

qualities, and freedom from deleterious principles, points it out as the best adapted of all the productions affording caffeine for general consumption.

### PARTURITION MADE EASY.

Accoucheurs who restrain themselves from giving ergot, piously fearing, lest the wielding of so dangerous a letheon should compromise the safety of the mother or child, or both, will rejoice to find in the following a proposal for a safe, easy and simple substitute. Dr. Washington of Kentucky, from the results of a few trials, has discovered that labour pains of a strong and frequent character may be speedily produced by dry cupping the nates of the female nearly over the termination of the rectum. The most opportune case seems one of protracted labour when the contractions have become so weak as to be powerless, and where there is no mechanical impediment to delivery. We confess to no experience in this procedure, and therefore would merely state that the discoverer says by applying a dry cup as low down on the sacrum as possible he has induced complete relaxation of the os uteri. In one instance the pains had endured 19 hours without producing any perceptible effect, in consequence of rigidity of the os uteri; in 10 minutes after cupping delivery occurred. He applies the cup in this situation "so as to cover the origin of the nerves of the os uteri." If in 10 or 15 minutes the patient is not delivered, another cup "should be applied higher up, so as to cause the uterus to contract." The lower one should be kept on with the upper, so that when the pains appear they may find the os uteri relaxed and ready for them.

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Correspondents will please be particular in writing their names and addresses in full, and legibly; from neglect of this we have often had our ingenuity sadly taxed. It is probably not proper to reveal the secrets of our sanctum; but we cannot refrain from mentioning that we have actually received a letter, very polite, and containing money, which bore no signature!

We have received expressions of approbation and wishes for success from so very many friends in different parts of the Province, that it is quite impossible to signalize them individually. Suffice it to say, that to each and every one, our thanks are most gratefully tendered; their kindness encourages us in our toilsome task, which will not be forsaken, so long as the substantial marks of favor we have received are continued. Our own motto will be *perge*, while the result shews the Chronicle stamped with *prospera*.