

cases it is well to use a bichlorid vaginal douche in the early stage of labor and to have the mother's vagina thoroughly scrubbed with a sterilized soap solution. When gonorrhoeal ophthalmia occurs from any source, the other eye should be shielded, and all concerned should be warned of the gravely infectious nature of the disease and the necessity of immediately burning cotton sponges and other dressings used in the treatment. The prevalence of contagious ophthalmia among school children has led the health authorities of New York City to declare it a notifiable disease.

THE AMERICAN CONFEDERATION OF RECIPROCATING EXAMINING AND LICENSING MEDICAL BOARDS.

We are much pleased to note the formation of this organization, which will doubtless eventually become national in scope. The states included in its present membership are Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Iowa and Kansas. Dr. J. R. Currens, president of the Wisconsin Board of Medical Examiners, is the presiding officer. Dr. B. D. Harrison, secretary of the Michigan State Board of Registration in Medicine, is the secretary. The following propositions have been agreed to as a basis for reciprocal medical registration.

(a)—That as a prerequisite to reciprocal registration, the applicant therefor shall file in the office of the the board of the state of which he is a licentiate such evidence as will enable the said board to certify that he is of good moral and professional character. Such certificate shall be filed with his application for reciprocal registration in another state.

(b)—That a certificate showing that an examination has been made by the proper board of any state, on which an average grade of not less than 75 per cent. was awarded, the holder thereof having been at the time of said examination, the legal possessor of a diploma from a medical college in good standing in the state where reciprocal registration is sought, may be accepted, in lieu of examination, as evidence of qualification. Provided, that in case the scope of the said examination was less than that prescribed by the State in which registration is sought, the applicant may be required to submit to a supplemental examination by the board thereof in such subjects as have not been covered.

(c)—That a certificate of registration, or license issued by the proper board of any state, may be accepted as evidence of qualification for reciprocal registration in any other state. Provided, that the holder thereof was, at the time of such registration, the legal possessor of a diploma issued by a medical college in good standing in the state in which reciprocal registration is sought, and that the date thereof was prior to the legal requirement of the examination test in such state.