

Book Notices.

Lectures on Appendicitis and Notes on Other Subjects. By ROBERT T. MORRIS, A.M., M.D., Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine, etc. Second edition, revised and enlarged. With illustrations by Henry Macdonald, M.D. G. P. Putnam's Sons, 27 West 23rd St., New York ; 24 Bedford St., Strand, London. The Knickerbocker Press. 1897.

This collection of lectures includes the substance of the author's teaching on the subject of appendicitis at the Post-Graduate Medical School in New York, and the series of notes on other subjects have been compiled chiefly from his contributions to various periodicals. Of the 169 pages in this work, 82 are devoted to four chapters on the appendix, as follows: (1) The Appendix Vermiformis Ceci; (2) Appendicitis; (3) Surgical Treatment of Appendicitis; (4) Subsequent Notes on Appendicitis. The first chapter in the book is entitled, "Preparation of Surgeon and Patient." The remainder of the work consists of short chapters, some of which we shall mention. The Action of Various Solvents on Gall Stones; A Last Resort Hernia Operation; The Reason why Patients Recover from Tuberculosis of the Peritoneum; The Drainage Wick; Endoscopic Tubes for Direct Inspection of the Interior of the Bladder and Uterus; Hysterectomy for Placenta Prævia; Mallet Finger; Is Evolution Trying to do away with the Clitoris? and many other notes of equal interest. The whole forms a very readable and instructive work, and deals with subjects commanding the attention of surgeons everywhere.

Don'ts for Consumptives, or The Scientific Management of Pulmonary Tuberculosis. How the pulmonary invalid may make and maintain a modern sanatorium of his home, with additional chapters descriptive of how every consumptive person may apply the forces of Nature to assist and hasten recovery; and, also, how the defects of heredity may be best overcome. By CHARLES WILSON INGRAHAM, M.D., Binghamton, N.Y.

This little book of 218 pages, issued during the past year (costing somewhere about one dollar, we would guess), should be in the hands (often) of every physician and every intelligent consumptive who is assisting his medical adviser in attempting the cure of his malady. It would not be a bad book to be in every reading household. Among the objects set forth in the prefatory note, we quote part of the fourth and fifth: "To educate the pulmonary invalid in the details pertaining to the absolute destruction of all infectious matter, . . . that he