

The illustrations are good and the colored plates excellent; the letter press is above reproach, and the paper, luckily, unglazed. Next to Bruton's Lectures, it is a book that should be on every practitioner's desk.

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**Atlas and Epitome of Special Pathologic History.** By Docent Dr. Hermann Dürck, Assistant in the Pathologic Institute, Prosector to the Municipal Hospital, Munich. Authorized Translation from the German. Edited by Ludwig Hektoen, M.D., Professor of Pathology in Rush Medical College, Chicago. Circulatory Organs, Respiratory Organs, Gastro-Intestinal Tract. With 62 colored plates. W.B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. 1900. Canadian Agents, J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto, Ont. Price, \$3.00 net.

We take pleasure in calling attention to this excellent translation of Dr. Dürck's Atlas and Epitome. Bearing in mind how difficult it is to correctly represent pathological appearances in colored plates, we have no hesitation in stating that the illustrations are, with few exceptions, faithful and typical pictures of the various pathological processes described. They are not the idealised and almost schematic representations of tissue changes such as adorn certain text-books of pathological histology. The plates on arteriosclerosis and arteritis, on adipositas cordis, on the pneumonias, are worthy of special notice. The work is well up to the standard of excellence of the Saunders' Hand Atlases, and is calculated to stimulate the student of pathology to personal observations of morbid histology.

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**A Manual of Obstetrics.** By A. F. A. King, A. M., M. D., Prof. of Obstetrics and Diseases of Women and Children in the Medical Department of the Columbian University, Washington, D. C., and in the University of Vermont; President (1885-86-87) of the Washington Obstetrical and Gynæcological Society; President (1883) of the Medical Society of D. C.; Fellow of the British Gynæcological and of the American Gynæcological Societies; Consulting Physician to the Children's Hospital, Washington, D. C.; Obstetrician to the Columbian University Hospital; Member of the Washington Academy of Science; of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; Associate-Member of the Philosophical Society of Great Britain; and Member of the Medical Philosophical, Anthropological and Biological Societies of Washington, D.C., etc. Eighth Edition, revised and enlarged. 264 illustrations. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia and New York, 1900.

The value of King's Manual of Obstetrics is perhaps best emphasized by the fact that since the first edition appeared in 1882, there have been no less than eight editions printed. It must have filled a want amongst students, or it most certainly would not have become so popular. Students have not the time to read systematic treatises, but need the facts stated as briefly and comprehensively as possible. The manner in which Dr. King italicizes the words that are important to convey the exact ideas he is trying to impress is certainly to be commended. It is up-to-date in theory, and