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**PROFESSOR LORENZ FERDINAND TRAUTMANN.**

OBITUARY NOTICE.

PROFESSOR LORENZ FERDINAND TRAUTMANN, the well-known aurist, died on Sunday, May 4, in Berlin. He added recently to otological literature a work entitled "Operationen am Gehörorgan," an interesting account of operative aural surgery. It formed part of a series of monographs by various medical writers dedicated to Staff-Surgeon General von Coler. In it he expresses approval of the maintenance of post-aural opening in the after-treatment of the radical mastoid operation, a practice, perhaps, too completely abandoned by the generality of operators. The *Times* gives us the following notes of his career: "He was born at Wittenberg in 1833, and in 1859 became a surgeon in the army. After serving with distinction in the wars of 1866 and 1870, he retired from the service in 1887 with the rank of Surgeon-General of the second class. In 1888 he was appointed to a Professorship in the University of Berlin, and in 1893 became director of the Aural Department of the Charité, the largest hospital in Berlin. Professor Trautmann numbered among his patients many persons of distinction, and on more than occasion had attended the present German Emperor."

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