

## EDITORIAL SUMMARY.

*Flying machine.*—A Mr. Edwards, in the *Scientific American*, says that he has invented a machine, operated on by a powerful steel spring, capable of moving through the air at a speed of five miles the minute. The machine weighed seventy-seven pounds, and it carried a weight of sixty-two pounds. It was fastened to a post, round which it revolved at a semi-diameter of thirty feet. We apprehend that something more than this is required to navigate or aërate the atmosphere.

*Death of Dr. Luther V. Bell.*—We regret to learn the decease of this truly excellent and philanthropic physician, for many years the Resident Physician at the McLean Asylum, Mass., and at one time the President of the Associated Physicians of Lunatic Asylums. He was a man of enlarged mind and high scientific attainments. At the breaking out of the rebellion in the United States, he at once joined a regiment from his native state, and subsequently received the appointment of Brigade Surgeon. His disease we believe was phtthisis.

*Accidental Poisoning.*—The Hon. Wm. Pennington, of Newark, N. J., died lately from this cause. He was labouring under fever and his physicians, Dr. Parker of New York and Dr. Pennington of Newark, had ordered him eight grains of quinine. The apothecary who prepared the prescription put up eight grains of morphine by mistake, from the effects of which the unfortunate gentleman never recovered. Will apothecaries never learn to keep their poisonous drugs in separate places by themselves, or by some marked means distinguishable?

*The Medical Schools of Cincinnati.*—The "Philadelphia Medical Reporter" states that the regular medical schools in Cincinnati have each about 60 students in attendance.

## BOOKS RECEIVED.

- A SYSTEM OF SURGERY, PATHOLOGICAL, THERAPEUTICAL, and OPERATIVE, by Samuel D. Gross, M.D., Professor of Surgery in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. 2nd edition, 2 vols., 8vo. Price \$12. Dawson & Son.
- COMMENTARIES ON THE SURGERY OF THE WAR IN PORTUGAL AND SPAIN, &c., by G. J. Guthrie, F.R.S. Sixth edition. Dawson & Son.
- NOTES ON THE SURGERY OF THE WAR IN THE CRIMEA, &c., by George H. B. Macleod, M.D., F.R.C.S. Philadelphia: Lippincott & Co. Montreal: Dawson & Son.

## BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS.

## BIRTHS.

- At Drumbo, C. W., on the 16th ultimo, the wife of J. B. Rounds, M.D., of a daughter.
- At Lambton, Etobicoke, C. W., on the 20th ultimo, the wife of Thomas Beatty, M.D., of a son, still-born.
- At St. Hubert de Longueuil, on the 28th February, the wife of Dr. Benoit, of a daughter.
- In Montreal, on the 2nd instant, the wife of J. L. Leprohon, M. D., of a son.
- At Kingsville, on the 28th ultimo, the wife of W. B. Drake, M.D., of a son.
- At Ayr, on the 26th ultimo, the wife of Dr. Bell, of a daughter.
- At Yorkville, on the 24th ultimo, the wife of I. Philips, M.D., of Listowell, of a son.

## DEATHS.

- At Belleville, on the 25th ultimo, Sarah C., second daughter of Dr. Geo. G. Crawford, of Toronto.
- On the 25th ultimo, Thomas Howard, aged 34 years, eldest son of Dr. T. J. Howard, of the Rouge, St. Andrews, Argenteuil, C. E.