

chemical nature of objects under the microscope. While there is nothing distinctive or original about this work other than the idea of combining normal and morbid histology in one volume, it is a reliable guide, and gives the reader an up-to-date idea of the subjects treated of.

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This work is contributed to by nineteen of the best known teachers and writers on obstetrics in America to-day. Each contributor has selected the subject on which he is supposed to be best posted, and the result is exceedingly satisfactory. When the American Text Book of Obstetrics was published, it was an advance on any existing American work on obstetrics; now we have another equally good work, and, as might be supposed, being of later date, an even more modern text-book. It would be difficult to say more in its praise. In many of the chapters most of the important statements have the authorities for such statements given in the foot notes, which we believe to be of use for advanced students. The plates are all good, many of them being entirely new. No library on obstetrics can be complete without this work, and we heartily recommend it to all practitioners, and more especially to all teachers as being the best work to keep their students abreast of the times.

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The first twenty-five of "The Prettiest Country Homes in America" are shown in the February *Ladies' Home Journal*. There will be over one hundred of these photographs, and they will picture in detail the most attractive and artistic country and suburban homes in the United States. The pictures that will constitute this series were selected from the photographs of seven thousand of the prettiest American homes. A competitive contest for a photograph of the prettiest house in this country brought a picture of every home having any claims to attractiveness or beauty, and from these the very best were selected for publication in *The Ladies' Home Journal* exclusively. Houses of all sizes, from every section of the country, of various costs, have been selected, and the series will be valuable for suggestions to those who contemplate building a house or remodeling an old one.

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