

tion. The arrangement, printing, illustrations and general make-up of the book is excellent. The text is very concise and not too short to be clear. Much practical advice is noticed throughout, and conflicting theories are conspicuous by their absence.

A very sensible section is that on the care of urethral instruments. The note of warning that too zealous sterilizing often renders the instruments rough and harmful to the patient may well be remembered.

Students will find this work very useful, and the busy practitioner may review the subject without loss of time in reading this book.

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A Text-Book of the Practice of Medicine. By James M. Anders, M.D., Ph.D., LL.D., Professor of the Practice of Medicine and of Clinical Medicine in the Medico-Chirurgical College of Philadelphia, Attending Physician to the Medico-Chirurgical and Samaritan Hospitals, Philadelphia. W. B. Saunders & Co., Philadelphia and London, 1901; J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto, Canadian Agents.

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The Medical News Pocket Formulary for 1902. By E. Reim Thornton, M.D. Demonstrator of Therapeutics, Pharmacy and Materia Medica in the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Fourth edition, revised. Lea Bros. & Co., Philadelphia and New York, 287 pages, wallet size, leather bound, with pocket and pencil, \$1.50 net.

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