

BOOK REVIEWS.

Bulletin de la Societe Belge D'Otologie, de Laryngologie et de Rhinologie, Publie par les soins du Bureau—Dr. L. ROUSSEAUX, President; Dr. Henniebert, Secretary. Fifth year. Brussels: C. Bulens, 75 Rue Terre-Neuve, 1900.

We are indebted to our colleague, Dr. Henniebert, for so promptly publishing and forwarding to us the transactions of the Belgian Society of our specialty, containing the full reports of the proceedings at the annual meeting held at Brussels in June last. Some of the communications have already been scattered through the various journals, but every student of Oto-Laryngology should have this complete collection in his library. The set subjects for discussion—on the antitoxin treatment of diphtheria and on lupus of the nose—are most fully treated, and the debates contain many points of interest. The communications are chiefly of a clinical and practical character and are not too prolix. Some of them are well illustrated.

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A Treatise on Diseases of the Nose and Throat. By ERNEST L. SHURLEY, M.D., Vice-President and Professor of Laryngology and Clinical Medicine, Detroit College of Medicine; Laryngologist and late Chief of Staff, Harper Hospital; Consulting Laryngologist, St. Mary's Hospital, etc. Octavo, pp. xvii—744. Cloth, \$5.00; sheep, \$6.00. New York: D. Appleton & Co. 1900.

Perhaps none of the recently published text-books on diseases of the nose and throat are as well adapted to the needs of the general practitioner and to the specialist alike as is this volume. The author is well qualified, not only as an experienced laryngologist, but as a general practitioner of long-standing, to present these specialties for consideration along the broadest lines. It is this feature which adds especial strength to the work, for each subject is viewed, not only in its limited field, but in its relations to the general system.

Another feature which deserves special comment is the completeness with which the several subdivisions of the subject are considered. Among these special mention should be made of the excellent chapters on acute rhinitis, diphtheria, a summary of our present knowledge of hay fever, the several neuroses, and the question of tuberculosis of the upper-air passages, mainly embodying the experiences of the author. The chapter on intubation is of unusual value because it offers the clearest and best presentation, together with a series of beautiful full-page illustrations of the technique and pathology of this subject.

Attention should also be directed to the author's numerous references to the researches and reports of American investigators to which he gives preference.

The laryngologist will recognize the many merits of this volume without further comment, and to the general practitioner it is heartily recommended because of its broad and clear conception of the special fields with which it is concerned. The publisher should be complimented for the unusually clear execution of illustrations and excellent general typography.

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