

In the treatment of shock the inhalation of oxygen gas and the hypodermic administration of strychnine is advised for the respiratory failure. For the cardiac failure reliance should be placed on nutrient enemata, such as Brand's essence and pancreatized milk. Bandaging the limbs with cotton wool is useful. If the body temperature falls, it should be maintained by external means. If it rises too high, it may be reduced by cold sponging of the upper extremities.

The occurrence of sepsis during the after treatment must be carefully guarded against. The main reliance must be mercury and the avoidance of drainage as far as possible.

With regard to the handling of the brain, this should be done with great care. If it has to be moved or raised, the act should be performed very slowly in order that the brain may adjust itself to the changed shape without laceration or bruising.

Surgery is rich because of the labors of such men as Larry, Hunter, Cooper, Lister, and to these we may add Horseley. For twenty years he has given his best talents to brain surgery, and because of his labors we know much of the physiology of the central nervous system, and are able to cope with many of the pathological conditions to which it is subject.

DR. W. S. A. GRIFFITHS' ADDRESS IN OBSTETRICS.

This address was an earnest appeal for better facilities for the practical teaching of obstetrics. The views expressed in the address might not suit some of the ears upon which it fell, as we know of instances where the students are not permitted to make examinations during the progress of a labor.

What Dr. Griffith said about lecturers on the subject of obstetrics who have had but a limited experience, would apply with equal force to any other practical subject, such as clinics in medicine and surgery.

The address is one for the schoolmen to ponder over, rather than for the general practitioner. If students were to take it up seriously, they might demand certain advantages in some colleges, which are not accorded to them at present. We think Dr. Griffith's address, when it has been fully weighed, will do good.

PROGRESS, EVER PROGRESS.

In Schiller's beautiful poem "Columbus," he uses the expression, "West, Ever West." In medicine, we wish the watchword to be "Progress, ever progress." During the recent meeting of the British medical association, four eminent visitors raised their voices in favor of closer medical union between Britain and the colonies, especially Canada.