follows the consideration of diseases of the nose, which are but briefly reviewed. About thirteen pages follow, devoted to the pathological anatomy of the larynx, pharynx, and nose. In connection with this chapter are four large plates illustrating microscopic sections, which we consider the weakest part of the whole work ; scarcely any of the figures are distinctive, and the two plates devoted to coloured reproductions of micro-photographs would have been better omitted from the work altogether. The production of such illustrations is one of the most difficult of printing accomplishments, and they need to be of a very high degree of excellence to be worth anything. All of the other large plates (of which there are thirty-five in all) are executed in an exceedingly good manner. These form the great bulk of the work, and illustrate all the commoner forms of diseases of the larynx, pharynx, and nose, topographical anatomy, and external and internal surgery, and form a very complete atlas, which cannot fail to be of immense benefit to its possessor. We cannot, in the short space of a review, enter into a full consideration of this large work. We have felt bound to offer a few criticisms in the hope that, when a second edition is called for, certain defects may be remedied : but on the whole we have nothing but praise for the book, which must have entailed immense labour upon its authors. It is one of the best atlases we have seen, and should undoubtedly be possessed by every specialist. Its great merit is, that from end to end it is original in its matter, and not a reproduction from other preceding works of the kind. As the authors say in their preface, the text preceding the plates is not a treatise, but a commentary upon the figures of the plates, and the description of the plates has been printed in parallel columns in English and French. We congratulate the authors upon the result of their great undertaking.

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Hall. — *Diseases of the Nose and Throat...* By F. DE HAVILLAND HALL, M.D., F.R.C.P. London: H. K. Lewis. 1894.

THE author excuses himself for having added another book to the long list of those dealing with diseases of the nose and throat, because he knows of no work of moderate size which gives anything like a complete account of them. It is only fair to Dr. de Havilland Hall to say that in many respects he has been successful in accomplishing his object. The affections common to the nose, accessory sinuses, naso-pharynx, pharynx, and larynx are well arranged, the descriptions are for the most part accurate and concise, and the treatment, judged from the physician's standpoint at least, is practical. Altogether, the author is to be congratulated upon having produced a work which will take a good place as one of an admirable series.

It would be unfair not to point out what is a great defect in a work of this kind, viz., the surgical aspect of treatment. A student or practitioner becoming possessed of such a work is entitled to have the best methods of treatment placed before him. If we reflect for a moment upon the vast number of operations required in treatment of diseases of the upper respiratory tract, the importance of surgical treatment at once becomes apparent. The author is evidently aware of this, because he explains

that the book is written by a physician, and not by a surgeon. In future editions the surgery of the question could be very much improved, and to a certain extent the same remark might be made about his treatment of etiological questions.

Dr. de Havilland Hall will perhaps excuse us referring to one thing. He states in the preface that he has made free use of the "Centralblatt für Laryngologie und Rhinologie," but a reference to the pages of his work will show that he has also made free use of the JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY. Of course this has nothing whatever to do with the merit of the work in question, but a comparison of the number of references taken from both works would, we think, justify us in making this observation.

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