

Pharmacology and Therapeutics. By HORATIO C. WOOD, JR.,
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This new work is a most excellent one from the student's standpoint, for the author selects the most useful and important drugs and, treating them under the heading of their physiological actions, he discusses very carefully but directly their functional action and finally their therapeutic value. The "material medica" of the drug is not so full as to encourage the usual "index" feeling that most of these volumes produce on the practical physician. The publishers have also enhanced the value of this book by most excellent type and paper.

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International Clinics. Volume 3, 1912. Series 22. J. B. Lippincott Co.

This volume of "International Clinics" contains twenty-six different papers, and while some of them might well have been omitted as containing only a recapitulation of ordinary and well known facts, yet the remainder are of more than usual value and well worth reading. The best of these papers are as follows:

Carruthers and Ciesielski describe and give experimental results regarding Sex Determination as taught by the latter, proving that old ova and fresh sperms produce males while new ova and old sperms tend to furnish female descendants.

Linsly Williams on the "Treatment of Chronic Endocarditis" has written a most interesting and valuable paper. His views on digitalis and its value are clearly and satisfactorily laid down.

Solis Cohen has been using the "Double Hydrochlorate of Quinine and Urea in Pneumonia." The characteristic result that he claims is the replacement of a crisis by a lysis, with the avoidance of the danger accompanying the former, and to judge by his death rate, 10 per cent., his treatment is at least worth a trial.

"Spontaneous Gangrene," by Roussel, is interesting from a case which he describes, where multiple gangrene occurred in consequence of an infectious endocarditis.