

In conclusion, we have to say that we confidently believe that this book will prove a valuable addition to the literature of the profession.

*Surgical Emergencies together with the Emergencies Attendant on Parturition, and the Treatment of Poisoning.* A Manual for the Use of General Practitioners. By WILLIAM PAUL SWAIN, F.R.C.S., Surgeon to the Royal Albert Hospital, Devenport. Philadelphia, Lindsay and Blakiston, 1874. Montreal, Dawson Bros. Price \$2.00.

Though this work cannot be considered anything more than a compilation from the more recent authorities in surgery, yet it is exceedingly valuable in presenting to the busy practitioner in a condensed form a clear and concise statement of the treatment to be adopted in emergencies. An opportunity is afforded to refresh the memory with the necessary conduct of such cases, and thus remove doubts as to the course to be pursued. The 82 illustrations which are scattered throughout the work appear at once to the eye and add to its value, so that altogether we consider it to be one of the most valuable and instructive manuals extant. The experience of the author has enabled him to present to the profession all that is valuable and necessary, and therefore we cordially recommend the work to our fellow practitioners. The chapter on antiseptic treatment is of great value, and is in our opinion of most importance. As the cost of the manual is only two dollars, no practitioner should be without it, especially those engaged in country practice. The size is such as to admit of its being carried in the pocket, and it will often be found to repay the cost when its owner cannot obtain a consultation owing to distance from a confrère.

*The Sanitary Journal. Devoted to Public Health.* Edited by EDWARD PLAYTER, M.D. Pp. 32. One dollar per annum in advance; single copy, twenty cents; Toronto.

With the exception of a bulletin issued by the Health Officers of Montreal, this is the only Sanitary Journal published in Canada. The

growing importance of the science of hygiene calls for the publication of such works, and, while they are useful to the physician, their perusal is of vital interest to the public, who will thereby gain information as to the best means of preventing disease and prolonging life. We wish it every success, and trust that it will be the means of doing much good.

*The Physician's Visiting List for 1875.* Lindsay, & Blakiston, Philadelphia.

This work has now been published for the last twenty-four years, and its merits are such that its publication will be demanded for many years to come. In this city it is used by a large majority of medical practitioners, and we would advise those who do not now use it, to give it a trial, and we are assured that they will continue its use. By the concise arrangement of this diary much time is saved in making entries, and from the facilities thus afforded in recording work done, hundreds of dollars can be saved which otherwise would be lost. For prices and sizes send for catalogue of publications.

#### PERSONAL.

We record elsewhere the death of Dr. J. C. Anderson, who graduated at McGill, in 1865. Dr. Anderson did not enjoy very good health for a long period of time before his demise, and the physical depression thereby produced, combined with an excitable and nervous temperament, led him to be somewhat erratic in his actions. At no time did he appear to settle down steadily in the pursuit of his profession, but from time to time has changed his residence from Montreal to Sorel, and we believe elsewhere. His death occurred in this city and his remains were removed to Sorel for interment.

Dr. James C. Irvine (M.D., McGill, 1866) has returned to Montreal to reside permanently and will shortly resume the practice of his profession, at 111 Fulford street, where his office and residence is situated. After graduation Dr. Irvine entered the service of Montreal Ocean steamship Company as surgeon, remaining about two years in the service of that line, he then exchanged into the Royal Mail Line.