CORRESPONDENCE.

Minnesota State Board of Health and Vital Statistics.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
RED WING, MINN., NOV. 6, 1893.

To the Editor:—I beg to report that a case of confluent smallpox has appeared in the person of a boy, Elmer Rogers, age 11, and unvaccinated, in the town of Featherstone, Goodhue County. He is a resident, and at the time of exposure was traveling from Virginia through Pennsylvania, Indiana, Ohio, Illinois to Minnesota, so that it is difficult to say where, in those States, he took the infection. I was called by the family Friday the 3d of November and found a well-marked case of confluent smallpox, the eruption having begun on Monday four days before. The attending doctor supposed the disease chickenpox. A careful list was made of all persons who had visited the family since the preceding Saturday. I visited, vaccinated and put under observation all who had been exposed since Sunday. There are four other members of the infected family whom I vaccinated with fluid lymph from our vaccine station. The house is roomy, isolated, and the patient well cared for.

I, to-day, vaccinate all who desire it, in that, and adjoining towns.

Very respectfully,

CHARLES N. HEWITT, M.D.
Secretary and Executive Officer.

Personal Ethics for Visiting Foreigners.

To the Editor:—As Mr. Ernest Hart, editor of the *British Medical Journal*, has upon several occasions while in this country, delivered addresses on the code of medical ethics, would it not be in order for him to take up the subject of personal ethics?

MEDICAS.

NECROLOGY.

Dr. Kerlin, Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Training School for Feeble Minded Children, died October 22.

Dr. Isaac Simpson Hughes.—Dr. Isaac Simpson Hughes died November 2, at Springfield, Ill., aged 49 years.

Dr. Eli J. Henkle of Baltimore, Md., died November 1, aged 53 years. He was in political life in the Maryland Legislature and in the Federal Congress during the greater part of twenty years. After leaving the Forty-fifth Congress he again entered upon the practice of medicine, becoming highly popular and successful.

Dr. William B. Towles.—Resolutions were adopted by the Medical Faculty of the University of Vermont at a special meeting held in New York, Oct. 26, 1893.

Dr. William B. Towles, late Professor of Anatomy in the Medical Department of the University of Vermont, died September 15.

The Medical Faculty, holding its first meeting since his decease at this time, and desiring to make some expression of its feeling with regard to this lamentable event, passed suitable resolutions.

Alfred Ludlow Carroll.—In Memoriam.—The members of the Council of the New York State Medical Association deeply mourn the loss of their beloved, erudite, scholarly and gentle colleague, Alfred Ludlow Carroll, M.D., who has labored so well and so assiduously for the Association, for the profession and for the people, as a wise councilor, as the editor of the Association's Transactions, as a prolific contributor of scientific material, as a promotor of the honor, dignity, and

advancement of medical science, and as one of the foremost sanitarians in the land.

The Council has therefore resolved that their high appreciation of the noble qualities and of the scientific accomplishments of their late gifted and lamented colleague be recorded in this volume of Transactions, and in the medical journals, and that a copy of the above be transmitted to the family of the deceased.

E. D. FERGUSON, M.D., Secretary.

Done by the Council, Nov. 4, 1893.

Dr. Alfred Ludlow Carroll of New York City, died October 30, in his sixty-first year. He was a man of that fine fiber that finds its expression in artistic and literary labors. He was an early contributor of satirical bits of drawing for the weekly press, commonly touching on the foibles of society, and while yet a young practitioner served as editor of the *Medical Gazette*, from 1868 to 1871, an able weekly journal, but long since defunct. He studied medicine under the late Dr. Valentine Mott, and obtained his medical degree at the University Medical Department in 1855. He practiced in Staten Island from 1871 to 1889; his earlier and later years having been passed in New York City. He was among the sanitary pioneers of New York and an ardent supporter of the American Public Health Association. He was a charter member of his State Medical Association, contributing freely to its important discussions. His membership in the AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION dates from 1880, since which time his face has been frequently seen and his voice heard at the annual conventions. He was health officer of Castleton, Staten Island, and for many years prominent in the management of the S. R. Smith Infirmary and Hospital. He was a corresponding member of the British Medical Association and many other important societies.

Dr. John Scott Taylor.—The death of Dr. John Scott Taylor, which occurred on the first of October, 1893, recalls one of the saddest life histories in the medical profession. Gifted by nature with a kind heart and active brain, he commenced his life work with unusual promise, and before the shadow came that darkened forever his career among men, had done duty that placed him high in the esteem of those who knew him.

A Scotchman by birth, an adopted son of this country, he served during the entire war of the Rebellion successively as Post Surgeon, Medical Director, and Chief Operator of his Division, and gained high testimonials from official sources.

He graduated at Lind University before the war, and after its close he returned to Chicago to establish his home. But his health had suffered during those four active years, and despite the efforts of his friends and physicians, Drs. Byford and Patterson, now dead also, his mind gave way. He lingered twenty-four years in an insane asylum, having outlived his associates only to die there.

He leaves an estimable widow and a talented son to mourn with us his loss to the world.

H. T. B.

Sir Andrew Clarke Passes Away.—LONDON, NOV. 6.—Sir Andrew Clarke, the well-known physician, died at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon. He suffered a stroke of paralysis several weeks ago.

Sir Andrew Clarke, Bart. M.D., was born Oct. 28, 1826. He was educated first at Aberdeen and afterwards at Edinburgh. For two years he assisted Dr. Hughes Bennett in the Pathological Department of the Royal Infirmary and was Demonstrator of Anatomy to Dr. Robert Knox in the final course of lectures delivered by that celebrated anatomist. For four years Dr. Clarke had charge of the Pathological