

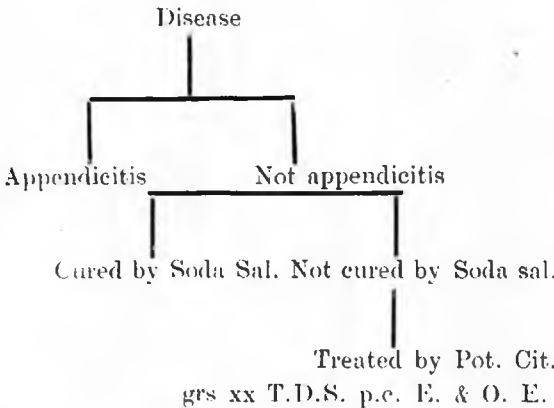
RECENT RETROGRESSIONS IN MEDICINE. By Bausler and Smiles. Third Edition. Published by Frolic Syndrome Ltd.

We have much pleasure in introducing this intensive survey of present medical knowledge to the senior student and busy medical practitioner.

Never in the history of medicine has so much ground been covered in such a small space.

The following excerpts, taken at random are an indication of the high standard maintained throughout this work.

1. GENERAL MEDICINE AND SURGERY.



2. SKIN DISEASES.

Two types are described:—

- i. Conditions cured by Lassar's Paste.
- ii. Conditions treated by Lassar's Paste.

3. EAR, NOSE AND THROAT.

All pathological throats are Pink. They are classified as follows:—

- i. A-haa.
- ii. E-heé.
- iii. A doubtful type Er—Er—Er—Er.

TREATMENT. Make the patient feel sick, but not quite sick!

4. OBSTETRICS.

The following novel contributions to current obstetrical thought are presented.

1. When the patient addresses the Sister as "Nurse," the second stage of labour is well advanced.

2. When the patient addresses a student as "Sister," it is an indication for forceps.

3. If the patient addresses the student as "Darling Joe," it is an indication for psychoanalysis.

4. If the infant cries loudly after being bathed, it suggests that the binder has been sewn to the infant.

5. Obstetricians are reminded

- (a) that infants' clothes have two sides, an inside and an outside;
- (b) that swearing in the labour ward is permissible only in exceptional circumstances, e.g. (i) when the child puts its foot through the perineum. (ii) when the patient kicks the obstetrician in the back of the neck.

5. GYNAECOLOGY.

Pathology—2 organisms responsible.

- 1. Fœtus in transit.
- 2. Gonococcus.

Suitable prophylaxis eliminates the necessity for treatment.

6. MENTAL DISEASES.

Etiology — obscure.

Diagnosis — very obscure.

Treatment — most obscure.

Prognosis — never obscure.

We have no hesitation in recommending this symposium to medical men, and feel sure that students will peruse it, as

- (a) It has been banned;
- (b) Twice.

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