

enable him to secure specimens that may be placed in the hands of the analytical chemist. As matters of this kind are easily forgotten by the busy practitioner, it is well that he should have at hand a book of reference out of which he can at once refresh his memory as to symptoms and treatment, or satisfy himself that there is a reasonable suspicion of poison.

The writer of this book has so arranged matters that all this can be done with the greatest ease and with the shortest possible expenditure of time. The symptoms, fatal dose, fatal period, treatment and post-mortem appearance, are found at once, and always in the same order. These headings being in leaded type makes it exceedingly easy to pick out the information required at once.

The descriptions are concise, practical, and up-to-date, and the book itself is bound in a most convenient form, being of such a size as to be easily carried in the pocket. A. J. J.

*The Medical Student's Manual of Chemistry.* By R. A. WITTMANN, A.M., M.D., Professor of Chemistry, Physics and Toxicology in Cornell University. Sixth edition. New York: Wm. Wood & Company. 1906. Price, \$4.00.

In this edition the section on chemical physics has been largely rewritten, and that on general chemistry has been rearranged and extended. This, the author explains, has become necessary on account of increased knowledge supplied by physical investigations. In the section on organic chemistry there are many changes and some important additions: The author says that we must consider as an organic substance any compound containing carbon, whatever may be its origin and whatever its properties. Organic chemistry is thus simply the chemistry of the carbon compounds. The last section deals with physiological chemistry, and is devoted to the consideration of the proteins and other substances of still unknown constitution. Special attention is given to the composition of the tissues and fluids of the body and the chemical processes occurring therein. The question of immunity, in so far as it is related to chemical action, is discussed under blood serum and bacterial action. Considerable space is given to the chemistry of urine. The whole book is now thoroughly modern, and is well adapted to the requirements of medical students. A. E.

*Physicians' Visiting List* (Lindsay and Blakiston's). Price from \$1.00 to \$2.25.

The 1907 edition of this little book marks the fifty-sixth year of its publication. It contains the same features as heretofore, including incompatibles, treatment of poisoning, weights and measures, and a dose table. The book appeals only to physicians