

The following letter has been issued by the Provincial Board of Health, and as it is of considerable public importance, we reprint it :—

9TH JANUARY, 1894.

MY DEAR SIR,—Small-pox is actually prevalent in ten States of the American Union, and even in great centres like New York, Chicago and Boston ; it has appeared also, a few days ago, in the Province of Ontario.

Under the circumstances and taking into consideration our direct and frequent intercourse with the infected localities, the introduction of the disease in this province is to be feared and all possible measures must be taken to prevent this calamity, especially such measures that would make it impossible for the disease to become epidemic.

For these reasons, the Board, knowing that it may depend on the most valuable help of the physicians throughout the province, ask each of them :

1st. To urge the immediate vaccination of all children and other persons in their practice, who have not already been vaccinated ;

2nd. To immediately notify the sanitary authorities should any case of small-pox come under their notice.

In complying with our request, you will help us to prevent the introduction of small-pox in your locality, and, what is most important, its becoming epidemic, should it eventually make its appearance.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

ELZEAR PELLETTIER,

Secretary.

Obituary.

MR. PETER REDPATH.

McGill University has lost a good friend in the death of Mr. Peter Redpath. Mr. Redpath was born and educated in Montreal, and received his business training in Manchester. With his father he founded the firm of John Redpath & Son,