

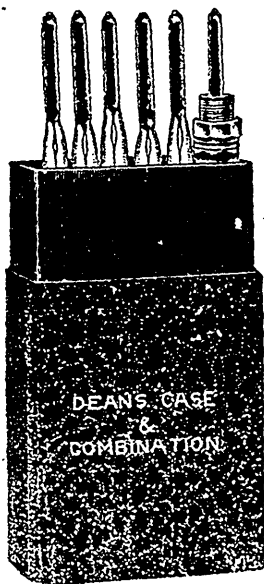
NITROGEN MONOXID IN OBSTETRIC ANÆSTHESIA.—The expense of the apparatus required to generate nitrogen monoxid has prevented its general adoption. But A. N. Rakhmanov recommends it in high terms in consequence of his experience with it in thirteen cases. The pains were absolutely abolished; the contractions of the uterus were normal and much more regular than before its administration, while there were no accidents for either mother or child. He urges the installation of the necessary apparatus in every large maternity institution, as nitrogen monoxid is the most anodyne and the easiest to manage of all our anaesthetics.—*Bulletin Médical*, January 6th.

that the new member for Franche Comté is not only a devoted Mussulman, but a popular and skilful physician, Dr. Grenier. Interviewed for the press he declares that he is charged with a prophetic mission, and hopes to see converts to his faith. The *Journal de Méd. de Paris* asks: Why not? The two principal features in which Mohammedanism differs from other religions are polygamy and the daily ablutions. It remarks that these would not be bad innovations in France. Polygamy would increase the birthrate, while rendering many people happy and reducing the number of old maids, and if every Frenchman were obliged to wash his face and feet morning and night, there would be a transformation, a regenerescence of the race, and Dr. Grenier would have accomplished more for hygiene than all the rest of the scientists.

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