The work is profusely illustrated throughout, fifty new illustrations being added, three of which are colored plates. Also frequent reference (in foot notes) is made to the author's own private cases which greatly adds to the interest of the subject in hand. In the chapter on the pathology of labor there is an excellent article on the treatment of eclampsia, which is brief, rational, easily carried out and should be effectual in most cases of this alarming condition, so often fatal to the mother or child, and occasion-to both. In the latter part of his closing chapter the author devotes some twelve pages to the diagnosis and treatment of the more common diseases of the new-born, of necessity a short resumé of the subject but none the less useful to the practitioner.

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