Considering the expenditure of time and money in the preparation of this volume, and the liberality of the publishers in presenting it free to the profession, the enterprise marks a new era in medical journalism, and merits appreciation and success.

## Personal.

Dr. Lapthorn Smith, of Montreal, intends to leave New York on the 24th March, by the White Star steamer "Cedric," for a few weeks' travel in Europe, including a week's stay at Madrid for the International Congress, which opens on 23rd April, and before which he has been invited to read a Gynecological paper. He expects to return by the "Tunisian" on the 14th May.

## Book Reviews,

The Practical Medicine Series of Year-Books comprising ten volumes on the year's progress in Medicine and Surgery under the general editorial charge of Gustavus P. Head, M.D.. Professor of Laryngology and Rhinology, Chicago Post-Graduate Medical School. December, 1902: Chicago. The Year Book Publishers, 40 Dearborn street.

These year books are issued monthly—the one for August, 1902, embracing Physiology, Pathology and Bacteriology; that for September embraces Skin, Venereal, Nervous and Mental Diseases; the issue October is entirely devoted to general medicine. Each issue is thoroughly up to date and contains very valuable information regarding the progress the various divisions of medicine are making.

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The Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat, Volume III., edited by Casey A. Wood, C.M., M.D., Albert H. Andrews, M.D., T. Melville Hardie, A.M., M.D. December, 1902: Chicago. The Year Book Publishers, 40 Dearborn street.