

though Dr. Wachenheim is peculiarly qualified for the task as well as for the broad consideration of the problems of infant feeding which his work affords. It is a very clear statement of the best modern thought and progressive practice, in which each conclusion is supported by indisputable evidence, and in a form which makes it immediately useful.

In the preliminary chapters a clear presentation of facts regarding infant digestion and metabolism opens the way to easy grasp of the detailed information. A point of interest is the author's demonstration of the extent to which the capacity of the infant's stomach is underestimated. Enlightening data is presented regarding protein, carbohydrate, salt and particularly fat metabolism. After reviewing fully the problems of breast feeding Dr. Wachenheim concludes that even incases of serious digestive derangement, if the supply is adequate, the only safe procedure is to keep the child at the breast.

The bacteriology of milk; milk infection; the constituent elements of cow's milk and the essential difference between it and human milk; milk regulation and the feeding of whole milk, are treated at length. While the basis of the discussion of milk modification is highly scientific, the reasoning is so logical and the conclusions so clearly stated that the practitioner cannot but find this section useful when called upon to draft a series of formulæ, while the specialist will find herein much interesting new material based on the author's study and observation.

He rejects top milk method as inaccurate, as well as characterized by inherent defects. He also makes out a strong case against the percentage method, and recommends the Jacobi system of simple dilutions. The formulas presented are readily adaptable to the individual requirements of the case in hand. The cause, symptomatology, diagnosis and treatment of digestive and metabolic disorders are considered at length. A section on the feeding of older infants up to four years brings the work to a logical conclusion.

BACON'S OBSTETRICAL NURSING.

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