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Death Rate for Year Was Only 13.3 to the Thousand

Slightly Lower Than in 1905—
Rayages of Consumption—
Cancer's Many Victims.

Medical Health Officer Hutchinson at the meeting of the board of health yesterday, presented what was perhaps the most comprehensive and interesting report on vital statistics and health matters ever handed to the board.

Many subjects of much interest to all classes of Londoners are touched upon. The need of a sanatorium for consumptives and a proper isolation hospital is brought out, while Dr. Armstrong's move for public swimming baths is given a word of praise.

Estimating the city's population at 45,000, Dr. Hutchinson gives the city's death rate for the year as 13.3 to the thousand. This is a slight reduction as compared with the year previous.

The Report.

The report for the year ended Nov. 15, was as follows:

"The total number of deaths during the year from all causes was 600, exclusive of 47 still born, which are not included in mortality statistics. The number of deaths is twelve less than in 1905, and nineteen less than in 1904. Considering the large number that come into the city to avail themselves of our hospital facilities, and thus more or less add to the death rate, the rate shows a very satisfactory decrease.

Consumption's Ravages.

"Of all the causes of death given, consumption as usual has the largest number to its credit, viz., 58. But although the population of the city is steadily increasing, the number of deaths annually from this disease has not increased in the same proportion, the mortality remaining about the same for several years. This is due, no doubt, in great measure to better isolation, the growing disbelief in the popular delusion that alcoholic stimulants retard the disease, and that the public are becoming more and more convinced of its highly contagious character. This number of deaths would be very much reduced, were there any place where these unfortunate could have pure air, and obtain proper treatment and comfort which cannot always be provided in their own homes.

Sanatorium Wanted.

Victoria Hospital will not receive consumptive patients, and rightly so. There should be a sanatorium on the pavilion or cottage plan, which would not cost very much. The Ontario Government has promised \$150 per week towards the maintenance of each patient.

Consumptive cases should be reported. Although the Ontario public health act does not require physicians or patients to report cases of consumption to the health office, it would help to reduce the mortality if this were always done. Not that the dwellings would be placarded, but more efficient means of disinfection could be employed.

Another disease of the lungs, pneumonia, is credited with 37 deaths. These two diseases it will be seen caused the death of 95 persons, or nearly one-sixth of the whole number.

Deadly Cancer.

To cancer was due the surprising number of 46 deaths, by far the largest number in two decades. Not alone in consumption, but in the other infectious diseases, there has been a very satisfactory decrease. There were 41 cases of typhoid fever, with 14 deaths; diphtheria, 156 cases, with 12 deaths; scarlet fever, 49 cases, with only one death. Of these 146 cases of diphtheria and 41 of scarlet fever were attended in Victoria Hospital.

Eleven deaths were due to premature birth during the year. Of the 372 births, there were 47 still born, the largest number in many years.

Thirty-four deaths were due to violence, viz.: Poison 4, drowning 4, railway accidents 9, various other causes 17.

Isolation Facilities.

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lives of helpless children, the element of cost should not be considered.

Smallpox.

There were two cases of smallpox, one in January, and one in July. The new smallpox hospital had just been completed. Time for the July case, and never was a hospital more urgently needed, nor money better spent, than in the erection of this building. The city has now an excellent cement building, well equipped, in an isolated position, capable of accommodating eight or more patients. A case wrongly stated to be smallpox occurred in April, was quarantined in a tent near the cove, and discharged in June.

In some of the neighboring municipalities smallpox has been prevalent during the year, due in great measure to laxity in enforcing vaccination. Every unvaccinated person is an element of danger in the community in which the person may be.

Object to Vaccination.

Through obstinacy or a desire for notoriety, parents frequently refuse to have their children vaccinated, procuring a certificate of physical disability. If children are physically fit to attend school they are fit for vaccination. Every decade brings its load of ignorance, and a wave of antagonism to vaccination passes over the country. The regulations of the public health board should be rigorously enforced, and no child who has not been vaccinated or proven inappreciable to vaccination should be allowed to attend school.

The rendering of children immune to smallpox, is of such vital importance to all, that a short history of vaccination and its incalculable benefits, to the human race should be incorporated in our school books.

Public Baths.

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Milk Supply.

Nearly 200 samples of market milk have been examined at the health office during the year. Proof of the presence of formaldehyde or other preservatives was not sufficient to justify a prosecution in the courts.

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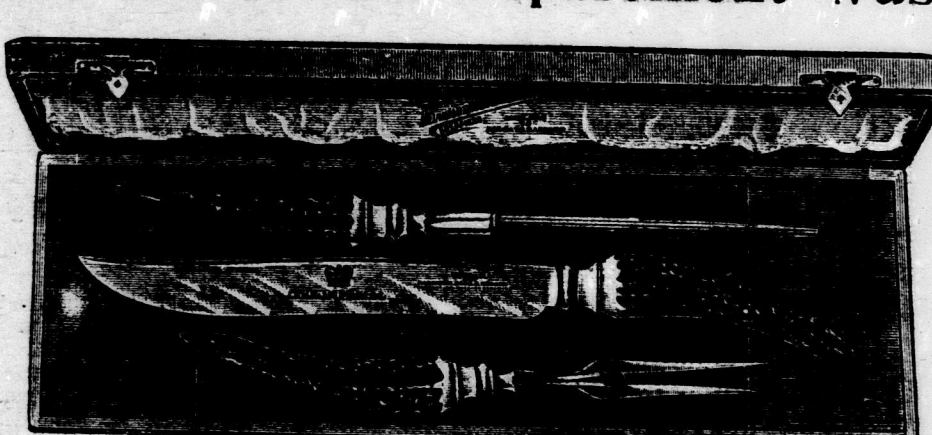
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quents," which was introduced in the senate a week or so ago, is made law, it will completely revolutionize the methods of dealing with young people accused of criminal offenses. Instead of dealing with offenders as criminals, the new legislation refers to the offenses of children under sixteen as "delinquencies," and absolutely prohibits them being dealt with through the ordinary police court and jail.

Shelter Statistics.

The report stated that there are at present 21 children in the society's Shelter Home and that the society has four children in the care of the Sisters of Mount St. Joseph. Since the last meeting seven children have been placed on trial in foster homes which were highly recommended to the society.

The society wishes to follow its usual custom of sending some trifling remembrance at Christmas time to each of its wards who are in foster homes. This is one means by which it keeps in friendly touch with the children after they are placed out. Christmas contributions in cash will be very gratefully received at the society's office in the city hall, and donations in goods of all kinds will be welcomed at the Shelter Home, 109 Wharfedale road, South London.

THE SAGE CLAIM

Board of Health Sends It to the City Council.

The board of health yesterday afternoon, on motion of Ex-Ald. Taylor, seconded by Ex-Ald. Skinner, extended a vote of thanks to Dr. English, the chairman of the board, for the efforts he has put forth during the year in behalf of that body. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. English made a brief speech, in reply, thanking all the members of the board for the many kindnesses extended to him during the year.

An account against Frank Sage of \$313, and over which there has been some trouble, was referred to the city council with a statement of the facts in connection with the case. The board decided some time ago to accept \$200 in full of its claim against Mr. Sage, who was a smallpox patient in the city's isolation hospital, but up to date he has not answered the letter.

CHARGED WITH KILLING WIFE.

Rochester, Dec. 11.—Wm. Brasch, of this city, is on trial in the supreme court here, charged with murder in the first degree for killing his wife, Roxanna Brasch.

He is charged with throwing his wife into the Erie Canal on June 15 last.

It is alleged that Brasch killed his wife in order to marry Mabel Gilmore, a widow of Alliance, Ohio, with whom he had become infatuated.

Brasch was arrested at Cleveland, O., where he fled after the deed, and where he was found in the company of the Gilmore woman.

A BENEFACTOR TO ALL.—The soldier, the sailor, the fisherman, the miner, the farmer, the mechanic and all who live the lives of toil and spend their existence in the dull routine of tedious tasks, and who are exposed to injuries and ailments that those who toil not do not know, will find in Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil an excellent friend and benefactor in every time of even the worst kind.

The Pope expresses himself as very much gratified at the development of the Gregorian chant in America. He says that the Gregorian chant was not intended to exclude other church music unless the music was of a mundane character.

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People often say, "How are we to know when the kidneys are out of order?" The location of the kidneys, close as it is to the small of the back, which is not affected materially by other organs, renders the detection of kidney trouble a simple matter.

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Miss S. C. Fry, Room Secum, N.S., writes: "For the past three years I have been troubled with a very bad pain in my back and kidneys. It was so bad it was impossible for me to stoop or bend. I had several doctors attend me, but found no relief until I picked up one of your Egyptian Dream Books, and found out about Doan's Kidney Pills. I procured two boxes and their action surprised me, for they completely cured me. I don't think they have an equal for kidney trouble."

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