

cupies either one or both sides, and causes cerebral compression. This prolonged compression leads to partial atrophy, softening and discoloration of the cortex, with thickening of the meninges."

The above detail of morbid conditions so exactly coincides with notes of cases made many years ago by the writer, that he might almost be tempted to suspect Professor Rosenthal, (did not great distance preclude the delusion,) of having had a stolen peep into certain records, which may never be exhumed from their present sepulchre.

The following summary of symptoms arising from "tumours on the anterior lobes of the brain," are as faithful to observed facts, as they are instructive to all who would desire information on this formidable morbid condition. "Diffused or frontal headache, symptoms of irritation or depression of the psychical faculties, convulsions, epileptiform attacks, hemiplegia, the frequency of disturbances of speech, (generally assuming the characters of aphasia), the rarity of disorders of sensibility and of the special senses."

We have italicised the only words in the preceding passage, which we regard as exceptional; for we are certain of having met with some cases in which they would not have held good. Tumours on, or, at least, beneath, the frontal lobes, do not leave the special senses of smell and sight intact. We have seen both loss of smell and sight consequent on their presence. We close this brief notice by earnestly commending the book to all our readers.

MANUAL OF THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF OPERATIVE SURGERY.—By Stephen Smith, A.M., M.D., Surgeon to Bellevue Hospital, &c., New York. Boston: Houghton, Osgood & Co. Toronto: Willing & Williamson.

This work is really a very complete manual of surgery. It contains the fullest details regarding all surgical operations, and also the medical and surgical after-treatment. The pathology of surgical affections is only briefly touched, a circumstance much to be regretted, in what is otherwise an excellent treatise. The author accepts Lister's antiseptic treatment, and gives a full description of the application of the antiseptic dressings. Considerable space is devoted to the reparative surgery of the face, and much interesting and valuable information given in regard to it. Dr. Smith recom-

mends the "overwhelming method" in regard to the administration of ether. He says the first charge of ether for an adult, should be from one and a half to two ounces. The book is well illustrated, containing no less than 733 wood engravings, which is more than is contained in some of the larger volumes on surgery. The printing and press-work are in the highest style of the art.

A MANUAL OF MIDWIFERY FOR MIDWIVES AND MEDICAL STUDENTS.—By Fancourt Barnes, M. D., (Aber.) M.R.C.P., Lond., &c. With illustrations. Philadelphia: H. C. Lea. Toronto: Willing & Williamson. \$1.25.

The ordinary duties of the midwife are clearly set forth in the work before us, and the work cannot fail to be useful to the class for whom it was written, if they will but make themselves masters of it. If the so-called midwives, or monthly nurses, will attend cases of confinement, they should at least have some intelligent idea of the most necessary procedures. The illustrations are tolerably good, and will enhance the usefulness of the book.

THE STUDENT'S POCKET MEDICAL LEXICON—Giving the correct pronunciation and definition of all words and terms in general use in medicine, with an appendix containing a list of poisons and their antidotes, &c. By Elias Longley. Philadelphia: Lindsay & Blakiston. Toronto: Hart & Rawlinson.

This vest-pocket companion will be found especially useful to medical students attending their first course of lectures. The work is prepared with care, and will most satisfactorily meet the wants of those for whom it is intended.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

On Sept. 29, at Lobo, the wife of Dr. G. Hutchins Case, of a son.

On Sept. 4th, Wm. J. Gracey, M.B., of Comber, to Miss Maria A. Lawrence, daughter of Mr. H. Lawrence, of Hullet, Co. Huron, Ont.

On Oct. 1st, Dr. A. C. Graham, of Fort Erie, to Isabella, youngest daughter of Jacob Keefer, Esq., Sydenham, Ont.

On the 24th ult., E. L. Hopkins, M.D., of Hamilton, Ont.