

against any physician who will hire out his services to those concerns. To say the least, it is unprofessional.

Yours truly,
R. OVENS.

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Book Notices.

American Text-Book of Gynecology. Mr. W. B. Saunders, publisher, of Philadelphia, Pa., announces this work as ready for early issue. It is the joint work of Drs. Howard Kelly, Pryor, Byford, Baldy, Tuttle and others, who stand before the profession for all that is progressive in gynecology. The work will contain operations not before described in any other book—notably ablation of fibroid uterus. It is designed as a profusely illustrated reference book for the practitioner, and every practical detail of treatment is precisely stated.

The Report of the Department of Pathology of University College, London, 1892-93, together with a Collection of Papers and Abstracts published from the Laboratory. Vol. I. Edited by VICTOR HORSLEY, F.R.S., F.R.C.S., and RUPERT BOYCE, M.B.

In the introduction of this, it is stated that this is the first of a series of collected papers, which, it is hoped, will appear from year to year; and, judging by the papers in the present report, we think it will be in the interests of the medical profession to have this report appear annually.

When we say that the report consists of a series of collected papers by such eminent pathologists as Horsley, Boyce, Russell and Harris, we feel that further comment is unnecessary. A number of excellent plates, relative to the papers, appear in the report.

Essentials of Minor Surgery, Bandaging and Venereal Diseases. Arranged in the form of Questions and Answers. Prepared especially for Students of Medicine. By EDWARD MARTIN, A.M., M.D. Second edition revised and enlarged. Seventy-eight illustrations. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street. 1893.

The second edition of this little work has been enlarged and revised, and will prove of great value to the student of medicine.

While this work is not to take the place of a

text-book, its greatest value to the student lies in the fact that it brings before his mind the chief practical points of minor surgery in a very short form. The different bandages and the methods of applying them are fully explained. This, we think, is the most valuable part of the book, as this branch of minor surgery is, as a rule, neglected in the larger text-books. The chapters on Venereal Diseases are good and well written.

Altogether, the book contains much useful and practical advice, and we have much pleasure in recommending it to medical students and to those practitioners who wish to refresh their minds on this subject, and who have not time to devote to the reading of large text-books.

The Medical Profession in Upper Canada, 1783-1850. An historical narrative, with judicial documents relating to the profession, including Biographical Sketches and notices of over 1,000 doctors, with illustrations. By WM. CANNIFF, M.D., M.R.C.S. Eng., Author of "Principles of Surgery," "Settlement of Upper Canada," etc. Wm. Briggs, publisher, 30-36 Temperance St., Toronto.

A circular has been issued to the medical profession and the public containing this announcement. In a glance at the list of well-known names who have subscribed, the excellence of the work will be fully realized. Dr. Canniff's reputation from his previous works makes us look forward very favourably for this one, which will be of such great interest. We are pleased to append the opinion of *The Week* on the subject: "Probably no one in Canada is better fitted to tell the story of the medical profession of his own country than the talented author of that valuable historical work, 'The Settlement of Upper Canada,' and of the competent professional treatise, 'The Principles of Surgery.'" To love of country, thorough knowledge of her traditions and history, lengthened experience as a medical practitioner, wide and intimate acquaintance with prominent members of his profession, and ready access to records of other days, Dr. Canniff adds the enthusiasm of the student, and the requisite literary qualifications. A moment's thought of the past brings up the historic figure of Dr. John Rolph, and the cherished memory of Dr. Christopher Widmer. How important and attractive such a work can be made is