

pathology in 1873 and full professor in 1878. From 1878 to 1892 he was Shattuck professor of pathology, and since 1892 Hersey professor of the theory and practice of physic. In 1908 he retired and was made an emeritus professor. Dr. Fitz was one of the leading men of Harvard University, and a well-known practitioner of Boston. He contributed many essays to medical literature and is especially well known through his studies on appendicitis.

The Metropolitan Life Assurance Company, New York, has issued an address by Louis I. Dublin on vital statistics. Anyone may have a copy by asking for it. It contains some useful information.

A copy of the *Institution Quarterly* is to hand. It is devoted to the public charity work of the State of Illinois. It contains much useful matter on public health. Prevention is the keynote of most of the articles in the issue.

An editorial in a recent issue of the *New York Times* states that in 1912, owing to the insufficient number of school medical inspectors, only 287,469 of the 825,000 pupils in the city schools received proper physical examination. This year there are 867,000 pupils, and the Department of Health has asked for an increased appropriation to provide more inspectors. It is estimated that over 426,000 of these children have defective teeth.

Prof. Charles Richet, of the Faculté de Médecine, Paris, a member of the Académie de Médecine, and director of the Institut Marey, Paris, has been selected as the recipient of the Nobel Prize in Medicine for 1913. This is a recognition of Prof. Richet's recent work on anaphylaxis.

An unverified press report from San Francisco on Oct. 25 describes the successful treatment by Dr. George R. Carson of typhoid fever by the injection of blood-serum from a convalescent patient. By this means, it is said, the course of the disease is shortened and its complications avoided. Dr. Carson's report was presented at the recent annual convention of Pacific Coast Railway Surgeons. Its publication in medical literature will be awaited with interest.

The Herman Knapp Memorial Eye Hospital has been opened at corner 57th and 10th Streets, New York. The hospital was founded by Dr. Herman Knapp in 1869, and was located at 44 and 46 East 12th Street. During these years 420,000 cases have been treated.

The American National Red Cross announces the receipt of gifts of \$100,000 each from Mr. Jacob H. Schiff and Mr. James A. Scrymser, and of \$2,000 from Mrs. Whitelaw Reid. The gift from Mr. Scrymser is to be added to the fund for the purchase of land in Washington on which the Government is to erect a building for the Red Cross as a