

descriptions are brief, but clear. The illustrations are nearly all original, and well executed. The instructions regarding staining and mounting are ample for the ordinary work of any physician. Its usefulness will be mainly for the student in preparing for his examination. The publishers have turned out an attractive book. To those who require a small work on histology we commend this book.

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*Atlas and Epitome of Special Pathologic Histology.* By DOCENT DR. HERMANN DURCK, Assistant in the Pathologic Institute, etc., Munich. Authorized Translation from the German. Edited by LUDWIG HEKTOEN, Professor of Pathology in Rush Medical College, Chicago. Circulatory Organs; Respiratory Organs; Gastro-Intestinal Tract. With sixty-two colored plates. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders. Canadian Agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto.

As the author states, "It is no easy task for the beginner to select among the many changes those that are typical of a certain process." The object of the book is further stated to be "To further the knowledge of the microscopic changes produced by disease." This object the plates and text of the book are well calculated to achieve. The plates are taken from typical specimens in Dr. Dürck's own preparations, and the execution of them is admirable. The book bears to more ponderous text-books of pathology the same relation that microscopic demonstrations bear to didactic lectures. Two more volumes are promised shortly, and the set should form part of the library of every student of pathology.

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*Chemistry and Physics—A Manual for Students and Practitioners.* By W. MARTIN, Ph.B., M.D., and W. H. ROCKWELL, M.D. Edited by BERN. B. GALLOUDET, M.D. One hundred and thirty-seven illustrations. New York and Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co.

This work is well arranged for the object in view. The first thirty-four pages are devoted to general chemical questions and formulæ, and do a good deal to make the subject of chemistry simple and interesting. Inorganic chemistry has devoted to it 116 pages. The usual information, in an up-to-date manner, is given. Organic chemistry is rather briefly discussed in about thirty pages—this space is almost entirely devoted to alcohols and phenols. The remaining 176 pages are taken up with much valuable information on physics, such as matter, force, gravitation, pressure, motion, gases, expansion, barometers, air pumps, electricity, etc. The book is well made in every respect, and ought to have a good sale.