

ed position, ought to be erected as a hospital for the special treatment of this disease, where all suffering may be sent, and be under the care of medical men appointed to this duty. This hospital, in the judgment of the writer, should be under the control and management of the Council of the City of Montreal, the medical health officers of that body having its control and management. There are differences of opinion, we know, as to the nursing of patients in such a building; some taking the ground that the good sisters, the nuns, should perform this duty, while those of a different faith think differently, only being anxious, irrespective of creed, that the nursing should be of such a character as shall best promote harmony of action and the cure of the patients, whether Protestants or Catholics. Why such feelings of disagreement should exist in a mixed community as ours, on such a subject, it is hard to conceive. Yet such is the fact, and it is a great pity.

Now, such being the case, in order to meet the prejudices of these excellent people, and to secure the desirable result we seek to obtain, we would suggest in the erection of such a hospital: let there be two wings, one for Protestants and one for our Roman Catholic fellow-citizens, the one having Protestant nurses, the other to be attended to by those nurses desired by our friends of the Catholic Church. Surely this would meet the case and secure united action, and heal the division that seems to exist as to the whole question of nursing.

Enough has been said on this part of these remarks, which, I trust, will commend themselves to the thoughtful attention of any who may oppose the erection of a Small-Pox Hospital under civic control unless under the care of the good Sisters of Charity.

Mr. Editor, the writer would take broader views of this great question, and be only very anxious that such measures be adopted as shall *save life*, and arrest in the best possible manner this fearful disease that has during these past months taken away so many of our population by death. Shall we not make an effort in the wisest direction to rid our fair and beautiful city of this scourge? Would that some of those who oppose the above suggestions could see the great importance of this question, and know, as the writer has known, how many have been cut down in youth and early manhood; often, it is true, from non-vaccination, or imper-