

charitable institutions wholly or partly supported by Government aid—are handed over to the Inspector of Anatomy, and distributed by him among our Toronto Schools according to their several needs.

For many years various towns and municipalities have been in the habit of shipping their poor and their vagrants to Toronto, leaving them at the doors of our hospital and other charities, to be cared for by the city. In many instances within our personal knowledge they have been so weak that to have sent them back they must have died on the way; and the result has been, that our local charities, thus unjustly made the recipients of so many poor and friendless creatures from other municipalities, have been able to keep our medical schools fully supplied with material.

DR. DEMARMON, in the *New York Medical Journal*, says: "For the last ten years the use of spirits has—1. Imposed upon the nation a direct expense of \$600,000,000. 2. Has caused an indirect expense of \$700,000,000. 3. Has destroyed 300,000 lives. 4. Has sent 100,000 children to the poorhouse. 5. Has committed at least 150,000 people to prisons and workhouses. 6. Has determined at least 1,000 suicides. 7. Has caused the loss, by fire or violence, of at least \$10,000,000 worth of property. 8. Has made 200,000 widows and 1,000,000 orphans.

ROYAL COLLEGE OF SURGEONS OF ENGLAND.—The following gentlemen, all graduates of Trinity College Medical School, passed their primary examinations in Anatomy and Physiology, at a meeting of the Court of Examiners, on the 9th November: G. H. Burnham, J. R. Clark, Colin McLarty, Thomas Millman, M. D. Stark. F. Buller, M.D., Victoria College, 1870, has passed the primary examination for Fellowship.

THE INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF OPHTHALMOLOGY will meet in New York City, on Tuesday, September 15, 1876, at twelve o'clock noon. The following extracts from the rules of the Congress will give an idea of the general character of the Society, and of the terms of membership:

"1. The object of the International Periodic Congress of Ophthalmology is to promote ophthalmological science, and to serve as a centre to those who cultivate it. It will entertain no discussion foreign to this object.

"2. The number of members is unlimited.

"3. Every member must be either a doctor of medicine, or of surgery, or of science, or possess some other equivalent degree, or be distinguished for his scientific knowledge.

"4. Candidates for admission into the Society shall be admitted on presentation of their diploma or of their scientific title, unless ten members demand a ballot.

"5. The sessions of the Society shall take place every fourth year, and be limited to ten days."

"XI. The Society gives no diploma. Before the opening of each session a card available for admission to all the meetings, and signed by the President and Secretary, shall be given to each member on payment of his subscription (fixed at \$2), and upon signature of his name on the register of those attending the meeting."

Among the members of this Congress are such men as Arlt and Stellwag, of Vienna; Giraud-Teulon and Wecker, of Paris; Helmholtz, of Berlin; William Bowman, George Crichton, R. Liebreich, J. W. Hulke, and Soelberg Wells, of London; Donders and Snellen, of Utrecht, Holland.

It is hoped that many of them will come to New York in 1876. The committee are making all efforts to secure a large attendance, and one that will leave its mark upon the progress of scientific ophthalmology. The co-operation of the profession in Canada in securing these objects is earnestly desired by the undersigned, the Provisional Committee appointed in London in 1872.

CORNELIUS R. AGNEW, M.D.

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## Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

### BIRTHS.

On the 27th November, at 117 Church Street, Toronto, the wife of A. M. Rosebrugh, M.D. of a daughter.

On the 27th November, at Ingersoll, the wife of Moses E. Tripp, M.D. of a son.

On November 11th, at Hamilton, the wife of C. F. A. Locke, Esq., M.D., of a daughter.

On the 7th of December, the wife of the Rev. Samuel N. Jackson, M.D., Toronto, of a son.

### DEATHS.

At Richmond Hill, on Monday evening, 6th inst., John Dunscomb, M.D., aged 74.

At Kingston, on November 10th, from inflammation of the lungs, Octavius Yates, M.D., Professor of Institutes of Medicine, Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons, Kingston.