

The following clipping from the *New England Medical Monthly* on insomnia indicates the position which W. R. Warner & Co.'s elegant preparations have with the profession in New England. In Canada, also, the preparations are used extensively and known most favorably:—

“Bromide of soda, and also the potassium salt, is often used and great benefit has resulted. In the treatment of neurasthenia great benefit has resulted from the use of the bromides of soda and potash, especially when in combination with a salt that will counteract the depressing effects resulting from the use of bromide. Such preparations are the bromo-soda and bromo-potash prepared by Wm. R. Warner & Co., and in the treatment of nervousness, debility and neurasthenia, which can generally be ascribed to insomnia, they are especially efficient and agreeable. They are put up in granular form, which makes a delightful effervescing draught, and gives the patient a desire to take these preparations, which are extremely palatable and beneficial. The preparation of bromo-soda was partly suggested by the late Dr. J. S. Jewell. Physicians have met with unfailling success in the use of bromo-soda in the treatment of nervous headache and the conditions resulting from an overworked and run-down system.”

A BUSY PRACTITIONER.—Dr. Cotting, of Boston, in relating his personal reminiscences of fifty years' practice, says: “The greatest number of professional visits to separate houses I ever made in one day was forty-three (a few of the houses visited having more than one patient). It was one of the longest days of summer, and there was no time to rest, from early dawn to late at night. I once attended four births, in different parts of the town, within twelve hours; between twelve at night and twelve at noon following. It happened to be a February 22nd, and the three boys were each called George Washington, while the girl received the name of Martha. The mothers were unknown to each other.”—*Boston Medical and Surgical Journal*.

HARD TIMES.—There is a general impression that times are very hard with medical men. Ours has never been considered a rich or lucra-

tive calling, but, as a set off, it has been thought that medical men could always contrive to make ends meet; that with them, as with Robert Levett,

“The modest wants of every day
The toil of every day supplied.”

Even this is no longer conceded without question, and some critics go so far as to say that the run of medical men live and die very impecuniously. It is not difficult to believe this pessimistic account, and there are many facts which lend a plausibility to it. . . . There are, on an average, 1162 additions yearly to the Medical Registrar, as against the average death of 588 members of the profession, or a yearly surplus of 574, who are to find employment in a community yearly rendered more healthy and independent of the profession by the very efforts of the profession itself. . . . It is certain that the remedy rests mainly with the profession itself. Neither Parliament nor the Medical Council can help us much. The public will take medical men at their own valuation. If sixpence is their charge, they will be called sixpenny doctors, and will deserve to be called so. But such charges will be identified rather with a low style of practice and an inferior quality of drugs than with the great profession whose members have commanded the veneration and respect of mankind.—*Lancet*.

Births, Marriages, and Deaths.

MARRIAGES.

GRAHAME-MORSON.—On Monday evening, April 9th, at St. Phillip's Church, by the Rev. J. Fielding Sweeney, B.D., Lawrence Hill Grahame to Jessie Laura, youngest daughter of Dr. Alfred Morson, of Toronto.

GREENWOOD-ELLIS.—On April 10th, at St. Mark's, Surbiton, London, England, F. S. Greenwood, M.D., L.R.C.P. London, to Margaret, daughter of William Ellis, Esq., Superintendent of Welland Canal, all of St. Catharines, Ont.

KING-OTT.—On April 3rd, in Brantford, at the Congregational Church, by the Rev. Joseph Wild, D.D., Edmund E. King, M.D., of Toronto, to Isabella J., daughter of Franklin Ott, Esq.

DEATHS.

COLTON.—On Thursday, the 5th of April, at his residence, Picton, Ont., William Wallace Colton, M.D., in the 46th year of his age.