

to-day the physician who should require assistance. To all who are doing any kind of work Dr. Novey's book will be of great assistance.

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*Text-Book of Normal Histology.* By GEO. A. PIERSOL, M.D., Professor of Anatomy in the University of Pennsylvania. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company.

The second edition of this valuable work excels the first in wealth of illustration, which, of course, is to be expected in such an exhaustive work on histology. This work, either in the hands of the student or practitioner, will be found invaluable in giving that thorough grounding, in normal conditions of tissue, without which all pathological teaching is wasted.

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*Obstetric Surgery.* By EGBERT H. GRANDIN, M.D., Obstetric Surgeon to the New York Maternity Hospital, Gynæcologist to the French Hospital, etc.; and GEORGE W. JARMAN, M.D., Obstetric Surgeon to the New York Maternity Hospital, Gynæcologist to the Cancer Hospital, etc.; with eighty-five illustrations in the text, and fifteen full-page photographic plates. Royal Octavo, 220 pages. Extra cloth, \$2 50 net. Philadelphia: The F. A. Davis Co., publishers, 1914 and 1916 Cherry Street.

This work is one which should be in the hands of every practitioner. All the operations are well illustrated, and the descriptions clear, terse and accurate. Much has been done also to simplify and perfect the technique. Fortunately the occasion for serious operations in obstetric practice seldom arises, but when it does the want of a "friend in need" such as this volume would be, is seriously, perhaps irremediably felt.

*Surgical Pathology and Therapeutics.* By JOHN COLLINS WARREN, M.D., Professor of Surgery in Harvard University. Illustrated. Philadelphia: W. B. Saunders.

It is more than a pleasure to review such a splendid work as this latest production from the press of a publisher, who has already done so much for medicine, as W. B. Saunders. This work typographically could not be excelled, and as for the subject matter, the name of the author is sufficient to guarantee us the thorough and masterly exposition of the subject which we find within its pages. Nothing could be finer than the careful and accurate manner in which the various processes of disintegration and repair are explained and illustrated. From thoroughly scientific premises the deductions as to therapeutics seem to follow as naturally as day does night. We cannot too strongly urge every physician wishing to thoroughly acquaint himself with the modern basis and practice of surgery to possess himself of this volume. Other works from this publisher will be reviewed in the next issue.

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NEW ANTITOXINE TREATMENT OF DIPHTHERIA.—(Editorial in *British Medical Journal*, 1894, ii., 771.)

We continue to receive reports from correspondents in various parts of this country of the employment of the antitoxine serum in the treatment of diphtheria. In a very large proportion of cases complete success has happily attended the method. Dr. Watkin Hughes, for instance, reports that during the present severe epidemic of diphtheria at Barnham Broom, Norfolk, he has attended forty cases; of the first thirty treated by