expect, their best is of the very highest quality. For the prognosis in any individual case the results of clinical observation are frequently invoked.

Though nothing will take the place of thoughtful, rational, and remembered experience, the methodical guidance given in this work will make its application very much easier, more purposive, and more reliable than it would otherwise be. The more our readers find themselves cornered by inquiry as to prognosis, the more they will refer to this work if they have it at hand. We need not say more. *Dundas Grant.*

The Medical Annual. Bristol: Wright & Co., 1915.

At a time when the current literature of the stirring and anxious course of present-day events occupies all our available time for reading or study, we are apt to degenerate into a state of mental stagnation in regard to the other affairs of life. The progress we make from year to year in the knowledge and practice of our technical specialties is apt to be slowed almost to a stationary condition under such circumstances. As an antidote we can recommend nothing more inspiring or reviving than a perusal of the last issue of *The Medical Annual* in reference not only to our particular subjects but to the art of healing in general. In accordance with the spirit of the times we may select such an article as that of Mr. Lenthal Cheatle on the treatment of wounds received in war. From our own limited point of view, however, there is nowhere to be found a more instructive or skilfully condensed account of the recent advances in laryngology and otology than what is provided for us by Mr. J. S. Fraser, of the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. He is not merely a zealous student and critic of the works of others, but an original investigator into the fundamental bases of our knowledge, especially in the anatomy and pathology of the organs we are concerned with, especially those of hearing. The less special and more general surgical aspects are illustrated by such chapters as Mr. Monsarrat's on the major surgery of the œsophagus, cancer in the neck, etc. Tuberculosis, asthma, and other diseases of the chest are again in the masterly hands of Dr. J. J. Perkins. We can again most cordially recommend the volume to all, but especially to those who feel themselves temporarily becalmed. *Dundas Grant.*

NOTES AND QUERIES.

Sir Milsom Rees.

Among the Knighthoods conferred on the occasion of the New Year we are interested to observe the name of Mr. Milsom Rees, Laryngologist to the Royal Households.

Bi-Centenary of the Firm of Allen and Hanburys.

It is with great pleasure that we observe that the above firm have just celebrated the 200th anniversary of their foundation as chemists and druggists in London. We heartily congratulate them upon their long life and continuing progress and prosperity. And in these days, when the world is suffering from one of its recurrent convulsions of change, the best we can hope for is that they and all other well-established British institutions may maintain their stability steadfast, with their evolution proceeding along an even and peaceful course.

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