

classed under rubella into two divisions: rubella and "fourth disease," is fully explained, and the distinguishing characteristics between rubella, scarlatina, and the "fourth disease," are tabulated. We heartily recommend this series of books to all physicians and surgeons who strive to keep posted in the advancement of medical science.

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The third and fourth editions of this work were much larger volumes, as they contained the subject matter of this edition, as well as a description of remedial measures other than drugs. It was thought by many teachers that it was too large for a student's use, so Dr. Shoemaker determined to issue the treatise in two volumes, one a student's edition on the materia medica and therapeutics of drugs and preparations which are official in the B. P. and U. S. P.; the other a physician's edition on such remedies as electro-therapy, massage, rest, cure, climato-therapy, diet in disease, etc. We think that this departure is a good one, as the previous editions were too large for a student's use. The present edition makes an excellent text-book for students, and should also be of great value to practitioners. The author has been very careful to make the work as complete as possible, by revising many of the sections and introducing the results of the latest researches in materia medica and therapeutics. The book should continue to be popular with the medical profession.

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