

*Merck's Index.* Second edition. E. MERCK, Darmstadt, Germany.

It is now five years since Herr Merck issued the first edition of his reference book. It has been appreciated by the profession, and found quite helpful, being adapted to the requirements of medical men. The book gives concise yet exhaustive information on modern *materia medica*. Doses, latest indications for the administration of different remedies, and etymological notes are given considerable space. The volume also contains information as to special test solutions, solutions for clearing, fixing, hardening, staining, embedding, and mounting microscopical specimens, as well as stains and dyes for microscopic work. It is probable that an English translation will be issued in the course of 1903.

*The Medical News Visiting List, 1903.* Thirty patients per week. Philadelphia and New York: Lea Brothers & Co. 1902.

It is now some years since Lea Brothers & Co. commenced to issue their Visiting List; but it is safe to say that none that has reached the profession so "fills the bill" as that for 1903. A practitioner must of necessity have something of this kind in which to record his work as he "goes his rounds," and we feel that the majority of medical men will find the Medical News Visiting List in every way up to date, containing in addition a great deal of information as to urine examination, artificial respiration, table of doses, important incompatibles; how to find the day of confinement, table of eruptive fevers, signs of dentition.

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*"Home Nursing."*

We have recently received a book entitled "Home Nursing," published by the Davis & Lawrence Co. (Limited), Montreal. This publication contains practical instructions for the performance of all offices pertaining to the sick. It tells what to do in case of accidents, treats with nearly all the diseases to which human flesh is heir, as well as containing many recipes for preparing solid and liquid food for the sick. No home should be without a copy of it. It is a very attractive book, about fifty pages, and can be obtained upon application to the publishers, Davis & Lawrence Co. (Limited), Montreal, enclosing to them 5c in stamps to cover the expense of mailing, etc.

*The Physician's Visiting List* (Lindsay & Blakiston's) for 1903. Fifty-second year of its publication. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston's Son & Co., 1012 Walnut Street.

This Visiting List is a small, well-bound pocket-book, with leather cover, gilt edges, tuck, pocket, and rubber-tipped pencil, made up to hold twenty-five patients' records per day, week, or month, dated, with pages for memoranda and tables for reference. It is a simple statement of a year's work. A useful book for the physician.