

## The Midwife.

### GLAXO BABY BOOK.

The "Glaxo Baby Book," published at Glaxo House, 36, Osnaurgh Street, London, N.W.1, which is now in its fourteenth edition, contains in very attractive and simple form much useful advice, on every phase of Babyhood from birth to three years of age, and is one which mothers will do well to keep by them for reference. The cost is 1s. 2d., post free, and it will be 1s. 2d. well spent. Its value is increased by the charming illustrations of Glaxo Babies which it contains, and the frontispiece will give an idea of the extent of the Glaxo Headquarters.

The Prefatory Note to the new edition tells us that "the high function of this book is to supply to the mother true knowledge of the actual facts of baby life, so that by the application of such knowledge, baby troubles may be avoided, and happiness reign in the home. If, however, in spite of the best that mother can do, misfortunes come, then the teaching of this book is that the best obtainable qualified medical advice be called upon at once."

#### WHAT IS GLAXO ?

"Glaxo is," we are told, "pure, fresh, clean, uncontaminated cow's milk, with the proportions of curd (or casein) cream (or butter fat), and milk sugar (lactose), standardised in the proportions which medical experience has found most suitable for baby.

The Glaxo process extracts the water from this standardised pure milk, and transforms the nourishing solids into a germ-free powder, so that the purity and freshness of the original standardised milk are fixed or *retained* until it reaches baby.

Further than this, the Glaxo Process alters the *character* of the curd so that, unlike the curd of ordinary milk which forms a dense indigestible clot (a "junket") in baby's stomach, the curd in Glaxo forms into tiny flaky particles like the lactalbumin of breast milk, all of which baby can comfortably digest, and so obtain *all* the nourishment from *all* the Glaxo he swallows. That is why Glaxo does not cause flatulence or indigestion.

Full cream dried milk, such as Glaxo, has been proved by scientists 'to contain the accessory food substances' indispensable for proper growth of baby; that is, the vital principles of the rich, fresh cow's milk from which it is made, remain effective.

Glaxo is packed in bags which are inserted into sealed vessels; consequently, if the lid is firmly replaced after the necessary quantity is removed for each feed, the Glaxo-fed baby has a permanent supply of digestible, germ-free, pure, uncontaminated standardised milk."

We think that the Glaxo Baby Book has a great future before it, and should be of much use for the practical advice it contains to those whose duty it is to give instruction to mothers in Ante-

Natal and Infant Welfare Centres. The mothers themselves will also benefit by securing and studying a copy of the book, for it is written in simple language, without technical terms, and answers many questions which are apt to worry "the perplexed mother."

We cordially recommend it.

### CENTRAL MIDWIVES BOARD.

#### PENAL CASES.

A Special Meeting of the Central Midwives Board was held at 1, Queen Anne's Gate Buildings on the morning of Wednesday, May 31st, for the hearing of charges alleged against seven certified midwives.

*Struck off the Roll, and Certificate Cancelled.*—Midwife Priscilla Baker (No. 31534), Midwife Mary Laycock (No. 18874), Midwife Ann Wheeler (No. 3647).

*Censured.*—(Report to be asked for from L.S.A. in three and six months' time).—Midwife Catherine Clarkon (No. 12641).

*Cautioned.*—Midwife Rose Ann Borrowdale (No. 49601), Midwife Hilda Lauterstein (No. 43180).

*Judgment Postponed* (Report to be asked for from L.S.A. in three and six months' time).—Midwife Charlotte Ellen Risebrook (No. 31101).

#### EXAMINATION PAPER.

1. What is meant by the ante-natal examination of pregnant women? Explain fully what dangers in pregnancy and labour this will avoid.
2. How would you recognise a right occipito-posterior position of the vertex? What may be the course of labour in such a case?
3. Why is breast feeding better than bottle feeding? What are the essential differences between human and cow's milk? What is your duty in the event of a mother not being able to nurse her baby?
4. A baby's head is born but the shoulders do not follow with the next pain. What may cause the delay, and what would you do?
5. What conditions of the mother do you consider to be infectious, and what are your duties if in attendance on an infectious case?
6. What are the questions to be asked and the points to be observed on your first three visits during the lying-in period?

It is reported from New York that Professor James Mavor, of Union College, has announced successful experiments for altering the sex of banafies by the application of ex-rays to the eggs.

It is not believed that the process is applicable to human beings, but it is important as showing that the heredity mechanism can be altered by external means.

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