thoroughly well known since its first appearance before the medical public, that it is not within our power to add anything to its already fully appreciated practical contents. When the first edition appeared some years ago we secured a copy and at that time fully mastered its contents, and were more than pleased with the concise, clear and brief manner in which it placed matters for your perusal. We have since that time had many occasions on which we were compelled to refer to it, and its practibility was only the more thoroughly demonstrated by its continued use. We can in all sincerity recommend it to the medical student.

A SHORT MANUAL OF ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY. Qualitative and Quantitative—Inorganic and Organic. Arranged on the principle of the course of instruction given at the South London School of Pharmacy. By John Muter, M.A., Ph.D., etc., Public Analyst and Author. First American from the fourth English edition, edited by Claude C. Hamilton, M.D., Ph.G., Kansas City, Mo. Philadelphia, P. Blakiston, Son & Co., 1891.

This is a neat and comprehensive exposition of a most interesting subject. There is no doubt but that this book fully covers the ground its title would indicate. It is very practical as a guide for the medical student, giving both the organic and inorganic work in a very thorough and systematic manner. The tabular arrangement for the detection of unknown salts is particularly to be commended. Typographically the work is above the average. For the busy practitioner who finds it necessary to make an occasional analysis we would recommend this volume as complete and reliable.

MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS: A CLINICAL TEXT-BOOK FOR PHYSICIANS AND STUDENTS. By Dr. Oswald Vierordt, Professor of Medicine at the University of Heidelberg; formerly Privat Docent at University of Leipzig; Professor of Medicine and Director of the Medical Polyclinic at the University of Jena. Translated, with additions from the second enlarged German edition, with the author's permission, by Francis H. Stuart, A.M., M.D., Member of the Medical Society of the County of Kings, N. Y.; Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine; Member of the British Medical Association, etc. 8vo., pp. 716. Numerous coloured and wood engravings. Price, cloth, \$4; sneep, \$5. Philadelphia, W. B. Saunders.

This is the most complete work of its kind hitherto published. It is distinctly a clinical work by a master teacher, characterized by thoroughness, fullness and accuracy. It is a mine of information upon the points that are so often passed over without explanation. The student who is familiar with its contents will have a sound foundation for the oractice of his profession. This treatise meets the wants of the physician most admirably. The work is exhaustive, and the systematic and complete consideration of each system leaves nothing to be desired either as a text-book to the student, a guide to the young practitioner, or a work of reference for those longer engaged in practice.

The arrangement is systematic, as shown by a glance at the contents of the book, as follows: Part I contains two chapters—chapter I, Introduction; chapter II, Examination of Patients. Part II has

reference to points to be considered in General Examinations. Part III is devoted to Examination of the Respiratory Apparatus, of the Circulatory Apparatus, of the Blood Vessels and the Blood. In this section the Digestive Apparatus, the Urinary Apparatus, and the Nervous System are separately handled. The work has been carefully done, especially that of the translator, who deserves much credit, particularly for the additions inserted by himself. Copious illustrations, many of them coloured, add to the value of the work. We predict for this work a good reception by the medical profession, as it is well fitted to aid the practitioner in his daily work. The volume is well printed and of very attractive appearance, and will prove a valuable addition to any physician's library.

DISEASES OF THE NASAL ORGANS AND NASO-PHARYNX. By Whitfield Ward, A.M., M.D., ten years surgeon to the Metropolitan Throat Hospital. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London, 1891.

This is a highly interesting little volume, especially so, as within the past decade catarrhal affections of the nose and throat have apparently become more frequent, whether this be due to our mode of living in over-heated houses and on overstimulating diets we do not propose to say, but assuredly at the present time the specialists in this line have ample scope for experience. Within the past few years great progress has been made in the treatment of the many diseases so frequently found in the nesal cavaties. This has been especially marked in those affections for surgical operations, many improved methods and many new instruments having been invented for their better performance. The author states that in this little book he has endeavoured to present the subject as clearly and concisely as possible, seeking to view the matter from a practical rather than from a theoretical standpoint. The contents are well selected, nicely put together, and form very agreeable reading. The price (\$1.00) is within the reach of all.

## NEWS ITEM.

The next meeting of the Medical Society of the State of New York will be held at Albany, Febuary 2nd 3rd 4th 1892, Dr. Seneca D. Powell, No. 12 West 40th Street, New York. Dr. James D. Spencer, of Watertown, and Dr. Farnklin Townsend, No. No 2 Park Place, Albany, have been appointed the Business Committee. Any Communications regarding papers or any matter pertaining to the business of the Society which should properly come before the Business Committee should be addressed to Dr. Seneca D. Powell, 12 West 40th Street, New York, City.

A. Walter Suiter,

F. C. Curtis

President.

Secretary.