burgh, with 136 colored plates. Philadelphia: H. C. Lea's, Son & Co. Toronto: Hart & Co.

The object of the work has been to supply a guide to the study and examination of morbid tissues, and this the author has accomplished in a most complete and satisfactory manner. The first two chapters contain full and complete instruction for preparing, staining, and mounting specimens. The following chapters are devoted to the various pathological conditions of the liver, heart, lungs, blood-vessels, kidneys, spleen, nervous system, tumors, parasites, etc., etc. The plan adopted is to follow the tissue from the body to the microscope, to describe the method of making macroscopic and microscopic investigation, to indicate the more important pathological changes of each organ, and to describe the more important lesions. The colored illustrations are most beautifully executed, and reflect the highest credit upon the artist. Upon the whole, the work is one that we can unhesitatingly recommend to the profession in Canada.

THE INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPÆDIA OF SUR-GERY. By authors of various nations. Edited by John Ashhurst, jr., M.D., Philadelphia; in six volumes. Illustrated with chromo-lithographs and wood cuts. Vol. IV.. New York: Wm. Wood & Co., 1884. Toronto: Hart & Co.

Three volumes of this admirable Encyclopædia of Surgery have already been most favorably noticed in these columns. We have only to add that this volume fully warrants the favorable opinion previously expressed. If we might make comparisons as to the character and value of each volume we would say that this is the best which has as yet The articles contained in the 4th appeared. volume are as follows :-- Injuries of bones-- Packard; Diseases of joints-Barwell; Excisions and resections-Ashhurst and Fenwick, (Montreal); Tumors—Bublin; Injuries of the spine—Liddell; Diseases of the spine-Treves. The article on injuries of the spine possesses the melancholy interest of being a posthumous contribution from the pen of the late Dr. Liddell, who died almost as the last proof-sheets were being corrected.

HEALTH AND HOME, a journal of Sanitary Science, and Home Hygiene. Edited by F. N. Boxer, C. E., Montreal, Que. Price \$2.

We have received the first number of this new monthly, which makes fair promise of future usefulness in the department of sanitary science. The object of the publication as stated by the editor is "the promotion of sanitary education in homes and schools, and the diffusion of sanitary know-

ledge to all classes." As such we have no doubt, if properly supported, it will contribute its share in the great work of educating the masses in sanitary science and domestic hygiene. Some of the defects incident to maiden efforts of this kind are observable in its pages, but future issues will no doubt be an improvement upon the present, which, upon the whole, is very creditable.

JOHN THOMSON, M.R.C.S.E.

We regret to record in this issue the death of Dr. John Thomson, of Chatham, N.B., at the ripe age of 75 years; one of our oldest physicians, and one whose career has been remarkable for its length, activity and usefulness. He was born in Perthshire, Scotland, in 1808, and came out to Miramichi with his parents in 1816. After a course of study with Dr. Key, he went to Edinburgh in 1828, and received his degree of M R.C.S.E. Returning to his home in 1833, he commenced practice at Newcastle, N. B. Soon after he was appointed surgeon to the small-pox hospital in Chatham, and was subsequently placed in charge of the quarantined crew and passengers of the ill-fated "Loostock," most of whom died of that disease in its most virulent type. Appointed to the superintendancy of the Government Marine Hospital, he held it for 53 years; also of the County Alms House in 1869, which he held until his last sickness.

He was a man of unswerving integrity, most prompt and faithful in the discharge of his many duties, honorable in his intercourse with his medical brethren, and courteous to all. For 36 years he held a leading place as elder in the St. John Presbyterian Church, where he will be greatly missed. He was beloved by his patients and revered and honored by all.

Births, Marriages and Deaths,

In Peterborough, Ont., on the 26th of February, Dr. J. F. O'Shea, to Miss Minnie Henry.

At Walkerton, on the 18th of February, the wife of Dr. M. Stalker, of a son.

At Wickham, N. B., on the 17th of February. Robt. Black, M. D., aged 81 years.

In Halifax, N, S., on the 14th ult., Dr. Edwin Clay, aged 62 years.

*** The charge for Notices of Births, Deaths and Marriages is Fifty Cents, which should be forwarded in postage stamps with the communication.