest times."

It's all true, and thanks are due Mr. Farrer for disposing so admirably of the preposterous misrepresentation of the Mail. We hope to see our contemporary tackle that last quotation.

We mourn that space does not permit us to quote much more of the praise so eloquently bestowed on the habitants and their clergy by Mr. Farrer. It is impossible, however, to pass over the last words of this beautiful article. He describes the Can-

adian carrying everywhere within him a primitive belief in the Christian mysteries which rarely succumbs to the materialism of these latter days. The Church has taught him to fear God, and the Church has taught him to honor the King. In consideration of these virtues, surely the Mail will not persist in "driving the habitant into the sea" merely because he does not fear it and will no longer honor Sir John Macdonald.

TROUBLESOME SERVANT GIRLS.

A Man of Family Recites His Vices to an Ecclesiastical Young Fellow. Call for a Machine to Do Housework. The servant-girl question is one which grows more and more perplexing, if that is possible, every day, says the Philadelphia North American, and the tales that sympathizing housekeepers pour into each other's ears when they meet are ludicrous to those who are obliged to submit to the difficulties entailed upon all who are compelled to keep help in their houses. In cases, too, where the head of the house takes an interest in the affairs of his home he is often exasperated almost beyond endurance by the trouble to which his wife is subjected, while not infrequently some of these troubles fall on his own head.

"My experience is that servant girls are a perfect nuisance," said a gentleman to the reporter last evening.

"How so?" asked the reporter, who, like the most of human kind, felt a desire to be amused by the vexation of somebody else.

"Oh! they are so incompetent," was the reply.

"Just so; but tell me about one of them."

"One of them! Why I could tell you of a hundred, if I had time."

"Exactly; but one at a time will do. Got a girl now?"

"Yes, I have; or my wife has, just as you wish to put it. She is a colored girl from Virginia, and came last week. She said that she was considered a right smart cook down in old Virginia; but she had never put a leg of mutton in the oven, and when she undertook to cook a steak she made it as black as my shoe. I told her I hoped that she would not do that with the chops, but she served them burned to a crisp, and in order, I suppose, to make some compensation for this she left the potatoes underdone."

"Is she as good in all other lines?" was the cheering interrogatory of the reporter.

"She is just as bad," was the reply.

"When any callers come she goes to the door, but instead of inviting them in she leaves them in the vestibule while she shouts upstairs: 'Mistress, there's a woman down here who wants to see you,' or, if the caller chances to be a gentleman, it only requires the changing of one word to make the same sentence fit the occasion. She makes it a great point to ascend on her part to go to the door anyhow, and then she, like all the rest of our girls, was engaged to do general housework, she considers that she is doing my wife a favor if she does anything upstairs, or in fact anywhere out of the kitchen."

"Don't you think I'd better publish what you say, and include the girl's name?" Then everybody would want her.

"Oh, you're laughing at me," was the gentleman's somewhat crusty reply; "but maybe you're nearer right than you think you are. Most folks might see that she was so much better than the others that they'd be glad to exchange with me. Yes, I know what I'm talking about."

"Is she better than some of the others you've had?"

"Yes, we've had less trouble with her than with some others. The one before her came from Jersey. We advertised for a competent girl, selected this one from two that applied, and paid her full wages. She claimed to be thoroughly competent, and perhaps she was. We hardly had time to find out. When she had been with us four days my wife and I went out to make a call, and when we came back we found her with her clothing bunched up and ready to skip. And she did."

"How about the one before that?"

"Well, the one we had before that was a treasure."

"Alas!" shouted the reporter, "you have to admit that you had one good one."

"Yes," was the thoughtful reply, "she was splendid. You see, my wife did her own work those two weeks because we couldn't get a girl. But we couldn't stand that kind of thing very long. I am able to keep a girl, and I don't propose to see my wife work herself to death."

"Well, aren't you going to give me another sample?"

"Yes, a dozen of them if you want them. The woman we had before that did better while she staid than most of them do, but on Sunday morning when we went down to breakfast there was no breakfast to eat. There were signs on the table that the girl had had her, but when we searched the house for her we found that she had gone between two days. A little further examination convinced us that she didn't eat breakfast."

"An elopement, eh? Go on. This grows interesting."

"Oh, we never heard anything more about her. She was a married woman, though, and we can charitably suppose that her husband came after her. Her predecessor was a widow, and she was an Irish girl. She could do what is called plain cooking in a sort of a way, and we could have made a shift with her if she had kept a civil tongue in her head."

"She regaled you with more Billingsgate than puddings, did she?"

"No, not quite so bad as that. We wouldn't have submitted to that; but she was unbearably impudent. One day my wife was just going out, and asked her to do something for one of the children, and she flatly refused. That was on a Thursday morning, and Thursday was her afternoon. She hurried up her work and went out. My wife was confident she had gone to look for another place, and about 8 o'clock she came back and asked Mrs. X—what she was going to do. My wife inquired what she meant, and she replied very pertly that she was not there to do anything for the children, and she added that she had engaged another place."

"I suppose your wife got down on her knees and begged her to stay, didn't she?"

"No, not exactly. She told her if she had another place she'd better go to it."

"And she went, of course?"

"Yes, but not before she had her say, as usual."

been with us more than a day or so she announced that she was not going out of the kitchen. One day my wife had to go out in the afternoon on some business, and when she asked the woman to attend to the door while she was gone she said point blank that she would not do it. She added: 'I'll not go out of the kitchen, and you may as well make up your mind to it first as last. I'll cook your meals for you, but won't do any more, either for you or your man.'

"Your wife fired her, I suppose?"

"Not then. She had to go out and she left, my lady becoming more and more abusive as long as Mrs. P— was in hearing. When she came back the woman was still sulking in the kitchen, and the upset it was that I had to send her off at the end of two or three days, and give her a week's wages to get rid of her."

"Go on," said the reporter, "I'll write a book when you get through."

"I suppose you could; but I guess I've given you enough, though; and I only wish the man I've had to deal with. There's a phase of the thing, though, that I haven't mentioned. That is, that when you advertise for a girl and you engage one that responds, the chances are ten to one that she will not come back. Of course a conscientious person doesn't like to engage more than one when only one is wanted, but a little experience, such as I am telling you of, soon convinces one that the surest way is to engage all who come. Then perhaps one out of the batch will come back, though even then the chances are against it."

"Do you ever try intelligence offices?"

"Yes, I have, and I got one remarkably good girl from an intelligence office, but my general experience with such establishments is not good. They generally keep a lot of old rouders that they send out, just keep them for that purpose, to engage more than one when only one is wanted, but a little experience, such as I am telling you of, soon convinces one that the surest way is to engage all who come. Then perhaps one out of the batch will come back, though even then the chances are against it."

"Well, why didn't you go to the office and complain? Don't they agree to furnish satisfactory help?"

"Young man, you are very unsophisticated. Your greenness is really refreshing. I did go to the office, and what do you suppose they did?"

"Really, I can't say," replied the reporter, "but from your mysterious manner I should infer that they may have taken you up to the Hotel Bellevue for a champagne supper."

"Not a bit of it. When I told them that we didn't care to use an intelligence office, they said it was the best they had for me, and I never got any more for my dollar."

"Now, some folks say, 'take colored girls.' I've told you of our experience with one of them. She was worse, though, as regards cooking than some of them. When you get what would be called a good one she can generally cook, but she is exceedingly fond of her own stomach, and always sees that it has better care than anybody else's. Waste is no name for the way she uses things, and cooking. She always has something on the fire, or here's, uses butter as if it were lead, and when night comes she always goes out somewhere to shake her foot. Oh, no; none of your colored girls for me—but well—that is to say, if I can get any better ones, but the dickens of it is, the white girls have just as many faults, except that they are of a different kind."

"I tell you what it is, the fellow that can invent a machine to do housework will be more revered in the years to follow than all the heroes that history tells us of."

THE IMPERIAL INSTITUTE.

(From the London Standard.) The Prince of Wales has thought it advisable to request a number of public men to form themselves into a committee for the purpose of assisting in framing a scheme upon which to found the proposed Imperial Institution for the Colonies and India. Such body will confer with the official Colonial Representatives, and will endeavor to lay down lines for the constitution of the Institution, which will be acceptable to the Queen's subjects at home and abroad. The labors of the Committee will be confined to action of a preliminary character, and it is not intended that the Committee should be regarded as representing the governing body of the Empire. The following are those to whom the request for such committee have been made:—The Earl of Carnarvon, Lord Revelstoke, Lord Herschell, Lord Rothschild, Mr. G. J. Goschen, Sir Lyon Playfair, K.C.B., M.P., Sir Henry James, M.P., Mr. H. H. Gurney, M.P., Sir John Holland, Bart., G.C.M.G., M.P., Mr. C. R. Ritchie, M.P., the president of the Royal Academy [Sir F. Leighton, Bart.], Sir Ashley Eden, K.C.S.I., Colonel Sir Owen Burne, K.C.S.I., the Lord Mayor of London, the Governor of the Bank of England [Mr. H. H. Gurney, M.P.], the President of the Associated Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom [Sir Bernhard Samuelson, Bart., M.P.], the President of the London Chamber of Commerce [Mr. J. H. Tritton], Mr. Neville Lubbock [representing the Royal Colonial Institute], and Mr. H. Broadhurst, M.P.

MOB LAW IN PARIS.

Suicide Mistaken for Murder—A Tradeswoman Saved from Popular Vengeance. PARIS, Nov. 22.—At an early hour this morning reports spread like wildfire in the neighborhood of the Theatre d'Opera and the Place Vendome that a frightful crime had just been discovered. On hastening to the scene of the excitement I found a crowd of five hundred people assembled before the shop of Mlle. Jamis, No. 7 Rue de Marche-Saint-Honore, where bonnets, laces and haberdashery are sold, shouting, 'Kill her! kill her! she has murdered her mother. Cut her heart out! Tear her to pieces!' I asked, 'What's the matter?' The women and boys shrieked in reply, 'This wretch, Mlle. Clementine Jamis, has looked up her own mother in a cupboard and starved her to death.'

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The gendarmes at once arrested Mlle. Clementine, who is a rather pretty and fashionably dressed brunette about twenty years of age. She said, in reply to questions of the Commissary of Police:— 'Yes, this is my mother, who is seventy-one years of age, disappeared on the 14th of November, and then I announced her disappearance at the police station, at the same time depositing at the police station a scrap of paper in my mother's handwriting with the words: 'Tu ne peux pas changer. Je suis ta mere.' [You won't change. I am going to drown myself.]' Commissary Lalonde remembered, in fact, Mlle. Clementine's visit at the police station on the day alleged.—'A few days ago I noticed a strange smell of a body already in a far advanced state of decomposition; but not till this morning did I become anxious, and opening the cupboard made a ghastly discovery.'

Other witnesses gave evidence showing that the old lady had on several occasions announced her intention of committing suicide. Dr. Juret, at once made an examination of the body, but found no traces of violence, and pronounced death to have been caused by asphyxiation. The Commissary of Police made a little speech to the crowd, explaining the facts, and the mob slowly dispersed. Oriellet went to the cupboard, and found a body, and an incident that had for a moment threatened a riot in the most fashionable quarter of Paris came to an end.

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THE PUBLIC HEALTH IN OCTOBER.

Mortality Returns from 24 Canadian Cities.

From Canada Health Journal. Twenty-four cities and towns now make monthly returns to the Department of Agriculture at Ottawa. While it will be generally admitted that, in the interests of the public health, the system of mortuary returns should be so extended as to embrace all parts of the Dominion, yet the report from these twenty-four centres gives a fair statement of the general condition of the health of the whole country. The twenty-four cities and towns include about one-eighth, or perhaps a little more, of the population of the Dominion; or about 670,000 persons. It is true we have no knowledge of the sanitary condition of the other seven-eighths of the population, and having returns of the number of births, fair comparisons cannot be made between the different centres. For where the birth rate is high, necessarily, will the mortality be high, and on the other hand, where the birth rate is low, there, other things being equal, the mortality should be low proportionately. While therefore we must strive for a complete system of vital statistics at an early period, there is much satisfaction obtainable from the mortuary returns from the cities and towns to the statistical department here.

The total number of deaths in October in the twenty-four cities and towns, as given in the accompanying table, was according to the returns, 1216; or at the rate of 21.8 per 1,000 of population per annum. It may be here stated that on the whole the returns are doubtless as complete as could fairly be expected in the commencement of a new system and in a work new to this country, while from some of the cities they are as absolutely correct as ever it will be possible to make them. In the last month we reported a fall in the mortality from August to September of 20 per cent, we find that the fall between September and October was only 16.7 per cent. This is in accordance with what appears to be almost universally the case with large populations in temperate climates; that is, for the mortality rate which declines from August to September and then rises more or less gradually from December to March—to show a much greater decline during the month of September than during October.

In the corresponding period of last year eliminating the exceptional epidemic of small pox, we find a fall of only 0.5 per cent; while the fall in September from August, as stated, was 22 per cent. In Montreal the mortality in October fell 28 per 1,000 of population per annum, 22 in September; in Toronto it fell from 24 in September to 18 in October; and in Quebec from 30 to 25. In Hamilton there was a rise in the mortality, from 20 per 1,000 in September to 21 in October. In Ottawa the mortality so high in September—35 per 1,000—fell to 26 in October. In three rivers it fell to just one half in the same period, or from 38 to 19 in September to 19 in October. In Belleville the mortality was a fall of 50 per cent. In Sorel the same alarmingly high rate prevailed in October as in September—48 per 1,000. This was apparently from an epidemic of diphtheria, which caused 13 of the 24 deaths in that town. In September there were 7 deaths from this disease.

In Kingston, Guelph, Chatham and Woodstock, the mortality was slightly higher in October than in September. In all the other cities and towns it was lower. From zymotic diseases the number of deaths for the month was 271, or at the rate of about 5 per 1,000 of population per annum. In September the mortality was nearly 8 per 1,000. Montreal, Hamilton and St. John, N.B., showed a mortality from zymotics a little above the average of the totals; Toronto and Quebec lower than the average. Ottawa, although showing in October a great reduction in the mortality from zymotics, retained a much larger mortality from zymotics than any of the other cities, or about double the average—nearly 10 per 1,000 of population.

Most of our readers know that the rate of mortality from this class of diseases furnishes a pretty correct index as to the sanitary condition of a locality. This is not the place to comment at length upon the sanitary condition of any place, but situated as Ottawa naturally is, the continued high rate of mortality from zymotic diseases speaks out badly and loudly for the sanitary administration of the Capital of the Dominion, and will not tempt people to come to any within its limits. The fact that a large proportion of the deaths are [probably] among young children does not decrease the power of the reflection.

The mortality from zymotics, chiefly diphtheria, in Sorel, was the principal cause of the very high rate there, already referred to. In the other places the mortality from this class of diseases was for the most part below the average. The average mortality from zymotic diseases in England is less than 3 per 1,000.

It is again gratifying to find no deaths from small pox reported from any of the cities, and presumably the Dominion contains disease free from that plague. From measles there were 12 deaths reported in October; the same number as in September. From scarlet fever, the dread of fond parents, there were 4 deaths; though only 2 in September. Both this disease and measles are more liable to spread and become epidemic during the cold season. Special precautions and care should be exercised by parents and families as well as by health officers. The most careful isolation and junction of the body, are the great prophylactic.

Diphtheria, which seems more clearly than almost any other disease directly associated with filth, increased in its fatality from 64 deaths in September to 95 in October; or 50 per cent. Of the larger cities, Hamilton returned the highest proportionate mortality from this disease, and Quebec comes next; then London, Ottawa, Montreal, Toronto and St. John. Of the smaller places, besides Sorel three rivers, Hamilton and Fredericton show a high mortality also. Typhoid and other fevers increased from a mortality of 41 in September to 57 in October. Of these 57 deaths, 20 were in Montreal, 8 in Toronto, 15 in Ottawa, and three each in Hamilton, St. John, Belleville and Sherbrooke. In diarrhoeal affections the mortality fell from 272 deaths in September to 81 in October.

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