the mortality has increased. But as we know that the deaths for Montreal are glaringly understated, we are obliged to doubt the accuracy of the returns in other districts also. As the registers of interments at cometeries and churchyards must be always accessible to the enumerators, it is hoped that the authorities will take the necessary steps to insure accuracy at the next decennial census.

The following table has been calculated in order to estimate the proportion borne between the interments at different ages, and the number living at the same age. The "total deaths" are probably much below the real numbers, but the ratio between the ages may be sufficiently near the truth.

3. Population and Deaths in Montreal at different ages: from the Census of 1861.

| 1861. | Number living. | Total Deaths. | Deaths per 1,000 living at the same age. | | Lower Canada, less 4 cities. |
|---|--|---|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| Under 1 year From 1 to 2 years 2 to 3 " 3 to 4 " 4 to 5 " | 3,700 3,183 2,883 2,821 2,609 | 1,006 179 70 46 44 | 271.3 56.2 24.3 16.3 16.5 | 161.9 48.8 33.2 17.9 11.6 | 82.6 43.8 16.0 10.2 7.2 |
| " o to 5 " | 15,196 10,363 9,200 10,890 | 1,345 86 37 55 | 88.5 8.3 4.0 5.5 | 58.4 | 32.3 |
| " o to 10 " " 10 to 20 " " 20 to 30 " " 30 to 40 " " 40 to 50 " " 50 to 60 " " 60 to 70 " Above 70 and unknown. | 25,559 20,090 18,174 11,044 7,248 4,476 2,460 1,272 | 1,431 92 119 89 50 72 56 129 | 55.9 4.5 6.5 8.6 6.9 16.0 22.8 | (It was not judged necessary to complete the table for adult deaths in Quebec and the rural districts.) | |
| All Ages | 90,323 | 2,038 | 22.5 | | |

It appears, therefore, that for every hundred children who die under one year in Montreal, aly sixty die in Quebec, and thirty in the country districts. For every hundred who die under five years in Montreal, sixty die in Quebec, and only thirty-six in the country districts.

B. PROTONOTARY'S RETURNS.

It appears, by the rate of increase ascertained from the census of 1861, that the population of Montreal City must have been greater than that assumed in the table printed in the Canadian Naturalist, 1859, p. 176, so far as the later years are concerned. Subtracting that rate, viz., 3,260 annually, to find the population