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Attfield's Chemistry. Fourteenth edition. Chemistry, General, Medical and Pharmaceutical; including the Chemistry of the U. S. Pharmacopœia. A Manual of the General Principles of the Science, and their Application to Medicine and Pharmacy. By JOHN ATTFIELD, M.A., Ph.D., F.I.C., F.C.S., F.R.S., etc., Professor of Practical Chemistry to the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, etc. Specially revised by the author for America, to accord with the new U. S. Pharmacopœia. In one handsome royal 12mo volume of 794 pages, with 88 illustrations. Cloth, \$2.75; leather, \$3.25. Philadelphia: Lea Brothers & Co. 1894.

The introductory pages are devoted to a few leading properties of the elements, and the chemistry of substances met with in vegetables and animals or of similar substances (organic chemistry) is next considered. Chemical toxicology, and the chemical, as well as microscopical characters of morbid urine, urinary sediments

and calculi are then given. The concluding sections form a laboratory guide to beginners in the chemical and physical study of quantitative analysis. A long table of tests for impurities in medicinal preparations will be found in the appendix. We know of no better work as a text-book, and its popularity as such is likely to be permanent.

A TREATISE ON DIPHTHERIA. By Dr. H. BOURGES. Translated by E. P. HURD, M.D. Detroit, Mich.: George S. Davis. 1894.

This is one of the "Physician's Leisure Library" Series. This is certainly a very neat little volume. The author is a well-known writer on questions of pathology and bacteriology. What he has to say upon so important a disease as diphtheria will, therefore, be listened to with attention. The translator has added a lengthy, valuable preface. The volume is full of useful information, and there are many formulæ throughout it. These will be of much service to anyone who may consult its pages. We can recommend this work to anyone wishing a careful monograph on the above subject.

Essentials of the Diseases of the Ear. Arranged in the form of questions and answers, prepared especially for students of medicine and post-graduate students. By E. B. GLEASON, M.D., Clinical Professor of Otology, Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia, etc. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street. 1894. Price \$1.00.

This little work gives in careful form the rudimentary facts of otology, and the author has contented himself with stating the treatment which, in his personal experience, he has proved most efficacious in the majority of cases. The book will supplement the lectures received by under-graduates in the branch.