

**Text Book of Histology, including Microscopic Technique**, by A. A. Bohm, M.D., and M. Von Davidoff, M.D., of the Anatomical Institute in Munich. Edited by G. Carl Huber, M.D., Junior Professor of Anatomy and Director of the Histological Laboratory, University of Michigan. Authorized translation from Second German Edition by Herbert H. Cushing, M.D. Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. W. B. Saunders & Co., Philadelphia and London. A. J. Carveth & Co., Canadian Agents.

The volume opens with a chapter devoted to histological technique, the more useful and modern methods are emphasized, formulæ for stains and solutions are complete, directions for fixing, sectioning, cutting and staining are clear and concise.

The structure of the cell in which the subject of Karyokinesis is embodied is set forth in a manner very pleasing to read and is followed by a description of the various elementary tissues with special methods of preparation applicable to each.

The nervous system usually demands considerable space in a work of this character. Here, however, the space is surprisingly small, but equally surprising is the effective manner in which the subject is handled and the clearness with which it is set before us.

Professor Mall's observations on the splenic lobule constitute something new in the histology of this organ.

Following the section on the blood and blood forming organs, valuable hints are given in the way of technique in their study.

The sections on the alimentary canal and genito-urinary tract are clearly put and well illustrated, the description of the supra renal capsules is perhaps particularly worthy of mention.

The work closes with extensive references to literature. The essentials of a work on histology are clearness of description and illustration, with well directed instructions to the students as to how to proceed in his investigations, and equally clear directions as to what to use, exact formulæ, and how to use them.

This volume embodies these points and should render much assistance to those engaged in the study of histology.—H. C. P.

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### DAVIS'S OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGIC NURSING.

By E. P. Davis, A.M., M.D., Professor of Obstetrics in Jefferson Medical College and Philadelphia Polyclinic. 12mo. volume of 402 pages, fully illustrated. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders & Co., 1901. Canadian agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto. Price \$1.75 net.

As a text book for nurses this work is admirable, giving all that a nurse should know, at the same time avoiding those things which concern the physician alone, and in connection with which a little knowledge is more apt to be dangerous than useful.