

Table showing the ratio of mortality in wards, as compared with the number of inhabitants, from the Census recently taken.

	Deaths.	Returns of Census.	Equal to
Centre Ward.....	144	1425	1 death in 9.89
West.....	33	1837	1 55.66
East.....	60	4715	1 78.58
St. Antoine.....	469	17017	1 36.28
St. Ann's.....	399	16307	1 40.87
St. Lawrence.....	293	11628	1 39.70
St. Louis.....	367	13379	1 36.35
St. James.....	349	12016	1 34.43
St. Mary.....	291	9347	1 32.12

It will be observed that the ratio of deaths in the Centre ward is exceedingly high; this may be accounted for from its being the smallest ward as to population in the whole city, and also from the existence therein of a large Hospital, the Hotel-Dieu. Thus a large number of deaths from that institution, tell against the smallest ward population.

The deaths from the Montreal General Hospital which is situated in the St. Louis ward affect the percentage of deaths in a fractional degree only, in consequence of the larger number of residents in that ward. The deaths registered as from the Sœurs Grises have been excluded in the above calculations. The St. Ann's ward which is (with the exception of St. Antoine) the most populous ward in the city, would be reduced to almost a par with the Centre were these deaths added to the mortality hailing from that district. It will likewise be noticed that the calculations have been made exclusive of the special returns required by law of religious houses which occupy a separate column in the Census Returns, so that the comparison exhibits the ratio of deaths to actual residents in wards, amounting in the aggregate to 89.666. Exception therefore cannot be taken to omitting the deaths from the Grey Nuns. Furthermore, it is a fact admitted that three fourths of the children who die or rather are sent for burial from that institution are brought to Montreal from all parts of Canada and the neighboring States. It is customary when such is practicable to send them away at once to be nursed in the surrounding villages; when they die they are removed to the Cemetery and are registered as coming from the Sœurs Grises. In the next number of the Journal I will touch more fully on this subject.

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REVIEW DEPARTMENT.

ART. LX.—*Practical Observations on the Disease of the Joints involving Anchylosis, and on the Treatment for the Restoration of Motion.* By BERNARD E. BROADHURST, F.R.C.S., Assistant Surgeon to the Royal Orthopedic Hospital. Third Edition.

Mr. Broadhurst is known to those surgeons who pay attention to the progress made in the treatment of diseases of the joints, and the remedying of deformities,