

or as often as they might, even in a work of this kind. The arrangement of the matter is good, as is also the discussion of the significance of important symptoms. But the description of individual diseases, and groups of diseases, with their differential diagnosis, leave something to be desired. We notice this particularly in the sections on acute pulmonary diseases. The term empyema apparently does not occur in the book, and even as "purulent pleuritis" this important affection does not receive the consideration it deserves. We look in vain for any mention of von Jaksch's anæmia, Vincent's angina, Harrison's groove, the palpation of the pylorus, often such a striking sign, in congenital stenosis. In short, the work is not as scientific and thorough as one might desire in a book of its scope, size, and weight, and the index is not as full as it ought to be, nor are the illustrations always well chosen. There are excellent chapters on the laryngeal stenoses and organic nervous affections. In spite of defects the book may generally be relied upon to give practical assistance to the perplexed practitioner, especially as regards the disorders of infancy.

THE ROENTGEN RAYS IN MEDICAL WORK. By DAVID WALSH, M.D., Senior Physician to the Western Hospital, London, and H. LEWIS JONES, M.D., F.R.C.P., Medical Officer in charge of the Electrical Department, St. Bartholomew's Hospital. London: Baillière, Tindall and Cox. Canadian Agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto. Fourth Edition. 427 pages. Price, \$4.50.

The new edition of this excellent manual brings up to date the consideration of the Roentgen rays in their all-important relations to medical science and practice. Almost a third of the book is taken up with a thorough description and cuts of the various forms of apparatus. The practical application of the rays, not only in surgery but also to internal medicine, comes in for full treatment, especially in relation to thoracic conditions. The chapter on therapeutics, while conservative, is not so satisfactory. The illustrations are numerous, and are admirably clear.

Medical News.

The quarterly meeting of the Cape Breton Medical Society was held in North Sydney on October 7th. There was an attendance of twenty-two members, and Dr. R. C. McLeod presided. Papers were read by Drs. Kendall, Eagan, and MacLean, and a dinner was given in the evening to the visiting physicians.