

perly emphasized; mechanical and other methods of therapy in heart diseases are fully treated. We note in this chapter, as in others, the American Editor quotes frequently from Forcheimer. The chapter on Diabetes is worthy of special mention, and there is an interesting paragraph summing up Castaigne's recent work on the reduction of common salt in the dietary of patients with Bright's disease.

We must ask the American Editor why Winnipeg appears as the only Canadian station in his list of resorts for consumptives, his list of "Moderately Dry" (States?), reading, "Texas, Inland Southern California, Minnesota, Dakota, Nebraska, Winnipeg." We are surprised that tuberculin therapy is dismissed with such few words by Ortner. Porter endeavors to overcome this, but in giving dose fails to mention which tuberculin, and at what interval. The general get-up of the book is good and type is clear. Diseases of the nervous system are not considered by Ortner, though Porter has a splendid chapter on Neurasthenia; the publisher heads the pages of this chapter, Infectious Diseases.

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