

of the salve. In this manner Doléris induced practically painless delivery in 13 out of 15 primiparæ. Fischel's results were less striking. Employing, as a rule, weaker cocaine solutions, he records one case of absolutely painless delivery, two in which the pain was greatly diminished by the application, and two in which the results were negative. These observations, apart from the practical interest, tend to show that the seat of the labor "pains" is not in the uterus, but in the dilating cervix and the vagina.—*Wiener Med. Presse; Med. News.*

FEES OF NOTED PHYSICIANS.—The *Boston Traveller* thus quotes from a London letter :—

" 'Do London doctors earn more than queen's counsel?' As a rule they do not, but the incomes of the three leading physicians and those of the three leading lawyers are about equal—that is to say, at the rate of \$60,000 a year each. The largest sum ever earned in one year by a doctor was \$100,000, made by Sir Astley Cooper. The three men at the head of the medical profession in England at the present day are Sir Wm. Jenner, the court physician, Sir William Gull, and Sir Andrew Clark. Just lately the last named has obtained considerable notoriety. He was induced to visit a very wealthy lady at Nice, and he received the unprecedented fee of \$25,000. One-fifth of this amount he retained as a remuneration for his services, and the remainder he divided between two charitable institutions connected with his profession.

"Speaking of fees, there is a tale told of a rich colonial gentleman living in Kent who had the misfortune to take a slight cold. Not satisfied with his local medical attendant, he desired to have Gull down from London in consultation. Gull happened to be away, and Sir William Jenner came instead. He was duly paid his fee of \$375 for the visit. The patient, feeling no better, then sent to Edinburgh to a leading doctor of that city, who travelled the 400 miles in order to see him, and in ordinary course received a guinea for every mile, that was 400 guineas, or \$2,100. Again the patient felt no better, and this time Gull was summoned and attended.

" 'I suppose,' suggested the local practitioner, 'you will pay Gull what you paid Jenner—375?'

" 'Nonsense,' indignantly retorted the sick gentleman; 'I am not going to pay Gull less than I gave the Scotchman,' and he drew a check for \$2,100. Before he got rid of his cold he had paid \$7,000 in fees."