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AN UNCOMFORTABLE PATIENT.—A lawsuit interesting to medical men in obstetric practice has recently been tried in London. Dr. A. was engaged to attend Mrs. B. in her approaching confinement. In the dead of night Mr. B. summoned the doctor through the speaking tube at the side of the hall door. There was no undue delay, but still the anxious husband kept up such a din that the accoucheur declined to answer the summons, and refused to have anything to do with such an unpleasant patient. Another medical man attended the case, which appears to have gone off most satisfactory, but not satisfied with the course of events, the discontented husband sought Dr. A. in his consulting-room and attacked him both with tongue and fist. The magistrate who presided at the subsequent action for assault held that a medical man was quite justified in declining an obstetric engagement under such circumstances, and fined the defendant accordingly.

—Messrs. J. B. Lippincott Company announces to the profession the publication of a "Cyclopædia of the Diseases of Children," medical and surgical, by American, British and Canadian authors, edited by John M. Keating, M.D., in four imperial octavo volumes; to be sold by subscription only. The first volume will be issued early in April, and the subsequent volumes at short intervals. A thorough knowledge of the diseases of children is a matter of the greatest importance to most physicians, and as this is the only work of the kind that has been published in English, it will be invaluable as a text-book and work of reference for the busy practitioner.

—The mineral water of La Bourboule—of which there are two chief springs, "Choussy" and "Perrière"—is, of all known waters, that which contains the largest proportion of arsenic, allied with the best adjuncts for its assimilation. It is a natural arsenical medicament, far preferable to any pharmaceutical preparation, because it is in this form that arsenic is most easily digestible and most efficacious. By its use,