

the last few days the police have arrested three persons who were openly committing acts of insanity in public places. On Saturday week, three lunatics successively applied for admission at the Tuileries, seeking an audience of the Emperor Napoleon on various pretences.—*Lancet*.

**PEPSINE IN THE SEVERE AND OBSTINATE VOMITING OF PREGNANT WOMEN.**—M. L. Corvisart has of late advocated the use of pepsine to allay the very dangerous symptoms connected with the uncontrollable vomiting of pregnant women; and it would appear that excellent results have already been obtained. In *L'Union Médicale* of the 17th inst., we find two remarkable cases, reported by M. Baudot, in which the first doses of pepsine immediately relieved the patients, who had been brought to a very low ebb by constant vomiting.—*Ibid*.

Parts I. and II. of the "Geological Survey of Missouri," by G. C. Swallow, State Geologist, have just been published. The Legislature of the State has, since 1853, appropriated from \$10,000 to \$12,500 annually, to be expended in making "a thorough geological and mineralogical survey of the State."—Dr. John S. Wilson, of Columbus, Georgia, has become associated with Profs. Harris and Arnold, of Savannah, in the editorial management of the *Savannah Journal of Medicine*, which has just commenced its third volume.—The fourth regular Medical College in the State of Georgia has just been inaugurated. It is located at Griffin, and is called the *Middle Georgia Medical College*.—A prospectus has been issued of the Medical and Surgical Encyclopedia, to be published in Sandersville, Geo., and edited by Drs. Hollifield and Newsome.—The Legislature of Alabama has donated \$50,000 to the *Mobile Medical College*.

#### VITAL STATISTICS OF BOSTON.

FOR THE WEEK ENDING SATURDAY, MAY 19th, 1860.

##### DEATHS.

	Males.	Females	Total.
Deaths during the week, . . . . .	47	31	78
Average Mortality of the corresponding weeks of the ten years, 1850-1860,	33.5	34.7	68.2
Average corrected to increased population, . . . . .	..	..	77.8
Deaths of persons above 90, . . . . .	..	..	..

##### Mortality from Prevailing Diseases.

Consumption.	Croup.	Scarlet Fever.	Pneumonia.	Measles.	Smallpox.
15	1	2	8	1	4

##### METEOROLOGY.

From Observations taken at the Cambridge Observatory.

Mean height of Barometer, . . . . .	30.038	Highest point of Thermometer, . . . . .	80°
Highest point of Barometer, . . . . .	30.346	Lowest point of Thermometer, . . . . .	37°
Lowest point of Barometer, . . . . .	29.616	General direction of Wind, . . . . .	E.
Mean Temperature, . . . . .	58° 6	Whole am't of Rain in the week . . . . .	0.20 in.

**TO CORRESPONDENTS.**—The following papers have been received:—Some Account of the Dengue Fever, by Dr. Powers, of Moravia, N. Y., with a Note from Prof. Holmes, of Boston. Suit for Malpractice in Cortland Co., N. Y. Singular Case of Loss of Hair. Record of Obstetrical Cases.

**PAMPHLETS RECEIVED.**—Pathological Phenomena Generalized. By H. Backus, Selma, Ala. Urethro-Vaginal, Vesico-Vaginal and Recto-Vaginal Fistules. Report of Cases treated by N. Bozeman, M.D., New Orleans (late of Montgomery, Ala.).

**Deaths in Boston for the week ending Saturday noon, May 19th, 78.** Males, 47—Females, 31.—Apoplexy, 2—inflammation of the bowels, 1—disease of the brain, 2—inflammation of the brain, 1—cancer (of the uterus), 1—consumption, 15—convulsions, 1—croup, 1—dropsy, 1—dropsy in the head, 3—drowned, 1—infantile diseases, 4—puerperal disease, 2—scarlet fever, 2—typhoid fever, 3—disease of the heart, 2—disease of the hip, 1—intemperance, 1—intussusception, 1—congestion of the lungs, 1—inflammation of the lungs, 8—narrasmus, 1—measles, 1—mortification, 1—neuralgia, 1—old age, 3—palsy, 2—pleurisy, 1—premature birth, 1—rheumatism, 1—scrofula, 1—smallpox, 4—teething, 2—unknown, 4—disease of the uterus, 1.

Under 5 years, 27—between 5 and 20 years, 7—between 20 and 40 years, 21—between 40 and 60 years, 15—above 60 years, 8. Born in the United States, 61—Ireland, 14—other places, 8.

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