

BOOK REVIEW

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF OBSTETRIC ANALGESIA AND ANAESTHESIA. Volume 1. By JOHN J. BONICA, M.D. Philadelphia: F. A. Davis Company. 1967. \$46.75 for set of two volumes.

IN THIS, the first of two volumes on the subject, the widest possible survey of fundamental knowledge is presented in a most acceptable form. There can be little doubt that, if its companion is of the same quality, they deserve to become the standard reference texts on the shelves of hospital obstetric and anaesthesia departments. Although some may claim that there is a tendency to too much detail, especially in the descriptions of pharmacological properties of drugs, the reviewer feels that this is well warranted. It brings the minutiae into correct focus in the appropriate context. The bibliography is extensive and the illustrations excellent.

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