

honourable life, was accidentally drowned on the 29th of June last. He was unmarried. The other, Edward Buxey, who was one of the original members of this Society, and well on in years, died of inflammation of the lungs on the 13th of August. For a number of years he had suffered from pulmonary disease and finally succumbed, after a short illness, to the extensive acute inflammation which attacked him in the sultry weather of August last. He left a widow and two adult sons. As a sad addition to this I have now to report the death of three more of our members since Saturday, viz.: Wm. Talbot, John Lynn, and James Arnot.

We sympathize with two of our members, who have been by death bereaved of their wives during last month.

In my last annual report, I referred to the scourge of small-pox; only one of our members was attacked by it, and he has made a good recovery. The dreaded advent of Asiatic Cholera has, for many years been mercifully stayed, and it behoves each member of this society to lend his influence in having the city put into such a perfect sanitary condition, that should the deadly poison come into our midst, it will find no friendly nest in which to breed.

Notwithstanding the immunity enjoyed by our society from fatal epidemic disease, its members have not been unusually free from other forms of disease and from accident. Thirty different names appear on the sick benefit roll, and certificates for 125 weeks of sickness were given. Of these, however, forty were paid to two members, thus reducing the number for the remain-