

beak of the sound upon a stone in the bladder, becomes greatly amplified, and resounds in the drum where it appears to be produced. The illusion is said to be complete, the bladder seeming to be brought under the ear of the surgeon. It is needless to dwell on the utility of the lithophone for finding vesical calculi and small fragments after lithotripsy. The instrument is figured in *Le Progrès Médical*, 3rd Avril, 1880.

WORK OVER YOUR PATIENTS.—The average patient sounds the praises of his doctor and pays his bill more cheerfully because “he worked on him,” and gained his victory only after many visits and much medicine—by the sweat of his brow as well as by his brain. Therefore, our young brother—you who about this time begin the battle of life—do not think victory is always to be obtained by going straight at the mark. Consider the specialist in this matter—say when he wishes not only to conquer an ophthalmia but the possessor thereof. Perhaps you might be tempted to prescribe some quinine, or iron may be, and rest, and in a few days rejoice at disappearing redness, but, perhaps, dear friend, to regret at non-appearing patient. If you would be wise in your generation, blow something in the eye to-day, drop into it to-morrow, rub upon it the next, and after many weeks or months you will rear in your patient’s mind a monument of your skill—and likewise in your pocket some representative of his wealth. Do not, dear young friend, fresh from the books, think that you “know it all.”—*Louis. Med. News.*

QUINTUPLE BIRTH.—A woman living near New Glasgow, N.S., recently gave birth to five children, all of whom have, however, since died. Dr. P. D. Keyser, of this city, has exhibited to us a photograph of the quintuple babies lying side by side in their “little bed.” The photograph was sent him by Dr. Hyde, of Truro, N.S., who stated that the children would probably have lived if they had had any chance. The parents were extremely poor, and lived six miles away from where anything could be got for them. There was nothing in the house to even wrap them up in, and the doctor had to take the blind off the only window to make bandages.—*Phila. Med. Rep.*