

are so infrequently referred to, one would almost infer that they did not exist. But we know differently, and those of us who have had experience with large numbers of emergency accidents know that it is the serious results that bother us most. In the work before us the author has succeeded admirably in treating his subjects, with an amount of brevity that is astonishing for the amount of information that is contained in the description. The range of the work is over the whole body, and is contained in 550 pages, with hundreds of illustrations. The illustrations of this atlas, as in all of the series, are remarkable for their resemblance to the condition under discussion. Most colored illustrations in medical works, as a rule, convey an idea that is as far as possible from the fact. However, in this particular work, one can get almost as much information from studying the illustration as he could from examining the subject. In illustrating injuries to the joints and bones, very beautiful X-ray reproductions are used, and the importance of the X-ray in diagnosis is clearly made out. We think this is one of the few volumes appearing in the year, that should be in the hands of every practitioner who deals with emergency cases. It is, in our opinion, a book that will be of great use to surgeons who are called upon to advise in settlement of suits for damages arising from accidental injury. It will aid him largely in eliminating the personal equation. The volume is uniform with the series of atlases, and the illustrations, type work, paper, etc., are all that could possibly be wished for.

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