

THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN MEDICO-CHIRURGICAL  
REVIEW.

We greatly regret to notice that the publishers have been forced to relinquish the publication of this excellent quarterly, the reasons given being the lack of support. It is remarked in the publisher's farewell notice, "That he who would succeed in life must mark the signs of the times. For several years we have witnessed the gradual decline in sale of that which once was a good property, and in spite of all our efforts to infuse new life into our old friend, we have been obliged to stand by and see it languish, so that the period has arrived when to continue to publish it would be to incur an annual loss which would rather increase than diminish as time went on.—The reason of all this is that the day for quarterlies has gone by, and in face of the daily and weekly periodicals, a quarterly with its thoughtful articles and well-digested reviews is no longer appreciated as formerly." This is a decided reflection, well-merited, perhaps, on the tastes and capacity of the reading medical public. It is much to be regretted that this valued periodical has ceased to be issued, and we still hope that the sound sense of the medical public of Great Britain will demand its resuscitation. The want of this periodical will be severely felt. As a literary production, truthful and independent in its views and criticisms, *The British and Foreign Medico-Chirurgical Review* stood unrivalled.

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## RUSSIAN FOUNDLING HOSPITAL.

In Moscow there exists a large foundling hospital, which a visitor, in an English paper, describes as being as large as a good-sized village. It supports, at the expense of the Government, some 30,000 children annually. The mortality is very considerable, ranging from 60 to 90 per cent. of those admitted during the first year. This is owing, in a large measure, to defective sanitary arrangements. The children are retained in the establishment for six months, and are wet-nursed, in a large number of the cases, by their own mothers. When dis-