Ear, Nose and Throat Nursing. By JAS. HARDIE NEIL. Second Edition. (Auckland: Clark & Matheson, 1926.)

The appearance of the first edition was welcomed in this *Journal* in February 1924. In the present (second) edition, some alterations have been made. Its scope has been somewhat increased to cover detail lying rather within the sphere of the surgeon than of the nurse. It is, however, difficult to try and draw a hard and fast line, and, since the book has been kept within reasonable proportions, we are pleased to have the additions. The dimensions of the first edition were such that it was too large for an ordinary bookcase. This mistake has now been rectified. A. J. WRIGHT.

GENERAL NOTES

ROYAL SOCIETY OF MEDICINE,

I Wimpole Street, London, W. I.

Section of Laryngology.—President, Mr Harold S. Barwell, F.R.C.S.; Hon. Secretaries, Mr W. M. Mollison, M.Ch., 23 Devonshire Place, London, W. I, and Mr Lionel Colledge, F.R.C.S., 2 Upper Wimpole Street, London, W. I.

The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Friday, 3rd February, at 5 P.M. Members desirous of showing patients and specimens should communicate with the *Senior Hon. Secretary*, Mr W. M. Mollison, at least twelve days before the Meeting.

Section of Otology.—President, Dr J. S. Fraser, F.R.C.S.E.; Hon. Secretaries, Mr Alexander R. Tweedie, F.R.C.S., 14 Oxford Street, Nottingham, and Mr Nicol M. Rankin, M.B., 56 Harley Street, London, W. I.

The next Meeting of the Section will be held on Saturday, 4th February, at 10.30 A.M. Members desirous of showing patients and specimens should communicate with the *Senior Hon. Secretary*, Mr Alex. R. Tweedie, at least twelve days before the Meeting.

During the Session 1927-28 the Section of Laryngology will meet on the following dates: On Friday, 3rd February, 2nd March, 4th May (Annual Meeting), and 1st June.

The Section of Otology will meet on Saturday, 4th February, 3rd March, 5th May (Annual Meeting), and on 2nd June.

The following Discussions of special interest to the two Sections will be held during the Session.

I. The Influence of Naso-oral Sepsis on the Lungs and Gastrointestinal Tract (Sections: Laryngology, Medicine, Odontology). The discussion will take place on Wednesday, 11th January 1928, at 8.15 P.M.

2. Effects of Middle-ear Disease on Efficiency in Civil and Military Life (Sections: War, Otology). The discussion has been fixed for Friday, 13th April 1928, at 4.30 P.M.

BRITISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION, CARDIFF, 1928.

The Ninety-sixth Annual Meeting of the British Medical Association will be held in Cardiff on the 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th July. The Association meets under the Presidency of Sir Ewen Maclean, M.D., F.R.C.P., Professor of Obstetrics and Gynæcology in the Welsh National School of Medicine.

The Section of Laryngology and Otology will be presided over by Dr Donald R. Paterson, M.D., F.R.C.P., of Cardiff.

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FIRST INTERNATIONAL OTO-RHINO-LARYNGOLOGICAL CONGRESS, COPENHAGEN, 29th July to 1st August 1928.

In connection with this Congress a British Committee has been formed with Sir James Dundas-Grant as President, Sir St Clair Thomson as Chairman, and Messrs Lionel Colledge, J. S. Fraser and F. W. Watkyn-Thomas as Hon. Secretaries.

Mr Sydney Scott is acting as Treasurer. Subscriptions of five shillings should be sent to him at 130 Harley Street, London, W. I. In return for their subscription, members who join the British Committee will be kept informed of the arrangements, including particulars of the journey to Copenhagen and hotel accommodation in the city.

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The Seventh Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at 11 Chandos Street, London, W. I, on the afternoon of Friday, 2nd March, at 6.30 o'clock. The General Report and the Balance-Sheet of the Company will be submitted to the Shareholders.

ANNUAL "JOURNAL" DINNER.

The Annual Dinner will be held on the evening of Friday, 2nd March. The Chair will be taken by Mr W. M. Mollison, one of the Directors of the Company. The arrangements, which are in the hands of Mr Archer Ryland, F.R.C.S.E., will be announced in the next number of the *Journal*.

At a recent meeting of the Directors of the *Journal*, Mr Walter Howarth, F.R.C.S., was appointed as the London Editor.

We desire at the same time to express our appreciation of the Editorial services of Dr Irwin Moore, M.B., C.M., and to acknowledge the assistance he has given to the *Journal* since 1921.

NATIONAL RESEARCH ON OTOSCLEROSIS.

At the Meeting of the Council of the Section of Otology, Royal Society of Medicine, held on the 3rd December 1927, the following were appointed members of the Committee to organise and develop the campaign of research which has been initiated by Dr J. S. Fraser, the President of the Section.

Chairman, Sir William Milligan; Vice-Chairman, Dr J. S. Fraser; Organising Secretary, Mr T. B. Layton; Members of Committee, Sir Arthur Keith, Dr A. A. Gray, Mr Somerville Hastings, Mr G. J. Jenkins, Mr Richard Lake, Dr Dan McKenzie, Mr Sydney Scott and Mr Herbert Tilley.

PROFESSOR LANNOIS OF LYONS.

The pupils and friends of Professor Lannois of the University of Lyons, being desirous of showing their esteem and regard for him on the occasion of his retirement and elevation to the title of Honorary Professor, have decided to offer him a commemorative medal. Those who are willing to associate themselves with the testimonial are requested to send their subscriptions to Dr Mayoux, 63 rue Victor Hugo, Lyon, France. The subscription has been fixed at 60 francs, and should be sent by preference in the form of a postal order marked No. 315-31, Lyon.

Subscribers will receive a copy of the medallion in bronze.

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Sir St Clair Thomson, M.D., has been elected President of the Tuberculosis Society for the current session.

Dr A. Logan Turner has been elected President of the Medico-Chirurgical Society of Edinburgh.

Dr H. S. Birkett, C.B., of Montreal, has been elected an Honorary Member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, Otology and Laryngology.

SCOTTISH SOCIETY OF OTOLOGY AND LARYNGOLOGY.

At the Meeting of this Society held in Glasgow on Saturday, 26th November 1927, Dr Ross Souper, Aberdeen, was elected President.

The Prize of \pounds_{20} offered by the Society to Clinical Tutors and Assistants attached to the Clinics of the Ordinary and Corresponding members of the Society for the best piece of Clinical or Laboratory Research work in Oto-Laryngology has been awarded to Dr J. P. Stewart, F.R.C.S.E. The award was made for his research upon the Histopathology of Acute Mastoiditis.

At the Meeting of the Scottish Society of Otology and Laryngology held on 26th November 1927, the following were elected Honorary Members of the Society:—Professor F. Lemaître, Paris; Professor F. R. Nager, Zürich; Dr Hall Forbes, New York; Mr G. J. Jenkins, London; Mr W. M. Mollison, London; Dr D. R. Paterson, Cardiff.

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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON, MEDICAL GRADUATES SOCIETY.

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The medical graduates of the University of London, stimulated by the fact that a site for the buildings of the University has now been secured in Bloomsbury, have formed a Medical Graduates Society. This has been constituted on lines similar to those existing in connection with the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge and the Scottish Universities. Its objects are entirely social and academic and in no wise concerned with politics. At the preliminary meeting of the Society, held in November, Sir St Clair Thomson was elected the first President.

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INQUIRY AS TO THE MORTALITY ASSOCIATED WITH THE Administration of Local Anæsthetics.

Professor Georges Canuyt of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Strasbourg has asked us to draw the attention of those practising in Oto-Laryngology to an inquiry which he is undertaking in connection with

fatalities supervening upon the use of local anæsthetics. The names of those furnishing him with the necessary information will not be divulged.

Information is desired on the following points :---

1. Facts regarding the patient, e.g. sex, age, etc.

2. The affection from which the patient suffered.

3. The operation projected.

4. The time at which death took place; *before*, during or after the operation.

5. The circumstances in which the fatality supervened (a) as regards the anæsthetic used, (δ) the dose and strength, (c) mode of application, surface or injection.

6. The symptoms complained of.

Professor Canuyt will be greatly obliged to those who will render him assistance in his investigation. Replies should be addressed to him at the Clinique Oto-Rhino-Laryngologique, Hôpital Civil, Strasbourg, France.

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Dr Georges Canuyt, Professor of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology of the Faculty of Medicine, University of Strasbourg, proposes to hold a short course of instruction at the Hôpital Civil, I Place de l'Hôpital, during the first fortnight in July.

BOOKS RECEIVED FOR REVIEW.

- Technique Chirurgicale Oto-Rhino-Laryngologique, Troisième Fascicule; Arrière-Gorge et Pharynx. By E. J. Moure, Honorary Professor of the Medical Faculty of Bordeaux, G. Liébault and G. Canuyt. 235 pages with 156 figures in the text. Gaston Doin et Cie, Paris. 1928. Price 50 francs.
- Leçons sur l'Exploration de l'Appareil de Vestibulaire. By Dr L. Baldenweck, Oto-Rhino-Laryngologiste des Hôpitaux. 308 pages with 188 figures in the text. Vigot Frères, Paris. 1928. Price 40 francs.
- L'Ionisation dans les Otites Moyennes non Suppurées (Méthod et Résultats). By M. Landry, Professor in the School of Medicine, Rheims, and Laryngologist to the Hospital, and René Franquet. 112 pages with 8 figures in the text. Vigot Frères, Paris. 1927. Price 8 francs.
- Japanese Journal of Medical Sciences, X11, Oto-Rhino-Laryngology. Vol. I. No. 1. The National Research Council of Japan, Tokyo. September, 1927.
- Diathermy, its Production and Uses in Medicine and Surgery. By Elkin P. Cumberbatch, M.A., B.M. (Oxon), Medical Officer in Charge, Electrical Department, St Bartholomew's Hospital. Second Edition. William Heinemann (Medical Books), Ltd., London. 1927. Price 215. net.
- Anatomische Untersuchungen über die Tuberculose der Oberen Luftwege. By Dr Paul Manasse, Würzburg. 100 pages and 62 illustrations. Julius Springer, Berlin. 1927. Price 9 marks, 90 pfgs.
- Handbook of Diseases of the Nose, Throat, and Ear for Students and Practitioners. By W. S. Syme, M.D., F.R.S.E., Surgeon for Diseases of the Throat and Nose, Western Infirmary, Glasgow. Second Edition. E. & S. Livingstone, Edinburgh. 1927. Price 125. 6d. net.

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