

the Postmaster-General after six months' preparatory work, embraced alleged quack doctors, druggists, and proprietors of so-called medical establishments. Two arrests were made in New York. The raid, which as a whole was the largest ever made in the history of the Post Office Department, furnished an excellent example of the power which can be exercised through the postal laws to wipe out illegal practices apparently beyond the control of the State authorities.

Carcinoma kills nearly as many people in Michigan as tuberculosis. Dr. Robert L. Dixon, secretary of the State Board of Health, has just compiled a set of figures for the first eight months of 1912, which show the average death rate per one hundred thousand population from these two diseases. The record accords tuberculosis 135, while cancer is a close second with a rate of 128. Prior to the age of thirty more women die of tuberculosis than men; after thirty more men die of this disease than women.

The Women's National Health Association obtained a grant of £25,000 out of the sum of £145,000 which is Ireland's share of the £1,500,000 voted to the United Kingdom for the erection of sanitariums. Two sanitariums have already been established with this money—Peamount and Rossclare.

The twenty-seventh annual report of the National Association for Supplying Female Medical Aid to the Women of India, compiled by the honorary secretary, Lieutenant-Colonel F. O'Kinealy, I.M.S., sets forth the transactions of the year 1911. It gives evidence of continued progress of this excellent movement.

Edinburgh has lost a striking and delightful personality by the death of Dr. David Menzies. He had been suffering for nearly a year from cardiac disease, aggravated, if not brought on, by excessive devotion to his work; though he entirely appreciated its serious nature, the end came rather unexpectedly on November 8th. An Edinburgh man by birth, Dr. Menzies received his professional education at the medical school of the university, and became M.B., C.M., in 1876, and F.R.C.S. Edin. some three years later.

Citric acid, according to Hemenway, has been found of great value in cases of threatened eclampsia, with marked edema and albuminuria. Following combination advised; *Acidi citrici*, 30 Gm. (7½ drams); *liquoris sodii phosphatis comp.*, 80 Gm. (2½ ounces); water, 40 Gm. (10 drams); 1 dram in a full glass of water every three hours; later, twenty minutes before each meal and at bedtime.

It is announced that the Retzius gold medal has been awarded by the Swedish Medical Society to Dr. John Newport Langley, professor of physiology at the University of Cambridge, England, for his work on the nervous system.