

The following is the very favorable criticism made by the *Brit. Med. Journal* of Dr. Robinson's work on "Dermatology," notice of which will be found in our advertising columns:

"Another substantial book on dermatology, in the shape of an octavo volume of upwards of 600 pages, reaches us from America, affording additional evidence, if that were required, of the zeal and energy of the school of dermatology which has sprung up in New York during the last decade. The author has already earned the reputation of being a sound pathologist, and the memoirs from his pen on dermatological subjects are invariably referred to by European writers, who discuss the questions to which they refer. The part that he has taken in discussions regarding the so-called dysidrosis, and the pathology of psoriasis and sycosis, have marked him out as a writer of force, and as an observer of considerable originality. His name is sufficient to call attention to any work on dermatology of which he is the author.

"The book before us is characterized by conciseness, clearness, and, we must add, occasionally, dogmatism. It is remarkable for an entire absence of repetition—a feature alone which distinguishes it from many other similar works. This special quality renders the book useful to the general practitioner, who will find the chapters on treatment clear, precise, and short, but yet embodying the results of extensive reading and considerable experience. There is so much original work in the book, that it is impossible to do more than to indicate a few points which are of special interest from the pathological side."

Tabula Anatomica Osteologica. Editæ a CAROLO H. VONKLEIN. Artium Magistro Medicinarum Doctore. Editio Emendata. Cincinnati Lithographic Co. MDCCLXXXV.

This osteological atlas, dedicated rather pedantically in Latin to his "Amicissimo Collegæ," CAROLO A. L. REED, Editori, *Ephemeredis*, "Clinical Brief and Sanitary News," etc., etc., comprises thirty-two plates each containing a greater or less number of figures representing every portion of the human skeleton. There are nearly three hundred illustrations accurately

showing every bony elevation, depression, ridge, hollow, muscular insertion, foramen, tuberosity, fossa, impression, sinus or canal ever imagined and described by the anatomist. The work is a hand atlas, and many of the illustrations are necessarily much less than life size, but the engraving has been beautifully done, and is much truer to nature than the almost diagrammatic woodcuts found in some anatomical textbooks. Even the sesamoid bones, and phalanges have been as minutely delineated as the larger and more important parts of the skeleton. The student will find it a reliable guide when he begins his study of anatomy, while to the surgeon it will prove no less useful for reference. The dentist too will find it valuable. The references are all in Latin, the author being ambitious to reach "every physician, surgeon, dentist, and medical student in the civilized world," as he states in his introductory, in order to do which it is necessary to sell the work at a trifle. We hope Dr. VonKlein will succeed in his object; he has evidently devoted great pains, patience and money to the work, and secured accurate and beautiful engravings by the best artists.

Personal.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes reached his seventy-sixth birthday in August.

Dr. Paul Vogt, Professor of Surgery at the University of Greifswald, died in July.

Dr. Osler, of Philadelphia, will deliver the next course of the Cartwright lectures.

Dr. Horace Bascom (Toronto) and Dr. D. Gow (Trinity) have been admitted Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians, London.

Dr. Charles O'Reilly, of Toronto, has spent the last four months in Great Britain and the Continent. He has combined work with pleasure, and made a careful inspection of the principal hospitals of the old world. He expected to sail for home with his family, Sept. 17th, and reach Toronto about Oct. 1st.