

SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED since March 1st. :—Dr. Osler, for ('75 and '76), and Dr. Ross, ('75,) McGill University, Montreal; Dr. Theodore Parker, ('76), New York; Dr. J. G. Thomas, ('76), Savannah, Ga.; Dr. Brouse, M.P., ('76), Prescott; Dr. T. Christie, M.P., ('76), Lachute, Q.; Dr. Baxter, M.P.P., ('75), Cayuga; Messrs. P. Patterson, M.P.P., ('76), Patterson; K. Chisholm, M.P.P., ('75), Brampton; Wm. Brown, ('75); S. McColl, M.P.P., ('75), Vittoria; J. McGowan, ('75), Alma; J. Watterworth, ('75), Wardsville; Dr. C. T. Noble, ('75), Georgina; Dr. Geo. Hodge, ('75,) and Dr. Hornibrook, ('75), Mitchell; Dr. Burdette, ('75), Belleville; Dr. C. Freeman, ('75), Milton; Dr. Ghent, ('75,) Priceville; Dr. T. K. Holmes, ('75), Chatham; Dr. Fraser, ('75); Messrs. E. Martin, ('76); and Robt. Wilkes, ('76), Toronto.

THE PUBLISHERS desire to apologize for the late appearance of the JOURNAL this month; caused by the Editor being absent, in Ottawa, in the interest of Public Health.

WE SHALL FEEL MUCH OBLIGED to any of our readers who will send us articles or items of interest on any subject connected with public health.

THE ALDINE is now published in 24 parts, issued fortnightly. It is growing constantly in elegance and value, and is educating the taste in the beautiful. The *Independent*, N.Y., says it is a much better fine art serial than has ever been started or sustained in the United States, and that the issues for 1876 show it will be even better than ever. Looking back a little we find in a number for January last, "Shooting the Rapids," from a picture of the well-known Canadian artist, Mr. Verner.

IN THE APRIL NUMBER OF THE *Canadian Monthly* appear the opening chapters of a new novel entitled "AS LONG AS SHE LIVED," by F. W. ROBINSON, a well known English novelist, the author of "Little Kate Kirby," "Second Cousin Sarah," and other notable works of fiction. The new serial is published by arrangement with the author, and is expected to be completed in about ten numbers of the Magazine.

A DEFENCE OF ERIE B. SPARHAM; being a Medico-Legal Inquiry into the cause of death of Miss Burnham, late of Brockville.

The writer contends in this, that abortion may not have been produced in the case of Miss B., and if so, that it was not caused by the acts of Dr. Sparham, especially with intent; that the instrument used was a speculum; that while Miss B. in her depositions, "described every incident of her trouble with surprising minuteness of detail," yet in "no instance does she say that Dr. Sparham said he gave medicines with the intent specified in her deposition," that "in the absence of any certainty of diagnosing pregnancy, it is held by many conscientious physicians, legitimate and proper to prescribe for amenorrhœa." The defence is intended, and does *tend* irresistibly in the mind of the reader, to throw a doubt in favor of the prisoner. Truly medical men are, more than any other class, sometimes placed in most peculiar and trying circumstances.