

plate corresponds with the descriptions in the text. The interpretation of the differential count of leucocytes is most carefully discussed, and its value in prognosis in various surgical conditions, septic and otherwise, clearly shown. In this connection as elsewhere the importance of correlating clinical history with laboratory findings is emphasized. The latter half of the book is given to consideration of the blood in various special conditions. A most helpful chapter is given to observations in obstetrical and gynecological practice, and other chapters deal quite as thoroughly with the value of blood examination in syphilis, differentiation of bone and joint diseases, malignant disease and many other pathological states. The black and white drawings are well made and clearly illustrate the structures described. The book does not in any sense replace the more general treatises on laboratory methods in diagnosis, but furnishes much information not found in such works.

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The name of Sir William Broadbent is so well known to every medical man of the present day in almost every part of the civilized world that this book needs little if any recommendation. The papers that it contains are of an excessively interesting character, being, in most cases, parts of clinical lectures or of papers written for journals, and make together a book that can be at any time taken up and read with interest and with advantage, and, it may also be said, with pleasure by every general practitioner. The book is nicely got up, print is large and clear and