

*The Sexual Organs—Their Use and Abuse.* By J. E. HELLER HETT, Berlin.

Dr. Hett has undertaken to write a popular treatise on this important subject. The author has very pronounced ideas on the subject, and he has presented them in a very concise form. The author states that his reason for writing the volume is to enlighten the public on matters that he considers of vital importance to themselves. Many of the most striking passages in this work are well worth careful thought, and if men would follow the precepts laid down therein, they would, undoubtedly, be better themselves, and be of more use to their fellow-beings.

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*Bartholow's Materia Medica and Therapeutics.*

Appleton & Company have just issued the tenth edition of this work, long recognized as a standard hand-book, whether as a text-book for the student or a hand-book of reference for the practitioner. It would seem that as the work is based on the U.S.P., and the next edition of the latter is due in 1900, it might have been well to postpone this edition for a few months, that the host of new remedies might have been weeded out by the U.S.P. first, and those accepted by it placed in this work. Of course, many of them do appear here. The articles on therapeutic agents other than drugs, such as diet, baths, massage, electricity, etc., are such as almost to do away with the need of special texts on the subjects named. The work fully retains its encyclopedic character and thoroughly sound and conservative views, while neglecting no genuine advance in the art of healing by medical means.

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*A Text-Book of Embryology for Students of Medicine.* By JOHN CLEMENT HEISLER, M.D., Professor of Anatomy to the Medico-Chirurgical College, Philadelphia. With 190 illustrations, 26 of them in colors. Publisher: W. B. Saunders, 925 Walnut Street, Philadelphia. Canadian agents: J. A. Carveth & Co., Toronto. Price, \$2.50 net.

The aim of the author of this excellent text-book was to make it full enough to be intelligible, without that minuteness of detail which characterizes the larger treatises which contain too much for ordinary medical students. He has also endeavored to present a connected story of human development, but also to make each chapter as nearly as possible complete in itself for the sake of convenience of reference. We think the author has well carried out all his aims. The illustrations are remarkably good, and will materially assist students in their study of what is generally considered a complete subject.

