

cases in which we employed it, and in every one, the gastric irritation produced was such as to cause very great annoyance, and in three very serious alarm, two of them resisting every effort to arrest the emesis for fully thirty hours, the patients truly exclaiming the remedy was worse than the disease." No such effects have followed the use of Battley's solution in our hands, and similar results have been obtained by it in the hands of medical friends. Care, however, has to be taken that the solution is fresh, or else localized irritation, ending in a small abscess, will most likely follow. We can hardly account for the seeming silence as to the gastric irritation *likely*, at all events, to succeed the use of morphia, for similar unpleasant results have followed its injection in other hands, and caused them to abandon it. The various diseases in which hypodermic medication may be employed are briefly noticed, and some practical remarks made with reference to the particular solution which is likely to be made use of in each case. Altogether, we have experienced much pleasure and gained information from the perusal of this volume, and recommend it to our readers. The style in which it is produced reflects the highest credit upon the house which has published it.

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Among English surgeons, the name of Erichsen will ever hold a prominent position. Unwearied exertions and constant application have placed him in an enviable position, among the many great men in the British Metropolis. Wanting, perhaps, the brilliancy and dash, so to speak, of such men as Ferguson and Syme, yet in his own way careful and successful as a surgeon, he has given to University College and Hospital, —with both of which he is connected— a fame which is world wide. Of his system of surgery, we need hardly say a great deal, for it has been before the Profession for a number of years, and its merits are well known and appreciated. In proof of this, we need only mention the fact that four large editions have been exhausted, and a fifth called for. It is this edition we are now called upon to notice. The rapid strides being made in the science of surgery have necessitated a complete revision of the work. The extent to which this revision has been carried will be understood when we mention that the character and arrangement of the volume has been completely remodelled; upwards of one hundred new illustrations have been added, and some hundred pages of new matter written. To render the