

FIGURES SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.—During the past year John Wyeth & Bro. have sold over 500,000 bottles of their nutritive preparation, Liquid Malt Extract, and they claim that each month the demand is increasing. It is not only held in favor by the public, but the medical profession throughout the Dominion have no hesitation in endorsing all the claims that have been made for it. J. B. McConnell, Esq., M.D., one of the leading physicians in Montreal, in a letter dated October 6th, says: "I have for a number of years freely prescribed Wyeth's Liquid Malt Extract, and it always gives the results expected of it and desired." The preparation is a most palatable and valuable nutrient, tonic and digestive agent, and contains the smallest amount of alcohol found in any liquid preparation of malt. It is particularly adapted to nursing mothers.

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"POOR, over-burdened St. Louis," was the exclamation generally heard at medical meetings but a few years ago, when the subject of medical colleges was approached. Now, St. Louis is not "in it" compared to Chicago, where thirteen colleges with teaching faculties, having 777 professors, adjuncts, instructors, etc., make up a regiment, the like of which has never before been seen in the history of civilization. We do not envy this aggregation of talent, for it is like the man of the sea, a burden, which grows heavier with time. Chicago will some day "in the good times that are coming by and by," cast off this burden and assert her "I will," to keep diploma mills, quackery, etc., in subjection. Flush the sewers of this awful stench which must emanate where there is so much carrion. The standard medical colleges of Chicago will then feel relieved of this thorn in their side, which, while it does not interfere with their legitimate work, is yet an irritation from which they must be relieved. The Illinois State Board of Health must investigate in reality, instead of apparently, and until it does the weed patch will grow, bear fruit and multiply.—*The Medical Fortnightly*.

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MEDICAL LONGEVITY.—The *London Lancet* for June 20 states that Dr. Salzmann, of Esslingen, has recently devoted his attention to determining the average duration of life among members of the medical profession. After an exhaustive examination of all accessible archives referring to the last four centuries, the following are the results arrived at by the zealous antiquarian: The average duration of a medical man's life during the sixteenth century was 36 years 5 months; in the seventeenth century it was 45 years 8 months; in the