

Diseases of Women. A Clinical Guide to Their Diagnosis and Treatment. By GEORGE ERNEST HERMAN, M.B.Lond., F.R.C.P., Obstetric Physician to, and Lecturer on Midwifery at the London Hospital, Examiner in Midwifery to the Universities of London and Oxford, Late President of the Obstetrical Societies of London, and of the Hunterian Society, etc. With 252 illustrations. Cassell & Co., London, Paris and Melbourne, 1898. Canadian Agents—A. P. Watts & Co., 10 College Street, Toronto.

In speaking of the general plan of this work, we feel that we cannot do better than produce the author's own words: "In most works on the diseases of women the subject-matter is arranged anatomically, according to the organ affected. But patients do not come labelled, 'Disease of Uterus,' 'Disease of Ovary,' etc. They come complaining of symptoms; and the discovery of which organ is in fault is often the greater part of the diagnostic problem. I have thought it more useful to the student and practitioner to arrange the maladies according to their leading symptom—that is, the one usually first mentioned by the patient. Such a division is not pathological or logical. It involves a little repetition; and in some instances it is difficult to say where the disease should rightly be placed, for the same disease will make one patient complain of one symptom, another of a different one, but I hope the clinical utility of this arrangement may compensate for these defects."

From Dr. Herman's experience and reputation as a clinical teacher, one would expect that in following such a programme he would produce a very valuable text-book. As a matter of fact, he has done so. The work is likely to be highly prized by both students and practitioners.

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