

55 to 65 years.....	6.31 per cent.
65 to 75 "	2.85
75 and upwards.....	.615
Making a total of.....	9.775

Upon comparing this with our returns it will appear that the ratio of deaths above 50 years as compared to all deaths from phthisis is within a fraction of 12 per cent., a third more than in the returns for all England. Let us now take the ratio of deaths from consumption, as compared with the entire number of deaths in England and Wales. During the year 1847 the deaths from all causes, amounted to 420,977 individuals, which gives a ratio of 12.66 per cent from phthisis, whereas our own returns of deaths from this cause give 9.36 per cent. as compared with the number of deaths from all causes. We will now return to the consideration of the assumption that tuberculous phthisis is not a common disease of the native population. Of the 297 deaths recorded as having occurred from consumption during the year, 158 are among natives of Canada and 139 are natives of other countries. On reference to the census taken last February, it appears that there were at that period, in the city proper, of natives of Canada, of all origins, 65,862; natives of other countries 35,144. This will speak for itself. Were we to examine more minutely it would be found that the deaths by consumption would suffer a further reduction of 31 cases, 22 among Roman Catholics, and 9 from the Protestant returns, these as hailing from the country should have been omitted, but having overlooked the fact till my calculations were completed, I allow the figures to stand as they are, being sufficiently apparent to bear out the statement. I cannot do better than lay before the reader a comparative table of the death-ratio from this malady in the principal cities in Europe and America as compared with our own:—

Ratio of deaths from tuberculous phthisis, as compared with deaths from all causes, taken from Mr. Ancell's and Dr. Caspar's tables.

Leghorn, civil and military, 1 death in.....	10.75 deaths.
Florence, 1 "	11.5 "
Rome, 1 "	3.4 "
Naples, average of 3 hospitals, 1 death in.....	2.33 "
Naples, military, 1 "	3.85 "
Paris, civil, 1 "	3.25 "
Paris, military, 1 "	12.2 "
Berlin, during 10 years, 1 "	5.7 "
London, during 2 " 1 "	6.2 "
Hamburgh, during 3 years, 1 "	4.6 "
New York, during 11 " 1 "	5.0 "
Philadelphia, during 7 years, 1 "	7.7 "
Baltimore, during 8 " 1 "	6.7 "
Boston, during 7 " 1 "	5.9 "
Montreal, 1860, 1 "	10.67 "

And for the State of Massachusetts, according to the report published in 1855, we find for the previous 14 years, the average death-rate for consumption com-