

press ground that the lower classes were as well entitled to have highly educated attendants as those who were better off.—*Medical Times and Gazette*.

THE SANITARY ASSOCIATION OF MONTREAL.—We observe that a number of prominent citizens of Montreal have formed themselves into an association with the above title, their professed object being to improve, if possible, the sanitary condition of that city. The association is not in any way antagonistic to the legally constituted health department, but is desirous of seconding the efforts of the health department in every way in its power. Great good may result from the formation of this association. There are many subjects which will legitimately engage its attention, but we believe its mission lies in arousing public and individual attention to the urgency of adopting sanitary measures; in other words, in educating the masses in subjects with which they should be familiar, leaving the details of enforcing sanitary regulations to the police.—*Med. & Surg. Journal*.

[A Sanitary Association has had existence in Montreal for a year or two, and we had been informed that it was to be reorganized, with a view to its more efficient working; the one above referred to is then probably the same association newly organized. We have no doubt it will be the means of doing much good, and, as before observed, should be glad to learn of one being formed in Toronto.—Ed.]

AMATEUR PHYSICIANS.—If a layman is recommended by any one to take or do something for an ailment, and it is promptly followed by the removal of the thing complained of, he forthwith, from that single instance, becomes enthusiastic, and the very next time he meets with one who has similar "symptoms," he prescribes with great confidence, and if that is also successful, he, in a very short time, will be found giving the same prescription for every thing, it at once becomes in his estimation a panacea, a universal remedy, a cure for everything. It would require scores of such successes and a whole year's, or even five years' observation, for an experienced physician to have a hundredth part of the confidence in any remedy, simply because he knows the uncertainties of remedies, and how rare it is that the same conditions are found in two cases.—*Hall's Journal*.

DIET VS. WHIPPING.—We wish to make a plea for the cross and fretful little ones who are so often treated with great injustice in being punished. Mothers feed their children all