

The medical report contains a number of questions full of interest for our readers.

The report we are now examining concludes by drawing special attention to the necessity of studying nervous diseases and founding professorships for the study of mental diseases. The author from his position has been enabled to ascertain, that the want of psychological medical knowledge has been attended in this country by evil results. The introduction of clinical knowledge into the study of insanity and the establishment of special professorships for mental alienation, are measures as important for the patient, and those connected with him as they are to the interests of medical jurisprudence. The arguments brought forward in favor of this proposition, and the authorities cited in its support, coming as they do from a person with so much experience as Dr. Roy deserve the most serious consideration.

The work now under examination is concluded by the reports of the Catholic and Protestant Chaplains and both bear evidence to the favorable influence that religion bears on the mind of the insane.

We have sought in this notice to give some idea of a work which under every aspect cannot fail to be interesting and instructive. It is a medical work and treatises on medical subjects are so scarce in this country that we have endeavoured as much as our space would permit to make it as generally known as possible. We cannot, however, recommend its perusal too strongly to those who take an interest in medical studies in particular and the institutions of the country in general.

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