BOOK REVIEWS.


In the preface the authors state, "that the exceptional feature in this text-book of laryngology is the emphasis they have laid upon the etiology and pathology of disease. They have attempted to deal with nasal, pharyngeal, and laryngeal morbid processes from this standpoint, which necessarily involves also an extended consideration of the normal histology and physiology of the mucous membrane of the upper air passages."

In elaborating the histology and pathology of rhinology and laryngology there is perhaps no one better qualified to record and crystallize his long laboratory and clinical experience than Jonathan Wright, whose contributions to this important section of our specialty have always been regarded as classical monographs.

The collaboration of an expert pathologist of such wide experience with a practical clinician, who has at his disposal such rich clinical material as Harmon Smith, produces an unusually strong editorial combination and the resulting text-book is one of the very best that has been presented in American Rhino-Laryngology.

This collaboration is responsible for a very original presentation in which the histopathology and practical rhino-laryngology are given due and equal consideration.

In this first edition the technical considerations, in some of the chapters, are given undue prominence and some of the important recent advances in rhino-laryngological operative work could have been accorded more detailed description; no doubt these matters will receive the attention of the authors in subsequent editions.

It is a splendid contribution to American Rhino-Laryngology and merits the careful study of every active worker.


This is the first attempt made in America at a classification of the eye, ear, nose and throat specialists, containing their addresses, their alma mater, university connection, and such other affiliations as may be of interest to those called upon to use this form of reference in its various capacities.

It is the first work of this kind that has been completed. There have been many disadvantages in publishing this first edition and the publisher deserves much commendation for getting this subject-matter together in ready reference-form.

The Red Book contains the names and addresses of specialists in diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat in the United States and Canada, arranged according to states and provinces; ophthalmological and otolarvingological societies; medical and post-graduate schools; a selected list of books of interest to eye, ear, nose and throat specialists; special journals devoted to these fields in medicine; an alphabetical index of all names contained therein; and much other valuable data and information.

There are imperfections and omission in this first edition which the publisher will easily be able to correct in subsequent editions. It is a very hand reference book for all interested in these fields of medical science.