

Tigerstedt's book compasses in a most admirable manner all the physiology which the average second year man in medicine can be expected to read in the limited time at his disposal. We can cordially recommend it alike to medical students and to practitioners who desire to review this subject.

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DISEASES OF THE LUNGS. Designed to be a practical presentation of the subject for the use of students and practitioners of medicine. By Robert H. Babcock, M.A., M.D., author of "Diseases of the Heart and Arterial System", until recently Professor of Clinical Medicine and Diseases of the Chest, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Chicago; Consulting Physician to Cook County Hospital; Consulting Physician to Mary Thompson Hospital, Hospital of St. Anthony de Padua, and of Marion Sims Sanitarium; Fellow of the Association of American Physicians, &c. First Edition. D. Appleton & Co.

In this work of 800 pages the author discusses all the morbid conditions, infectious and non-infectious of the bronchi, lungs and pleuræ. The volume has not been written hurriedly; many chapters show evidence of extensive research and close observation. In both diagnosis and treatment the work is particularly strong. Every means of diagnosis is pointed out and carefully weighed. The open-air treatment of tuberculosis receives very full consideration. We are inclined to agree with the author that "there is a lamentable lack of knowledge among medical practitioners not alone concerning the methods of putting this treatment into effect at home, but also regarding its general principles."

The drug treatment of tuberculosis is mentioned but to be condemned in most emphatic terms. We are in hearty accord with the author when he states that the routine administration of creasote, guaiaacal, &c., but serves to derange the digestion, the last hope of the poor consumptive. The whole volume is well written, the typographical work is excellent, and the illustrations for the most part are original.