

*Five Hundred Surgical Suggestions.* Practical Brevities in Surgical Diagnosis and Treatment. By WALTER M. BRICKNER, B.S., M.D., Chief of Surgical Department, Mount Sinai Hospital Dispensary, New York; Editor-in-Chief, *American Journal of Surgery*, and ELI MOSCHCOWITZ, A.B., M.D., Assistant Physician, Mount Sinai Hospital Dispensary, New York; Associate Editor, *American Journal of Surgery*. Second Series. Duodecimo; 125 pages. New York: Surgery Publishing Co., 92 William St. 1907. Price, \$1.00.

This little volume is gotten up in a very attractive style, and contains the condensed experience of the well-known authors. It is a book for the busy man—or to be picked up while waiting for a street car. Every part of the human frame is dealt with, and a variety of surgical axioms given in connection with each section.

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*A Practitioner's Handbook of Materia Medica and Therapeutics.* Based upon established physiological actions, and the indications in small doses. To which is added some pharmaceutical data and the most important therapeutic developments of sectarian medicine as explained along rational lines. By THOMAS S. BLAIR, M.D., Member American Medical Association, Pennsylvania State Medical Society, Harrisburg Academy of Medicine; Member of Visiting Staff of Harrisburg City Hospital, etc. Philadelphia: The Medical Council, 4105 Walnut Street.

The author has made two chief divisions in his work, the first under the heading of botany, the second under materia medica and therapeutics. There seems to be nothing in this book which cannot be obtained from any of the numerous works on this subject.

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*The Diagnosis of Nervous Diseases.* By PURVES STEWART, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., Physician to Out-Patients at the Westminster Hospital; Joint Lecturer on Medicine in the Medical School, etc. London: Edward Arnold, 41 and 43 Maddox Street, Bond Street W. 1906.

This is an excellent work that will prove to all, the beginner as well as the expert in neurology. The book opens with a brief clear outline of the anatomy and physiology of the nervous system. Then follows a description of the various symptoms and signs of nervous diseases, with an explanation of their causes and an explanation of their significance. It is much more useful than the usual works on diagnosis, as the author is not content with labelling each symptom as a sign of a special disease. The book is well worthy of a place in any library.