NEW EDITIONS

Anatomy of the Nervous System. By S. W. Stephen, M.D., Ph.D. Eighth Edition. Revised by Sam L. Clark, M.D., Ph.D. Pp. 532, with 417 illustrations. London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1947. Price 32s. 6d. net.

In this new edition the order of presentation has been altered to some extent, new textual material and illustrations have been added and various parts have been rewritten. A key-note of the whole work is the interpretation or significance of physiologic changes in nervous disease, a particularly interesting feature to remark upon in view of the chosen title, showing as it does the closely integrated concept of this branch of medicine.

It goes without saying in a work that has already passed through so many editions, that all recent research has been carefully evaluated and given its due place in the whole, but while the clinical illustrations are useful they naturally make no claim to be exhaustive.

Without undue discrimination in reviewing a volume so balanced and informative, it may be said that the bibliography, which spans over half a century, will be found particularly valuable more especially to research workers in neurology.

Modern Methods of Feeding in Infancy and Childhood. By D. Paterson, B.A., M.D., F.R.C.P., and J. Forest Smith, F.R.C.P. Ninth Edition. Pp. 184, with 13 figures. London: Constable & Co. 1947. Price 8s. 6d. net.

The appearance of a further edition of this well-known book is evidence of its popularity and usefulness.

It was hoped that with the cessation of war, rationing would cease and a return to peace-time standards become possible, but this has not been realised, and austerities are still necessary. The book describes in detail the feeding of the normal child at all ages and also gives the modifications required for various types of illness.

This is a book which should be in the hands of every practitioner of medicine.

Surgical Applied Anatomy. By Sir Frederick Treves. Eleventh Edition. Revised by Lambert Rodgers, M.Sc., F.R.C.S., F.R.C.S.E., F.A.C.S., F.R.A.C.S. Pp. xxxii + 529, with 192 illustrations. London: Cassell & Co. Ltd. 1947. Price 20s.

This little manual of surgical anatomy which has been in existence since 1883 amply maintains Sir Frederick Treves' object in compiling it—"to assist the student in judging the comparative value of the matter he has learnt."

The text is arranged on a regional basis, it is lucid and delightfully readable and the illustrations, while in places being rather cramped, are on the whole good.

The book should not only be of great value to the senior student in helping to revise his anatomy but also to correlate this with the basic principals of surgery, as such it can be thoroughly recommended.

Pasteurisation. By Harry Hill, F.R.S.A.N.I. Second Edition. Pp. viii + 296, with 73 illustrations. London: H. K. Lewis & Co. Ltd. 1947. Price 21s. net.

The second edition of this excellent handbook which is well illustrated, describes from an essentially practical point of view modern techniques for the efficient heat treatment of milk with a view to rendering it safe for human consumption. In the reviewer's opinion the value of the work would have been enhanced if the author had included a chapter on the specific problems of the education and training of semi-skilled and unskilled labourers concerned in the handling of milk in large modern dairies.

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Sociology and Social Problems in Nursing Service. By Gladys Sellew, B.S., R.N., Ph.D. Second Edition. Pp. xv+379, illustrated. London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1946. Price 14s. net.

Social factors play a considerable part in the problems of individual patients and may influence their reactions to treatment and their adjustment to disability. Application of the information presented in this book should enable the nurse to acquire an insight into the social aspects of human nature and personality and should help her increase the value of her service to her patients.

The problems discussed are based almost entirely on American experience but the general principles are universally applicable.

Food Inspection Notes. By H. Hill, F.R.San.I., and E. Dodsworth, M.R.San.I. Second Edition. Pp. viii+126. London: H. K. Lewis & Co. Ltd. 1947. Price 6s. net.

The second edition of this small book follows the same lines as the "Aids" series and has been prepared for students training to be food and meat inspectors. With the changing emphasis of the new D.P.H. regulations the appeal of this work to purely medical readers must be strictly limited, all the general principles involved being adequately dealt with in any textbook of Hygiene which they are likely to use.

Hey Groves' Synopsis of Surgery. Edited by Sir Cecil P. G. Wakeley, K.B.E., C.B. Thirteenth Edition. Pp. viii+637, with 13 plates and 193 other illustrations. Bristol: John Wright and Sons Ltd. 1947. Price 25s. net.

This new edition should prove invaluable to the undergraduate. The book is well arranged, subject matter largely unequivocal, type and illustrations clear, and index extensive. Although there is a chapter on recent chemo-therapeutic substances, a note of their administration in the treatment sections of various conditions is frequently omitted.

Biochemistry for Medical Students. By W. V. Thorpe. Fourth Edition. Pp. vii+496, with 36 figures. London: J. & A. Churchill Ltd. 1947. Price 18s. net.

The latest edition of Dr Thorpe's textbook covers the same wide field as the previous editions, and the subject is equally clearly expounded. It is a general textbook in every sense, and its information is reliable and concise. It incorporates many recent advances in biochemistry, and includes a new, but unfortunately short, chapter on isotopes and their uses.

Errors are few and unimportant.

Psychology Applied to Nursing. By L. A. Averill, Ph.D., and Florence C. Kempf, A.M., B.S., R.N. Third Edition. Pp. xv+496, with 55 illustrations. London: W. B. Saunders Company. 1946. Price 12s. 6d. net.

The earlier part of this book follows standard lines; the later emphasises the application of psychology in a nursing career. It has been planned to make it easy for the nurse to apply what she learns about human behaviour to the practical problems of her work.

The authors, an educational psychologist and a registered nurse, have collaborated to produce a most useful book.

A Guide to Anatomy. By E. D. Ewart. Sixth Edition. Pp. xii+318, with 119 illustrations, 35 coloured including 55 plates. London: H. K. Lewis & Co. Ltd. 1947. Price 25s. net.

This new edition of Miss Ewart's book has been brought up to date by introducing the revised terminology, and by the revision and addition of many illustrations, including fifty plates. It is now a much more valuable book. It is not sufficiently detailed to be considered a complete textbook for students of physiotherapy for
whom it was originally intended, but it can be considered an excellent introductory and reference book. A number of recent questions set in the examinations of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapists, the Society of Occupational Therapists and the Society of Radiographers are given in the appendix. It is well produced, with a generous number of clear diagrams and plates, on good paper and with clear printing.

Recent Advances in Pathology. By G. Hadfield, M.D., F.R.C.P. and L. P. Garrod, M.A., M.D., F.R.C.P. Fifth Edition. Pp. viii+363, with 60 illustrations. London: J. & A. Churchill Ltd. 1947. Price 21s.

During the five years since the appearance of the fourth edition there have been some remarkable advances in knowledge. In consequence it has been necessary to re-write the chapters on diseases of the liver and also of the kidney. Other new matter relates to experimental cancer, inflammation, silicosis and the site of antibody formation.

This book maintains the high tradition of the Recent Advances series.

BOOKS RECEIVED

BOWER, ALBERT G., A.B., M.S., M.D., F.A.C.P., and PILANT, EDITH B., R.N. Communicable Diseases for Nurses. Sixth Edition. (W. B. Saunders Company, London) 20s.

Cawdias, A. P., O.B.E., M.D., F.R.C.P. Clinical Endocrinology and Constitutional Medicine. (Frederick Muller Ltd., London) 42s. net.

Christopher, Frederick, B.S., M.D., F.A.C.S. Minor Surgery. Sixth Edition. (W. B. Saunders Company, London) 60s.

Edited by COMPARE, EDWARD L., M.D., F.A.C.S. The 1947 Year Book of Orthopedics and Traumatic Surgery. (The Year Book Publishers, Chicago) $3.75

Coope, Robert, M.D., B.S.C., F.R.C.P. Diseases of the Chest. Second Edition. (E. & S. Livingstone Ltd., Edinburgh) 25s. net.

Cutting, Windsor C., M.D. A Manual of Clinical Therapeutics. A Guide for Students and Practitioners. Second Edition. Illustrated. (W. B. Saunders Company, London) 25s.

English, Sir Crisp, K.C.M.G., F.R.C.S. Diseases of the Breast. (J. & A. Churchill Ltd., London) 8s. 6d.

Frazer, W. M., O.B.E., M.D., Ch.B., M.S.C., D.P.H., and Stallybrass, C. O., M.D. (State Medicine), Ch.B., D.P.H., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. Text-Book of Public Health. Twelfth Edition. (E. & S. Livingstone Ltd., Edinburgh) 30s. net.

Edited by Greenhill, J. P., B.S., M.D., F.A.C.S. The 1947 Year Book of Obstetrics and Gynecology. (The Year Book Publishers, Chicago) $3.75

Jenkins, William David, J.P., B.A. (Hons.) (Wales), M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. Dermatoses among Gas and Tar Workers. (John Wright & Sons Ltd., Bristol) 25s.

Kinsey, Alfred C., Pomeroy, Wardell B., and Martin, Clyde E. Sexual Behavior in the Human Male. (W. B. Saunders Company, London) 32s. net.

Mandl, Felix, M.D., F.I.C.S. Paravertebral Block. (William Heinemann (Medical Books) Ltd., London)

McDonach, J. E. R., F.R.C.S. The Universe in the Making. A Biochemical Approach. (Messe Chaterson Ltd., London) 7s. 6d. net.

Muteham, Wilfred A., M.P.S. How to Become a Pharmacist. (The Actinic Press, London) 5s.

O’Connor, William A., L.M.S.S.A.(Lond.), D.P.M.(Lond.). Psychiay: A Short Treatise. (John Wright & Sons Ltd., Bristol) 35s. net.

Sargant, William, M.A., M.B.(Cantab.), M.R.C.P., D.P.M., and Slater, Eliot, M.A., M.D.(Cantab.), F.R.C.P., D.P.M. An Introduction to Physical Methods of Treatment in Psychiatry. Second Edition. (E. & S. Livingstone Ltd., Edinburgh) 10s. 6d. net.

Sollmann, Torald, M.D. A Manual of Pharmacology and its Applications to Therapeutics and Toxicology. Seventh Edition. (W. B. Saunders Company, London) 57s. 6d.

Stockings, G. Tayleur, M.B., B.S., M.R.C.P. The Metabolic Brain Diseases and their Treatment: In Military and Civilian Practice. (Bailliere, Tindall & Cox, London) 16s. net.

Wright, Helena, M.B., B.S. Sex Fulfilment in Married Women. (Williams & Norgate Ltd., London) 5s. net.