

tions in Europe, especially in Germany and France, are fully described. We can cordially recommend the book to all general practitioners.

A Handbook of General and Operative Gynecology. Volume I. By DR. A. HEGAR (University of Freiburg) and DR. R. KATTENBACH (University of Giessen). In two volumes. This is also Vol. VI. of "A Cyclopaedia of Obstetrics and Gynecology" (12 vols., price \$16.50), issued monthly during 1887. New York: William Wood & Co.

It is a matter of course that a work published by Hegar and Kattenbach, in any subject connected with operative gynecology, must be essentially a good one. This first volume describes the methods of making examinations, a number of minor gynecological operations, and the major operations in the ovaries, including ovariectomy and what Hegar calls castration, *i.e.*, the extirpation of healthy ovaries or those which are degenerated, without possessing very large dimensions.

Cyclopaedia of Obstetrics and Gynecology—Obstetric Operations; The Pathology of the Puerperium. Being Vol. IV. of a Practical Treatise on Obstetrics. By DR. A. CHARPENTIER, Adjunct Professor of the Academy of Medicine, Paris, New York: William Wood & Co.

This volume, which is the fourth in the series for the year, is the last of Charpentier's work on obstetrics. It describes minutely the various obstetric operations, and treats of the pathology of the puerperium. Speaking as a whole, this work of Charpentier's is a grand one, and of the fourth volume we can say with confidence that it is at least equal, if not superior, to the preceding. We doubt if anything has ever been published on the subject of obstetrics on this continent, for the sum charged, which is equal to these four volumes.

Personal.

Dr. Fred. Moore is practising on College Street.

Dr. G. G. Caron, of Aylmer, has removed to London.

Dr. D. Johnston has removed from Morrisburg to Iroquois.

Dr. Sweetnam leaves for six months in Europe early in October.

Dr. W. T. Parry has commenced practice at 272 Bathurst Street, Toronto.

Dr. J. Caven has returned from Germany, and will practice at 378 Parliament St.

Dr. Verner, who did valiant service in the Reil rebellion with the Queen's Own, was married last month.

We regret to notice the death of Dr. Joseph C. Hutchinson, of Brooklyn. He died of pneumonia after a month's illness. He paid special attention to surgery, and was among the first to give prominence to orbopædic surgery. His local reputation was very high, and his name is well known in the Medical Association of the United States.

Miscellaneous.

In pregnant women renal colic frequently produces abortion.

Dr. Senn is of the opinion that on the Continent the best surgical work is frequently done by those outside of the university towns.

Out of seven hundred infants given over to the care of the Grey Nuns of Montreal, according to the *True Witness*, 678 died during one year.

A lady who wanted a feeding bottle sent the following note, by the nurse girl, to the druggist:—"Please give the bearer a feeding bottle for a baby with a long spout."

RENAL CALCULI.—A rare case has come under observation in which a distinguished surgeon is able, with absolute certainty, to produce renal calculi in himself by drinking white wine. Even a quarter of a wine glassful is sufficient. At the end of a few hours violent pains are experienced, and finally calculi are voided. They may attain the size of a pea, and are composed exclusively of uric acid. Symptoms of calculi are never produced if the ingestion of white wine is avoided.—*Eichorst*.