claimed immunity from zymotic diseases, but they still have a marked immunity from tuberculosis. In the crowded districts of New York, where the Irish, Germans and English had a mortality of this disease of from 19 to 13 per cent, the Jews had only a mortality of 5.76 per cent. As a race they are remarkably free from alcoholism and syphilis, the latter evidently we believe due to their circumcision, as they appear to have gonorrhæa, however, equally with their Christian brethren.

## Book Reviews.

A Textbook of the Practice of Medicine. By Dr. Herman Eichhorst, Professor of Special Pathology and Therapeutics and Director of the Medical Clinic in the University of Zurich. Translated and edited by Augustus A. Eshner, M. D., Professor of Clinical Medicine in the Philadelphia Polyclinic. Two octavo volumes of over 600 pages each; over 150 illustrations. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders & Co., 1901. Canadian agents, J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto. Price per set: Cloth, \$6.00 net.

The author of these two volumes is not so well known on this side of the Atlantic as he is in Germany, where he is ranked among the best of their distinguished medical men. If these volumes meet with the sale their value entitles them to, his name must in the future with us carry great weight. Like most German authors, he is strong in diagnosis and his pathology is written in a clear and concise style, and, unlike the majority of German writers, he is evidently a firm believer in therapy. The two volumes are produced in the very best possible style.

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Progressive Medicine, Vol. II, June 1901. A quarterly digest of advances, discoveries and improvements in the Medical and Surgical Sciences. Edited by Hobart Amory Hare, M. D., Professor of Therapeutics and Materia Medica in the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, assisted by Dr. H. R. M. Landis. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia and New York, 1901.

Each succeeding issue of this elegant quarterly seems to be an improvement on those which have preceded. By this time it has fully established its reputation and is steadily increasing the number of its readers. The present volume contains Surgery of the Abdomen, including Hernia, by Dr. Coley; Gynæcology, by Dr. John G. Clarke; Diseases of the Blood and Ductless Glands;