

But an excursion with a Canadian friend to the Western Highlands of Scotland called into activity the latent germs of a disease to which the moist climate of England seemed unsuited. He applied to be relieved of his staff duties which retained him in Britain, and was sent out to the military sanatorium on the height of table-land at Kandalla near Bombay. The disease, however, still progressed, and a few months after a medical commission recommended a year's leave of absence, and an immediate return to Canada. In June last, weak, emaciated and almost exhausted with the fatigues of the journey, and with a distressing cough he reached his native home. A temporary improvement took place, but ere six months had elapsed, after the usual tale of suffering had been told, he breathed his last.

Wm. Smith's talents were of a respectable order, his intellect was clear, his mind acutely logical, but more powerful in analysis than synthesis. His punctuality was remarkable. Dr. Hingston, with whom he studied, and by whom he was attended during his illness, says he never knew him to be five minutes behind time on one single occasion during his pupilage. This habit he carried with him across the Atlantic. One of his tickets bears the following endorsement: *absent not once.—Late, not once.* This habit enabled him, without consuming any midnight oil, to acquire a knowledge of medicine, varied and extensive. He had a time for all things, work, sleep, and play, and when the hour had come, a time to die. In the private relations of life he was modest and unassuming, truthful and scrupulously honest. Young as he was in the profession, his talents have proved that the British Medical service has lost one of its most promising ornaments.

THE VACCINATION ACT.

This Act, as far as this city is concerned, has been put completely into force, taking effect from the first of February by notification from the City Council. The gentlemen appointed to discharge the duties are Drs. F. W. Campbell, Dr. J. L. Leprohon and Dr. A. Ricard. The excessive prevalence with which Small Pox has exhibited itself in this city within the last six months, invading as it did many of the most respectable of our families, will now, it is hoped, by the exertions of these gentlemen be checked. We have not learned however that any of the other cities specified in the Act have acquitted themselves of their duties in like manner. This is extremely to be regretted because we would have imagined that such cities as Quebec, Kingston, Toronto, St. Hyacinthe, &c., would have been glad of the opportunity to have checked as far as laid in the power of their respective authorities, the spread of this most loathsome disease. We have been informed however, and this on good authority, that although a special Act was passed by the Legislature