

Part II. of Barissov's article on the function of the digestive gland based on the researches of Pavlof and his pupils, which appears here, concludes the subject. It represents the substance of some fifty-six papers written by Pavlof and his collaborators. The last article is an exhaustive one on the Critical Study of the theory of Inflammation, by Hans Schmaus, M.D., Prof. at the University of Munich. Many of the articles in both these volumes are illustrated by plates and figures.

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The Public and the Doctor—By a regular Physician.

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We presume that the writer and publisher of this little book of one hundred and forty-nine pages are the same. The intention of publication is a laudable desire that the intellectual and thinking public should have a good conception of the claims which a truly scientific physician has upon them. For the public it is therefore intended, and that it should reach them it is the desire of the author that doctors distribute it among their clients at a cost of fifty cents each copy. We have read the book carefully, and freely acknowledge that it is in truth a missionary document of very considerable value. We question, however, whether there are many, or indeed any, except where exceptionally large incomes exist, who would feel inclined to subscribe from one hundred dollars upward, to send this missionary book on its mission of educating the public on the blessings of Scientific Medicine, and the cause of quackery, and the various medical fads, which everywhere abound. The intention of the author is most praiseworthy—his work is really excellent reading—but how many will be willing to place a considerable sum outside of their pockets to extend its circulation. We hope some at least will do so, but our experience leads us to believe they will be few.

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Schmidt on Venereal Diseases. Lea's Series of Medical Epitomes.—A Manual of Genito-Urinary and Venereal Diseases for the use of Students and Practitioners. By Louis E. Schmidt, M. D., of the Chicago Polyclinic. In one handy 12mo volume of 250 pages, with 21 illustrations. Cloth \$1.00, net. Lea Brothers & Co., Publishers, Philadelphia and New York, 1902.

This work has been designed by Dr. Schmidt more especially to meet the needs of the medical students who are taking up this branch of work for the first time. As such it is very creditable and enables a student to review in a short time the main features of the venereal diseases. The work is concise, yet clear and well arranged. It is especially strong on treatment, and is even more explicit in this than many larger works. We are pleased to note the arrangement of the host of remedies for acute gonorrhoea and the excellent remarks on their indications. A list of questions is given at the end of each chapter which may be used in reviewing the subject.

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