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### GYNÆCOLOGICAL NOTES FROM PARIS.

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*Apostoli.* As chance would have it, I found myself first at the Clinic of Apostoli, who has attained such world-wide celebrity by his successful application of electricity to gynæcological therapeutics. Although his office is still at 5 Rue Moliere, near the Avenue de l'Opera, he has removed his clinic from its former dingy surroundings in the Rue du Jour to a much larger and more suitable place at 15 Rue Montmartre. Since my last visit here, twelve years ago, his views have changed but little. Most of what I wrote in my letters from Paris at that time is still true. I was greatly interested to see his splendid outfit of instruments and apparatus, and the honest and painstaking manner in which the records of his cases are kept, and I could not but be impressed each time that I visited his magnificent waiting rooms by seeing them filled with the highest class of patients from so many different countries. His method must have some virtue in it to have stood the test of so many years. At his clinic he has three salaried assistants constantly taking histories and giving treatment, so that now he has more than five thousand cases, all carefully, and many of them most minutely recorded. His clinic costs him personally over three thousand dollars a year. Although he still uses the constant Galvanic current for the symptomatic cure of fibroids and the Fine Faradic current for pelvic pain, he has added two other important elements to his installation: one the static current, obtained from a