

suprapubic operation should have a little more elaborate description, because we cannot gainsay the fact that Freyer has made a big improvement in the technique of prostatectomy.

The volume should be on the shelves of all surgeons who attempt any of the prostatic operations.

---

**Electric-Static Modes of Application, Therapeutics and the Use of Roentgen Rays.** By WILLIAM BENHAM SNOW, M.D., Professor of Electro-Therapeutics and Radiotherapy in the New York School of Physical Therapeutics; Editor of the *Journal of Advanced Therapeutics*; late Instructor in Electro-Therapeutics in the New York Post-Graduate School, etc. Second Edition, revised and enlarged. Contains more than one hundred illustrations, including ten full-page half-tones showing the various methods of posturing and treating conditions. Price, cloth bound, \$3.00. New York: A. L. Chatterson & Co., 97-99 Reade St.

This volume embraces the whole subject. It deals with all the conditions that electricity could possibly be put to and with some that it shouldn't. There are so many good things in the book, however, that it is not fair probably to condemn it entirely, but for anything from pain in the toe to inflammation in the brain electricity appears to be the only remedy that is of use.

---

**The Practical Application of the Roentgen Rays in Therapeutics and Diagnosis.** By WILLIAM ALLEN PUSEY, A.M., M.D., Professor of Dermatology in the University of Illinois; and EUGENE W. CALDWELL, B.S., Director of the Edward N. Gibbs Memorial X-ray Laboratory of the University and Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York. Handsome octavo volume of 690 pages, with 195 illustrations, including four colored plates. Philadelphia, New York, London: W. B. Saunders & Co. 1904. Cloth, \$5.00 net; Sheep or Half Morocco, \$6.00 net. Canadian agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto.

This excellent work has attained the distinction of two large editions in one year—a proof not only that such a work was needed, but also of the book's practical value. The vast amount of literature accumulated during the past year has been very carefully digested and the latest knowledge and advancements incorporated. A practical feature of the work lies in the fact that nearly all the illustrations represent actual clinical subjects showing the benefits of the X-rays at various stages of their application. The chapters by Caldwell give full details regarding the use and management of the apparatus, the text being fully illustrated with many photographs and drawings including four full-page colored plates. The second edition has been brought strictly down to date, especially the case histories cited; and by the addition of much new matter and a number of new illustrations, the usefulness of the work has been greatly extended.

We are very pleased to notice that the author has pointed out the great difficulty with which kidney-stones are recognized and located. We note with pleasure their statement showing the exact status of this work and how well it is being recognized.