

respiration ceased ; (3) subcutaneous injection of ether within two minutes after the patient had ceased to breathe, and (4) tracheotomy within three minutes after the patient had ceased to breathe.

The necropsy was performed by Dr. Norman Moore, at the request of the coroner, twenty-five hours after death, in the presence of the medical attendant of the deceased and myself. Dr. Moore has kindly looked over and corrected the description of the morbid appearances. The body was well nourished and muscular, of a man about twenty-six years of age. The face, neck and back were all deeply cyanosed ; there was a mark of a recent tracheotomy wound. On removing the skull cap, which was unusually thick, venous engorgement was visible on the surface of the cerebral hemispheres ; nothing abnormal was noticed in the cerebral substance. On opening the chest, the veins were noticed everywhere full of dark fluid blood. All the internal organs were healthy. The pericardium contained the normal amount of fluid. The heart was normal and the valves competent. All the cavities of the heart were empty, except a small quantity of fluid blood in the right ventricle. No clots were present. The lungs were engorged with dark fluid blood, and were nearly airless. On opening the bronchi, the mucous membrane was dark in color and engorged, and a quantity of thick mucus was found in all the larger bronchi. The trachea was also engorged, but contained less mucus. The upper three rings were divided. The larynx, tonsils and tongue were removed together for examination. The larynx showed no swelling, and very little engorgement, and contained no appreciable quantity of mucus ; no foreign body or abnormal substance was found. The tonsils showed old enlargement, but did not meet in the middle line. The stomach contained a small quantity of undigested food, with a good deal of ropy mucus. The œsophagus was normal. The liver, kidneys and spleen were all dark in color, showing venous engorgement, but without any signs of disease. The bladder was empty.—*Dental Record, London.*

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## Editorial.

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### Newfoundland.—The Chain Complete.

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When we announced some time ago that the chain of dental legislation in the Dominion was complete, we felt a professional and political yearning that our oldest island, Newfoundland, could come in with the family as a full partner in the professional advancement. It will not be long, we trust, before it will complete