

would have done credit to any hospital. The rapidity with which the wounded were dressed and removed from the field by the bearer companies was the subject of favourable comment on all sides. The ambulances were several times fired on by the enemy's guns and several of them were damaged by fragments of shell, yet the medical officers worked steadily on with a devotion and heroism which was beyond all praise.

## Book Reviews.

**Progressive Medicine.**—A quarterly digest of Advances, Discoveries and Improvements in the Medical and Surgical Sciences. Edited by Hobart Amory Hare, M.D., Professor of Therapeutics and Materia Medica in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia. Volume IV., December, 1899. Lea Brothers and Company, Philadelphia, Pa., 1899.

Promptness is a great deal in the issue of such a volume as this one. It is therefore commendable that it was ready for delivery to subscribers early in January. Diseases of the digestive tract and allied organs, the Liver, Pancreas and Peritoneum—Genito Urinary diseases in the male, and Syphilis—fractures, dislocations, amputations, surgery of the extremities and orthopedics, Diseases of the kidneys—Physiology—Anatomy—Hygiene, Practical Therapeutics—Referendum. Some of the articles are extremely well illustrated, and the type and paper are most pleasant to the eye. The value of this quarterly is well maintained, and without hesitation we commend it to our readers.

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**Essentials of Medical Chemistry**, organic and inorganic, containing also questions of Medical Physics, Chemical Philosophy, Analytical Processes, Toxicology. Prepared specially for students of Medicine, by Lawrence Wolff, M.D., demonstrator of Chemistry Jefferson Medical College. 5th edition, thoroughly revised by Smith Ely Jelliffe, M.D., Ph.D. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street, 1899, \$1.00 nett. Canadian agents, J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto.

The question compends issued by W. B. Saunders on the various subjects embraced in a Medical curriculum have for some years occupied a unique place in Medical literature. Some teachers have not taken kindly to them, as it appeared to them as if some subjects did not receive that thoroughness of treatment which they considered was essential. The majority, however, felt that, not only were they thorough and up to date, but that they filled a long-felt want. This has always been our view, and those