

and may be profitably, though not exclusively, read by the busy physician, as well as the student.

The work is presented in the unusually good manner by the publishers.

ACCIDENT AND INJURY, THEIR RELATION TO DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM. By Pearce Bailey, A.M., M.D., Attending Physician to the Department of Correction, and to the Almshouse and Incurable Hospitals; Assistant in Neurology in Columbia University; Consulting Neurologist to St. Luke's Hospital. New York: D. Appleton & Company. Toronto: G. N. Morang.

This work will be welcomed as one that will undoubtedly fill a niche. It is clearly and concisely written, and reviews the nervous sequelæ following accidents in a most instructive manner. The chapters on Hysterical Joints and Traumatic Neurasthenia are very interesting. The greatest benefit from the work will, however, be to those practitioners who are called on to attend people injured and about to enter litigation. It is most important that the physician should be able to interpret the patient's condition, and not be carried away with sympathy nor allow his patient to mislead his legal adviser. Patients receiving injuries in railway accidents are always worse previous to and during any action, and, strange to relate, frequently recover from conditions supposedly and sworn to be permanent and incurable. It is rare to find physicians agree in the witness box on prognosis. It is also rare to find physicians who can speak with the authority of experience, and to meet these requisites this work will be most useful. The subject matter of this volume was, up to its appearance, not available except in widely-scattered monographs, and these largely in foreign languages. Here they are embodied and done by an able author. The work was needed, and is one that should be widely read and kept for reference. The publishers have carried out their share of the work in the usual elegant style that predominates in the house of Appleton. We highly recommend the volume.

Books received

A. TEXT-BOOK OF OBSTETRICS. By Barton Cook Hirst, M.B., Professor of Obstetrics in the University of Pennsylvania; with 653 illustrations. Philadelphia: H. W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut street. 1898.

F. STEARNS & CO.'S PHARMACEUTICAL CATALOGUE.—This firm, which has been established fifteen years in Windsor, has issued a new catalogue, which is a most useful book to be possessed of. It gives one a very complete idea of the thoroughness with which the firm does its work. The work contains a Practical Scheme for Urinalysis, Poisons and Antidotes, Percentage in Solution, Doses, Rules for Proportioning Doses, etc., and will be sent free on application.