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We are very glad that so much discussion has been held, and that the press, both secular and professional, in the Dominion, have used their columns in the free criticism of Dr. Brouse's endeavor to obtain legislative action in the all important matter of Sanitary Statistics. We are convinced that the more it is discussed and criticised the more the result must end in obtaining the acquiescence of all thinking men on this subject, and therefore tend more than anything else to bring about its consumma-Meanwhile it is certainly the duty of all who wish well to the manly effort lately made to extract from the Commons of the Dominion legislative power to procure reliable statistics on this subject, to use their best endeavors to support the arguments so ably set before the House, and to seek to ... inte those criticisms which have been liberally poured against them. 'Ve suppose that all will agree that by some means or other the end sought is desirable, viz., to arrive at reliable statistics about the health of the country, and therefore the only question that arises is the best mode of attaining them. We are free to confess that we consider Dr. Brouse's speech before the Commons of Canada, when demanding an enquiry by Committee into the advisability and feasibility of establishing a Bureau of Sanitary Statistics and Hygiene Science, to have been a most able and deeply interesting one, and its weight and influence were felt; it was a carefully digested exposition of his views, and contained matter of vital importance for this or any other country that is seeking sanitary As to the examples instanced, and the manner our