

local Boards of Health, for the reports of diseases dangerous to the public health and a circular of instructions were sent to the clerk of every city, village, and township Board of Health in the State, in all, 1,184. In response 404 reports have been received. These reports are each year becoming more numerous, complete, accurate, and satisfactory, and it is hoped and believed that all the information sought may and will be secured in this way. Circulars relative to water supply have been sent to 46 regular correspondents; 35 have replied, and 25 of these reports will appear in the printed report for 1875.

In October last a circular, together with a circular on water supply and a blank meteorological register, was sent to the editors of each of 270 periodicals in this State, and 25,000 four-page pamphlets on the "Treatment of the Drowned;" 5,800 circulars to school directors, and 5,800 circulars to school teachers also bearing on the "Treatment of the Drowned" have been issued and will soon be sent out.

There have been secured reliable meteorological observers at ten points within the State, and some in other States. Rain-gauges and test paper for ozone, prepared by Dr. Kedzie, have been distributed to the meteorological observers, and the necessary blanks for reports have also been furnished them.

A circular relative to prevailing diseases has been issued to all the correspondents, and replies are being received giving much valuable information.

Communication from the president of the Board of Health of Saginaw City, concerning water supply, was presented and placed on file. The use of bad water has been discontinued and better health is enjoyed.

A suggestion by Howard Daniels, clerk of the Board of Health at Morley, Mecosta County, that a law be passed requiring the election of a health officer by each township in the State, was referred to the committee on legislation.

Communications from Dr. Hull of Lansing, relative to the cause of St. Vitus' dance in public schools was referred to committee. Dr. Hull thinks that the gymnastics practised in the school-room, under certain conditions, become automatic. Dr. Baker added, as another factor, that school discipline often so constrains the natural movements as probably to conduce to the disease mentioned.

The board discussed the oil question, and it was resolved, that the almost entire absence of accidents from the use of