

THE COMING OF EVOLUTION. By JOHN W. JUDD, LL.D., F.R.S., formerly Professor of Geology and Dean of the Royal College of Science. THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE ANIMAL KINGDOM. By JULIAN S. HUXLET, B.A., Research Associate of the Rice Institute. HEREDITY IN THE LIGHT OF RECENT RESEARCH. By L. DONCASTER, M.A., Fellow of King's College. THE PSYCHOLOGY OF INSANITY. By BERNARD HART, M.D., Lecturer on Psychiatry, University College Hospital Medical School. BREWING. By A. CHESTON CHAPMAN, President of the Institute of Brewing. Cambridge: University Press. New York: G. P. Putnam's Sons.

THESE small volumes of some 150 pages each, represent the recent additions to the Cambridge Manual of Science and Literature. The several authors are authorities in their respective fields and present their subject matter in an entertaining and lucid manner, so that the text can be followed with ease by those unacquainted with the abstruse problems of the various subjects.

These little books, while not actually pertaining to medical subjects could be read with profit by physicians interested in phases of other sciences which have a close bearing upon and intimate correlation with, the science of medicine. J. H. M., JR.

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PUBLIC HEALTH CHEMISTRY AND BACTERIOLOGY. A HANDBOOK FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH STUDENTS. By DAVID McKAIL, M.D., D.P.H., F.R., F.P.S.G., Lecturer on Public Health and Forensic Medicine, St. Mary's College, Glasgow; Examiner in Public Health for the Department of Public Health, Scottish Conjoint Board, etc. Pp. 409. New York: William Wood & Co.

THE author presents in this volume a handbook for teacher and student from material he uses in his public health course. It is almost entirely devoted to technical examinations and makes an excellent complement to a book on theoretical and practical hygiene. The first part of the book is devoted to chemical and physical analysis of water, air, soils, food beverages, and disinfectants. The chapter on foods is especially good. The latter two-thirds are devoted to public health bacteriology. Greatest attention is paid to methods of detection and determination. At the end of the book the author devotes a chapter to special examinations of water, air, soil, sewage, and food, and winds up by giving the regulation for the diploma in public health, and a review of Parke's work on bovine and human tuberculosis. As a handbook for the sanitarian it is useful chiefly in the labora-

tory, but there are a few methods given for rapid testing in the field. It will be probably most useful to those giving courses on the subject. No illustrations are given because the apparatus is seen during instruction, the author says in the preface. H. F.

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**STUDIES IN CANCER AND ALLIED SUBJECTS.** From the Departments of Zoölogy, Surgery, Clinical Pathology and Biological Chemistry, Conducted under the George Crocker Special Research Fund at Columbia University. Volume III, pp. 295. New York: Columbia University Press.

THIS book is a series of reprints of various articles by the numerous workers under the Crocker Fund. The reprints are arranged according to departments and preceded in two instances by interesting scientific reports of the departments by their respective heads. It is extremely convenient to have under one cover the diverse but valuable papers contained in this volume.

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**AIDS TO DISEASES OF CHILDREN.** By JOHN M. CAW, M.D., R.U.I., L.R.C.P. (Edin.), Senior Physician to the Belfast Hospital for Sick Children, etc. Fourth edition; pp. 423. New York: William Wood & Company.

By using very thin paper and small type, the author has managed to put a surprising amount of material between the covers of an apparently small volume. Etiology, pathology, symptomatology and treatment are very fully covered as well as the anatomy and physiology of infancy and childhood.

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**ACUTE ABDOMINAL DISEASES, INCLUDING ABDOMINAL INJURIES AND THE COMPLICATIONS OF EXTERNAL HERNIA.** By JOSEPH E. ADAMS, M.B., M.S. (Lond.) F.R.C.S. (Eng.), Senior Assist. Surgeon, East London Hospital for Children; Hunterian Professor, Royal College of Surgeons of England, etc., and MAURICE A. CASSIDY, M.A., M.D., B.C. (Cantab.), F.R.C.P. (Lond.), Physician with charge of Out-Patients, St. Thomas' Hospital. Pp. 571. New York: William Wood & Co.

THIS book is based on the experience of the authors as Resident Assistant Surgeon and Resident Assistant Physician respectively