

ROGER ON INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

Their Etiology, Diagnosis and Treatment by G. H. Roger, Professor Extraordinary in the Faculty of Medicine of Paris, etc., translated by N. S. Gabriel, M. D., New York. In one octavo volume, of 864 pages, with 43 illustrations. Cloth \$5.75, net. Lea Brothers & Co., Philadelphia and New York, 1903. Toronto: Messrs. Chandler & Massey.

This volume comprehends almost the entire scope of internal medicine and touches upon many of the principles underlying modern surgery as well. It could not have been prepared by a laboratory investigator, however brilliant, nor by a clinician, however extensive his experience; its creation remained for one who combines the instincts and training of a student in original research with almost unprecedented opportunities for clinical investigation.

Never losing sight of the fact that the purpose of the laboratory is to amplify and explain clinical observations, Professor Roger has pursued clinical and experimental researches in the closest relation to each other. In this work he unfolds the knowledge of his subject by simple and practical methods. He first studies the pathogenic agents, inquires into their distribution in nature, the conditions under which they attack man and their modes of invasion. Full consideration is then given to their influence upon the human economy and the reaction of the latter upon the invaders. Ample time and space are devoted to questions of diagnosis and prognosis and that the work is eminently practical is shown by the fact that more than a quarter of the volume is devoted to treatment both preventive and curative.

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