

A Thesaurus of Medical Words and Phrases. By WILFRED M. BARTON, M.D., Assistant to Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics, and Lecturer on Pharmacy, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.; and WALTER A. WELLS, M.D., Demonstrator of Laryngology and Rhinology, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. Handsome octavo of 534 pages. Philadelphia, New York, London: W. B. Saunders & Company. 1903. Flexible leather, \$2.50 net; with thumb index, \$3 net. Canadian agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Ltd., Toronto.

This is a unique work in medical lexicography all through, and represents an enormous amount of labor. It is not a medical dictionary, in that it gives the meaning of certain words, but the reverse. It supplies the phrase to express the idea. The book, to our knowledge, has no prototype, so that the authors have had to use their brains, and they have had no similar work to take hints from.

The Thesaurus will be found of the greatest assistance to those who have some little difficulty in giving expression to their thoughts in public speaking or literary work. The cross references from one caption to another, and the synonyms, will be found to add to the value of the book very much.

Manual of Intra-gastric Technique. Practical Lessons in the use of Apparatus for the Diagnosis of the Stomach. By GEORGE HERSHELL, M.D. (Lond.), Fellow of the Royal Medico-Chirurgical Society. London: Henry J. Glaisher, 15 Wigmore Street, Cavendish Square, W. 1903.

This work contains 166 pages including an index. The instruments used are well illustrated and described, and indications and contraindications for their use are carefully noted. A chapter of twenty-four pages is devoted to examination of stomach contents. This book is thoroughly up-to-date, and in reading it one feels that he is following the author through his daily work and receiving the benefit of his experience in all the little points of technique which make for success in intra-gastric work.

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The Woman Who Toils. By MRS. JOHN VAN VORST and MARIE VAN VORST. Toronto: George N. Morang & Co., Limited.

In these days of strikes among the workingmen and women, dull, indeed, must be a public that is not keenly interested in the struggle of labor against capital. This book deals almost entirely with individual labor. Two ladies assume the clothing and simulate the manners of workingwomen, and seek and obtain positions