

DR. CARPENTER, F.R.S., Secretary to the Gilchrist Trust, has, for the benefit of the primary teachers of the metropolis, made arrangements for the delivery of a course of lectures by Dr. B. W. Richardson, F.R.S., at St. Thomas's Charterhouse Schools, on Human Physiology, and its application to daily life. The course was opened on November 3 by Dr. Carpenter, who gave an address on "A Sound Mind in a Sound Body."

DURING the three months ending September last, 119,909 deaths were registered in England and Wales, equal to an annual rate of 10.6 per 1000 of the estimated population. This death-rate was 1.4 per 1000 below the average rate in the corresponding quarter of the ten years 1866-75, and, excepting the rate in 1873 (19.5), was lower than that which prevailed in any of those years.

THE REV. MR. MATHER, of Ohio, wants quack advertisements kept out of the Methodist church journals. He ought to go a step further and make it a clerical misdemeanor for ministers to write quack advertisements. More men, women, and children are annually poisoned by pills and nostrums which are recommended by preachers than in any other way. *Baltimore Gazette.*

THE deaths from small-pox rose in London from 15 in the previous to 21 last week. The mortality from the same cause in Liverpool remained stationary, namely, 10 each week.

BOOKS AND PAMPHLETS RECEIVED.

EPIDEMIC DISEASES AND THEIR PREVENTION in relation to the water supply in the town of Belleville. By James T. Bell, Professor of Mining and Agriculture in Albert University, and chairman of the board of health, Belleville.

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE. Published quarterly by James Vick, Rochester, N. Y. Price 25 cents per annum.

The number before us the first for the new year 1877. The work is published four times a year, in elegant style, finely illustrated and at a price too low even to pay for the paper alone. It is rich with articles pertaining to the garden and conservatory, and contains a complete price-list of every article kept by the seedman. A handsome chromo precede the whole, representing a bouquet of summer flowers.

A REPORT OF THE DEATH-RATE of each sex in Michigan, and a comparison with Dr. Farr's life tables of healthy districts in England. With a statement of Infant mortality in Michigan. By H. B. Baker, M.D. Sec. State Board of Health, Mich.

INDUSTRIAL CANADA, the duty of developement and how to accomplish it. By A. Baumgarten, Ph. D. Montreal.