

rate observations on the diseases and accidents which occurred amongst the crew and passengers, being an aggregate of 369 souls, during a lengthy passage of 36 days. This formed the subject of an interesting paper, which was published in the fifth volume of the *British-American Journal*. In this paper will be found suggestions as to the daily amount of food required for steerage passengers, and also the accommodation necessary—as at that time, and even in our day, the holds of vessels were disgracefully over-crowded; the subject of the necessity of ventilation of passenger vessels as a sanitary measure is dwelt upon. Altogether, this is a thoughtful and well-arranged paper. In the year 1851, Dr. Gibb, with several other medical gentlemen of this city, established the St. Lawrence School of Medicine, and during the ensuing winter session he delivered a course of lectures on Institutes of Medicine in connection with that school. This school survived one session, and its cessation cannot be attributed to any other cause than a want of scope. Already there existed two medical schools in Montreal, both struggling for bare existence, and it was found that to continue the work of the St. Lawrence School could alone be done by considerable personal outlay. The following year, Dr. Gibb determined to leave this country and settle in London. In 1855 he was appointed Reporter to the *London Lancet*, which position he held for upwards of ten years.

But while devoting much of his time to hospital reports he continued to work earnestly, and became a regular contributor to Canadian medical and other periodicals. There is not a single volume of our own medical journal which does not contain something from his pen. Literary labour was to him a pleasing recreation, and during his sojourn amongst us we never remember to have seen him idle. Go to his office when you would, he was to be found ever at his desk engaged in some literary pursuit. His style was clear, indulging occasionally a little in the imaginative, but what he did write gave evidence of careful research and