

been unfortunate in casting aside the old to take hold of the new. Still as things go we must follow the crowd, being conservative enough to judge how far we must go before being obliged to cry "halt." The contributors to this volume are all men eminent in their special departments, and they have done their work well.

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**The International Medical Annual and Practitioners' Index.**—A work of reference for Medical Practitioners, 1900. Eighteenth year. New York, E. B. Treat & Co., 241-243 West 23rd street; Chicago, 199 Clark street. Price \$3.00

This annual is an established favorite with Canadian Medical men on account of the editors of a great many sections being practitioners attached to British Hospitals either in the British Isles or India. The same condition prevails in the present volume, as thirty-three out of the forty-two editors or collectors are practitioners residing in Great Britain. Their work, however, is fully equalled by the American Editors, among whom are Dwight Chapin, Samuel Gant, G. M. Hammond and H. P. Loomis of New York. Its contents do not show that during the past year there has been any special extension of our Therapeutic knowledge. They prove, however, that disease has been studied closely, and that a more exact diagnosis is as a consequence now possible. Treatment, however, still lags behind. The field is fully covered in this volume, and the selections have been made with care, and in some cases are more fully copied than we have found in some other similar volumes. It is well worth its cost.

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**The International Text Book of Surgery**, by British and American Authors. Edited by J. Collins Warren, M.D., and A. Pearce Gould, M.S., F.R.C.S. In 2 Volumes. Price, cloth \$5.00; sheep or  $\frac{1}{2}$  M. \$6.00 Pub. W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia.

The second Volume of this work takes up regional surgery, and is illustrated with many excellent cuts from original photographs and several colored plates. The division into regions is very good, and each author deals most thoroughly with his division. It is hardly just to single out one or two authors for special praise, as the entire work is so creditable, but Dr. H. Holbrook Curtis in his chapter on Surgery of the Nose shows clearly the recent advances in the surgical treatment of the accessory cavities of the nose. His illustrations of before and after operations in the case of nasal deformities is most interesting. In the chapter on Surgery of the Neck A. Pearce Gould discusses many interesting points. In dealing with Parotid Bubo he speaks of intraperitoneal operations and peritonitis as causes, adding, that "no explanation can at present be given of the association of this secondary suppuration with operations within the peritoneal cavity." Possibly this condi-