

condition of the city is being rapidly brought up to the standard required by recent advances of science, with the result already that in one year the death rate has been reduced to the extent of 7 per 1000. As rapidly as the money at the disposal of the Board will allow, cess pits are being abolished, wooden drains are being replaced with tile ones, the civic hospital is being enlarged so as to accommodate all the cases of contagious diseases that can be induced to come there, tin and iron water closets are being replaced with porcelain ones, and a host of other reforms are being carried out, which will soon render Quebec with its magnificent site and pure water supply one of the most salubrious cities in the world. It remains to be seen whether the corporation of the city will be wise enough to provide the necessary money and men without which the most energetic health officer would be heavily handicapped. With a splendid hotel erected for the express purpose of making the stay of tourists in the historical city comfortable, it would be a very short-sighted policy indeed to drive these wealthy sojourners away by means of a high and preventable death rate. No one knows better than Dr. Catellier what to do, and it is to be hoped that there will be no stinting of the wherewithal to do it.

The American Medical Editors will have a Meeting and Banquet in Washington on the evening of Monday, September 4th, the day preceding the assembling of the Pan-American Medical Congress.

Dr. I. N. Love, of the *Medical Mirror*, 3642 Lindell Avenue, St. Louis, has been appointed Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements for Banquet, which fact gives ample assurance of the success of the latter.

It is earnestly hoped that every medical editor of all of the Americas will endeavor to be present on the interesting occasion. Please address the Chairman of Committee of Arrangements promptly.

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of Painter-Etchers," par Félix Buhot. — *Notre Bibliothèque*. — *Le cent-onzième Salon de Paris et le cent-vingt-cinquième Salon de Londres*, par Paul Leroi. — *Courrier musical*, par Adolphe Jullien. — *Courrier de l'Art*. — *Bulletin bibliographique*, par P. L., en tête de la troisième page de la couverture de cette livraison.

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