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The Cincinnati Homœopathic Lyceum
and Faculty of Pulte Medical College
dined at the Grand Hotel in that city on
April 12th, in honor of Samuel Hahne-
mann, the great founder of the Homœo-
pathic school of medicine. One hundred
plates were set and the function was a
great success. Like some other good
things Homœopathy seems to thrive well
in the west.

SCARLET FEVER

In the Montreal Star of the 21st
March there was printed the number of
Scarlet Fever cases that had been re-
ported and the number of deaths that
had occurred during the previous six
months. The mortality was so startling
in comparison with the usual homœo-
pathic experience as to cause Mr. E. G.
O'Connor to discuss it in a letter which
appeared in the Star of March 27th, and
from which we take the following extracts:

"For the whole city there have been
1,046 cases, with 222 deaths, a mortality
of 21.22 per cent., which is certainly
quite abnormal. Of these cases it

appears that 159 were treated to a con-
clusion at the Civic Hospital, with 46
deaths, a mortality percentage of 29,
which for a mild disease as Scarlet Fever
has generally been considered, is shock-
ing. Now, if we deduct from 1,046 the
whole number of cases reported, the 159
cases treated at the Civic Hospital, and
from the 222 deaths, the 46 which
occurred there, we have an approximate
of 887 cases with 176 deaths treated by
the private practitioners of the city, with
a mortality of almost 20 per cent. The
following table will make this clear :

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	Cases.	Deaths.	deaths.
Total	1,046	222	21.22
Civic Hospital	159	46	28.93
Private	887	176	19.85

"Allowance should undoubtedly be
made in regard to the abnormal death rate
at the hospital for the admittedly unsani-
tary character of the building, which is re-
sponsible without doubt for the death of
many cases which under more favourable
conditions would recover. Likewise the
percentage of loss in private cases may
be excessive in consequence of the possi-
bility of all the cases treated not being
reported, while all the deaths of necessity
are. Still, with all those considerations,
the mortality percentages shown are
startling. Their contemplation caused
me to wonder how the school of homœo-
pathy, in which I am a believer, stood in
the matter.

"There are but eight homœopathic prac-
tising physicians in the city, and having
put myself in communication with them,
I learned that since September last up to
date, they have treated an aggregate of
56 cases without a single death! Of the
cases treated, about half have been
simple or uncomplicated, about half have
been severe and more or less complicated,