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PHYSICAL DIAGNOSIS, by RICHARD C. CABOT, Assistant Professor of Medicine in Harvard University. Fourth Edition, revised and enlarged. With five plates and two hundred and forty figures in the text. New York: William Wood and Company, 1909.

This work was written in 1905, and its rapid progress in editions shows that it has proved satisfactorily its claims. The changes in text and plates from the last edition are slight, and the work as a whole has been commended in these pages before. Its value is enhanced by the *personal* character of the book, in that the author will not write upon methods that are outside his experience. With a view to making a good book better we would mention that plate 200 is inadequate and that there is a badly-mixed paragraph on page 536.