

formation, because its statements are given in such a condensed form. What has to be said is said in a definite and positive manner without an extra word. The subject of obstetrics is covered in the form of question and answer. The anatomy and physiology of the pelvic organs is first given, This is followed by sections on pregnancy and the pathology of pregnancy. Then the author takes up labor and the pathology of labor. Next come obstetric operations, the puerperium, and the care of the newborn child. There are numerous illustrations, and the paper and typography are good. We can recommend this book. It is an excellent means of refreshing one's memory on all that is essential in this branch of a practitioner's duties.

AMERICAN GENITO-URINARY SURGEONS.

Transactions of the American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons' twenty-eighth annual meeting, held at the Red Lion Inn, Stockbridge, Mass., May 15th and 16th, 1914. Vol. ix. Published for the Association by Frederick H. Hitchcock, 105 West Fortieth St., New York.

This report contains a number of very excellent papers and some good illustrations. These papers are a credit to the association and reveal the high standard aimed at by those who prepared them and those who took part in the discussions. Those who are giving some attention to genito-urinary diseases will find much in this report to interest them, and should secure a copy.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the Social Service Department of the Toronto General Hospital was held at the hospital recently. His Honor Lieutenant-Governor Hendrie occupied the chair. During the course of his remarks his Honor congratulated the association on the excellent work that had been done since its inception in 1911. He also referred to the urgent need of a home for the feeble-minded and urged the members of the association to see the members of Parliament individually and press the need for an institution of this kind.

Miss Clara Flavelle, the treasurer, presented her report, and showed that the finances of the association are in a healthy condition, there being now a balance of \$1,847.13 in the bank.