

clear style, and how the real condition and the pretended one may be distinguished from each other. Much attention is devoted to the methods of conducting the examination so as to detect any attempt at simulation. But to do this the author takes into careful consideration the points of differential diagnosis. The normal is taken as the starting point in the study. Take, for example, insanity and malingering. Here we find set out the conditions that will be met with in true insanity, and this, contrasted with pretended insanity. The authors have rendered a real service to the medical profession in the publication of such a book. The publisher is also to be congratulated on the attractive form of the volume.

ELECTRO-THERAPEUTICS FOR PRACTITIONERS.

Being Essays on some useful forms of electrical apparatus and on some diseases which are amenable to electrical treatment. By Francis Howard Humphries, M.D., F.R.C.P., Edin., M.R.C.S., Eng., L.R.C.P., Lond., President of the American Electro-Therapeutic Association, Vice-President of the Brussels Medical Graduates' Association, Fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine, Fellow of the Hunterian Society, Member of the Roentgen Society, Illustrated. London: Edward Arnold. 1913. Price, 8 and 6.

Of late years there have appeared a number of books on the application of electricity in medicine and surgery. This one covers a very useful field, and does so in a condensed and clear manner. A perusal of the volume makes it quite plain that the author has had an extensive experience in this work, and has aimed throughout to make his book as practical as possible. Discussion is eliminated and the reader is taken at once to the practical aspect of the subject under consideration. The illustrations are clear and helpful, they are well executed, and lend much assistance to the text. The various diseases and the form of electricity best suited for them is the real aim of the author. He is to be congratulated upon the successful performance of his task. The publisher has produced a very neat book.

THE VICIOUS CIRCLE IN DISEASE.

By Jamieson B. Hurry, M.A., M.D., Cantab., ex-President Reading Pathological Society. With illustrations. Second and enlarged edition. London: J. & A. Churchill, 7 Great Marlborough Street. 1913. Price, 7 and 6.

We have had the pleasure of reviewing a former edition of this book. The vicious circles of the several systems of the body are taken up *seriatim* and discussed in detail. The classification of these vicious