

ties, the operation of the registration system, and suggesting divers improvements, they sum up the result of their laborious investigations in two leading suggestions:—

1. That the present fragmentary and confused sanitary legislation should be consolidated, and that the administration of sanitary law should be made uniform, universal, and imperative throughout the kingdom.

2. That all powers requisite for the health of town and country should, in every place, be possessed by one responsible local authority, kept in action and assisted by a superior central authority.

Their suggestions and their principles were embodied in the "Bill to Consolidate and Amend the Law relating to Public Health and Local Government in England and Wales, except the Metropolis," introduced by Sir Charles Adderley and other leading members of Parliament in the last session. It is a most admirable and comprehensive code, containing over 450 clauses, and will stand an enduring monument of their philanthropy and public spirit. Although withdrawn last year, it or a similar measure will be introduced into Parliament during the present session, and will (it is to be hoped) pass into law. If Her Majesty's ministers introduce it as a Government bill, they will, I trust, include Ireland within its operation, or introduce along with it a similar measure for this country.

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TWENTY-SIXTH SESSION: FIRST MEETING.

[Tuesday, 19th November, 1872.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35, Molesworth-street, The Right Hon. Mr. Justice Lawson, President of the Society, in the chair.

Mr. Joseph T. Pim read the Report of the Council.

The President delivered the Opening Address.

SECOND MEETING.

[Tuesday, 17th December, 1872.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35, Molesworth-street, The Right Hon. Mr. Justice Lawson, President, in the chair.

Mr. D. Caulfeild Heron, Q.C., M.P., read a paper entitled "A Visit to Russia."

The following gentlemen were declared duly elected Members of the Society:—Cornelius Dennehy, Esq., T.C., J.P., H. L. Jephson, Esq., and Samuel Thomas S. Richardson, Esq.

THIRD MEETING.

[Tuesday, 21st January, 1873.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35, Molesworth-street, The Right Hon. Mr. Justice Lawson, President, in the chair.

Mr. William Graham Brooke, read a Report on "The Differences

in the Law of England and Ireland, as regards the Protection of Women."

John Norwood, Esq., LL.D., J.P., was declared duly elected a Member of the Society.

FOURTH MEETING.

[Tuesday, 18th February, 1873.]

The Society met at the Leinster Lecture Hall, 35, Molesworth-street, Alderman Campbell, J.P., in the chair.

John Norwood, LL.D., read a paper "On the Working of the Sanitary Laws in Dublin, with suggestions for their amendment."

Samuel Prenter, Esq., was declared duly elected a Member of the Society.
