

agents, hypodermic morphia is that, of course, which is most to be praised and trusted to, and the virtues of cod liver oil are also highly spoken of. Locally, judicious blistering is that which is most especially recommended.

We need not further expatiate upon this book. Part II. contains a series of chapters devoted to the diagnostic points to be observed as distinguishing neuralgia from a variety of other peculiar affections. It is replete with information and interest—as much, if not more so, than the preceding section, of which we have spoken at greater length.

No practitioner or practical man wishing to thoroughly understand the modern views of the causation of neuralgia, with its diagnosis and treatment, can afford to be without this work of Dr. Anstie. Although familiar with the author's article in "Reynold's Practice of Medicine," which forms the basis of the present treatise, yet we find so much new material added to it that it has all the freshness of an entirely new production.

It is well and clearly printed, and in that respect is a credit to the publishers.

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*Obstetric Aphorisms for the Use of Students Commencing Midwifery Practice.* By JOSEPH GRIFFITHS SWAYNE, M.D., Physician Accoucheur to the Bristol General Hospital, and Lecturer on Obstetric Medicine at the Bristol Medical School. Second American from the Fifth Revised English edition, with additions by Edward R. Hutchins, M.D. 8vo.; pp. 189. Philadelphia: Henry C. Lea. 1873.

This little work is written specially for the young practitioner and advanced student, the object of the author being to throw together short practical hints which will be found of use in the management of an ordinary case of labour, and also to point out, in difficult or dangerous cases, when and how the practitioner should act on his own responsibility, and in what cases he should send for assistance. It will be observed that the student or junior practitioner is advised to send for assistance whenever it is deemed necessary to use instruments or introduce the hand into the uterus, and, indeed, in any case of difficulty or danger. The diagnosis in the subjects discussed is sufficiently explicit, the treatment to be adopted is concise, and given in as few words as possible, consistent with clearness. A fuller description would cause the book to exceed the limits prescribed by the author. This advice is excellent in its way, but in our country medical practitioners will sometimes find themselves in localities where a consultation is