

and is most successful in congenital cases. Adduces strong arguments in favor of advantages of anterior over posterior operation.

Chap. XVII.—Entozoa within the eyeball. Chap. XVIII.—Artificial eyes. Chap. XIX.—Malignant affections. After an accurate statement of the histology and anatomy of their growths, he discusses, at length, the question of operation. Conceiving the sore or tumor to be merely the outlet of the materies morbi lodged in the system, interference, he believes, must lead to disappointment. No combination of circumstances can warrant extirpation in encephaloid disease of eyeball; and no unequivocal case of success is on record. Cannot speak so positively of schirrus, but is adverse to operation, judging from results of operations on other parts than the eyeball, similarly affected. Operation in melanosis more fortunate, but extended inquiry is necessary. As a rule, some remarks apply to malignant disease of orbit and lids. His mode of operation has already been stated.

Chap. XX.—Artificial pupil.

Chap. XXI.—Extirpation of the eyeball. In conclusion, we would especially allude to the present edition of Mr. W.'s work. With the exception of the 1st chapter on the history of ophthalmic science, it is in every particular a faithful copy of the English prototype. Dr. Littell has enriched it with frequent valuable notes. Many contain some very useful hints, as application of extemporaneous nitrate silver, by dipping a silver probe in nitric acid, while others embody fundamental information of great value, as his note upon the ocular fascia, p. 303. Dr. L. has found the best treatment for the stubborn affection known as granular lids to be occasional application of nitr of silver gr. x. xx. to 3 of water. We congratulate the publishers in having obtained the services of so talented an editor, one who has already acquired considerable fame as an oculist.

XVII.—*A Manual of Obstetrics.* By J. F. Cock, M.D., Physician to the New York Lying-in Asylum, to Bellevue Hospital, &c. Pp. 239. New York: S. S. & W. Wood. Montreal: B. Dawson.

Our young friends, who are preparing for examination, and wish to be up in obstetrics, will find Dr. Cock's manual to be just the book they need. It is incomparably the best *multum in parvo* we have seen. In a few short pages it gives the chief points of the subjects within its province. The style is didactic, the expressions terse, and verbiage has been eschewed. It is the sort of production the student aims at in taking notes of lectures. As an example of the plan followed, it may be mentioned, that the description of the forceps gives a *precis* of its history, value, varieties, use, action, frequency of use, results, cases for, not appli-