

The Prioress of Ambresbury's tale would have been better unprinted. It is neither edifying nor brilliant, and borders closely on the blasphemous. In the publication it is difficult to see what the object or intent of the tales is. I can't. Perhaps some other unfortunate will try.

F. N. G. S.

*Young Barbarians.* By IAN MACLAREN. Toronto: The Copp, Clark Company, Limited.

Suitable reading alike for old and young, but especially interesting to those who love Scotland and the characteristics of the worthy Scot. Ian Maclaren's amusing description, in a few paragraphs, of John Manley, M.D., of Edinburgh, is worth the whole price of the book. Every physician should read it, especially if he happens to have a patient's funeral on hand. This fine old doctor regarded "the idea of any person below eighty dying on his hands as a piece of incredible impertinence."

W. A. Y.

*Muladies de la Voix.* Par le DR. ANDRÉ CASTEX, Chargé du Cours de Laryngologie à la Faculté de Médecine de Paris. Paris: C. Naud, 3 Rue Racine. 1902.

Our readers will find this a most interesting book, treating as it does of the diseases of the voice, especially as found among professional voice users, viz., musicians, clergymen, lawyers, teachers. It is a subject little written about in English, except as affecting the singing voice. Not the least valuable part of the work is the bibliography in which about the only English names are those of Morell Mackenzie, Lennox Browne and Holbrook Curtis.

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#### LITERARY NOTES.

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It will be a pleasure to our readers to know that Prof. Alex. McPhedran, of Toronto, will have an excellent article in Volume I., Twelfth Series of "International Clinics," to be published next month. In that volume also there will be somewhat of a new departure, consisting of a short description of the methods of some of the leading men of the profession in the *United States*, with photographs of them at work. Dr. Wm. Osler, of Baltimore, is to contribute an article on a subject to be announced later, and which will appear in one of the 1902 volumes. Dr. Howard A. Kelly will give a series of gynecological clinics, to be illustrated by his own artist, and there will be also articles by such men as Drs. W. S. Halsted, W. S. Thayer, John C. Hemmeter and Thomas R. Brown. The April volume of "Clinics" will also contain an article on the advances in medicine and surgery during 1901. It will, therefore, be seen that "Clinics" for the current year will rather exceed than otherwise the standard of excellence of former series.