

Book Reviews.

FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HENRY PHIPPS INSTITUTE FOR THE STUDY, TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS. (February 1st, 1906, to February 1st, 1907. An account of the general and special clinical and pathological work done by members of the staff of the Institute during the year. Edited by Joseph Walsh, A.M., M.D. Published by Henry Phipps Institute, 233 Pine St., Philadelphia. 1908.

The 400 pages of the above report contain an astonishing fund of general information regarding the cases which have come under the notice of the collaborators, and we cannot too highly compliment these workers on the results of the year's investigations.

The first hundred pages deal in detail with the clinical features of the cases recorded, and in addition the sociological aspect of the disease has been most fully analyzed. Short reports on the results of careful routine examination of the blood of a large number of cases, with the conclusions reached, also of the finding of casts and albuminuria in pulmonary phthisis follow. The subject of infection through the passages of the upper respiratory tract has considerable space devoted to it. Tuberculosis of bones and joints, of skin and glands, of the nervous system, the pleura, etc., each has a separate section. The report closes with the voluminous pathological and bacteriological findings.

To all who are in any way interested in this the most important of all the infections to which man is subject we commend this report.

GREEN'S ENCYCLOPEDIA AND DICTIONARY OF MEDICINE AND SURGERY. Vol. IX. Rhinoliths—Thermotaxis. Published by William Green & Sons, Edinburgh and London.

In this, the penultimate volume of the series, we find a similar arrangement and style to that of the former numbers. As in them the illustrations are profuse and clear, the printing, etc., are above criticism.

Certain articles are outstanding. Among them we notice those on scarlet fever, medical inspection of schools, diseases of the stomach, syphilis, tabes, the teeth, and many others. The standard set by the earlier volumes has been well maintained.