A Text-Book of Obstetrics. By Barton Cooke Hirst, M.D., Professor of Obstetrics in the University of Pennsylvania. Handsome octavo, 900 pages, with 746 illustrations, 39 of them in colors. Philadelphia, New York, London: W. B. Saunders & Company, 1903. Cloth, \$5.00 net; Sheep or Half Morocco, \$6.00 net.

In revising his work for this edition, the author has spared no pains to make the book reflect the latest knowledge on the subject. He has even described and illustrated the method of using the "Neumann-Ehrenfest Kliseometer." More attention has been given than in the previous editions to the diseases of the genital organs associated with or following childbirth, and this we think, is an excellent improvement. Many of the old illustrations have been replaced by better ones, and there have been added besides a number entirely new. The work treats the subject from a clinical standpoint, the author ever keeping in mind that the aim of all medical literature is to cure.

A Text-Book of Obstetrics. By J. Clarence Webster, M.D. (Edin.), Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Rush Medical College, Chicago. Philadelphia, New York, London: W. B. Saunders & Company, 1903. \$5.00 net. Toronto: J. Carveth & Co.

Although so many books on Obstetrics have recently appeared from the medical press, or are in preparation, the importance of the subject and the fact that observations and investigations are always being made in it, as well as the fact that there is no entirely satisfactory book for students in Obstetrics, may perhaps be found to justify them all.

Dr. Webster's book is a good one, excellently printed and illustrated and devoting much attention to Anatomy, Physiology and Histology. We think more space might have been given to Normal Labour and to the discussion of what may be called ordinary difficulties, but the book is on the whole a valuable one, and a decided addition to the physician's library.

Anatomy Applied to Medicine and Surgery. By D. E. Mundell, B.A., M.D., Professor of Applied Anatomy, Faculty of Medicine, Queen's University; ex-Examiner Practice of Medicine, Ontario Medical Council; Surgeon to Kingston General Hospital, British Whig, Kingston.

Although entering a field already extensively covered, Dr Mundell's warrant for another work on the subject is the lucid way in which he takes the matter in hand, and the very practical manner in which anatomical knowledge is applied. It is necessary for the modern practitioner of medicine and surgery to be something more than an expert dissector, who can tag a name on each structure his scalpel reveals. He must be ready at all times to put his knowledge into practical use, and it is to the practical side of the question that the author devotes the most of his attention. Each subject is introduced by a rapid