

NOTICES OF BOOKS, &c., RECEIVED.

THE MEDICAL STUDENT'S MANUAL OF CHEMISTRY. By R. A. Witthaus, A.M., M.D., Prof. of Chemistry and Toxicology in the Universities of Vermont and Buffalo; Prof. of Physiological Chemistry in the University of New York. New York: Wm. Wood & Co.

This a special work, not one of the regular series, and was much needed. The author has in it given his attention chiefly to those portions of special chemistry which are useful to the practical physician. It will doubtless be appreciated by medical students. It is very conveniently arranged.

THE TREATMENT OF WOUNDS—ITS PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE, General and Special. By Lewis S. Pilcher, A.M., M.D., Member of the New York Surg. Soc. With one hundred and sixteen wood engravings. New York: Wm. Wood & Co.

This is one of Wood's regular series of monthly issues, and is an admirable one. It is written by one well known to the medical profession, especially in the domain of Surgery. It is well and conveniently arranged, and copiously illustrated.

A MANUAL OF PRACTICAL HYGIENE. By Edmund A. Parkes, M.D., F.R.S., late Prof. of Military Hygiene in the Army Med. School; Mem. of the Gen. Coun. of Med. Education; Fel. of the Senate of Lond. University; Emeritus F. of. of Clin. Med. Col., Lon.; edited by F. S. B. F. De Chaumont, M.D., F.R.S., Fel. and Chairman Coun. of the Sanitary Institution of Great Britain. Prof. of Military Hygiene, Army School. Sixth edition, with an Appendix, giving the American practice in matters relating to Hygiene. Prepared by and under the supervision of Frederick N. Owen, civil and sanitary engineer; Vol. I. New York, Wm. Wood & Co.

It is enough to announce the appearance of a new edition of this work, and from these well known publishers. Since the first edition of the book it has been almost universally recognized as the best

authority on the subject of sanitary science, and we are much pleased to welcome the first volume of the sixth edition of it.

THE MILK SUPPLY.—We should like to learn of some general legislative provision in reference to the inspection of the source of the milk supply in cities and towns—the dairies—and we hope the time is not far distant when a general act may be passed bearing upon the water supply, especially that from wells.

COURAGE AND DISEASE.—M. de Lesseps has deliberately averred that he never knew a fearless man to die of cholera. He was himself in the midst of it in Egypt in 1831, and turned his house, in which he continued to live, into a hospital. Yet the plague never touched him.

FAMILY LIFE.—Home is sometimes thought flat and dull, and too often made so, just for the want of recognizing what it stands for. The relations of life that go to form the household are the sources not only of life's richest joys and most sacred memories, but also of some of the finest and noblest characteristics of man. The love, the fidelity, the forbearance, the self-sacrifice that are nourished by family life, are among the richest possessions of humanity. It can never become wearisome or commonplace, save to those who fail to comprehend its meaning or refuse to act in harmony with it.

NO MAN CAN be brave who considers pain the greatest evil of life; nor temperate who considers pleasure to be the highest good.

AN OLD MISER, having listened to a powerful discourse on charity, said, "That sermon so strongly proves the necessity of almsgiving that I've almost a mind to beg."

"THERE'S MUSIC in the heir," was a fond father's remark, as he paced the floor at midnight with his crying son in his arms.