

Book Reviews.

Gonorrheal Arthritis—Its Pathology, Symptoms and Treatment—By L. VERNON JONES, M.D., Cr. 8vo., 82 pages. Price 2s. 6d. Published by H. K. Lewis, 136 Gower Street, London, W. C.

The idea of publishing small volumes on special subjects is a good one. Many a man is able to write a short treatise on some special subject that he has paid particular attention to, with the greatest advantage to his *confrères*—while the publishing of a large volume on general medicine would not be his fort nor needed. The reading public will appreciate the lesser volume and accept with pleasure the opinion expressed. Dr. L. Vernon Jones has written a *brochure* on gonorrheal arthritis which is timely and should be convincing. The author's idea that the term gonorrheal rheumatism is erroneous and misleading and should not be used, seems to be correct. His line of treatment is simple yet thorough. We have, however, used in this affection with some success, hexa methylene tetramine, and would like to see it included in the next edition of the volume. The book is neatly gotten up and published at a most reasonable cost.

Dose-Book and Manual of Prescription-Writing. With a List of the Official Drugs and Preparations, and the more important Newer Remedies. By E. Q. THORNTON, M.D., Demonstrator of Therapeutics, Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. Second Edition, Revised and Enlarged. Octavo, 362 pages. Illustrated. Philadelphia and London W. B. Saunders & Co., 1901. Canadian Agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto. Bound in flexible leather. \$2.00 net.

This work is intended for the student of medicine both during his years of study as an undergraduate and in the early period of his professional career. The volume will also prove of value to the practitioner of many years' standing for purposes of reference. In the revision additions have been made to the chapters on "Prescription-Writing" and "Incompatibilities," and references have been introduced in the text to the newer curative sera, organic extracts, synthetic compounds, and vegetable drugs. To the Appendix, chapters upon Synonyms and Poisons and their antidotes have been added.

In addition to the consideration of the composition strength of all official preparations, space is given to the grammatical construction of prescriptions, accompanied by example prescriptions, illustrating some of the methods of employing the different classes of remedies. It is in all respects an admirable book both for students and general practitioners.