

As an educational factor in the practical therapeutics of the university it is bound to play a large part, and this we venture to think it can well do. The book consists of eight sub-divisions beginning with those formulæ in general use, and ending with directions for the sterilization of various surgical appliances; the latter filling a long felt vacancy in the wants of the student and recent graduate. Other sub-divisions supply the needs of the various specialists. Throughout the book the metrical system figures, though the old measure is also largely retained.

With the exception of the few typographical errors, such as seen on the last page, this little book of 80 pages, in clear type and bound in limp cloth, is one of which the committee who are responsible for it may feel will be to the credit of the two hospitals.

MANUAL OF ANATOMY. By A. M. BUCHANAN, M.A., M.D., C.M., Professor of Anatomy, Anderson's College, Glasgow. Vol. I. Osteology, Upper and Lower Limbs; 268 illustrations. London: Baillière, Tindall & Cox.

Another anatomy for the poor overworked student. With so many good textbooks and dissections is there room for another? Professor Buchanan evidently thinks so. This work is a combination of a textbook and a manual on practical anatomy. After 259 pages devoted to Osteology and illustrated by a number of rather crude but very understandable drawings (many in colour), the anatomy of the upper and lower extremities is taken up. This part is on the lines of a dissecting manual, and is very good. First, surface markings are given; then the muscles, vessels and nerves are described as met with in these regions, and finally the joints. These are described in the order with which they are met with in dissection. Embryology is also dealt with after the description of each part or organ. The first volume is good and up to date; but there has not been much change in the anatomy of bones, and the extremities, for a good many years. The true test of the book will be the volumes on the viscera and nervous system. This first volume is very suitable for the first year students as it contains nearly all, though not all, the amount of information required.

Medical News.

MONTREAL GENERAL HOSPITAL.

During the month of September there were admitted to the Montreal General Hospital 271 patients, and 260 were discharged; the deaths