

BOOK NOTICES AND REVIEWS.

PRACTICAL THERAPEUTICS: Considered chiefly with reference to articles of the *Materia Medica*. By Edward John Waring, M.D., F.L.S. Second American from the third London edition. Philadelphia Lindsay & Blackiston, 1871. Toronto: Willing & Williamson.

We have risen from the perusal of the above new edition of "Waring's Practical Therapeutics" with unqualified admiration of the skill and judgment which the author has displayed in the additions and improvements he has made on his former work. Less voluminous than Stille's, which partakes more of the character of an *Encyclopædia*, the work of Dr Waring contains a vast fund of practical matter, which is at once easily accessible without the trouble of consulting whole libraries on the subject of which it treats.

This latter qualification will commend itself especially to those members of the profession whose numerous engagements preclude them from systematic study, and yet who are desirous of keeping pace with the present advanced state of knowledge, with comparatively little expenditure of time or money.

We recommend it cordially to the profession, as one of the most useful works on "Practical Therapeutics" that has been issued from the press for a long period.

Essentials of the Principles and practice of Medicine. A handbook for students and practitioners. By Henry Harts-horne, A.M., M.D. Third edition thoroughly revised. Philadelphia: Henry C. Lea, 1871. Toronto: Willing & Williamson. Price \$2.

This edition has been revised with great care, and considerable pains have been taken by the author to supply omissions and add whatever has seemed most valuable in the recent advances of medical science. While the work contains much in the nature of compilation, it is not wholly devoid of originality, and although brevity has been aimed at on all subjects, the most extended consideration is given to those which especially require the attention of the student on account of their difficulty or importance. It is fully abreast of the advanced state of