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OBITUARY.

PROFESSOR PHILIPP SCHECH, OF MUNICH.

PROFESSOR SCHECH, to whose death we referred in a recent issue, died on July 1, after a long and severe illness. The name of Schech has been familiar to all students and practitioners of laryngology for nearly thirty years. He was born in Karlstadt in 1845, and passed his student life in the University of Würzburg. He was very popular among the members of his "corps," who, however, did not anticipate his attaining to the pre-eminent position in the profession which he so long occupied. Under the guidance and teaching of Bamberger, Gerhardt, and Ziemssen, he worked zealously in the earlier days of laryngology and attached himself to the University of Munich, where, ultimately, he became professor. His contributions are well known, and they show that, although a specialist, he had the great advantage of an all-round knowledge of medical science. He will be much missed at the meetings of the South German Laryngological Society, at which he was a constant attendant. He was a typical Bavarian, of big physical proportions, good natured, and quietly impressive in his manner. The appended list of his original works, which we transcribe from the *Monatsschrift für Ohrenheilkunde*, testifies to the man's immense industry. Unfortunately, during the last fifteen years of his life, his work, though carried on with activity, was rendered difficult to him by a series of severe attacks of

illness. We can cordially agree with his necrologist, Dr. H. Neumayer, that by his death laryngology has to lament the loss of one of her most eminent representatives, and that the name of Schech will always occupy a prominent place in the history of laryngological science.

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THE TREATMENT OF LARYNGEAL TUBERCULOSIS.

Introduction to a Discussion in the Section of Laryngology, Otology, and Rhinology, at the Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association, Leicester, 1905.

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THE principles of treatment which I shall submit for consideration may be summarised as a plea for the conservation of the larynx by rational therapeutic and surgical treatment based on scientific research.

The old nomenclature, "consumption of the throat," "laryngeal phthisis," reflects the narrow and restricted views which have been held, and are further reflected by the too frequent reference to primary tuberculosis of the larynx, a pathological phenomenon which I shall have occasion to speak of as a negligible quantity. The old nomenclature is now historical, and it is better to abandon unscientific terms, which have nothing in their favour excepting popularity.

In the time at my disposal it will be difficult to enter fully into