

England ; and of these Paris had far more than her legitimate proportion. The Parisian suicides stand to those of London, in respect of number, as seven or eight to one, distributed according to age. The most suicidal time of life is still between twenty-one and forty. Four men destroy themselves to one women. In proportion to the population, suicide is nearly twice as common in town as in the country. The ratio is higher among artisans than peasants ; and amongst the liberally educated classes, who work with the head, it is quite double what it is amongst those who work with the hand.—*Med. Times and Gazette.*

HOW A LIFE WAS SAVED.—The following shows the importance of a general knowledge on the treatment of those who have been accidentally injured so that life is endangered :—A leading surgeon at St. Mary's hospital reported that a few days ago a lad was brought in with his brachial artery completely severed, he having fallen through a glass roof. A policeman on duty had extemporised a tourniquet so successfully that the bleeding was completely arrested ; and when the temporary appliance was removed it recurred with such violence that the surgeon felt that he could say neither more nor less than that probably the skill and promptitude of the policeman had saved the lad's life. On enquiry it was found that the constable had been a pupil in one of the ambulance classes which have been in progress for more than a year among the Metropolitan Police, and in which the various members of the force have taken the warmest interest.

A PROSPECTIVE EPIDEMIC OF CHOLERA.—Health Commissioner Dr. Wolf, of Chicago, thinks that the cholera is coming this way, and will probably be here next year. He has been studying telegraphic dispatches, and finds that the disease is moving westward. The disease will, he thinks, be brought to New York by the shipping, and from that point will sweep the country. The monthly statistics received at his office show a large increase in the rate of mortality the world over. In Chicago the death-rate has gone above that of last season, although the atmospheric and general sanitary condition of the city has been excellent. The experience of Chicago has been duplicated in other cities. It has been in such times of extraordinarily heavy mortality that the cholera epidemic has come.