Book Reviews.

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This book contains the advance notices of all the medical publications of this firm. It is well worth perusal, as it allows one to keep in touch with the most recent publications in the many branches of medicine and surgery. A copy of the catalogue will be sent on application.

A THEORY REGARDING THE ORIGIN OF CANCER. By C. E. Green. Second Edition. Edinburgh and London: Wm. Green & Sons. 1909.

In a monograph of 46 pages Green attempts to prove, by analogy with the plasmodrophora brassica, that cancer is due to a fungoid organism, which is fostered by the presence of sulphuric acid. Although his conclusions are hardly warranted by the facts he gives, yet the book is worth reading.

A TEXT-BOOK OF PRACTICAL THERAPEUTICS. With especial reference to the application of remedial measures to disease and their employment upon a rational basis. By Hobart Amory Hare, M.D., Professor of Therapeutics in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. Thirteenth edition. thoroughly revised. Octavo, 951 pages, with 122 engravings, and 4 fullpage colored plates. Cloth, \$4.00 net; leather. \$5.00 net; half morocco, \$5.50 net. Philadelphia and New York: Lea & Febiger. 1909.

This ingenious and highly useful work has come to its thirteenth edition, and as the preceding issues have gone through many printings, the degree of favor bestowed upon it may be appreciated. The author devised a wholly new plan in creating it, and has since had a dozen opportunities of perfecting it, which he has not neglected. He divides the subject between four parts, taking up in the first the general principles underlying all therapeutics. In the next he covers all drugs of value, giving all the information needed either by the student or the practitioner. Then he takes up the scarcely less important non-medicinal reme-