

*Elements of Physiology and of Disease.* By ED. MAPOTHER, M.D., Prof. of Hygiene, R. Col. Surgeons, Ireland, &c., pp. 567. With one hundred and fifty Illustrations. Second Edition. London: Longman & Co. Dublin: Fannin & Co.

A second edition of this popular manual has been called for in eighteen months, and has become the standard students' book in all the Dublin, and many of the London schools. It differs from all other manuals in combining general pathology with physiology, and we think the idea is good, as it gives the student an interest in details, otherwise often dry and unattractive. The work is concise and well arranged, so that scarcely a single fact of these sciences is omitted, but this renders it a work of constant reference and requiring attentive perusal.

Dr. M. is careful in assigning the authority for every statement, and is particularly just to his co-laborers. The illustrations are excellent, chiefly copied from the works of the German microscopists; and a copious and accurate Medical glossary is added to this admirable students' book.

*Life, Health, and Disease; a Compendium of Modern Physiology.* By ROBT. HENDRY, L.F.P.C. Helensburgh, Scotland: William Campbell, printer.

This little volume was forwarded to us through the post, for which we thank the publisher—an old and highly esteemed friend. It is a really excellent little book, intended for public circulation, and will doubtless accomplish good. It is neatly printed, as might have been expected, the publisher being a thorough practical Scotch printer.

## PERISCOPIC DEPARTMENT.

### Surgery.

#### HINTS RESPECTING THE EXTRACTION OF FOREIGN BODIES FROM THE EAR AND NOSE.

By S. D. GROSS, M.D., Professor of Surgery in the Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia.

All writers upon the diseases of the ear speak of the great difficulty that is generally experienced in removing foreign bodies from the auditory tube. Von Tröltsch, whose work has recently been reproduced in this country, and whose sentiments may be regarded as expressive of the latest views upon the subject in Germany, has uttered this remarkable sen-