

A Manual of Therapeutics. By A. A. STEVENS, A.M., M.D., Lecturer on Terminology and Instructor in Physical Diagnosis in the University of Pennsylvania; Demonstrator of Pathology in the Woman's Medical College, Philadelphia; Physician to St. Mary's Hospital and to the South-Eastern Dispensary; Pathologist to St. Agnes' Hospital. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street. 1894. Price \$2.25.

The book consists of 435 pages. The matter is taken up under the following headings: Physiological Action of Drugs; Drugs; Remedial Measures other than Drugs; Applied Therapeutics; Incompatibility in Prescriptions; Table of Doses; Index of Drugs and Index of Diseases. It will thus be seen that while the book is not a large one, the scope is comprehensive. In order to condense so much matter within the limits laid down for himself by the author, the book, as a consequence, partakes of the nature of a manual rather than a text-book. The work will prove very useful to the student who wishes to review his work for examinations; and to the practitioner who wishes to look up points in some short and ready form. The information contained is reliable, and the publishers have done their part of the work very well.

The International Medical Annual and Practitioner's Index. A work of reference for medical practitioners. 1894. Twelfth year. Price \$2.75. New York: E. B. Treat, 5 Cooper Union.

The plan which has met with such warm approval in former years has been followed in the general arrangement of this volume. The object has been to make the annual an exact and impartial record of the advances of medical science, and the end has been achieved, for in this work we have mirrored in condensed form what is newest and best in medical literature. Every practitioner should

procure a year-book of treatment, and this work can be safely recommended. It is sectioned as follows: Dictionary of New Remedies; Dictionary of New Treatment; Sanitary Science; Progress in Pharmacy; New Medical and Surgical Appliances; Publications of the Year, with General Index.

A Retrospect of Surgery: January, 1890—January, 1894. Prepared by FRANCIS J. SHEPHERD, M.D., C.M., Surgeon to the Montreal General Hospital; Professor of Anatomy and Lecturer on Operative Surgery, McGill University.

This is a small volume of about 250 pages, reprinted from the *Montreal Medical Journal*, and consisting of cullings from various sources, and furnishing a good epitome of all that is new and interesting in the surgery of the years over which it runs. Here and there are interspersed remarks by Dr. Shepherd himself, the whole constituting a valuable little book for those who make more or less a specialty of surgery. The general features closely resemble those of Sajous' "Annual of Medical Sciences," but its contents deal solely with surgical questions. It ought to render good service as a means of ready reference for those who have not the time to wade through for themselves all the surgical literature of the last few years.

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SYPHILIS.—In the case of a woman suffering from extreme tenderness of the periosteum over the sternum, with a thickening of the walls of the blood vessels, Dr. Porter prescribed with advantage:

R Hydrarg-biniodi gr. i-iss
 Amm.-iodidi ℥iij.
 Kali-iodidi ℥iv.
 Syr. auranti cort. ℥j.
 Tr. auranti ℥j.
 Aquæ q. s. ad ℥iij.

Sig.: T. i. d.—*Post-Graduate.*