

jects are not dealt with in any of the English works on Coroners, and yet a knowledge of them all is indispensable to an efficient discharge of duty. A careful perusal of the section on INFANTICIDE, and the remarks on deaths from negligence, is particularly recommended to Coroners.

The general arrangement of the book is the same, with slight variations, as that of Jervis's Office of Coroner—a work which has been most freely used by the writer.

In preparing the *medico-legal* portions, the well-known works of Drs. Taylor and Beck have been principally consulted.

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