

Dr. John Thomson, of Brisbane, Australia, died at the age of 62 in May last. He had filled very important public offices for 35 years in Queensland. He held the rank of Colonel in the Defence Forces of the Commonwealth.

According to the statements of Dr. L. Rogers, Indian Medical Service, no less than 17 per cent. of all the deaths in India is due to tuberculosis. This makes the disease a more serious affair than the plague, cholera, smallpox, and dysentery.

D. M. Bourneville, M.D., Physician to the Bicêtre, of Paris, died in the end of May last. He graduated in 1870, and gave much attention to nervous and mental diseases. He was a close associate with Pascal, Claude Bernard, and Charcot.

In the London County Council meeting, Dr. Beaton said that there were 60,000 London school children in need of treatment of the eyes, 15,000 were suffering from disease of the ears, and 4,000 had ringworm, out of a total of 600,000 children. There is room here for preventive medicine.

Professor D. J. Cunningham, the eminent anatomist died on 23rd June. A few months ago he went Egypt in the hopes that rest and the change of air would restore his strength. It failed, however, and he died shortly after returning home. He was professor of anatomy in the University of Edinburgh.

The Imperial Army Council has informed the Militia Department of Canada that two commissions will be granted annually in the Royal Army Medical Corps to Canadians who have qualified in the medical schools of Canada. One candidate is to be nominated half yearly by the department.

The people of France are beginning to realize the evils of the large amounts of alcoholic beverages consumed by the people. France is highest on the list of the European countries. It is claimed that the enormous quantities of alcohol consumed is a potent factor in the decrease in the population of the country.

Many who visited Edinburgh during the past 25 years, will regret to learn of the continued ill health of Professor John Chiene, C.B. He was a student under Goodsir, Lister, and Syme. He succeeded Professor James Spence in 1882. During all these years he has been connected with medical education in Edinburgh he has never forgotten the dying injunction of Goodsir—"Teach the Students." Mr. Chiene has been compelled to tender his resignation of the Chair in Surgery.

From the reports of the Medical Councils of the Transvaal, Natal and Cape Colony, we learn that these governing bodies are very strict as to the registration of practitioners, dentists, midwives, and nurses. A Dr. Kauin had published a pamphlet treating of private diseases. He