

## SUCCESSFUL CASE OF CÆSAREAN SECTION.

By Professor JACOLUCCI of Naples.

On the 4th of August, 1862, Philomene Morvillo, nine months pregnant, was brought to the Hospital of Incurables. This woman was only forty-one inches in stature. On examination, the following were ascertained to be the dimensions of the pelvis:—From right to left anterior superior spinous process of the ilium, eight inches; from middle of one iliac crest to the corresponding point on the other side, a little less than two inches; right sacro-coty-löidion space rather more than one inch, left ditto one inch. On the 27th August labour pains set in, and on the arrival of Professor Jacolucci he found that the waters had escaped, and that the umbilical cord was protruding. The pulsation in the cord becoming gradually more feeble, the Cæsarean section by the method of Mauriceau was decided on. The abdominal cavity and anterior wall of the uterus having been laid open, the operator introduced his hand in the direction of the right iliac fossa in which was found the head of the still living foetus. The loss of blood was considerable. By the retraction of the uterus the wound in that organ diminished to half its extent. The twisted suture was then employed, and the application of a bladder filled with ice to the abdomen and cold enemas constituted the entire treatment during the next three days. The wound in the abdomen united by the first intention.

The thirteenth day after the operation the points of suture were removed, the cicatrisation being complete. The lochial discharge and lacteal secretion were established normally; and at the expiration of fifty days the patient left the hospital.

Professor Wurtz has been appointed Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of Paris.—*Dublin Medical Press and Circular.*

## OBSTETRICAL CLINIC OF PROF. CHAS. A BUDD.

Reported by S. HENDRICKSON. Sub-acute Inflammation of Cervix Uteri, with Endocervicitis.

Mrs. S., æt. 24 years; has been married fifteen months. No children. Patient enjoyed good health previous to her marriage. Her general health is also at present good; appetite fair; bowels-regular; monthly periods constant, lasting four days. She comes here complaining that she experiences pain during the act of sexual congress.

Now, *a priori*, upon what may this inconvenience depend? This pain during copulation may be dependent upon—first, *vaginitis*, which condition always causes violent paroxysms of pain on introducing anything