

ous commendations pronounced upon it by such men as Hare, Mitchell, Bache, &c., we would not silently pass over the excellent style as regards paper, type and illustration in which the publishers have produced it—the book having quite the appearance of one of Churchill's best. We hope soon to receive the second part, which no doubt will be peculiarly valuable, as it will contain that rapidly extending and exceedingly interesting department of the science—the *Organic*—in which both the author and editor will have full scope for the exercise of their judgment and industry.

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The Principles and Practice of Surgery. BY WILLIAM PIRRIE, F. R. S. E., Regius Professor of Surgery in the Marischal College and University of Aberdeen; Surgeon to the Royal Infirmary, &c., Edited with additions, by JOHN NEILL, M. D., &c. Philadelphia, Blanchard and Lea 1852. B. Dawson, Agent, Montreal.

WE have received the work, of which the above is the title, too late to lay an abstract of its contents before our readers in this number, but from what we have already perused of it, we are disposed to form a very high estimate of Professor Pirrie's production, which appears to give a condensed and accurate view of Surgery up to the present day, but on this subject we shall speak more fully in our next issue.

SCIENTIFIC INTELLIGENCE.

SURGERY.

On the cancerous degeneration of warty excrescences, and their treatment. By RICHARD G. H. BUTCHER, F. R. C. S. I., Examiner on Anatomy and Physiology in the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, Surgeon to Mercer's Hospital, &c., &c., &c.

MR. PRESIDENT,—On a former occasion I had the honour of bringing before the notice of this Society (the Surgical) a paper on the relationship that is found to subsist between cancer and fungus hæmatodes; and illustrated this alliance by preparations and specimens—1stly, when the diseases coexisted together; 2ndly, where the one was consecutive to, or replaced by, the other; and 3rdly, where the two manifestations of disease were tinuous in the same tumour.

These facts are borne testimony to and established by the investigations of Langstaff (Med. Chir. Trans., vol. ix.) Cruveilhier (Anat. Pathol., livr. xxiii., Explanation of Plates, 5 and 6,) and others.

The observations which I now wish to lay before the profession are in reference to the cancerous degeneration of warty excrescences—an