

of limited numbers, it is of great advantage to "book" some time in advance. This can be done by corresponding with some friend on the field, indicating the subjects required and the purposed time of arrival. Do not bring more luggage than you can carry in one or two grips, unless you are prepared to pay as much "baggage excess" as you pay for your ticket. Keep out of Austrian hotels, if possible; they are simply systemized robbery. Unless you arrive in the evening, leave your *impedimenta* in the parcel-room of the depot and go at once to the *kraukenhaus* (hospital); follow the crowd, and hunt up some Americans. They can almost invariably be detected by their studious and thoughtful expression, the absence of sword scars upon the left side of the face, the cut of their clothes, not forgetting their boots, and last, but not least, the modest manner in which they wear their hair and moustach: (if they possess this latter article). The continental style in these matters is hair "like quills upon the fretful porcupine, and moustache as a miniature representation of the horns of a Texas steer." Any ordinary observer, even if he does not overhear English spoken, will soon locate fellow-countrymen, who are ever ready to extend collegiate courtesies and to assist the new-comer in every possible way.

ERNEST HALL.

Berlin, January 29th, 1895.

A QUERY.

To the Editor of ONTARIO MEDICAL JOURNAL.

DEAR SIR, -Would you kindly inform me through the columns of your valuable journal how an individual affected with color-blindness can successfully pass all the subjects required by the Medical Council? Can such a person perform operations, tell when a wound is in a healthy condition, distinguish one skin disease from another, etc., etc.; if so, how? Are they not, in fact, as dangerous as engineers, brakemen, etc., afflicted with the same malady? For instance, a young man suffering from a sore throat consulted a medical man (color-blind), who diagnosed his case as quinsy, gave him a gargle and sent him to his home some twelve miles distant in the country where he had four or five brothers and sisters. In the course of a short while the children were all

sick with quinsy(?) *No!* Malignant diphtheria, and four of the family died. Who is responsible? To make a long story short, what I want to know is, Should an individual who is color-blind be allowed to practice medicine any more than run an engine; and, if so, where is his field of usefulness?

Yours respectfully,

INQUIRER.

[Probably some of our readers will answer the question herein asked.—ED.]

Book Notices.

Warner's Therapeutic Reference Book. This excellent little work of over 100 pages will be sent to any practitioner who will forward fifteen cents for expense of sending, to W. R. Warner & Co., Philadelphia.

Syllabus of Gynecology, based on the American Text-book of Gynecology. By J. W. LANG, M.D., Richmond, Professor of Gynecology and Pediatrics in Medical College of Virginia, etc. Price \$1 net. 1895. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street.

Some time ago it was our pleasure to review the work of which this is a synopsis, and we are gratified to be able to say that to one reading such a work the latter is an able exposition of the former volume. Each page has the number of pages annotated from its progenitor, and with the blank inter-leaves must and does form a valuable addition to lecture notes of any student. It is gotten up in W. B. Saunders' own excellent style of publication; and adds one more to their already long line of students' aids.

Notes on Newer Remedies. Their therapeutic applications and modes of administration. By DAVID CERNA, M.D., Ph.D., Demonstrator of Physiology and Lecturer on History of Medicine in Medical University of Texas, etc., etc. Second edition, enlarged and revised. Price \$1.25 net. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street.

Looking at the title a clue is given to us as to the basis of this work, small in size but large in its quality. The task of collecting data outside of several experiments is in itself a work of considerable magnitude, and in this instance the author