

literature of the day, several able articles on operative surgery from his pen having appeared during the last year in the Dublin Quarterly. His most valuable work is the volume, which he issued some four years ago, "On the Diagnosis and Treatment of Cancer and Tumors Analagous thereto."

To strangers visiting the Meath Hospital, Dublin, his kindness and attention was marked, and more than one on this side the Atlantic will hold his memory in fond remembrance. He sacrificed his life in his efforts to save that of another. No nobler proof could be given of the sublime character of our profession. He was only forty-five years of age

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#### THE BELMONT INEBRIATE RETREAT AND PRIVATE LUNATIC ASYLUM.

On our advertising sheet will be found the advertisement of the above institution, and we have much pleasure in drawing the attention of the profession to it. It is situated in the vicinity of Quebec, is the only one of the kind in the Dominion, and its existence, supplies a want which has been constantly felt, and which necessitated the sending the better class of insane patients to institutions in the United States. The proprietor of the Belmont Retreat has had extensive experience in the management of insane subjects, having been manager of the extensive Asylum at Beauport, and the resident physician has devoted much of his time to the study of insanity in its various phases; so that every guarantee is given that not only will the patients be well cared for, but the most judicious means used to promote their recovery.

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#### THE MORTALITY OF MONTREAL.

Facts are stubborn things, and Statistics as a rule, do not lie. When we think of the large mortality of Montreal, we sometimes wish that they did, and that it was not true that we yearly sacrificed so many hundreds on the altar of stupidity and lukewarmness. Montreal is not by nature an unhealthy city; on the contrary it has many natural advantages which in a sanitary point of view, might be used most profitably. But we neglect these, as a rule we neglect everything that tends to increase the salubrity of our city, and the result is that we have the mortification of knowing that we live in not only the most unhealthy city on this continent, but almost the most unhealthy city in the civilized world. Our death rate according to an able report recently printed by the Sanitary Association is 25 per thousand, while according to the same report in