

the case of the mind the process of evolution of the disease is that the emotions and moral qualities are first disturbed, and, later, the reason.

Chapter three deals with the relation of his disease to other diseases. Neurasthenics often think they have some form of disease such as malaria. On the other hand, a typical neurasthenic may become the victim of malarial, or afflicted with any other disease. Then, again, other diseases may reduce the general health, and help lay the foundation for neurasthenia.

There is an excellent chapter on sexual hygiene. The extreme ground is avoided on both sides. The authors condemn many of the practices resorted to to avoid conception.

The portion of the work dealing with treatment is specially good. This section can be recommended to the medical profession with much confidence.

The publishers have done their share well. This work is one of the series of medical classics by the publication of which E. B. Treat has become so well known.

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## Obituary.

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### John E. White, M.D.

THE medical profession of Toronto was taken by surprise when its many members read, in the morning papers of January 22nd, the announcement of the death of Dr. John E. White. For some time Dr. White had experienced symptoms of heart-trouble, but he did not regard it as at all serious. On the day of his death he attended to his professional calls as usual. When he came home in the evening he complained of feeling faint. He almost immediately afterwards fell on the floor and died in a few minutes.

Deceased was born in Beaverton in 1848. He was, therefore, 47 years of age when death overtook him. He graduated from the University of Toronto in 1870. He practised for four years in Beaverton, and twenty in Toronto.

Outside of his medical work, Dr. White took an active interest in the natural history section of the Canadian Institute. He was one of the founders of the Toronto Art School, and continued to be a steady friend to it. He was also one of the founders of the Ontario Medical Association, which has done so much good. He was its first secretary and continued to discharge this duty for many years. The