

that members when remitting should state the special section to which they desire to belong. Communications (title) should be sent to the secretary of the particular section to which it belongs before the 1st of May, 1900. The list of these is too long for us to publish, but the name of the one desired may be obtained from Dr. Loranger, Montreal.

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Every inhabitant of Montreal must have been struck with the number of foggy days which we experienced last autumn and early winter. The fog was unusually dense, and on several occasions might be admitted to have been not by any means a bad sample of a London fog. It was yellow in color and very dense—obscuring objects at a distance of a few feet. Such a condition of the atmosphere might, with activity on the part of the Civic authorities, be greatly ameliorated. Fogs cannot be done away with, but it is admitted that their character may be improved—they may be made white—and not allowed to become yellow and black. This can be done by the City compelling every factory to consume its own smoke. Montreal has become a great manufacturing centre, and has almost always a heavy cloud of smoke hanging over it. When in the city the atmosphere may seem clear, but cross to St. Lamberts, and view it from there, and one will see the dirty atmosphere we are compelled to inhale. This is a matter of very considerable sanitary importance. Fogs of any kind are serious to those liable to bronchial complaints, but, when the fog is mixed with millions of particles of coal dust, their seriousness is very greatly enhanced.

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The New York *Post-Graduate* says it will be a bad day for medical science when the skeptic ceases to exist. We are called upon to believe so many things and to accept them at once that many are commencing to hesitate before accepting everything as Gospel that is proclaimed by microscopists and bacteriologists. It is still thought by many, in spite of all that has been written, that it is at least doubtful if the origin of disease is to be found only in the initial activity of germs. This state of matters bacteriological