

as complete as possible, and from a careful examination we must say he has been successful. We have repeatedly put it to the test, and in not a single instance has it failed to give us complete satisfaction. The order of arrangement of matter is strictly alphabetical.

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Practical Diagnosis.—The Use of Symptoms in the Diagnosis of Disease. Fourth Edition, revised and enlarged. By HOBART AMORY HARE, M.D., B.Sc., Professor of Therapeutics in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia; Physician to the Jefferson Medical College Hospital; Laureate of the Medical Society of London, of the Royal Academy of Medicine in Belgium; Corresponding Fellow of the Sociedad Espanol de la Hygiene of Madrid; Member of the Association of American Physicians; Fellow of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia, etc.; Author of a Text-Book of Practical Therapeutics. Illustrated with 205 Engravings and 14 Colored Plates. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia and New York, 1889.

That this has proved to be an exceedingly popular work, is evinced by the rapidity with which the third edition was exhausted since its appearance in September, 1898. Four large editions of a single work within two years is a record of which even so popular an author as Professor Hare may justly feel proud. So short a time having elapsed between the third and fourth editions, one would have thought that no revision of the text would be needed, but the author has seized the opportunity to insert new illustrations and such additions to the text as would make the volume more valuable. This volume, like its predecessors the earlier editions, does not aim to be a complete treatise on physical diagnosis, but rather to present a practical and scientific method of studying disease from the standpoint of symptoms. Instead of giving the several diseases and then attaching to each a list of symptoms, as has so long been the rule, Prof. Hare reverses the plan in this work and discusses the symptoms first, and then makes application of them to determine the character of the disease. The work will undoubtedly prove exceedingly useful to the beginner in clinical medicine. The volume opens with an introduction embracing general diagnostic considerations, such as the facies of disease, the attitude of the patient, and other like features that go so far to prove the aptitude and skill of physicians. The index is very complete, and is so arranged that, given any symptom or manifestation of disease in any organ, one may turn at once to each causal disease and read its differentiation almost at a glance. The engravings and colored plates are excellent, and have evidently been selected chiefly with an eye to practical utility.

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An Epitome of the History of Medicine. By Roswell Park, A.M., M.D., Professor of Surgery in the Medical Department of the University of Buffalo, etc. Based upon a course of lectures delivered in the University of Buffalo. Second Edition. Illustrated with Portraits and other Engravings. $6\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$ inches. Pages xiv-370. Extra Cloth, \$2.00 net. The F. A. Davis Co., Publishers, 1914-1916 Cherry St., Philadelphia.