

Empire, was again taken up, and ultimately resulted in the production of the present work.

In general style, arrangement, and extent of detail, the *Pharmacopœia Germanica* closely resembles that of Great Britain, but the former work is in the Latin language. Of course it embraces many preparations to which we are unused, and not likely to become very familiar, but there are also numerous compounds of considerable pharmaceutical interest, with which we might, with advantage, become acquainted. A noted improvement is the abandonment of measures of capacity in the estimation of liquids; all quantities are expressed by weight, according to the metrical system; and, in the translation under revision, are rendered by parts.

Various useful tables are given at the close of the volume, amongst others, one designating the maximum doses, for adults, which the physician must not exceed in his prescription, when the medicine is intended for external use, except he adds the exclamation point (!). A second table contains the names of medicines which are usually called poisons, and which are required to be preserved very carefully, in closed apartments. This is followed by a table of medicines, which must be preserved cautiously, and separate from all others. The specific gravities of the officinal liquid preparations are given in tabular form; and there is also a table of alcoholometrical equivalents.

As far as we have been able to judge, the translation before us is, in all respects, a very creditable one, and likely to be very useful. To those located in settlements where the German element prevails this book will be a necessary counter companion, and pharmacists generally will derive much interest and instruction from its perusal.

In addition to the matter of the original work, the translator has added several useful tables relating to the intermutation of degrees of temperature, and denominations of weights of various systems; and, in the English translation of officinal names, especially of those of chemicals, has brought the nomenclature as nearly as possible to that adopted in the United States Pharmacopœia of 1870.

The typographical execution of this work is very good; its general style is almost identical with that of the edition of the U. S. Pharmacopœia of 1870. The price is \$2.25, American currency.