

OPERATIVE SURGERY ON THE CADAVER. By Jasper Jewett Garmany, A.M., M.D., F.R.C.S. 8vo. 150 pages. Cloth. New York: D. Appleton & Co. 1887. \$2.00.

This work is well written. The directions for performing operations, such as amputations, ligations, disarticulations, etc., are clear and concise. The work is not intended to take the place of manuals which treat of operations on the living, but rather to place the technique of such operations before the student or practitioner, so that, having practised them properly upon the cadaver, he may approach them with greater confidence and skill when called upon in his official capacity to deal with the living. The practice of giving demonstrations in operative surgery upon the cadaver, as well as of allowing students to perform various operations, is well thought of and considerably practised in England. To all who wish to take such a course, the work before us will be invaluable.

INSANITY: ITS CLASSIFICATION, DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT. By E. C. Spitzka, M.D., President of the New York Neurological Society, etc. 8vo, pp. 423. New York: E. B. Treat, 1887. Price, \$2.75.

Insanity is a subject so little thought of by the general physician, and so little understood by him, that this book will be of great use. It contains numerous original ideas, and the author does not fear to differ from some of the long accepted classical ideas of alienists. He also expresses his opinions positively, a great treat for the general professional reader in this branch of medicine. As a summary of the latest ideas on insanity, the book is excellent. The method of examining the insane is well treated, as also the part on differential diagnosis. We heartily recommend the book as being one of the most useful that have lately issued from the press.

THE MEDICAL NEWS VISITING LIST; a Daily Record of Practice and Accounts, without the use of signs, and thus obviating the need of transferring. Arranged in removable tablets. Philadelphia: The Medical World. 1887. \$1.50.

The object of this innovation in visiting lists is to save practitioners the trouble of carrying bulky books for recording their daily business, and to make the accounts legal by using words instead of signs. So far as we can judge from an examination of the proposed system, it will accomplish the above object, by the aid of a companion which is

soon to appear as a "Ledger of Monthly Balances." This is a book of 160 pp., leather bound, and alphabetically arranged, so that each account may be readily found. Its price is to be fifty cents.

A MANUAL OF ORGANIC MATERIA MEDICA for the use of Students, Druggists, Pharmacists and Physicians, by John M. Maisch, Phar. D., Professor of Materia Medica and Botany in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. Third edition, with 257 illustrations. Philadelphia: Lea Bros. & Co. 1887.

This work has always been a popular one with the Pharmaceutical profession, and the present edition has been so improved as to render it still more valuable. It presents in a concise form the essential physical, histological and chemical characters of the organic drugs, rendering it a useful and reliable guide to business transactions.

REFERENCE HANDBOOK OF THE MEDICAL SCIENCES, embracing the entire range of Scientific and Practical Medicine and Allied Science, by various writers. Illustrated by chromo-lithographs and wood-engravings. Edited by Albert H. Buck, M.D. Volume V. New York: William Wood & Co. 1887.

Volume five of this comprehensive work is to hand and is fully up to the standard. Among the contributors may be mentioned Alt, of St. Louis, Buck, of New York, Henry C. Coe, of New York, Graham, of Toronto. The work is well done, and ably edited.

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE FOR 1888.

This annual guide is to hand, and contains even more than the usual amount of information about plants and flowers. It will be sent to any address on application to James Vick, Rochester, N.Y.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

On 28th December, Dr. J. Harrison Howell, of Shedden, Ont., to Julia J., daughter of J. H. Reckie, of Cannington.

On the 13th December, Dr. F. D. Canfield, to Florence A., daughter of James Noxon, all of Ingersoll, Ont.

On the 19th January, Dr. McCrimmon, to Isabel, fourth daughter of D. McKenzie, all of Kincardine.

On 31st December, at Little Britain, Dr. W. N. Whiteside, late of Beeton.