PART SECOND.

REVIEWS.

Fletcher's Pathology.—The volume for this year having already swelled inconveniently beyond its legitimate bulk, we are reluctantly obliged to abandon an intention expressed in a former Number, of continuing the review of Fletcher's Pathology, edited by Drs Russell and Drysdale. Although this work contains some questionable, and, in our opinion, some erroneous doctrines, we recommend it to our readers, on account of the large amount of useful information which it contains, and the ability which characterizes the writing, both of the author and his accomplished editors.

Want of room, (arising partly from the space occupied by the index in the present Number,) must be taken as our apology for delaying a criticism of several other works. Our general rule is, to allow the other departments of the Journal to encroach as seldom as possible on the Periscope, which we know to be the most acceptable part of our periodical to the majority of readers.

PART THIRD.

PERISCOPE.

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY.

Precocious Menstruation in a Girl Two Years Old. By Dr Carus, of Dresden.

Examples of precocious menstruation are by no means rare; but there are few recorded which can be compared with the present case. Christina Theresa, a natural child, was born in the mountains of Saxony: neither her father nor mother were of robust constitution. She was scarcely a year old, when she began to grow rapidly. At the end of her second twelve-month, the catamenia appeared, and have continued ever since to flow regularly once a-month. The Academy of Medicine of Dresden sent both for her and her mother, and in order to examine more particularly into the case, kept them under their observation during several weeks. The infant was 37 inches 3 lines long. The mammae were firm, like those of a strong