nearly 600 closely printed pages, and is illustrated by more than 400 well-printed diagrams, mostly original. Some of the diagrams are coloured, and therefore of the greatest service to the student. A feature of the book is the excellent descriptions of the structure of the viscera, and the careful attention paid to their relations. The systematic account of each viscus and its immediate and more remote relations is much more clearly and accurately given than is usual in practical handbooks, which generally adopt an arrangement whereby the student is compelled to refer back to another section to find out full details of the part on which he is at work. The book is one of the most useful and comprehensive manuals of anatomy that is to be found on the market, and should prove as useful to the practitioner as it undoubtedly is to the student preparing for examination.

The descriptions of the organs of special sense are characterised by the same fulness, clearness, and simplicity of arrangement that favourably demarcate the less complicated portions of human anatomy. For students who wish to master the anatomy of the ear, throat and nose, no better guide can be offered than is presented in this handbook. Practitioners, and even specialists, who are supposed to be closely acquainted with the multitude of minute detail which their speciality involves, will doubtless find something to be learned from this valuable work.

The construction of the book has been to him obviously a labour of love, and it will be a gratification to Professor Buchanan to know that his book is esteemed as a replica of his own clear-mindedness, which will endear him still more in the affections of his numberless students at work in every branch of the medical profession in every part of the globe.

THE EXHIBITS AT EXETER.

MAYER & MELTZER, 71, Great Portland Street, London, W.

Amongst the instruments on view, Messrs. Mayer & Meltzer showed a large and varied selection of the latest patterns devoted to our speciality.

These included their well-known Electric Examination Lamps, both the ordinary incandescent and the newest patterns, a series of Punch Forceps for removal of tuberculous growths from the larynx, epiglottis, etc. A large selection of Mastoid Instruments and various Drills, Punches, and Flushing Apparatus for the sphenoidal and ethmoidal cells and maxillary antrum, including the new pattern by Dr. Watson Williams, and the Cannulæ and Probes by Mr. Chichele Nourse.

Mr. Stuart Low's Instruments for Submucous Turbinectomy and Ploughs, Raspatories, and Punches for resection of the septum nasi were exhibited.

The Oto-massage Apparatus, which included the hand-driven motor, giving upwards of 2000 strokes of the pump per minute; a similar motor is used for driving a Mastoid Drill, designed by Dr. Neil Maclay, small and portable enough to be carried in the ordinary hand-bag, yet sufficiently powerful to drive the largest burs.

We can only enumerate a few articles of the very large selection

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exhibited by Messrs. Mayer & Meltzer, but all the instruments seem well finished, and showed that attention to detail which is so important to the operation in throat, nose, and ear work.

MAW, SON & SONS, 7 to 12, Aldersgate Street, London, E.C.

The following were some of the instruments for the nose, throat, and ear, exhibited at the recent meeting of the British Medical Association at Exeter by this firm:

A new form of Standard Lamp, a number of which have been supplied to the new Out-patient Department of St. Bartholomew's Hospital.

A new form of Intra-tympanic Syringe, suggested by Mr. West. This syringe has a metal piston fitted to a glass barrel, and the whole is readily sterilisable.

Forceps for removing Granulation, as suggested and used by Mr. Charles Heath in his new operation.

A series of Mr. Charles Heath's Mastoid Instruments.

A new form of Nasal Spray; this is particularly suitable for hay fever, or for those patients who have to use such an apparatus, as it can be carried in the pocket, and is so made that the contents cannot spill into the pocket.

A Post-nasal Pump, suggested and used by Mr. Kelson. This is a modification of Delstanchi Intra-tympanic Pump.

Killian's Instruments for straightening the Septum.

Brunton's Auriscope fitted with Electric Lamp.

A new Aural Snare, as suggested by Mr. West and used by him at St. Bartholomew's Hospital. This is a modification of Cumberbatch's, and has a quick-running screw.

A set of Ear and Nose Instruments, as suggested by Dr. Jobson Horne.

MESSRS. PARKE DAVIS AND CO., of 111, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.

This firm exhibited pharmaceutical specialities and apparatus, medicine cases, etc. We select the following as more particularly pertaining to our speciality:

The "P. D. & Co." Antidiphtheria Serum, used all over the world, bears a certificate from the Pathological Laboratory of the University of Cambridge, recording its antitoxin unit strength and freedom from micro-organisms.

Adrenalin Solution and Adrenalin Inhalant, the form most used for the external administration as a potent constringent and cardiac stimulant. The inhalant is an oily solution best adapted for local medication of mucous membrane.

Codrenine and Eudrenine, compounds respectively of cocaine and eucaine with adrenalin, are useful in nasal and other operations. They provide efficient analgesia and greatly diminish bleeding.

Adrenalin and Eucaine Tablets, for making analgesic and hæmostatic solutions, were mentioned in our issue of January last.

Formidine, mentioned in our June issue, is an iodine compound reported to be more powerfully antiseptic than iodoform without its

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unpleasant odour and toxicity. It forms a valuable substitute for iodoform in various suppurative conditions of the nose and ear.

Another drug newly introduced by this firm is Iodalbin, an iodoproteid compound possessing the characteristic alterative action of the iodides of potassium and sodium without their liability to derange the stomach. It is claimed to afford a perfect substitute for the inorganic iodides in the treatment of chronic bronchitis and asthma, and to be equally effective in smaller doses.

The "Glaseptic" Nebulisers and Sprays possess several distinctive advantages, such as ease of cleansing, freedom from corrodibility, simplicity of construction, portability, etc.

Chloretone Inhalant is an antiseptic and analgesic agent for treatment of nasal and laryngeal disorders of bacterial origin—hay fever, laryngitis, bronchitis, etc.

Acetozone Inhalant is powerfully germicidal, yet non-irritant and non-toxic.

THERAPEUTIC PREPARATIONS.

Messrs. Burroughs Wellcome & Co., London.

"Slippery Elm."—We have received specimens from this manufacturing firm of a preparation which they have described as "Slippery Elm." The preparation of slippery elm presented is announced to contain five grains (0·324 grm.) of mucilage of slippery elm. The product may be slowly dissolved in the mouth, and when so administered may act as a demulcent and sedative astringent in dryness of the throat or mouth, or other conditions requiring such application.

Tabloid Carbolic Acid and Slippery Elm.—This is a combination of the mucilage and phenol. Each product contains half a grain of carbolic acid. When dissolved slowly in the mouth it serves as a mild disinfectant, and may be useful in diseases of the pharynx, tonsils, and other parts of the mouth that are amenable to such treatment.

A. Wulfung & Co., Manufacturing Chemists, 83, Upper Thames Street, London.

Formamint Tablets.—This preparation of menthol and formaline is a combination of exceptional utility and value to oral surgeons. It combines all the qualities requisite for a medical preparation. It is effective, pleasant, and arranged in suitable dosage for acting on the inflamed mucous membranes of the mouth. It has been tried in several of the throat hospitals, and has met with the appreciation of the many distinguished surgeons who have constantly to prescribe it. Formamint is a loose chemical combination of formic aldehyde and lactose, in the form of a compressed tablet, each one containing one-sixth of a grain of formic aldehyde combined with lactose, citric acid, pepto-hydrochloric acid, and flavouring agents. Thus prepared formaline differs entirely from its simple solution, is much more powerful in action, less irritating, and its action is continued after absorption, thus aiding the reputed neutral-

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