

which formed the subject of their valuable cliniques. This was mainly attributable to the entirely different nosology employed by each; for while the former employed his interminable *arbre des dermatoses* as his system of classification, with never-ending *teignes* and *dartres*, the latter selected as the basis of his arrangement what certainly appeared to us at the time the much more easily comprehended system of Willan, treating of diseases according to their external characters, without reference to their locality. Since that time, and more especially within the last few years, how much has been done in this particular department of medical science. Dr. A. T. Thomson, Mr. Plumble, Dr. G. Gregory, and Mr. Erasmus Wilson, have all published valuable works on this subject, and translations of the most esteemed French authors have been furnished to us both in England and the United States while exception may be taken by persons so disposed to all the above, yet materials have been abundantly provided for the scientific study of this important class of diseases.

We have carefully perused the work whose title heads these remarks, comparing it with Dr. Burgess' translation of the same work, which was in our possession; and while we have always considered the latter excellent in itself, we have nevertheless very great pleasure in recommending to our brethren in Canada the former as superior in this respect, that it contains many valuable suggestions, derived from a long personal experience, both in practice and in lecturing upon these diseases in the United States. The work itself is like all those now published by Messrs. Wood, unexceptionable as to the form in which it appears, moreover it is moderate in price.

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NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*M.D. refused. Mr. Wanless' request is complied with.
Dr. McCosh's letter and enclosure have been safely received.*

To the Editors of the U. C. Medical and Physical Journal.

GENTLEMEN,—In your Journal for December, I have seen that some person, under the cognomen of *Scrutator*, makes some animadversions, in a dictatorial style, on two inquests which I held lately in this town; and as *Scrutator* seems quite astray in his argument, perhaps you will permit me to put him right through the medium of your Journal. *Scrutator* says, that "Medical testimony being generally of the highest importance at an inquest, the