

Book Reviews.

Harrington's Practical Hygiene. A Treatise on Hygiene and Sanitation. For Students, Practitioners, Health Officers, etc. By CHARLES HARRINGTON, M.D., Assistant Professor of Hygiene in Harvard University Medical School, Boston. New (3rd) edition, thoroughly revised. In one octavo volume of 793 pages, with 118 engravings and 12 plates. Cloth, \$4.25, net. Lea Brothers & Co., Publishers, Philadelphia and New York, 1905.

No department in the realm of medicine approaches in importance hygiene and sanitation—the science and art of conserving the health, energy, wealth and welfare of the individual and of the community. An authoritative book, covering the entire subject clearly and comprehensively, is therefore an essential to the full execution of professional responsibilities. Dr. Harrington's work was accepted as the authority upon the appearance of its first edition. He treats his subject broadly and with careful attention to details, his purpose being to furnish a clear, complete, well-illustrated volume, equally adapted to the needs of the student, practitioner and health officer. The success of the work is well shown in the demand which has exhausted two large editions in less than four years. As the succeeding editions are called for, the author, by careful revision, elision of obsolete matter and addition of new, keeps his work well abreast of the advances in a subject by no means stagnant. The new section on infection, susceptibility and immunity will prove a valuable and interesting feature of the present edition. Evidences of searching revision will be found throughout the book, the alterations and additions necessitating a considerable increase in both text and illustrations, although the price remains at its previous very moderate figure.

A Text-Book of Obstetrics, By ADAM H. WRIGHT, M.D., M.R.C.S., Eng. Professor of Obstetrics, University of Toronto; Obstetrician and Gynecologist to the General Hospital, Toronto, Canada. With two hundred and twenty-four illustrations in the text. New York and London: D. Appleton & Company, Publishers. Toronto: N. Morang & Co. Price, \$4.50.

To the medical practitioners of this country, Dr. Adam H. Wright needs no introduction, as few members of the profession are better or more favorably known. The reviewer's acquaintanceship with him extends over a period of thirty years as teacher, colleague and friend; and these many years have given abundant proof of the thorough manner in which Dr. Wright performs all his work. But this is not the occasion for personal reminiscences. Our duty is that of examining his work on obstetrics.

On many occasions, and for many years, Dr. Wright has