

NOTES ON CURRENT LITERATURE.

THE TEXT BOOK of animal physiology, more especially for students of human and veterinary medicine, by Prof. Wesley Mills, of McGill Medical School, Montreal, is gaining a world-wide reputation, and is very highly spoken of by the leading medical journals. The N. Y. Medical Journal regards it as "One of the remarkable books of the year."

THE BRITISH MEDICAL JOURNAL, which now issues 15,500 copies weekly, gives seven heavily black bordered pages on the life of the late Sir Wm. Gull.

EDUCATION AND CULTURE, AS RELATED TO THE HEALTH AND DISEASES OF WOMEN, by A. J. C. Skene, M. D., &c., published by Geo. S. Davis, Detroit, Mich., is a very excellent, thoughtful and judicious treatise upon a subject of growing importance. It bears upon the whole "woman question" of the day and of the future, and discusses it with care, and in guarded and refined language, and can be read by the non-professional reader, young or old, male or female, and should be so read. Paper cover 25 cents; cloth 50 cents.

ESSENTIALS OF GYNECOLOGY, arranged in the form of questions and answers, especially for Students of Medicine, by Edwin B. Cragin, M. D., with 50 illustrations (W. B. Saunders, 913 Walnut Street, Philadelphia), is another of the Quiz Compend series, which consists of questions asked by a professor of his students and answered by himself. It affords aid to the educated physician, reviving his earlier knowledge, and inducing comparison between this and the present condition of this branch of medicine.

IN THE POPULAR SCIENCE MONTHLY, for June, the concluding chapters on Justice, which are to form a part of Herbert Spencer's system of philosophy, will be given. And David A. Wells will contribute an article describing certain Evidences of Glacial Action in Southeastern Connecticut, illustrated with pictures of some of the great boulders which are thickly strewn over this region.

THE LADIES' BAZAR (Ladies' Bazar Pub. Co., 4 Adelaide St. E., Toronto) is regarded by the ladies as being a very nice and useful periodical. It is "A journal of fashion, instruction and domestic economy." Price only 60 cents a year, with a premium of 25 cents in patterns to each subscriber.

THE ILLUSTRATED NEWS OF THE WORLD (the reprint of the Illustrated London News) for the four weeks ending May 10th, among many other good things, contains: A full page portrait of Admiral Sir Prevo Wallis, G. C. B., now 100 years old; a double page illustration of the "Tonhon Column crossing the Swalei River, in Upper Burmah"; a full page illustration of the "House of Commons Steeplechase at Rugby, March 29th"; "The River Torc near Killarney"; "sketches in Formosa"; "The old home revisited"; "Fiammetta"; "Dethroned"; "A Bible lesson"; "Snaugglers surprised"; "Quoth the raven: 'Never More';" all very good, and keeping up well the high standing of this excellent weekly.

IN THE MAY CENTURY the first installment of Mrs. Amelia Gere Mason's valuable series on "The Women of the French Salons" opens in a delightful way, and is finely illustrated. Mr. Stillman, in his Italian Old Masters, writes of Andrea del Verrochio, to which Mr. Cole has added a magnificent engraving of a detail from Verrochio's "The Baptism of Christ." Mr. Jefferson's autobiography continues its course, and George Kennan gives a striking paper on the methods of the Russian censors, entitled "Blacked Out," with which is given a facsimile of two pages of one of Mr. Kennan's Century articles on Siberia.

THE "ANNALS OF SURGERY" has now entered upon its sixth year of publication. Much praise is due both to the home and foreign editors for the high literary standard sustained. It is the only journal published in the English language devoted exclusively to science surgery and which does not seek popularity by giving minor surgery, but rather bringing the reader up to the highest literary and practical attainments, nor does it in the least degree cater to advertisers. The numbers are well illustrated with fine engravings and diagrams, elucidating the text. (\$5 00 per year. Sample copies 50 cents. J. H. Chambers & Co., St. Louis, Mo.)

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