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The Year Book of Treatment for 1898.—A Critical Review for Practitioners of Medicine and Surgery. Crown octavo 488 pages. Cloth, \$1.50. Philadelphia and New York. Lea Brothers & Co., 1898.

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Transactions of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Philadelphia.—Third Series, Volume Nineteenth. Edited by Thompson S. Wescott, M.D., Philadelphia.

This volume is neatly bound in cloth with gilt top and contains two hundred and fifty-one pages of matter. There are twenty-two papers published together with several biographical sketches, the annual address of the President, lists of officers and members, etc. Among the interesting papers are the following:—Rapidly occurring semphlygia or acute lead poisoning, by J. M. Dacosta, M.D., LL.D. Some important facts about chloroform, by H. A. Hare, M. D. The value of auscultatory Percussion in Diagnosis, by Alfred Stengel, M. D. A contribution to the study of the action of the venom of the *Crotalus Adamanteus* upon the blood, by S. Weir Mitchell, M.D., and Alonzo H. Stewart, M.D. The Hysterical Newroses of the Skin, by Arthur van Harlingen, M.D.

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