

## BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

Vidal on the Venereal. Fuller on Rheumatism. From Messrs. S. J. & Wm. Wood, New York.

Warren on the Preservation of Health. From Messrs. Ticknor, Reed & Fields, Boston.

Annual Report of the Normal, Model and Common Schools in Upper Canada.

## MEDICAL NEWS.

A sum of £5,312 has been subscribed for a monument to Dalton.—Matriculations at British Universities during the year: Oxford, 402; Cambridge, 436; Dublin, 279. The rate of duty on each 20s; making a sum total of £1,117.—The Lancet and Medical Circular have been excluded from the Royal Medico-Chirurgical Society of London from petty vindictiveness and scandalous illiberalism.—In Edinburgh an association has been formed which as soon as it numbers 500 citizens it is resolved on a certain day to abandon the razor and meet three months afterwards to enjoy themselves with beard and moustaches.—Emigrant vessels have been leaving Limerick for America without a doctor on board.—Out of about 40,000 troops in the Persian camp 2,000 have died from cholera; average rate of mortality 80 per diem.—A girl at Vienna lately passed 242 pins; they were of a black color. She took them with suicidal intention while laboring under mental aberration. The first dose consisted of 70.—The late epidemic of cholera in Newcastle-upon-Tyne has cost the town £3,800 for medicines and burials alone, and would cost it nearly £50 a week for to support the widows and destitute; nearly £30,000.—There are 512,361 more females than males in Great Britain, or as many as would have filled the Crystal Palace five times over.—Professor Roux, the nestor of French surgeons, and one of the most illustrious surgeons of his day, died in Paris, March 23rd, of apoplexy.—In consequence of the increasing corpulency of the pope he has been ordered by his medical advisers to play an hour a day at billiards, walking not answering the purpose.—Duverney, the great anatomist and very eloquent professor, when advanced in years fell in love with Mademoiselle de Launay, afterwards Madame Stael. He one day in the presence of a numerous and brilliant company betrayed his secret by asserting that Mademoiselle de Launay was the best anatomist in France.—Massachusetts has 1,406 physicians, being about 1 to about 700 of the population.—Dr. Clarke of Philadelphia replaced the severed part of a finger half an hour after the accident and it united fully.—Number of students in Jefferson Medical College, 625; University of Penn., 510; University of Nashville, 240; University of Maryland, 200; College Physicians and Surgeons N. Y., 250.—The Arabs in Upper Egypt cut up mummies and use them as fuel to cook with, thus very improperly making light of a grave subject.—Dr. Coultson, the great London lithotomist, has only 15 students to lecture to. John Hunter's classes never exceeded 30.—A Southern editor of a medical monthly says in reply to a correspondent: "Well my old coon you are in a bad fix but we think the journal will help you; you shall have it and its influence although you are the only man out of hell who cannot pay for it."—A Mrs. Fraser, of Slack Co., Ohio, has had six children within a single year, having had three at a time twice.—43 persons have died of small pox within the last 4 months at Boston. During the whole of the last 2 years there were but 17 deaths from the same malady.—Napoleon has established a system in Paris whereby the poor can receive gratuitous medical attendance at their own residences. 150 doctors have been employed for this purpose and are to receive for their services from 600 to 1,000 francs per annum.—A new chair of general physiology has been established by the French Emperor, and Claude Bernard placed in it to give a course of physiology.—A great deal of interest has been excited in London by the discovery of starch in the brain. It appears, chemically, that it only requires to add the elements of water to those of fibrine to procure fat, ammonia and cellulose or starch.—To remove plaster from the skin put a bit of dry linen over it and over the latter a hot knife, when the plaster adheres to the latter.