

Book Reviews.

Anatomy, Descriptive and Applied. By HENRY GRAY, F.R.S., Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons; Lecturer on Anatomy at St. George's Hospital Medical School, London. Eighteenth edition, thoroughly revised and re-edited, with additions by Edward Anthony Spitzka, M.D., Professor of General Anatomy in the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Illustrated with 1,208 engravings. Philadelphia and New York: Lea & Febiger. 1910.

Medical literature, from its nature, numbers very few books which can be regarded as classics. Of those we have, Gray's Anatomy stands first. Since its first appearance it has been the authority on the subject of anatomy and has been the means of introducing thousands of medical students to the mysteries of this art.

The present eighteenth edition has been thoroughly revised. The former sections on "Surgical Anatomy" are now called by the more comprehensive term "Applied Anatomy." A happy medium has been maintained between the old and new terminology. The illustrations are splendid and could not be surpassed. Both the editor and the publishers are to be congratulated on this new edition of an old friend which they have given to the profession.

A Practical Guide to the Newer Remedies. By J. M. FORBES, M.A., M.D., Oxon.; Physician to Clifton College; Assistant Physician to the Bristol Royal Infirmary; Lecturer on Pharmacology in the University of Oxford, and Clinical Lecturer in the University of Bristol; Joint Author of "The Chemical Basis of Pharmacology." Bristol: John Wright & Sons, Ltd. London: Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co., Ltd. 1910.

Every day the medical journal or the manufacturing chemist brings to our notice some new drug-stuffs. As a rule these are the products of synthetic chemistry, and it is a confession we must make that many of them are used with very little knowledge on our part of their real composition or physiological action. Many of them are very useful, and their value has been proved by clinical experience. In this small book the composition of many of these compounds is made clear to us and their therapeutic value discussed. Thus we can pick the good from the bad. When so many of these instances are being encountered every day this is a book which all can be recommended to read.