

In conclusion we consider this work a decided advancement in this branch of medicine, and we have much pleasure in heartily recommending it to the student or general practitioner who desires to obtain a book which is fully up-to-date, and which will convey a knowledge of mental diseases in a concise and practical form precisely as these diseases are encountered in the routine of every day practice.—D. C. M.

STUDIES IN THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SEX.

The Evolution of Modesty ; the Phenomena of Sexual Periodicity ; Autoerotism, by Havelock Ellis. Philadelphia, New York, Chicago. F. A. Davis Company, Publishers, 1901.

The author sketches the main outlines of a complex emotional state which is of fundamental importance in sexual psychology, bringing together evidence from widely different regions and suggesting a tentative explanation of facts that are still imperfectly known.

Those interested in the subject will find a mass of information regarding the sexual history of peoples and nations of all colors and creeds, and in this the main value of the book lies.—F. F.

A SYSTEM OF PRACTICAL THERAPEUTICS.

Edited by Hobart Amory Hare, M.D., Professor of Therapeutics in Jefferson Medical College, Physician to Jefferson Medical College Hospital, Philadelphia. Second Edition Revised and Largely Re-written. Lea Bros. & Co., Philadelphia and New York. 1901.

Volume I. of the second edition of this well known work has been received. It contains nearly 850 pages, dealing with general therapeutic considerations, prescription writing, remedial measures other than drugs, diathetic diseases, and diseases of nutrition. Among the contributors are H. C. Wood Burney, Yeo. Simon Baruch, W. M. L. Coplin, James Stewart and Ralph Stockman, names which in themselves are a guarantee that the subjects with which they deal are brought fully up to the present standard of knowledge. This assumption is certainly borne out by a critical review of the various articles dealt with. While representing what is latest and most approved in scientific treatment, the work is essentially practical and will prove of the greatest value to the practitioner in his every-day work. The doctor who has this work in his library can feel assured that he has placed at his disposal descriptions of all that is really useful in the treatment of disease at the present day. The work is certainly deserving of the most cordial reception at the hands of the profession.