

Fœces in the latter half of 1882. Taking the work as a whole we can most cordially commend it to the student as a safe and helpful *vade mecum*. We know of no work in the language which covers the same ground in an equally brief and perspicuous manner. The illustrations are exceedingly good and clear, but far too few in number.

*The Illustrated Quarterly of Medicine and Surgery.* Edited by GEO. HENRY FOX and F. R. STURGIS. Vol. I., No. 4. October, 1882. New York: E. B. Treat, 757 Broadway.

The high promise of excellence and utility engendered by the appearance of the first number of this novel and commendable publication has been well sustained throughout the year, and the October issue is not a whit behind its predecessors, either in the intrinsic interest of the subjects treated of, or in the artistic character of the illustrations. Such a work is valuable, not only in affording an enhanced facility of understanding by the aid of good pictorial representations, but also in rescuing from obscurity and oblivion the record of valuable cases otherwise not published for want of sufficient intelligible illustration. This number contains: Two Large Tumours of the Female Breast (2 illustrations); Sarcoma of Pharynx and Neck (1 ill.); Double Equino Varus (3 ill.); Extraneous Microscopic Matter in Animal Fluids (4 ill.); Syphilitic Ulcerations of Upper Air Passages (2 ill.); Laryngo Tracheal Diphtheria in an Adult (3 ill.); Case of Traumatic and Septic Empyema (1 ill.); Thoracic Deformity Resulting from Empyema (1 ill.); Case of Peculiar Tumours of the Hands (1 ill.). The list of prospective contributors for 1883 is an earnest of the capacity and determination to maintain the high reputation this publication has already acquired.

*Practical Medical Anatomy.* A Guide to the Physician in the Study of the Relations of the Viscera to each other in Health and Disease, and in the Diagnosis of the Medical and Surgical Conditions of the

Anatomical Structures of the Head and Trunk. By AMBROSE L. RANNEY, A.M., M.D. New York: Wm. Wood & Co.

This volume was the June No. of Wood's Library, and adds much to the value of the series. It is divided into two parts. Part I. concerns the head, chapter one treating of the bones and their points of special interest. Chapter two considers the human face in health and disease, and its value as a guide in diagnosis. Chapter three deals with the blood vessels of the head; chapter four with special regions of the head and the points of general interest pertaining to each. Part II. has relation to the trunk. Chapter one is devoted to the vertebral column, its physiological and clinical points of interest; chapter two to the neck and its structures—their clinical aspects; chapter three, the bones of the thorax and their relations to the adjacent structures; chapter four, the chest and its contained organs; chapter five, the bones of the pelvis, and the general plan of its construction; and chapter six, the abdomen—its viscera, and the surgical guides to important structures of that region. As will be seen from this enumeration of the contents, the book does not treat purely of *Medical Anatomy*. It, however, loses none of its value on that account. Doubtless, here and there, statements are to be met with, which, on strict scrutiny, would not pass unchallenged; but, on the whole, Dr. Ranney has produced a work alike creditable to himself and interesting and instructive to his readers. Many trifling points, it seems to us, have been deemed worthy of illustration by diagrams, and some of these are simply execrable. The work on the whole is a valuable acquisition to professional bookshelves.

*The Diseases of the Liver, with and without Jaundice; with the Special Application of Physiological Chemistry to their Diagnosis and Treatment.* By GEO. HARLEY, M.D., F.R.S. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co., 1883; Toronto: N. Ure & Co. Price, \$5.