

## Miscellaneous.

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A SON of Rokitansky, the celebrated Austrian pathologist, died recently in Vienna at the age of sixty. The deceased was for thirty years a member of the company of the Imperial Opera in Vienna, and for ten years a professor at the Conservatorium.—*The Medical Bulletin.*

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THE following letter from Dr. C. S. James, of Centreville, Iowa, indicates that Kellogg's Funis Ring Applicator is gaining in professional favor. Dr. James says: "I have been using the 'Funis Ring Applicator' for the past several months, and I now consider it one of the essentials of my obstetric bag. It not only affords the physician a degree of satisfaction and sense of security, but its use exerts a certain psychical influence upon the mother and nurse that is remunerative. To say I am pleased is expressing it mildly."

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THE DEATH OF SIR JOHN ERICHSSEN.—Sir John Eric Erichsen, who died September 23rd, was one of the foremost representatives of British surgery. As his name implies, he was of Danish descent. He was born in 1818, and studied medicine at University College Hospital, where he was the pupil of Liston. By a combination of circumstances through which rapid promotion was facilitated, he was appointed professor in University College at the age of thirty-two. He became famous as a clinical teacher, and among his pupils were Sir Joseph Lister, Sir Henry Thompson and Marcus Beck. In 1866, on the resignation of Richard Quain, he became professor of clinical surgery in University College, and this position he held till 1875. At the time of his death he was emeritus professor of surgery and consulting surgeon to University Hospital, and to many other medical charities. He had been president of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society, and of the Surgical Section of the International Medical Congress of 1881. He was appointed secretary of the Physiological Section of the British Association for the Advancement of Science in 1844; was member of the Royal Commission on Vivisection in 1875; was surgeon extraordinary to the Queen, and had been president of University College, London, since 1887, succeeding the Earl of Kimberly.—*Boston Medical and Surgical Journal.*