

material, an effort has been made to represent medical advance. The mass gathered in such publications is left for the reader to sift and digest, a mental process which the immensity of modern medical advance has rendered a virtual impossibility for the average reader, who must nowadays rely upon the specialist to reduce science to applicable form. Recognizing this fact, Professor Hare has secured a corps of the most capable and advanced men, each of whom tells in his own language, and in the form of an interesting narrative, the story of medical progress in his special line. The four volumes which will be published each year will cover the entire round of practical medicine in the broadest sense, and their appearance at intervals of three months, instead of annually, will ensure the more rapid diffusion of knowledge, which is a requirement of our times. The first volume, just issued, is a substantial octavo of nearly 500 pages, illustrated with engravings and colored plates, and, as the yearly price for the set of four volumes is only \$10.00, it is evident that an exceedingly large demand is anticipated. That these expectations will probably be fulfilled is a fair prediction in view of the admirable manner in which the able contributors have executed Professor Hare's novel and ingenious plan.

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