Many of the seniors of the profession will anticipate in this connection, our announcement of the name of Broussais, and few of them will decline to concur, in our expression of regret, that his writings seem to be so universally neglected by the juniors, and by too many of the teachers, of the present day. It is, however, impossible for any one who long ago carefully studied the works of Broussais to read those of his successors, without perceiving the extent to which they have, with very parsimonious acknowledgment, laid him under contribution; and although we may not ourselves now accept as sound theory all that he advanced on gastro-intestinal and other diseases, we certainly believe that, with a practical reference, his works might be very profitably utilized even by the young giants of this luminous age. The student of 50 years ago, who imbibed his motives of the action, and the therapeutic virtues of purgatives, from the then belauded work of Hamilton, will remember with what a mental concussion he was assailed on his subsequent perusal of Broussais' chapters on "Inflammation of the mucous membrane of the alimentary canal."

Dr. Habershon's book is not the less valuable because he has been oblivious of the merits of the French pioneer, but to have been less reticent in this relation, would not have derogated from his celebrity. It would indeed be glowingly consoling to the spirit of Broussais, if permitted "to revisit the glimpses of the moon," to identify, in the writings of so many authors of this age, the re-habilitated ideas which had birth in his own fertile brain. He is gone, but his works yet live, and what boots it to mankind at large, whether the thinker be remembered or forgotten, so long as his thoughts are not permitted to rot with his bones.

A GUIDE TO THE QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS OF THE URINE:—Designed for Physicians, Chemists and Pharmacists. By Drs. C. Neubauer and J. Vogel. Translated from the seventh German edition, by Drs. Cutter and Wood, of Boston. New York: Wm. Wood & Co. Toronto: Willing & Williamson.

This is a most exhaustive work on this subject. The first part, by Dr. Neubauer, is strictly chemical in character, and is very full and complete. The second part, by Dr. Vogel, takes up the subject of urinary analysis from the physicians' point of view,

and is also very complete. The work contains some excellent plates, and is all that can be desired as a guide to the analysis of the urine. The book is bound in the new style of binding, introduced by Wood & Co., consisting of *cow-skin*, colored dark red. It bears handling well, without soiling.

A PRACTICAL TREATISE ON SURGICAL DIAGNOSIS.

—By Ambrose L Ranney, A.M., M.D., Adjunct Professor of Anatomy and Lecturer on Minor Surgery in the Medical Department of the University of New York. 8vo. pp. 386. New York: William Wood & Co. Toronto: Hart & Rawlinson.

This book will be found a very good aid to surgical diagnosis for both practitioners and students. It will be found especially valuable as a text-book for surgical lectures. The matter is well arranged and easy of access when required for reference on short notice, the main points in the diagnosis between different lesions being arranged in opposite columns on the same page.

A GUIDE TO THERAPEUTICS AND MATERIA MEDICA. By Robert Farquharson, M.D., Edin., F.R.C.P., Lond., etc. Second American edition, revised and enlarged. Philadelphia: Henry C. Lea.

This is a most excellent text-book for students, and has become very popular. The present edition is very much improved, and has been adapted to the U. S. Pharmacopæia by Frank Woodbury, M.D., of Philadelphia. One very useful feature in the book is the arrangement of the physiological and therapeutical action of medicines in parallel columns.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

At Fairview, Stratford, on the 11th of August, 1879, the wife of J. R. Hamilton, M.D., of a son.

On October 31st, the wife of Dr. Saunders, of Kingston, of a son.

On Nov., 13th, J. C. Ray, M.D., of Sunderland, Ont., to Ellen, fourth daughter of John Hyland, Esq., of Oshawa.

On Nov., 10th, John S. Grey, M.D., of Williamsburgh, Ont., to Miss Adelaide Lane, of Napanee.

On Nov., 5th, James L. Brown, Esq., M.D., Plattsville, Ont., to Jane, second daughter of Robert Patton, Esq., Blenheim.

On Oct., 13th, J. Dunfield, M.D., of Petrolia, Ont. to Miss Jennie B. McRae of Melbourne, Ont.

In Ottawa, on the 6th of September, Joseph Garvey, M.D., C.M., (McGill College), in the 49th year of his age.

On the 22nd ult., W. A. Doupe, M.D., of Zrichu drowned on the Waubuno.