

## BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

Wood's Therapeutics and Pharmacology, 2 vols, 1856. From Messrs. Lippincott & Grambo, Philadelphia.

Draper's Physiology, 1856. From Messrs. Harper & Brothers, New York.

Churchill on Diseases of Children, second edition, 1856. From Messrs. Blanchard & Lea, Philadelphia.

Lyman's History and Statistics of Ovariectomy, 1856. From the author.

Haskell's Essays on the Physiology of the Nervous System, 1856. From the author.

## MEDICAL NEWS.

The *New York Journal of Medicine* and *New York Medical Times* have been combined under the editorial control of Drs. S. S. Purple, Stephen Smith and H. D. Bulkley. The first number of the new series has been received, and is, in all respects, worthy of patronage.—Dr. Joshua Flint, of Louisville, succeeds Professor Gross in the Louisville College.—Dr. H. Wales, of Boston, who recently died in Paris, after undergoing an amputation of the leg, necessitated by disease of the tibia, has bequeathed his valuable library to Harvard College, together with his entire fortune, amounting to about \$40,000.—Radcliffe advises the medical student in his earlier years to divide his time between the teachers of fencing and dancing.—Mead says, "the fashionable gesture and gentle manner of feeling the pulse agreeably is half the business."—The key-stone maxim on which all the great principles of medical ethics rest is a constant habit of *extolling yourself and deprecating your neighbor*—a gossiping female with a long tongue goes to make a fortune for a practitioner.—It is said the *thee* and *thou* of Dr. Fothergill, of London, was worth at least £2,000 a year to him.—Leaches bite like mad if the skin be first reddened by a mustard plaster.—A healthy boy has lately been born without eyes. The mother says, when nearly nine months advanced in pregnancy, she was frightened 'half to death' by suddenly meeting a large cat in a dark entry, eyes glaring like balls of fire, and *winking* in a most singular manner.—The late Dr. Treadwell, of Salem, was said to have left the bulk of his property, amounting to about \$100,000, and his valuable medical library to the medical department of Harvard College; but this has been since contradicted.—The sage Dr. Pouch observes, "female headaches are innumerable, but they arise principally from vexation and disappointment. They may be divided into the "nervous" and the "sick." The nervous is irritable and cannot bear to be spoken to; the sick is despondent or sulky, and bursts into tears at the least contradiction. Very apt to come on from the lady not having her own way, or a stranger being brought home to dine, &c." An uncommon quick cure is said to be, wrapping up the neck in a new shawl, the application of a piece of jewellery, &c., &c.—Dr. Gill succeeds Dr. Addison as Lecturer on the principles and practice of medicine at Guy's.—Miss Catherine Hayes has given £600 to the Melbourne Hospital; a new wing is to be added to it, to be called the "Catherine Hayes ward."—"Addison's disease" is the name M. Trousseau has proposed for disease of the supra-renal capsule, marked with a bronzed state of the skin.—During the second week of August there had been 28 cases of cholera in London, which had ended fatally. Their general duration points to the disease as being the common Summer type. The shortest was 12 hours, the longest 11 days.—The Academy of Science, at Montpellier, offers for 1857 a prize of 400 francs for the best Essay, written in French or Latin, upon the medico-surgical study of uterine deviations.—In 1858, a prize of 500 francs will be offered by the same body for the best Essay on the relations between alimentation and respiration.—The Royal College of Surgeons, Edinburgh, have unanimously elected Dr. Andrew Smith, the Director General, an Honorary Fellow of their College.—The number of graduates of Jefferson Medical College, from its commencement, in 1825 and 1856 inclusive, has been 3,597.—M. Beau has recently been elected a member of the Academie de Médecine in the section of Pathological Anatomy.