

The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

Letters from Baltimore inform us that indirect losses in the great fire of Baltimore are likely to reduce the income of the Johns Hopkins Hospital. We hope this fear is unfounded. The income of the Johns Hopkins Hospital was all too small for its great work. The energy and courage of the citizens of Baltimore, displayed in the face of such a calamity, are beyond all praise.

Births and Deaths in 1902.

The report of the Registrar-General for Ontario for the year 1902 has just reached us. It is gratifying to note that the birth rate for 1902 is higher than in 1901 or 1900, but still our birth rate is lower than that of France, which now stands at 22.2. The figures for Ontario are, per 1000: Birth rate for Ontario in 1900, 19.8; 1901, 21.1; 1902, 21.7. The annual death rate for 1902 is 12.6 per 1000. In 1901 it was 13.6 per 1000.

Obituary.

ELIAS VERNON, M.D.

Dr. Vernon, of Hamilton, died February 7th, aged 76. He was born in Newmarket and received his degree of M.D. from Jefferson College, Philadelphia, in 1851. He practised in Hamilton forty-four years. He was for many years a member of the Ontario Medical Council.

DUNCAN FRAZER, M.D., M.R.C.S., Eng.

Dr. Frazer, of Lakefield, Ont., died January 21st, aged 57. He received his medical education in Trinity Medical College, Toronto, and passed his final examinations in Trinity and Toronto Universities in 1874. After a post-graduate course in London, England, he went to Lakefield, where he practised for many years. He was in poor health for some time from chronic Bright's disease.