

the medical world. While "Abstracts" and "Progress of Medical Science" in the weekly periodicals serve to direct the attention of the profession to what is being done in the way of discoveries and in practice, these Monographs will inform him fully regarding the details of the experiments and methods which have led up to the successes attained—details essential for every one desirous of following the original thinkers in the same line of investigation or practice. Under this plan, practitioners who read only English may become acquainted with the most recent and advanced writings of prominent authors of foreign countries; a matter of great importance. The January number contains: The Pedigree of Disease, by Jonathan Hutchinson, F.R.S.; Common Diseases of the Skin, by Robert M. Simon, M.D., and Varieties and Treatment of Bronchitis, by Dr. Ferrand. The February number has: Gonorrhœal Infection in Women, by W. Jap. Sinclair, M.A., M.D.; On Giddiness, by Thomas Grainger Stewart, M.D., and Albuminuria in Bright's Disease, by Dr. Pierre Jeantin, Paris. The names of these authors speak for themselves. We can truly say that the articles are excellent. The cheapness and attractiveness of this new venture must ensure a great success to the publishers. We can heartily recommend our readers to invest in these Monographs, feeling sure that they will get the worth, and more than the worth, of their money, even in these days of comparatively cheap medical literature.

HAND-BOOK OF THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF SKIN DISEASES, by Arthur Van Harlingen, M.D., Professor of Diseases of the Skin in the Philadelphia Polyclinic and College for Graduates in Medicine, etc. Second Edition, revised and enlarged; eight full-page plates and other illustrations. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co.; Toronto: Carveth & Co. Cloth, pp. 405. 1889.

This new edition of an already popular book is a considerable improvement upon the last. Some of the articles have been entirely re-written, and others have been added to. A few new articles, chiefly upon some of the rarer affections, have been introduced. The illustrations are a new feature, and they will, we think, aid materially in the diagnosis of skin affections. One excellent feature in the work is the explicit directions for treatment, supplemented by a large number of formulæ, ren-

dering it a genuine aid to the general practitioner. The size is sufficient to make it fairly comprehensive without being bulky. We can say that it is a good and useful book for the general practitioner, who has not time to enter into the study of skin diseases with the same degree of minuteness that the specialist does.

THE FUNCTIONS AND DISORDERS OF THE REPRODUCTIVE ORGANS of Childhood, Youth, Adult Life and Advanced Age; considered in their physiological, social and moral relations, by William Acton, M. R. C. S., late Surgeon to the Islington Dispensary, etc., etc. Seventh Edition. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co., 1888; Toronto: Vannevar & Co. pp. 260, cloth.

An interesting and thoughtful book, containing much that will be of service to practitioners dealing with sexual disorders. His chapters on Impotence and Spermatorrhœa are exceedingly good. We commend the work as a good one to those interested in the questions dealt with.

TEXT BOOK OF MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE AND TOXICOLOGY, by John J. Reese, M.D., Prof. of Medical Jurisprudence and Toxicology in the University of Pennsylvania, etc. Second edition, revised and enlarged. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co. Price \$3.

This is a concise and readable work, setting forth in an able manner the legal points in evidence and practice required by a medical man, and also the latest tests and symptoms in toxicological cases. We can highly commend the manner in which the subject is dealt with; it is practical and clear for students and practitioners alike—a most valuable treatise.

Messrs. J. B. Lippincott Company announce to the profession the publication of a "Cyclopædia of the Diseases of Children," medical and surgical, by American, British, and Canadian authors, edited by John M. Keating, M.D., in four imperial octavo volumes, to be sold by subscription only. The first volume will be issued early in April, and the subsequent volumes at short intervals.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

On the 18th February, at 642 Bathurst Street, Toronto, the wife of Dr. T. W. Simpson, of a son.

At 92 Merrick street, Hamilton, Feb. 16, the wife of Douglas G. Storms, M.D., of a son