

Reviews

A Text-Book of General Bacteriology. By DR. E. O. JORDAN, Professor of Bacteriology in the University of Chicago and in Rush Medical College. Published by W. B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia and London.

The author in the second edition of this book has added several new sections which brings it well up-to-date. A general introduction to the various branches of bacteriology is presented, followed by the study of the various pathogenic bacteria in detail. The chapters on immunity, the pathogenic anaërobes and the pathogenic spirilla are well written. The important bibliographical references are given in the text bearing on the various subjects under discussion. The book is well illustrated by drawings and photographs. To students of bacteriology, especially those in medicine, this work should prove extremely valuable.

O. R. M.

The Wassermann Sero-Diagnosis of Syphilis in Its Application to Psychiatry. By DR. FELIX PLANT. Authorized translation by Jelliffe and Casamajor. (Nervous and Mental Disease Monograph Series, New York, 1911. \$2.00. Pp. 188.)

This book is another welcome addition to a valuable monograph series. Dr. Plant is without rival as the leading authority in the world on the subject of sero-diagnosis in psychiatry, and he has put his best work into this book. He gives first a historical account of the matter, a comparison of the different methods in practice, and a careful study of the technique of the reaction. The rest of the book is taken up with a description of clinical investigations, a summary of the diagnostic value of the reaction, with a chapter on the influence of mercury treatment. The book can be warmly recommended as an authoritative exposition of our present knowledge on the subject. The translators are to be congratulated both on their selection and the excellent way in which they have performed their task.

E. J.

La Psychologie de l'Enfant. By PROF. ED. CLAPEREDÉ. 4th edition. (Kündig, Geneva, 1911. Pp. 471.)

In this edition the author has greatly expanded and largely rewritten his well-known volume on child psychology. It stands as