

books devoted to surgery, to divide them into two or more volumes, as the principles of surgery should be considered entirely separately from surgical diseases and injuries of special parts. The first forms the groundwork of it all, and a student, to be a successful surgeon, must of necessity master first the principles before undertaking surgical disease. Dr. Tilton is to be congratulated upon the method pursued in his text-book, it being the correct one and the one most appreciated by those who will be his readers. We are glad that Vol. I. is so well illustrated. The colored plates are good, and add a great deal to the inherent value of the book. We bespeak for the second English edition a very hearty reception indeed.

*A Guide to the Clinical Examination of the Blood for Diagnostic Purposes.* By RICHARD C. CABOT, M.D. With colored plates and engravings. Fourth revised edition. New York: William Wood and Company. 1901.

With each succeeding edition of this excellent treatise on the blood from the pen of Cabot we notice a steady advancement. Of the twelve thousand observations on which it is now based, some three thousand are results of Cabot's own work, the remainder due to the zeal and skill of the physicians of the Massachusetts General Hospital. We find 2,800 observations alone in one thousand cases of typhoid fever, a perfect wealth of statistical data. The most noticeable additions and improvements are found in such diseases as pernicious anemia, the primary anemias, leukemia, typhoid fever, and the animal parasites, in fact, wherever the more recent researches have been made.

The space on serum diagnosis has been abbreviated, as has the table of contents, so that notwithstanding the large amount of new matter, the book is not greatly increased in bulk. The majority of the figures and plates are very accurate. The publishers' department requires no comment from us, as it is known to be always most creditable. The author humbly styles his work a *Guide*, but we should consider it a complete literary composition on the subject of blood examination.

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*The Standard Medical Manual: A Hand-Book of Practical Medicine.* By ALFRED S. BURDICK, M.D., Junior Professor of Practice of Medicine, Illinois Medical College; Member of the American Medical Association, the Illinois State Medical Society, etc. Pages 921, illustrated. Price, cloth, \$4.00. Chicago: G. P. Engelhard & Co.

This book, the editor modestly remarks in his preface, in spite of its name does not assume or hope to become the "Standard" one on the practice of medicine, but the name is rather due to the author's editorial connection with the *Medical Standard*. From