

what have you not to answer for? Is it not proof enough to see last year's mortality from this disease alone to shew how fallacious are your arguments? The total number of deaths from this disease alone has been 784. Out of this number 653 were French-Canadians; 103 British-Canadians; 2 Irish; 4 English; 4 Scotch; 18 from other countries, comprising 384 males and 400 females. For convenience, we have divided the whole mortality under the following 16 heads: The number having died from miasmatic diseases was 2,139; from enthetic, 3; dietetic, 5; parasitic, 4; diathetic, 156; tubercular, 576; nervous system, 560; organs of circulation, 141; organs of respiration, 405; digestive organs, 223; urinary organs, 44; generative organs, 6; organs of locomotion, 7; integumentary system, 13; developmental diseases of children, women, and old people, 1676; and from violent deaths, 163; total, 6,311. If our readers will look back to the table under the heading "Sanitary Reports," they will see what diseases are classed under each heading. If space had allowed, we would have placed the number of deaths from each disease opposite the respective diseases. We will quote from the inaugural address, which is unfortunately as applicable this last year as it was in reference to the year 1874, with this difference, that there are only 432 deaths less this year than in 1874.

- "The ratio of mortality in Montreal—ranging from 35 to 42 per 1,000—is larger than New York—larger than Baltimore—larger than Cincinnati—larger than Chicago—larger than St. Louis—larger than New Orleans—larger than Toronto—larger than Quebec—larger than St. John, N. B.—larger than Halifax, in fine, larger than in any city in North America. Yet Montreal is more favorably circumstanced in many respects than are those cities. Why, then, this large ratio of mortality in a city built neither on a marsh, a fen, or a quagmire; but on a gently undulating hill side, with its rocky bed, leading to a large, rapid, and beautifully clear stream of purest water? Why this enormous mortality, when in the surrounding country the estimated death rate ranges from eight to fourteen per 1,000? Not, certainly, to general climatic influences. The sun pours down his invigorating rays upon us, as he does upon the residents of other