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By WILLIAM CLEAVER WILKINSON. Cr. 8vo. pp 294. New York : Phillips & Hunt. Toronto : Wm. Briggs. Price \$1.25.

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By MARY J. STUDLEY, M.D. Pp. 261. New York : Frank & Wagnals. Toronto : Wm. Briggs. Price, \$1.00.

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