

The division devoted to diseases of the larynx is brought down to the most recent date, Killian's methods of examination are admirably portrayed and described. Tracheoscopy and bronchoscopy are duly dealt with, as well as the double electro-photophore, the stroboscope.

Tumors of the larynx receive a fair amount of attention, and the whole work is well illustrated, many of the cuts being new.

If there is any serious criticism, it might be relative to the index. For instance: "Diseases and Traumatisms of the Larynx" are confined to a single chapter, covering 230 pages, while the index, alphabetically arranged, prevents the reader from making a classification for himself. Still, the book is gotten up in excellent form, and the translator deserves our thanks for placing so valuable a work from the French before us.

The Ideal of Service.

The ideal for you to realize is the ideal of service. Your very bill-heads will remind you constantly of this, for will they not read "Mr. John Smith, to John Jones, M.D., Dr. For Professional Services" so much?

It is a clumsy way of reckoning, however, for who can reckon in coin of the realm the service rendered by the saving of a precious life to kindred and to the community? Who can transmute into paltry dollars the care and skill and learning that shut the door on death? Moreover, to whom shall Flexner and Jobling or Rosenberger render a bill for "professional services to mankind" by the discovery of the antiserum for cerebro-spinal meningitis or by the discovery anent the tubercle bacillus? Who will pay it? No one! Remember that "only the lower things of life are sold; the higher things are always given."

The service you will render will always be a personal service, often at the expense of sleep, of comfort, of home joys, of recreation; but, believe me, it pays, as personal service always does. Remember that yours is not a trade, but a profession. "The object of a trade is to make money; the object of a profession is to bless mankind." This ideal of personal service can never be fully realized by others, or, indeed, rendered by others, but only by those of our own guild.—W. W. Keen in *J. A. M. A.*

Swabbing the throat with 20 per cent. iodine in glycerine will quickly relieve a pharyngitis.—*American Journal of Surgery.*