

of practitioners of medicine, for this book may be well used to advantage by many a man who has long since possessed a diploma, that his book is admirably adapted to meet their requirements.

Dr. Hopkins' book may be regarded as the standard work on the roller bandage in this country. For many years it has held a pre-eminent position, and, though previous editions have seemed incapable of improvement, the present edition has demonstrated that it has been possible for the author to surpass even his former efforts. F. R. P.

**A MANUAL OF OTOTOLOGY.** By GORHAM BACON, A.B., M.D., Professor of Otology in Cornell University Medical College, N. Y.; Aural Surgeon New York Eye and Ear Infirmary. With an Introductory Chapter by CLARENCE JOHN BLAKE, M.D., Professor of Otology in Harvard University. Third edition, revised and enlarged, with 120 illustrations and 7 plates. Philadelphia and New York: Lea Brothers & Co.

THE previous editions of this manual have been so recently reviewed at length in these columns, and the book has assumed such an assured position as a standard authority, and is so familiar to all teachers and students of the subject, that an extended notice is hardly required at the present time. Suffice it to say that the chief changes made in the present revision consist in additions to the already large number of illustrations and a consideration of lumbar puncture and the significance of leucocytosis.

Dr. Bacon's book fulfils its purpose in every respect. It well deserves to be called the standard manual of otology in the English language. The author's concise yet lucid style has enabled him to present within its limits an epitome of aural surgery comprising all the essentials of that art. The book is a model for all works of a similar nature. It has been universally adopted by teachers, and is deservedly popular with students and general practitioners who desire a readily comprehensible presentation of the subject of which it treats.

The author has been particularly happy in his choice of illustrations to accompany the text. While generous in number, there is not one which does not elucidate and add to the value of the letter-press.

F. R. P.

**MOTHER AND CHILD.** By EDWARD P. DAVIS, A.M., M.D., Professor of Obstetrics in the Jefferson Medical College; Professor of Obstetrics and Diseases of Infancy in the Philadelphia Polyclinic; Visiting Obstetrician to the Jefferson, Philadelphia, and Polyclinic Hospitals, etc. Second edition. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott Company, 1902.

WE know of no book which could better be placed in the hands of the prospective mother. One of our reasons for the above statement is that it does not attempt the rôle of the family physician, but simply aims to supply information which every intelligent mother should know, thus lightening the work of the doctor, and also rendering his orders

more intelligible. There is a most gratifying avoidance of all pathological and anatomical data, and even a description of the female generative organs is omitted, for which lack of completeness we are very thankful.

On the other hand, the book contains full and complete directions upon all subjects relative to the care of the mother and child, even including chapters upon emergencies, contagious diseases, and the proper use of external applications. A very satisfactory appendix, giving the method of preparation of various articles of diet suitable for the young child, is included. The text is very acceptably illustrated by a number of pictures which the feminine mind cannot but consider charming. Of special value are the portions of the book devoted to the feeding and clothing of the infant.

W. R. N.

**SUNSTROKE DURING MARCHES, WITH STATISTICS FROM THE ACTS OF THE MEDICAL DIVISION OF THE PRUSSIAN MINISTRY OF WAR.** By DR A. HILLER, Chief Staff Physician. With 6 wood-cuts and 3 charts. Berlin: August Hirschwald, 1902.

THE main portion of the book is based upon the records of sunstroke cases occurring in the Prussian army. Taking this mass of material as a basis, the author has added many series of cases collected from literature, beside experimental researches, and has formed out of the whole a most complete and interesting monograph upon the subject. No important new facts are added, but as a compilation the book accomplishes its purpose. All the important phases of the subject are considered in some detail, but owing to the fact that the author views the subject from a military standpoint, much space is given to discussions of the predisposing factors of sunstroke, and especially to the part played in this connection by improper clothing and physical exhaustion. The chapter devoted to the clinical description of the affection is complete, and embraces a summary of the complications and sequelæ following sunstroke. That portion of the book allotted to the pathology of the disease is likewise good, and various observations made upon the pathological changes in the blood of these cases are brought together for the first time. Practically no new methods of treatment are suggested, but statistics of the results of those therapeutic measures most in use are given in full.

W. T. L.

**THE ROENTGEN RAYS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY AS AN AID IN DIAGNOSIS AND AS A THERAPEUTIC AGENT.** By FRANCIS H. WILLIAMS, M.D. Second edition, with 410 illustrations and enlarged appendix. New York and London: The Macmillan Co., 1902.

THE second edition of this book has few new features, the chief addition upon the subject of radiotherapy being placed in the appendix. The therapeutic uses of the X-ray have become so numerous and remarkable that only a book revised every few months can be kept abreast with the times.