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St. Louis was selected as the next place of meeting.

The following-named physicians were elected to Fellowship: *Ordinary*: I. H. Cameron, Toronto, Ont.; Henry Gibbons, San Francisco, Cal.; John R. Haynes, Los Angeles, Cal.; Francis L. Haynes, Los Angeles, Cal.; J. B. S. Holmes, Rome, Ga.; James McCann, Pittsburg, Pa.; Willis G. Macdonald, Albany, N.Y.; R. B. Nevitt, Toronto, Ont.; Edward M. Pond, Rutland, Vt.; William Porter, Jr., Hartford, Conn.; E. Arnold Praeger, Nanaimo, B.C.; Charles N. Smith, Toledo, Ohio; Edwin Walker, Evansville, Ind. *Corresponding*: H. S. Griffin, Hamilton, Ont.; Henry T. Machell, Toronto, Ont.; Henry Howitt, Guelph, Ont.

Book Reviews.

Essentials of Anatomy and Manual of Practical Dissection, together with the Anatomy of Viscera. By Charles B. Nancrede, M.D., Professor of Surgery and of Clinical Surgery in the University of Michigan. Fourth edition, revised and enlarged. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 1891.

This book has found favor in some localities, else the present new edition would not be so soon called for. We cannot, however, reverse the opinion which we expressed in reviewing a former edition, that the method adopted, in writing the book in a form of question and answer, is a bad one. We do not wish a student to handle a subject like anatomy after the same manner as a child learns the shorter catechism, with probably little consideration of the appropriateness of the answer to the question. We wish to give our students a book which they can read in an intelligent fashion and study thoroughly; such a book must be written in a rational style, and not as if it were intended for boys in the primary class of a common school. The colored plates taken from the works of Maclise, Savage, and others, are excellent.

A Treatise on Practical Anatomy for Students of Anatomy and Surgery. By Henry C. Boenning, M.D., Lecturer on Anatomy and Surgery in the Philadelphia School of Anatomy, etc. Illustrated with one hundred and ninety-eight wood engravings. Philadelphia and London: F. A. Davis, Publisher, 1891.

This is a work of considerable merit. The subject is presented in a concise form, and with-

in the compass of 459 pages we have presented to us the chief facts in human anatomy. The descriptions are too meagre for the student to trust to this book solely for his knowledge, but he will undoubtedly find it of great service in supplementing a larger text-book. The whole subject of human anatomy may be rapidly reviewed by a perusal of the contents. We congratulate Dr. Boenning on the successful way in which he has done his work. The illustrations are well executed, and the publishers deserve great credit for the attractive volume which they have presented.

A Text-Book of Physiology. By M. Foster, M.A., M.D., LL.D., F.R.S., Professor of Physiology in the University of Cambridge, etc. Fourth American, from the fifth English edition, thoroughly revised, with notes, additions, and two hundred and eighty-two illustrations. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co., 1891.

This English text-book is so well known that it is unnecessary to say anything in criticism of it. It is with great pleasure that we welcome a fifth edition of Dr. Foster's work, which embraces much new matter and presents the subject dealt with in a manner thoroughly wrought up to date. We regret that the name of the American editor is not published in the book before us. It would have been satisfactory to have known the authority for the additions which have been made to the original work. These additions have, however, been few.

Manual of Chemistry. A Guide to Lectures and Laboratory Work for Beginners in Chemistry. A Text-book specially adapted for Students of Pharmacy and Medicine. By William Simon, Ph.D., M.D., Professor of Chemistry and Toxicology in the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, and in the Maryland College of Pharmacy. New (third) edition; 8 vo., 477 pages. Cloth, \$3.25. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co., 1891.

The unfortunate medical student forced to wade through, in two short winter sessions, the whole range of chemistry, organic and inorganic—to him a slough of despond—will welcome this manual. The chemistry essential to a knowledge of medicine in all its branches is fully taken up, special attention being paid to the many new compounds which are so rapidly being added to our modern materia medica.