

until the 30th of June, when she sailed with twenty-two passengers, the remainder being afraid to re-embark, although they forfeited their passage money. The passengers were also afraid of the Captain on account of his quarrelsome disposition. One family took passage for Philadelphia. All the crew of the *Sisters* left her, except the mate, the cook, and one apprentice.

(Signed) DOMINICK M'DEVOT.

Sworn before me,
this 1st day of September, 1834. }
ADAM L. MACNEIDER, J. P.

SANITARY COMMITTEE,

Soulanges, 25th August, 1834.

SIR,

On behalf of the Sanitary Committee of Soulanges, I have the honour of transmitting the Return of Cholera Cases to this date; also an account of expenses incurred for attendance, &c.

It has been observed with respect to the resident population here that the disease has been principally confined to persons in indigent circumstances; and that almost in every case the cause has been traced to some previous indiscretion or imprudence on the part of the individual; and that, therefore, this part of the country, considering that the bulk of the population is of the labouring class, has, happily, been very healthy, especially during the season of field labour.

With respect to the Emigrants, the ascertained causes are chiefly owing to the fatigue undergone by those in impaired health, or of weakly constitutions, being allowed to walk from the Cascades in a state of exhaustion, and the crowded state of some of the boats, and consequent want of accommodation at night, which obliges the Emigrant to sleep in the open air, and, usually on the bare ground, particularly since the barns are filled with the harvest.

The Committee cannot pass over in silence the indefatigable exertions, at all seasons, of the Medical Attendant, Doctor M'Nana, and they have to bear equal testimony to the repetition of that zeal and assiduity of the Reverend Mr. Blanchet, which he so conspicuously evinced on a former melancholy occasion. Mr. Lowthian deserves also much praise for the readiness with which he gave up his farm-house at Pointe-a-Biron, (a very eligible situation) for the purposes of an Hospital, as also for his having freely permitted that those who died there might be interred on his adjoining premises.

The Committee trusts that the accounts of the various expenses attending the treatment of the sick, thus far, considering the number of cases, will not be received as unreasonable; at all events, I have to offer the assurances of the Committee that the injunction of economy has been strictly adhered to.

The Report has been made up to this date, from the circumstance that the disease has been materially arrested, and in the hope that the subsequent cases may not be more numerous than can be met by individual subscriptions; but if otherwise, (which may Providence avert!) they trust to their obtaining an extension of that pecuniary assistance which the Sanitary Committee of Montreal has already so generously held out to them.

I have the honour to be, Sir, your most obedient humble Servant,

(Signed) ETNE, ROY, PRESIDENT.

To F. Souligny, Esquire, Chairman of the
Special Sanitary Committee, Montreal.