

of infantile mortality is the daily and immoderate use of soothing syrups.

While waiting for this beneficial law that we hope will deliver us from infanticides, a duty imposes itself to us all.

Without losing a minute the people must be instructed, especially the young mothers, on the necessity there is of not giving these soporific elixirs to their children.

In publishing this booklet we propose to make known what are soothing syrups, what effects they produce on the child and the disastrous consequences that result from their use.

We will also make known that certain syrups have a different composition according as they are sold in Canada or in an other country, and moreover that the labels do not bear the same information, here as elsewhere.

We hope that all those who interest themselves in the health of the child, alas! . . . too neglected!—will make it a duty to scatter this booklet amongst all the classes of society, in order that every one will know the effects of these poisons on the health and even the lives of their children.

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