

DISEASES OF THE NOSE AND THROAT.

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It has been a sincere pleasure to peruse this volume—the first to issue from a Canadian writer in connection with diseases of the nose and throat. Unlike so many of the newer writers on this topic, the author while endeavouring to cover the subject, which few men can do out of their own experience, has given us a record of his own experience and the results of his observations, and therefore has made a distinct contribution to medical science. He is to be commended in that he has avoided padding his volume with long histories of cases, or with long extracts from other writers, and has arrived at and succeeded in making his descriptions of the various diseases brief, and yet comprehensive and perfectly clear. To the student principally this is of great value.

Many of the illustrations are original, and some of them are particularly fine, notably those of Primrose and Bensley. The illustrations of pharyngo mycosis is the most striking that we have seen. The author has brought the book fully up to date and the chapters on pharyngo mycosis, autoscopy, fibrinous rhinitis are examples of this.

The use of the metric system is a bold but right step. Perhaps it is because of our ancient feud with the French that we find it hard to adopt a system which plainly has so many advantages.

While we have said this much in favor of the volume we must mention at least one error of judgment. It would have been in better taste had Dr. Brown refused to follow the *American* custom in the selection of the titles to be appended to his name and been content to follow his namesake of London fame with a modest three lines. We think too that the index will be found unsatisfactory by many readers.

The F. A. Davis Company are to be congratulated upon the issuance of this the best work thus far published by them upon the nose and throat.

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