

The statistics of Australia show that the births last year were 110,347, and the deaths were 45,305. The birth-rate has been steadily increasing of late years.

In the five Swiss Universities there are 953 male medical students, and 1,051 female medical students. Most of the students are from outside countries.

There are in the United States 23,602 registered medical students attending college this year. There are 891 homœopathic students, 479 eclectic, 90 physio-medical, and 206 unclassified.

One of the latest fads in the league line is the formation in Britain of "An Antiexpectoration League." One would think that this is carrying things dangerously close to the ridiculous.

The combination of arsenious acid and atoxyl is proving very successful in the treatment of the sleeping disease as it is experimentally induced. The arsenious acid is given by the mouth, while the atoxyl is administered hypodermically.

In the Uganda protectorate syphilis is very common, and its ravages are terrible. In some localities as high as 90 per cent. of the people suffer from the disease. The infant mortality in some places is from 50 to 60 per cent.

The death of Sir A. V. Macan, the eminent obstetrician, occurred in Dublin on 26th September. He held the position of professor of obstetrics in Trinity College. His death was caused by heart strain from riding his wheel.

The vital statistics of France have been issued for the year. The births were 32,878 less than for the previous year, while the deaths were 13,693 greater. The net result of these two factors is that the deaths exceeded the births by 19,920 in 1907.

In a very able address before the Swedish Medical Society, Dr. Bartel points out the ferments of milk and their importance to nutrition. He directs attention to the civil results that may arise from sterilization of milk.

According to recent reports from Major Kean great progress is being made in the destruction of the mosquito throughout Cuba. In many districts the breeding places are destroyed and no more larvæ can be found. Havana is an example of this.

From the *Transvaal Medical Journal* the news comes that there is being put forth a strong plea for medical inspection of schools. Throughout South Africa there are many diseases that are liable to be present among school children, making an inspection very necessary.

A "magnetic healer" was before the police of London, England, a short time ago for fraudulently receiving money on the promise of restoring to a lady a "new eye" in lieu of a glass one which she was wearing.