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We are requested by Mr. G. Eistes, Honorary Secretary to the fund, to acknowledge the receipt by him of one guinea, sent by Surgeon-Major Stanley L. Dobie, 4th Madras Cavalry, Kamptee, India.

## ERRATUM.

In Dr. Barnes's Memoir on Puerperal Fever, published on November 12th, p. 1042, 2nd column, line 16 from top, for "access of carbolic acid," read excess of carbonic acid.

## ALL WOOLLEN UNDER CLOTHING.

DR. JAEGER'S SANITARY WOOLLEN SYSTEM COMPANY, LIMITED, write: In your article of November 5th, headed "Woolen Winter Underclothing," where you deprecate "an unreasonable faith in German science," we suppose that most of your readers will agree that the cap is intended to fit us, and we therefore ask to be allowed to reply.

If Dr. Jaeger's published views on the hygienic importance of all-wool clothing and bedding are unscientific, let them be refuted; but condemnation without reasons will not weigh against the warm commendation of professional and lay adherents, based on practical experience. We will not enter into controversy as to the comparative excellence in point of fit, seams, etc., as these are matters which must eventually be left to the verdict of the public, which we willingly accept. We wish, however, to claim that recognition of merit which is wont to be accorded to an originator of anything good, whatever his nationality; and we believe that it will not be denied that Dr. Jaeger originated the undyed, all-wool stocking underwear which has become so popular.

When we introduced this underwear in Great Britain, British manufacturers had not the proper machinery to make it, and only quite recently have we succeeded in effecting arrangements, including provision of the proper machinery and yarn, for the Jaeger underwear to be made, under strict control as to purity and other high qualities, by British workpeople in British factories.

## OBSTETRIC CURIOSITY.

DR. C. LOVEGROVE (Llanwiddyn) writes: On Monday, November 14th, I was called to Mrs. J., who was in labour of her sixth child. On examination no membranes presented; the os admitted two fingers with difficulty, being so much out of reach. On the two previous occasions instruments were used; this time the labour was natural, the cord being four times round the child's neck, and 42 inches long, or 3 feet 6 inches. The child would undoubtedly have been strangled had I not been there, so tight was the cord drawn, and reaching in layers from chin to sternum. I bring this case before the profession for two reasons; first, because it is so unusual; second, the medico-legal aspect, showing how easily a child may be strangled in a natural birth, and no trace of the cause of death, no indentation or mark remained on the neck after the cord was unwound, which I had great difficulty in doing, and which I accomplished by rotating the child from the navel attachments. There was no cry until some time after it was unwound.

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