

will give me an opportunity of ascertaining the views of Dr. Montizambert as to what is the best to be done under the circumstances.

DR. BERGIN—The object of my question is this, that so many have been buried there who died of malignant diseases that if we were obliged to bury a very large number again we might possibly disinter typhus fever.

HON. MR. CARLING—I should like to know from the medical gentlemen here what their view is as to the best means of disposing of the dead. Perhaps they would suggest that they should be cremated or buried away from the island. It is an important subject.

DR. BERGIN—Dr. Wright has suggested, and it is a suggestion full of truth, that these wells on the island might absorb, from so many bodies and drains filled with the dead as there are on Grosse Isle, the germs of disease, and through the water they might be communicated to those who had been disinfected of cholera and who might be supposed to be perfectly free from any danger of the disease. One of the most important precautions that have been taken in England and France is to provide everywhere filters of smaller or greater size which are known to be germ proof.

HON. MR. CARLING—The well that has been there for a number of years has been very much enlarged and deepened, and the officials report to me that the water is first-class. We have considered the question of sinking artesian wells through the rock to a great depth, or if we should not do that, to get the water from the north side of the island, pump it into a large vat or cistern that will be made, a settling tank, and then have the most improved condensers that can be found to condense the water and make it pure. All that is under consideration, and nothing will be left undone to provide plenty of water and as pure water as can be procured.

DR. W. W. DICKSON—I think the meeting should give an expression of opinion as to the disposal of the bodies and clothing of those that die of the disease. We should not go on burying the remains of those who die of such diseases as small-pox, cholera and typhus. The bodies and the clothing should be destroyed by fire. It has been suggested that a committee should be appointed to prepare resolutions offering