lower end of the radius. This criticism, however, is applicable to a large number of text-books on general surgery.

We can commend this work very heartily to all medical students, since it is one of the best books of its size on the general surgery of to-day which we have seen. J. H. G.

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