however, not anything of import has occurred. Some valuable contributions on Cystoscopy have, however, appeared, and these are noted. The various volumes of this series are extremely handy in size, and may be relied upon as being thoroughly up-to date. F. W. C.

## The Physician's Wife and Things that Pertain to her Life. By Ellen M. Firebaugn, illustrated with fortyfour photo-engravings of sketches from life. The F. A. Davis Company, Philadelphia, New York and Chicago, publishers.

We have been favoured by the publishers with a copy of this book, which has already run through several editions, and will, we feel sure, run through many more. It is entertaining, thoroughly so, from the first page to the last. Indeed, when one makes a beginning at reading it, it is difficult to lay it down till the last page is reached. This can be accomplished in a sitting of a little less than three hours. Not only is it most interesting, but a moral can be drawn from many of the incidents recorded. Every physician's wife ought to read it, and every doctor who reads this notice will be doing a good thing for himself and his wife by presenting her with a copy.

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Obstetrics—A Text-Book for the Use of Students and Practitioners. By J. Whitbridge Williams, Professor of Obstetrics, John Hopkins University; Obstetrician-in-Chief to the Johns Hopkins Hospital; Gynæcologist to the Union Protestant Infirmary, Baltimore, Md., with eight coloured plates and six hundred and thirty illustrations in the text. Published by D. Appleton & Co., New York and London, 1903.

"To the making of books there is no end," and, indeed, it is a good thing for the profession it is so; otherwise this most excellent work would not have perhaps been written. The author in his preface states that his aim has been to make the work thorough and scientific as well as practical. It is illustrated with a large number of new cuts, and every chapter has the bibliography pertaining to it following it. We think that it is a great mistake to take up 144 pages on Embryology which should, if desired by the profession, be printed in a separate book or left where it really belongs, in the Physiology text-books. It would be almost impossible to select any one chapter or subject for their excellence, for, as a whole, it stands to-day as one of the very first text-books. It has been added to the list of text-books of Bishop's College.

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