

subject, and personally I should prefer the word "secretions" in the opening sentence: "The striking fact that various *excretions* and tissues of the organism, when administered under certain conditions, possess a peculiar therapeutic value is now well ascertained."

The chapter on prescriptions embrace a sort of condensed Latin grammar. This part of it is (perhaps unconsciously) a caustic commentary on the standing of American medical students or standard of the matriculation of American Medical Colleges. This "how-to-learn-Latin-at-a-glance" method seems strangely out of place in a volume intended for medical students and for whom the standard of preliminary requirements should be so sufficiently high to obviate the necessity for such elementary notes, with its corollary confession of insufficient educational foundation. The best chapter in the book is written by Martin H. Fisher, M.D., Associate in Physiology in the University of Chicago, on "The Relation of Physical Chemistry to Pharmacology and Therapeutics," although but eight pages are devoted to it, and that it would be more at home in a "quiz-compend" than a text-book—altogether the volume lacks the extended physiological experimental work of words—the bio-chemical work of a Cushing, the practical therapeutical applications of a Shoemaker, and has been written for the United States, and its pharmacopœa. The paper is excellent and of dull finish, the type clear, and the binding above reproach.

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Lindsay and Blakiston's Visiting List for 1893.—P. Blakiston's Son & Co., 1012 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

This is the fifty-second year of this annual, and no better visiting list is published; we have used it for over forty years, and have found that it answers perfectly every need. In addition to the numerous other valuable features for which this little work is noted we specially wish to draw our readers' attention to two new features—namely, the pages on incompatibility, chemic, pharmacæutic and therapeutic; also the page on the immediate treatment of poisoning. We believe these additions will enhance considerably the value of this Physicians' Visiting List, as an ever-handly reference guide for the medical practitioner.

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A Text-Book on Diseases of Infancy and Childhood.—

For the use of Students and Practitioners. By Henry Koplik, M.D., Attending Pediatricist to Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York; ex-President of American Pediatric Society, etc. Octavo, 675 pages, 169 engravings and 30 plates in colours and monochrome. Cloth, \$5.00, net; leather, \$6.00, net. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia, 1902.

This is a new work on pediatrics. The author aims at giving, as well as his own views, those of the best writers on this subject.