THE SEXUAL DISABILITIES OF MEN AND THEIR TREATMENT. By Arthur Cooper. Second edition. Published by Paul B. Hoeber, New York, 1910.

This little book is a setting forth in simple direct English of the orthodox facts and opinions in regard to the subject of which it treats. It hardly offers anything for the medical man, but is so easy of comprehension and free from technicalities that it could be read with understanding by the layman. While there is nothing especially new in it, it can be recommended because of its simplicity.

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THE HISTORY OF MEDICINE, PHILOSOPHICAL AND CRITICAL, FROM ITS ORIGIN TO THE TWENTIETH CENTURY. By David Allyn Gorton, M.D. Two vols. 8vo, 37 illustrations. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York and London.

In his preface, the author says he has endeavored to give in this work a comprehensive review of the evolution of the art and science of medicine from its beginning, and at the same time to set forth its institutes, or the principles on which it is founded. He has traced the development of medical systems and hypotheses, of sects and theories, and has pointed out their influence in directing the course and progress of medical science and art. While he has indulged freely, but without prejudice, in criticisms, the author believes that it was necessary to a clear illumination of his theme. The history of medicine and its related sciences is largely that of civilization.

Opinions will differ greatly as to how well this has been accomplished. When one stops to consider that the work is that of an American, and also a member of the homeopathic camp, one is impressed by its scholarliness and its temperateness; the life of Hahneman is very well given, and no undue emphasis is laid upon his "great discoveries."

We should like to discuss the volumes, of which there are two, more in detail, but cannot. They are a real contribution to the literature of medicine, and the author is to be congratulated upon his successful labor of love. We wish the volumes a well deserved success.

JELLIFFE.

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY. By Anna Robeson Burr. Houghton, Mifflin Company, New York and Boston.

The intensive study of the content of the psychoses has made a biographer of every psychiatrist. Modern canons are not satisfied with short notes that patient has "hallucinations, delusions, etc." The anecdotal stage of psychiatry has passed, and psychoanalysis has come to stay.

The work before us is one of more than usual merit for the psychiatrist. It is a comprehensive study of the origin, motives, ideals and psychological importance of this interesting branch of literature, and is therefore directly in line with the point of view of the alienist. The author's mode of dealing with the problem is extremely suggestive, and in assuring our readers that this is an interesting work, it can also be added, a profitable one, although not bearing a psychiatric title.

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