

washing, and disinfected in a thorough and proper manner. All this is certainly comforting news for the travelling public throughout Canada. We are sorry if things are not just so sweet across the border.

PROGNOSIS IN CONSUMPTION: RESULTS ACHIEVED BY SANATORIUM TREATMENT.

In the issue of *The Journal of the American Medical Association* of the 21st of November, Dr. Lawrason Brown, Resident Physician, Adirondack Cottage Sanatorium, gives in detail an analysis of fifteen hundred cases of tuberculosis discharged from that institution from two to eighteen years ago. The article is a most interesting one, especially following the address of Dr. Trudeau, recently delivered in New York, and which we had occasion to refer to in our last number. The subject of prognosis in this disease, especially following regulated manner of living, and the fresh air and rest cure, as can only be properly carried out in well-regulated sanatoria, is the one part of the whole question which must appeal to us more than any other; for if any thing is to be achieved by this mode of treatment, we must have satisfactory proof adduced as to the results. That schedule relating to the analysis of five hundred cases discharged from eight to eighteen years is, of course, the most important, as it is here that we are able to study the permanency of cures, and to pronounce upon the effects of the modern treatment of the disease. According to the figures and dates of Dr. Brown, the first five hundred cases were admitted during a period extending from May 12th, 1885, to July 1st, 1893. The last patient of this series of cases was discharged nine years ago; and of the entire number 45 per cent. could not be traced and, therefore, their after history is a complete blank. As it is now generally recognized that the curability of pulmonary tuberculosis depends