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*Obstetric and Gynecologic Nursing.* By EDWARD P. DAVIS, A.M., M.D., Professor of Obstetrics in the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. 12mo. volume of 436 pages, fully illustrated. Third revised edition. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1908. Agents for Canada: J. A. Carveth & Co., Limited, Toronto. Polished buckram, \$1.75 net.

It seems to us but a very short time since we received the second edition of Dr. E. P. Davis' work, *Obstetric and Gynecologic Nursing*. The mere fact of the third edition following the second so rapidly goes to show that the book is a valuable one and that it has met with a favorable reception. The author has thoroughly revised his work, and considerable new material appears in the third edition. The book is written for the trained nurse, and will be found full of most valuable information, which can be put to practical use during her career. It is divided into two parts, the first devoted to *Obstetric Nursing* and the second to *Gynecologic Nursing*. After perusing this work, we feel that it is worthy of recommendation, and we portend for it a better reception even than that given to its predecessor.

*The Black Bag.* By LOUIS JOSEPH VANCE. With illustrations by Thomas Fogarty. Toronto: McLeod & Allen, publishers.

The story of a young Californian, who suddenly became penniless through failure of his business firm in San Francisco and passed through enough adventures in the following few weeks, everything occurring at opportune moments, to please any reader who is fond of such characters as Raffles.

*American Practice of Surgery.* A Complete System by Representative Surgeons of the United States and Canada. Edited by JOSEPH DECATUR BRYANT, M.D., and ALBERT HENRY BUCK, M.D. To be published in eight royal octavo volumes. Volume V., 973 pages, illustrated by 452 line and half-tone engravings in the text and by eight full-page plates by chromolithography and other processes. (Subscription.) New York: William Wood & Co.

The first article, on *Surgery of the Head*, is by Dr. Edward Archibald, of Montreal, Canada. Scalp, cranial bones and contents of skull—vessels, membranes and brain structures—receive very full consideration. Some idea of the thoroughness with which all these topics are treated may be inferred from the fact