

There are seven chapters, every one of them explicit and practical, full of advice such as every domesticated person should possess. This book, at its price, should sell in thousands.

The "Physical Culture of Women," by Miss Chreiman, is a reprint, by request, of a very sensible lecture delivered at the Parkes Museum, and at the Society of Arts. Those who heard the lecture are *sure* to purchase the book; those who did not hear it *ought* to buy it.

We have had for a long time, waiting notice, a work dated so far back as April last, entitled, "The Construction and Maintenance of School Infirmarys, and Sanatoria." In it we find the following passage marked:—"It is *desirable* that the Matron should be herself a duly Trained and qualified Nurse. She will thus be not only better fitted to discharge the responsible duties devolving on her, but will also be the better able to maintain her authority and position whenever Trained Nurses are obtained for the special and temporary care of cases under her." We should almost have taken this for granted. It not only should not be merely *desirable* (the italics are our own), but absolutely essential.

"A New Way of Training Nurses" is the title of a very neatly got up book, issued by an American firm of publishers, who know perfectly "what is what" in the way of paper, margin and binding. "How to Start a Nurses' Training School," "The Training of Nurses in Private Families," "The Waltham Training School for Nurses," are the headings of three exceptionally rich and brightly-written chapters. Although a few of the conditions and suggestions set forth are hardly adaptable to the English system of Nursing, our Nurses might very well do a worse thing than carefully read Dr. Worcester's practical statements.

Dr. Joseph Bell has revised and enlarged his "Notes on Surgery for Nurses." We noticed the first edition and welcomed it most warmly as a book exactly suitable for the purpose it was intended. An additional chapter on the "Surgical Nursing of Children" enhances its value considerably.

The *seventh* edition of Miss Catherine J. Wood's "A Handbook of Nursing for the Home and the Hospital" speaks for itself. This useful work has become to be recognised as almost a necessity. If it has not it ought to be, for it is the undoubted authority of its kind.

"Elementary Bandaging and Surgical Dressing," is Mr. Walter Pye's neat little pocket handbook, which every dresser and every Nurse should possess. It contains some excellent plates, and what is rather rare now-a-days, a full and comprehensive index. It is in its second edition.

An entirely new edition, with no less than six hundred and forty-seven splendid wood-cuts, of "The Surgeon's Handbook on the Treatment of Wounded in War," by Professor Frederick von Esmarch, does not call forth any comment from us, but that of the highest praise. This work, so ably translated by Dr. B. Farquhar Curtis, from the third German edition, and dedicated to the Empress of Germany, is perfection of its kind. Handsomely and strongly bound, it should be in every ambulance in every country.

"If knowledge," said Ali the Caliph, "calleth unto practice, well; if not it goeth away," is the very appropriate quotation on the title page of the book, "Our Nurses, and the Work they have to do." We are well aware, as indeed everybody is, that Nurses have work to do, and a vast amount of it. How to set about it and accomplish it successfully has been the special objects of the talented and practical authoresses who are answerable for the production of a work which we hope to refer to and quote from frequently. This is *another* book we shall place upon our own particular shelf for reference.

"Nature's Hygiene" is a charming book, dealing with "The Chemistry and Hygiene of Eucalyptus, Pine and Camphor Forests, and Industries Connected Therewith," which we note has run into a third edition. Mr. Kingzett is so

well known as an authority upon this and its kindred subjects, that we accept his creeds and beliefs without any further question whatsoever. As a scientific work, it ranks high, and as an interesting account of what Nature has provided for us in respect to Hygiene and Hygienic substances is equally valuable.

Fifty-one years is a long life for a book. This is the present age of "Low's Handbook to the Charities of London," which each year gets larger and more useful. Its utility is marked by its being revised up to date, and fully in accordance with the latest reports of the charities, &c., it enumerates so practically.

"Strange Scenes," "Talking Trees" (both in their sixtieth thousand), "Christmas Company," the Christmas number of "Good Company," and "Light and Love," are four plain-spoken, common sense, and interesting booklets, which every man and woman may, with advantage and for information's sake, take up and read. We wish them all success in their earnest endeavours to teach the better things of nature.

"The University Medical Magazine," of which we have received numbers one and two, is a publication high in tone and conducted with spirit. It is produced in a manner well worthy of imitation, and we should like to see it circulating largely in this country. Number one contains an interesting account of a Training School for Nurses.

From Nursing to Political Economy may seem a considerable distance—not so distant, though, after all. "Rent," "Profit," "Wages," and "The Organisation of Industry," we may take it for granted affect everyone, whoever they may be, in a more or less degree. Mr. Gonner (with whom we don't agree in everything he says, but probably he does not mind that) has given us a work which is undoubtedly an interesting and useful text-book. We must congratulate the publishers on the very admirable manner in which they have performed their share of the work. Everything—matter, paper, type, and binding—is good.

LIST OF PUBLISHERS, PRICES, &c.

"The Art of Dispensing," a Treatise on the Methods and Processes involved in compounding Medical Prescriptions, Published at the office of "The Chemist and Druggist," 42, Cannon Street, London, E.C.; and Normanby Chambers, Melbourne. Two hundred and eighty pages, cloth, 3s. 6d.

"Sketches of Hospital Life," by Honor Morten. London: Sampson Low, Marston, Searle and Rivington, Limited, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. Price One Shilling. Seventy-four pages. Paper.

"Food and its Preparation," a Course of Twenty Lectures delivered to upwards of five hundred Girls from Elementary Schools, by Mrs. W. T. Greenup. Third edition. London: Bemrose & Sons, 23, Old Bailey; and Derby. Two hundred and twenty-one pages. Cloth.

"Home Nursing," by E. Margery Homersham. London: Published by the National Health Society, 44, Berners Street, and A. S. Mallett, Allen, & Co., 68—70, Wardour Street, W. 61 pages; paper, Sixpence; cloth, Ninepence.

"The Physical Culture of Women," by Miss Chreiman. London: Sampson Low, Marston, Searle, and Rivington, Limited, St. Dunstan's House, Fetter Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. Fifty-two pages; paper, One Shilling.

"The Construction and Maintenance of School Infirmarys and Sanatoria." Prepared by the Council of the Medical Officers of School Association. London: J. and A. Churchill, 11, New Burlington Street. Paper, price One Shilling. Forty-six pages.

"A New Way of Training Nurses," by A. Worcester, A.M., M.D. Boston: Cupples & Hurd, 94, Boylston Street. One hundred and eighteen pages; cloth, Fifty Cents.

"Notes on Surgery for Nurses," by Joseph Bell, M.D., F.R.C.S. Edin. Edinburgh: Oliver and Boyd, Tweed Dale Course. London: Simpkin Marshall and Co. One hundred and forty-nine pages; cloth, 2s. 6d.

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