

to some extent effectual. For example, in 1895, when there was no control, 52.23 per cent. of the soldiers were admitted to the hospital for venereal disease, as compared with 20.03 per cent. in 1904, at the end of a period of seven years of control.

The book is full of interesting facts for anyone interested in this branch of public health.

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The subject of fractures covers 281 pages and is remarkable in its scope. The illustrations in this particular section of the work are very clear and accurate. All illustrations point in the simplest possible way. One on page 65 shows a fracture of the clavicle, a most excellent skiagraph, but an arrow indicates the direction of the fracture. Also on page 173 the measurements are so mapped out and designated that it is impossible for anyone not to be able to follow very clearly.

The X-ray photographs of joints, that we know are not always easily comprehended by the non-expert, are in this volume traced so as to clearly show what is intended. The surgery of the joints,