

Dr. Rosser being President, and Dr. W. E. B. Davis, Secretary. At this meeting the larger Southern Association was organized, Dr. W. D. Haggard of Nashville being elected President, and Dr. Davis Secretary. The phenomenal success of this great Association was largely due to the untiring exertions of Dr. Davis, who was Secretary for twelve years until 1900, and President in 1902. His untimely death last February, from an accident, caused the deepest grief among the members. Since 1900 Dr. W. D. Haggard, son of the first President, has proved a worthy successor to Dr. Davis in the Secretaryship. The report of the meeting of 1902 is one of the most interesting in the history of the Association.

High Frequency Currents in the Treatment of Some Diseases. By CRISHOLM WILLIAMS, F.R.C.S., Edin. Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, Eng.; Licentiate Royal College of Physicians, Lond.; Licentiate Society of Apothecaries, Lond.; Electro-Therapist West London Hospital, W.; Surgeon Out-Patients City Orthopedic Hospital, E.C.; Honorary Secretary British Electro-Therapeutic Society, etc. London: Rebmán, Limited, 129 Shaftesbury Avenue, Cambridge Circus, W. C., 1903. Canadian Representative, Charles E. Wingate, 186 Adelaide Street, W., Toronto.

We have before us the first work to appear, in the English language, on the Electric High Frequency Currents. These are the currents described by the French investigator, T'Arsonval, and bear his name. The English have been rather slow in adopting this line of treatment, but having begun, it will be thoroughly investigated. The advent of the present volume, no doubt, will aid in its being more freely taken advantage of. Workers in the X-ray field can very readily equip themselves with the necessary additional apparatus, and greatly augment their field of usefulness. This volume is describing a new electrical field, and it is proper that a very full and complete description should be given of the appliances. These descriptive chapters are short, clear and concise, yet not too brief. Then the Physical and Physiological characteristics of the current are described, and finally the therapeutical applications. In all new methods of treatment, and this is a new method in England and America, although in France and Germany, many years old, the tendency is to look upon them as a panacea for every ill. Dr. Williams is altogether too careful an investigator to let one run off with this idea. He has written the book based on the experience of himself and others, and he warns us against falling into any such error as that of expecting too much. Yet encourages the investigator, and only recommends where he has proven the value of the treatment.

We can recommend the little volume to all readers, not only those who are interested in electricity as a means of treatment,