

mense amount of material has been gone over, and we congratulate the authors on selecting such a practical amount of interesting and valuable reading matter. On looking over it, one would be surprised to see the number of details that he has missed, even though he has tried to keep up his reading.

F. G. G.

We have at hand a copy of Dr. J. J. Taylor's *Physician's Pocket Account Book and Practical Advice for Professional Success*, published by the Medical Council, 4105 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

This pocket book contains a simple, yet nicely arranged, account system for physicians, also some suggestions on the collection of accounts. Valuable information in condensed form is also given on the Form of Wills, Dying Declarations, Treatment of Poisoning, Infectious Diseases, Weights and Measures, and an outline of the average fee charged in medical, surgical and obstetrical practice.

N. K. W.

A Text-Book on the Practice of Gynecology. For Practitioners and Students. By W. EASTERLY ASHTON, M.D., LL.D., Professor of Gynecology in the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia. Fourth Edition; thoroughly revised. Octavo of 1,099 pages, with 1,058 original line drawings. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1909. Cloth, \$6.50 net; half-morocco, \$8.00 net. Canadian Agents, The J. F. Hartz Co., Ltd., Toronto.

Ashton's Text-Book on the Practice of Gynecology now appears in its fourth edition, and covers about eleven hundred pages in all. The book is divided into forty-five chapters, devoted to Gynecology in its different aspects. Dr. Ashton states in his preface that a work on this subject should aim at taking nothing for granted in describing gynecologic diseases. He believes in not only stating what should be done in every case, but in this work gives directions and illustrations sufficiently explicit that any reader can follow. There is no doubt that the author is correct in his statement along this line, and that if a volume on any subject is to be acceptable to the profession it ought to be as original as possible, there being too great a tendency on the part of writers to rehash what others have already stated.