

Professor Hirst has written a good text-book. To the uninitiated student its pages present a rather monotonous appearance; paragraph merely succeeds paragraph. Small attempt is made to catch the eye, and the attention by means of italics, head-lines and spacings. In no objective way is the young reader made to single out the more important or essential facts. This is, however, a fault rather in the editing of the book, and does not concern its substance.

On this latter count Professor Hirst writes a good, plain work-a-day thesis. This book is just this.

To the second edition we re-extend the welcome vouchsafed upon its initial appearance—"That among American text-books of Gynæcology it ranks second only to Dudley."

A. TEXT-BOOK OF CLINICAL DIAGNOSIS, BY LABORATORY METHODS, FOR THE USE OF STUDENTS, PRACTITIONERS AND LABORATORY WORKERS. By L. NAPOLEON BOSTON, A.M., M.D., Assoc. in Medicine and Director of the Clinical Laboratories of the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia. Second Edition, revised and enlarged. Octavo, of 563 pages, with 330 illustrations, including 34 plates, many in colours. Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders & Co., 1905. Cloth, \$4.00 net; Sheep or Half Morocco, \$5.00 net. Canadian Agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., 434 Yonge Street, Toronto.

The first edition of this work was reviewed in the JOURNAL in January, 1905, and it speaks well for Dr. Boston's work that a second edition is required so soon.

There is not much to add to our previous review, except to state that a few of the newer tests have been added. The subject of cytodiagnosis is considered more extensively, as is also malaria.

MANUAL of the DISEASES of the EYE for STUDENTS and PRACTITIONERS. By CHARLES H. MAY, M.D. Chief of Clinic and Instructor in Ophthalmology, College of Physicians and Surgeons, N.Y. Fourth edition revised. With 360 original illustrations including 21 plates with 60 colored figures. New York: William Wood & Co., 1905.

The appearance of a fourth edition of Dr. May's Manual of Diseases of the Eye since 1900, would evidently indicate that it has filled a demand and found a very ready market.

The present edition contains considerable additions and despite this has been kept within the compass of the previous volume. The possibility of condensing within the limits of such a small work the main points of almost all diseases of the eye, together with anat-