

DR. EDWARD JENNINGS, of Halifax, has died at the age of 68 years. He was one of the oldest and best known of the physicians of that city. He graduated in 1843, and has diligently practised his profession since that time. At the last meeting of the Canada Medical Association in Halifax, Dr. Jennings took an active part in the proceedings and read a carefully prepared and interesting paper. He was a man of most kindly and hospitable disposition. He was for many years a coroner and also took much interest in matters pertaining to sanitary science and the public health.

### Medical Items.

—An Inopportune Dislocation of the Jaw is one of the topics dealt with by a *feuilletoniste* writing in a recent issue of the *Union Médicale*. It seems that during the performance of a wedding ceremony the bride sneezed so violently as to dislocate her jaw at the critical moment when she should have pronounced the solemn "oui." As she was unable to articulate the word, it was found necessary for the whole party to repair to a surgeon before the ceremony could be completed.

RELATIVE DIASTASIC ACTIVITY OF MALT EXTRACTS.—*Maltine*.—An interesting series of reports on this subject has been sent us by Mr. H. P. Gisborne of Toronto, representing the Maltine Manufacturing Co. of New York. The text upon which reports are based is the proposition of that eminent authority on "Digestive Ferments," Dr. Wm. Roberts of Manchester, that "if properly prepared, Malt Extracts have a high power in digesting starchy matters." Dr. Roberts, however, is of opinion that a large proportion of the Malt Extracts of commerce have no action upon starch, and quotes the fact that "out of 14 trade samples examined by Dunston and Dimmock, only three possessed this power." Of these, Maltine was found to be most powerful. The Maltine Manufacturing Company, moreover, submitted the question to the leading chemists of the world, and in the report above alluded to we have analyses from many eminent analytical chemists of Europe and America, with a unanimous conclusion in favor of Maltine, both as a constructive and digestive agent. Those interested in the subject can secure copy of reports by addressing H. P. Gisborne, 10 Colborne street, Toronto.

"PEPTONIZED" COD LIVER OIL AND MILK.—This preparation is an instance of the perfection to which modern pharmacy has attained. Containing a considerably greater percentage of oil than is usual in Emulsions, the objectionable features of the Oil are so completely masked as to render the material perfectly palatable. The Oil is, moreover, *peptonized*, making its assimilation a matter of little effort to even the most delicate stomach. Like all preparations of Messrs. Reed & Carnrick, this one is in general favor in the United States, and will no doubt prove equally acceptable here.