

Ewart discusses very fully the recently exploited forms of treatment by baths medicated and otherwise.

The section on Dermatology and Syphilis by Dr. Gottheil, besides giving the most advanced information concerning the ordinary problems presented in those subjects, discusses very fully the new and important subject of photo-therapy and the Finsen light treatment, blastomycetic dermatitis and inoculation tuberculosis.

In the section on diseases of the nervous system, Dr. Spiller devotes a large portion of his space to an able discussion of tumours and abscesses of the brain. He also describes the commoner forms of the peculiar nervous diseases which are sometimes so puzzling to those who have not made a special study of neurology.

In obstetrics Dr. Norris discusses very fully the treatment of eclampsia. He gives also the most recent views on the subject of symphysiotomy, and discusses the large number of recently reported cases in which lumbar anæsthesia has been employed in obstetric practice.

In the above we have briefly outlined some of the more important features of the work. Its scope, however, includes an interesting narrative of the practical advances made in diseases of the thorax, dermatology, syphilis, diseases of the nervous system and obstetrics.

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**A Text-Book of Pharmacology and Therapeutics;** or the action of drugs in health and disease. By Arthur R. Cushny, M.A., M.D., Aberd./ Prof. of Materia-Medica in the University of Michigan; formerly Thompson Fellow in the University of Aberdeen, etc., etc. Second edition revised and enlarged. Lea Bros. & Co., Philadelphia and New York, 1901.

There is little to be added to what was said of this excellent work when it appeared in June, 1899. We congratulate the author on his deserved success. The exhaustion of the first edition in a little over one year has afforded opportunity for a revision in some subjects and the addition of others. The question of the rôle of Iron in the economy is always an entrancing one, and we could have wished a fuller article on the subject. The researches of Arthman Bruère, of Bishop's College, Montreal, now in progress, may, we hope, throw some light on this discussed point. The classification, a modification of Büchheim & Schmiedeberg, has been adhered to. On the whole, the book is much the best of its kind published today. The printing and binding are in the Lea's usual style, but *why* will they not hearken unto the plea of those for whom the book is intended, and give up the eye-destroying, glossy-surface paper, substituting the rough-non-reflecting paper so soothing to the tired eye of those who can only read after a hard day's work?

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