

Obituary.

DEATH OF DR. DORION.—Dr. Dorion, one of the oldest practitioners of L'Assomption, is dead. He graduated in 1833, after studying under the late Dr. Munro. Dr. Dorion's first practice was given up to the Irish victims of cholera at Point St. Charles. The deceased was twice married, and was the father of a numerous family.

Medical Items.

—We are pleased to note that Dr. Montizambert has been appointed superintendent of Dominion Quarantines. Dr. Montizambert has been for many years in charge of the quarantine on the lower St. Lawrence and is consequently well qualified for his present position.

—There may not be so much in therapeutics as some people believe, but there is a great deal in knowing what is the matter. These men that are so devoted to drugs sometimes do not know what is the matter, but they fire a mitrailleuse in a very extraordinary prescription, hoping that there is something in the mixture that will kill something in the body they are attacking. From such medication let us be delivered! Diagnosis, diagnosis, always diagnosis.—*The Post-Graduate*.

—Several sudden deaths have occurred lately in public conveyances in Paris. Investigation showed that these vehicles were heated by *briquettes* which are composed of equal parts of wood, charcoal and dextrin with 2 per cent. nitrate of soda added to the combination. These burn very slowly and disengage considerable quantities of carbon monoxide as well as carbon dioxide, the former of which is an active poison and undoubtedly was the cause of death.

COBRA POISONING IN MOTHER'S MILK.—A Mahomedan beggar woman and her child (aged about one year) recently died in Madras. It would appear, says the *Times* of India,