

A curious result of the arrangement of the book is exemplified in the consideration of intra-ocular foreign bodies. The localization and principles of treatment are described by one writer, and another deals with surgical methods of their removal in a later chapter. That bone of contention, the relative merits of anterior and posterior routes for the treatment of magnetic intra-ocular foreign bodies, is kept carefully buried by Comberg. The final chapters on the legal aspects of ophthalmology and on bacteriological technique introduce subjects usually neglected in text books of a similar size and scope.

The entire book is printed in clear and readable type, and is adequately illustrated, both by diagrams and by photographs. One does feel, in looking back through the pages, that more ruthless editing would greatly reduce the duplication of material, some of which appears in more than one chapter in almost identical form. This would appreciably shorten the text, while in no way detracting from the wealth of information provided.

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Penicillin; its Practical Application. Edited by ALEXANDER FLEMING. 2nd Edition. Pp. 491, 59 figures. Butterworth and Co. (London). 1950.

A general discussion of abiotic drugs, with a special chapter on their use in ophthalmology. To be reviewed in *Ophthalmic Literature*.

Spectacle Fitting and Optical Dispensing. By L. S. SASIENI. Pp. 294, 241 illustrations. Hammond and Hammond (London). 1950.

A good text-book on the dispensing, fitting, and verification of lenses. To be reviewed in *Ophthalmic Literature*.