

ses at least \$200. This would give a grand bill of \$400,000 for sickness account alone. Add on the death loss and the people of Montreal will begin to realize the vastness of the problem.

RABIES AND A PASTEUR INSTITUTE.

No private practitioner can successfully treat rabies. That it is a germ disease there is no doubt, and at times becomes epidemic. In Europe prior to the Pasteur treatment about 96 per cent. of those with rabies died, whereas now about 96 per cent. recover.

From time to time we read of Canadians who have to go to New York for treatment. This, we think, should not be allowed to continue. This country is large enough and wealthy enough to justify the establishment of a Pasteur Institute under State control.

To this any Canadian who might be unfortunate enough to be bitten, could betake himself. The institution ought not to be too great a burden upon the people. Many who would require treatment could well afford to pay for it; but even where they could not, it is the clear duty of the State to provide the means of proper treatment in such a disease as this.

With the recent order to shut up dogs or muzzle them, we are in full sympathy. There is no other known way of preventing the spread of this dread disease. Preventive medicine is now a definite science, and public men are coming to recognize the fact that the value of human life is more than all the other sources of wealth in a nation put together.

"GRAVE DANGER TO PROFESSIONS."

Such is the heading in large type to a breezy article which appeared a few days ago in the daily press.

The case was that of Mr. James Henry, who conducts the Painless Dental Parlors. He engages qualified dentists on a salary, and conducts the Dental Parlors as a business concern. Mr. Henry was fined in the police court. From this he appealed. The appeal was argued before Mr. Justice Meredith.

Mr. I. F. Hellmuth, K.C., who acted for the Dental College in prosecuting Mr. Henry, said before Mr. Meredith that "the big departmental stores might just as well start and employ lawyers and dentists on salaries to render professional services to their customers." To this Mr. Justice Meredith remarked "it might not hurt the public."

Mr. Hellmuth claimed that he wished to keep the case of the Royal Dental College on a high plane. Mr. Justice Meredith remarked "on the