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THE CÆSAREAN SECTION.—SIR: The perusal of your leader on the Cæsarcan Operation, in this day's issue, reminds me of a solution of the difficulty suggested by Dr. Kergaradeo, with reference to baptism of the unborn child, which I witnessed in Würzburg in 1841. I was attending the private course of midwifery given to graduates in medicine by Professor d'Outrepont; and among several memorable things that happened during my ten weeks stay at that charming town, it occurred that one of the parturient women was unusually long in labour. Professor d'Outrepont was in attendance with his class, and doubts were entertained as to whether the child would be born alive. The Professor accordingly, having made some remarks as to the requirements of the Roman Catholic Church in reference to baptism, took a large syringe, and inserting the nozzle into the vagina, baptised the child in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

I am, etc.,
A HOSPITAL PHYSICIAN.
June 8th, 1861.

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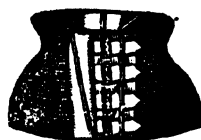
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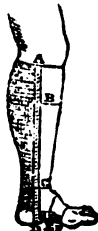
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