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Vaccination. The efforts made to have the population of this city vaccinated has brought out expressions of opposition that show a lack of information as to the protective value of this practice. There have been cases, no doubt, of highly disagreeable results flowing out of vaccination, or, if the facts were fully known, out of conditions to which the patient was subjected while the virus was working. For instance, the arm affected has been exposed to cold, or, to influences that have brought about a highly inflammatory condition, or, the abraded skin has been touched by some poisonous material, or, the patient has been in a physical condition when vaccinated that rendered the operation most inopportune, or, the vaccine itself has been unclean. When the universal practice was to take the matter from one patient to another, there were occasionally cases of a very distressing nature that created a strong prejudice against vaccination, which still exists, as it is inherited in many families wherein an unfortunate case occurred. The risk to-day of such mishaps is practically not worth considering, as all vaccine is now pure. Those who object to vaccination, and it is known to us that quite a number are found in this city, would do well to study the following figures taken from the latest returns of the Registrar General of England.

Although 70 per cent. of the children in London have been vaccinated, only 177 cases of smallpox occurred among properly vaccinated children during the eleven years 1890 to 1900, whereas 1,070 cases occurred among other children. Out of these 1,247 cases of smallpox, 176 deaths occurred. Of these deaths, only two cases occurred among properly vaccinated children, whereas 174 cases occurred among other children. Of the two deaths which occurred among the properly vaccinated children, one child was between ten and eleven years of age, and the other between eleven and twelve

years of age—in other words, both at a remote period from the time of their vaccination.

Such figures are overwhelming evidence of the protective value of vaccination.

On this date 1837, a Montreal paper **This Date** announced that "the rebels in Upper Canada are in arms." A Toronto paper, "The Christian Guardian," said: "This is the fact. An armed force is collected on Yonge street and is threatening to attack the city. The Governor, like a brave representative of his youthful Queen, is under arms at the head of loyal men. Canadians of every class! Canadian reformers! Are you prepared to shed the blood of your countrymen? For God's sake pause! Frown down the propagators of discord! Lift your voices in prayer and exert all your energies to save your fireside and families from the untold horrors of civil war. The Royal Standard of Britain yet waves triumphantly and invites the loyal and the good to unite in its defence, and still avail themselves of its PROTECTION AGAINST AGGRESSION. The rebel force, with Mackenzie at their head, are encamped on Gallows Hill, about a mile and a half from the city. The strength of the rebels is reported from 600 to 1,000. About 1,000 men are already armed in the city, with some artillery. His Excellency, Sir Francis Bond Head, with Drs. Rolph and Baldwin, visited the rebel headquarters, imploring them to desist from their wicked designs. The rebels made a proposition to Sir Francis Bond Head to lay down their arms on certain conditions, and wished to know when the Government would meet them in Convention. The reply of Sir Francis was equally dignified and laconic—consisting simply of the word, 'NEVER!' The rebels were attacked, twenty-five killed and not a loyalist hurt!" The "Montreal Transcript" of 14th December, 1837, narrates the movements of a rebel force in the district, the capture