

Books and Pamphlets.

THE INTERNATIONAL ENCYCLOPÆDIA OF SURGERY.

A Systematic Treatise on the Theory and Practice of Surgery. By authors of various nations. Edited by John Ashhurst, Jr., M. D., Professor of Clinical Surgery in the University of Pennsylvania. Illustrated with chromo-lithographs and wood-cuts. In six volumes. Volume VI. New York: Wm. Wood & Co. 1886. 1272 pp.

This is the concluding volume of a gigantic work, which has been six years in completion. The work is excellently done, and must be a source of pride to its Editor, as well as to his fellow countrymen at large. The printers and proof-readers have also done their work well. The whole consists of fifteen articles, as follows: Injuries and Diseases of the Oesophagus, by J. Solis-Cohen, M. D.; Intestinal Obstruction, by John Ashhurst, Jr., M. D.; Injuries and Diseases of the Rectum, by William Allingham, F. R. C. S.; Urinary Calculus, by E. L. Keyes, A. M., M. D.; Lithotrity, by William H. Kingston, M. D., D. C. L., L. R. C. S. E., etc.; Injuries and Diseases of the Bladder and Prostate, by Reginald Harrison, F. R. C. S.; Injuries and Diseases of the Urethra, by Simon Duplay, M. D.; Injuries and Diseases of the Male Genital Organs, by H. Royes Ball, F. R. C. S.; Injuries and Diseases of the Female Genitals, by Theophilus Parvin, M. D.; The Cæsarean Section and its Substitutes; Laparotomy for Ruptured Uterus and for Extra-Uterine Fœtation, by Robert P. Harris, A. M., M. D.; Ovarian and Uterine Tumors, by Charles Carroll Lee, M. D.; Inflammatory Affections of the Bones, by L. Ollier, M. D.; Scrofulo-Tuberculous and other Structural Diseases of Bones, by Eugene Vincent, M. D.; Tumors of the Bones by A. Poucet; the Treatment of Deformities, by Frederick R. Fisher, F. R. C. S. Some valuable papers by well-known men are appended, viz: The Construction and Organization of Hospitals, by Edward Cowles, M. D.; Preparation of Military Surgeons for Field Duties; Apparatus required; Ambulances; Duties in the Field, by B. A. Clements, M. D.; and a History of Surgery, by George Jackson Fisher, A. M., M. D.

DICTIONARY OF PRACTICAL SURGERY. By various British Hospital Surgeons. Edited by Christo-

pher Heath, F. R. C. S., Holme, Prof. of Clin. Surg. Univ. Coll. Lond., etc. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1886. Price \$7.50.

This work, of 1850 pages, is in surgery what Quain's dictionary is in medicine. Surgical names only, have been used for the various affections, and while the articles are written by the best known surgeons of the day, a uniform order has been followed, viz.: cause, pathology, symptoms and diagnosis, treatment and prognosis. Mr. Heath is so well and favorably known, and his reputation as a surgeon stands so high, that we should expect this work to be *facile princeps*, and a perusal of its pages will not disappoint even the most ardent admirers of the editor. The work has all been written within the last two years, so that its readers may feel assured of finding in it a "compendium of the practice of British surgery of the present day." We heartily recommend the work to practitioners, both for study and reference.

THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE OF MEDICINE. By the late Charles Hilton Fagge, M. D., F. R. C. P., including a Section on Cutaneous Diseases, by P. H. Pye-Smith, M. D., F. R. C. S.; Chapters on Cardiac Diseases, by Samuel Wilkes, M. D., F. R. S., and Complete Index, by Robert Edmunds Carrington, M. D. Vol. II, 8vo. pp. 883. Philadelphia: P. Blakiston, Son & Co. 1886. Toronto: Williamson & Co.

This volume will be welcomed by the profession. It is, in the opinion of most capable judges, the best work on medicine yet published in English. Comment on the value of the contents is therefore unnecessary. The work begins with diseases of the heart and blood-vessels and this is followed by diseases of the alimentary tract, including affections of the nose, mouth and salivary glands. Diseases of the liver, of the spleen and of the lymph glands are next taken up. About one hundred and seventy pages are devoted to affections of the urinary organs, including Addison's disease. The general diseases affecting the joints are considered; this class is made to include gout, acute rheumatism, arthritis deformans and gonorrhœal synovitis. Rickets and mollities ossium constitute the diseases of the bones which are described. The diseases of the blood represented by scurvy, anæmia, hæmophilia and purpura are disposed of in about thirty pages.

Dr. Pye-Smith has occupied about one hundred and fifty pages with diseases of the skin. The work closes with a short memoir of the author.