

but they may alleviate pain. For sleeplessness Dr. Garland has no sure remedy. Bromides and ice-bags to the head might be tried. In delirium, alcohol and morphine for known alcoholics; carbonate of ammonium, tonic doses of quinine, 2 or 3 grs. a day, and liquid food. Strophantans promises to be a better heart tonic for pneumonia than digitalis, because it is more sedative to the nerve-centres. In sudden collapse, brandy and ammonia hypodermically and heat locally. Calomel the author uses as a laxative in the early stages and gives "all the water and ice the patient desires." We have only spoken regarding pneumonia, but the management of pleurisy, as detailed by this author, will probably give some very new and valuable ideas on the subject to our readers. We can heartily recommend its perusal.

WOOD'S MEDICAL AND SURGICAL MONOGRAPHS, Consisting of Original Treatises and of Complete Reproductions, in English, of Books and Monographs selected from the latest literature of foreign countries, with all illustrations, etc. The contents of March number are as follows: Neurasthenia and its Treatment, by Dr. H. Von Ziemssen; Antipyresis and Antipyretic Methods of Treatment, by Dr. H. Von Ziemssen; The Tongue, as an Indication of Disease, by Dr. W. H. Dickinson; On the Treatment of Cystic Goitre, by T. M. Hovell, F.R.C.S.; New Remedies from 1878 to 1888, by Dr. C. Cauquil; Index for Vol. 1. Contents of April number: On Diabetes and its Connection with Heart Disease, by Jacques Meyer, M.D.; Blenorrhœa of the Sexual Organs and its Complications, by Dr. Ernest Finger. Published monthly. Price, \$10.00 a year; single copies, \$1.00. April, 1889. William Wood & Co., 56 and 58 Lafayette Place, New York.

Among the many other advantages which the practitioner of to-day enjoys which those who preceded him did not possess is that of cheap and good medical literature. For less than two dollars he can purchase in the above form a splendid stiff paper and in large clear type, seven modern medical works. Some of these books were written by leading French and German authors and might therefore have remained sealed to the majority of readers were they not placed before them in English. The selection of subjects is opportune and the translations have been made in a peculiarly easy and acceptable manner. The limits of space prevent us from giving even a synopsis of these books, but if any of our readers will send one dollar to Wm. Wood & Co., and ask for the March number, they will be able to judge for themselves whether twelve such books are not worth the ten dollars charged.

**SPRAINS: THEIR CONSEQUENCES AND TREATMENT.** By C. W. Mansell Moullin, M.A., M.D., Oxon., F.R.C.S., Eng. Assistant Surgeon and Senior Demonstrator of Anatomy at the London Hospital; formerly Radcliffe Travelling Fellow, and Fellow of Pembroke College, Oxford.

Sprains, and the consequences which may be regarded as directly and immediately dependent on them, form a subject of great interest, for it has been said, and not untrue, that in all probability half the crippled limbs and stiffened joints that are met with every day, date their starting point from the occurrence of some apparently trifling accident of this description. Few injuries are

treated with so little consideration as sprains. It is impossible to overlook wounds, owing to the bleeding and pain that accompany them. Fractures, it is understood, require rest and care; but sprains, in which the tissues are torn to such a degree that the damage is far more serious than in many fractures, merely because they are so common, are considered of little or no consequence; a fracture being regarded as serious, a sprained joint as quite a trivial matter.

It is true that a large number of sprained joints get well of themselves, or under ordinary domestic treatment; a few, it must be admitted, in spite of it; but even in the young and healthy, it is not unusual to find the action of the joint seriously impaired. Or without the joint itself being injured, the muscles and tendons may be strained, and give rise to stiffness or weakness that lasts for years.

This is not a subject calculated to interest the specialist in orthopedics alone, but is one that comes home to the physician in his every-day practice.

About 200 pages of the May issue of Wood's Medical and Surgical Monographs are devoted to Dr. Moullin's masterly treatise, and if his efforts serve to awaken an appreciation of the gravity of these injuries, and convey the necessary information to insure suitable treatment for them, he will indeed accomplish a good work. It would seem that his book should fulfil this mission, for it considers the subject in all its aspects, and he has apparently omitted nothing necessary to make the work an indispensable adjunct to the working library of every physician.

## PAMPHLETS RECEIVED.

The following pamphlets have been received. The authors of them would probably be pleased to send a copy to any one interested who will send his name and address coupled with the request to do so.

Gonorrhœal Diseases of the Uterine Appendages. By Joseph Price, M.D., Philadelphia.

A Report of Two Cases of Extra-Uterine Pregnancy. By Joseph Price, M.D., Philadelphia.

On Some Mild Measures in the Treatment of Intra-Nasal Hypertrophies and Inflammations. By W. H. Daly, M.D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Question of interfering with the Abscesses of Hip Disease. By A. B. Judson, M.D. Orthopaedic Surgeon to the Out-Patient Department of the New York Hospital. Reprinted from the New York Medical Journal for March 2, 1889.

A Consideration of Some of the Recent Work in Abdominal Surgery. By Joseph Price, M.D., Philadelphia, Pa. Physician-in-charge of the Preston Retreat; Fellow of the American Association of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

On the Relation of the Nasal and Neurotic Factors in the Etiology of Asthma. By F. H. Besworth, M.D.; E. L. Shurly, M.D.; W. H. Daly, M.D.; Andrew H. Smith, M.D. Reprinted from the New York Medical Journal for January 19, 1889.

Conservative Gynecology. By Horatio R. Bigelow, M.D. Permanent Member of the American Medical Association; Life Fellow of the British Gynecological Association; Member of the Anthropological and Biological Societies of Washington, D.C., etc.