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The latest addition to the teaching staff of the General Hospital in this city is Nothnagel. He was formerly director of the medical klinik in Jena, a town containing not over 10,000 inhabitants. He is considered by those who claim to know all about such matters, the most distinguished clinical teacher of the many eminent German physicians of the present day. He is a hard, thorough, and honest worker. For a number of years he has occupied a high position as a scientific writer, not alone in Germany, but wherever medicine as a science is studied. He has written several of the articles in Ziemssen's Cyclopædia. Three years ago appeared his most important work, "The Topical Diagnosis of Diseases of the Brain." Such a work could only be written by a very learned and accomplished physician and physiologist. He has also written, in conjunction with Rossbach, the best work in the German language on Pharmacology and Therapeutics. He is no sceptic as to the value of drugs, and loses no opportunity of impressing upon his hearers the vast importance of an accurate and sound knowledge of the actions and uses of drugs. The physicians of the Vienna school have of late years prided themselves on their scepticism. This is in a great measure owing to the teaching and example of the late Professor Skoda. It is a good illustration of the evils of *authority*, and the harm that great men sometimes do. I heard