extraordinary amount of practical information. A strange omission is that of meningitis from among the complications of middle-ear suppuration, while lateral sinus thrombosis, temporo-sphenoidal and cerebellar abscess are somewhat fully described. The chapter on bullet and shell wounds has been revised in view of the advancement and development of the experience gained in the earlier part of the present war. Dr. Fleming reports the more recent advances in the diagnosis and treatment of syphilis, and Dr. G. Harrison Orton brings his up-to-date experience to bear on the uses of the X-rays in diagnosis and treatment. Mr. Leslie Paton, in his contribution on the minor surgery of the eye, gives a good description of West's intra-nasal operation for suppuration of the lachrymal sac. The work is invaluable to house-surgeons and young practitioners, and it will be read with profit by many of the highly experienced.

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NOTES AND QUERIES.

Mr. W. Douglas Harmer, who has been working in Russia for a year with the Anglo-Russian Hospital, has returned to London and has resumed practice.

The Military Cross.

Among the recipients of this coveted decoration we are interested to observe the name of Temp. Capt. Nicol McNicoll Rankin, R.A.M.C., who has been awarded the honour "for conspicuous gallantry and devotion to duty in remaining at his post and attending to the wounded after the regimental aid-post had received three direct hits and he himself had been wounded in the face. For four hours he continued at duty, the area around his aid-post being heavily shelled all the time."

Previous to joining the Army, Capt. Rankin was one of the Registrars at the Central London Throat and Ear Hospital.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

Chirurgia di Guerra: Orecchio, Prime Vie Respiratorie e Loro Complicazione Intracraniche. By *Prof. Gherardo Ferreri.*

The Catarrhal and Suppurative Diseases of the Accessory Sinuses of the Nose. By *Ross Hall Skillern, M.D.* Philadelphia and London: J. B. Lippincott Company. Second Edition. Price 21*s.* net.

Diseases of the Throat, Nose, and Ear, for Practitioners and Students. By *W. G. Postu, M.B., B.Sc., F.R.C.S.Ed.* Second Edition. Fully Revised for the Author during his absence from England in the service of his Country by *P. McBride, M.D.Ed., F.R.C.S.Ed., F.R.S.E.* Bristol: John Wright & Sons, Ltd. London: Simpkin, Marshall, Hamilton, Kent & Co,, Ltd. Toronto: The Macmillan Co. of Canada, Ltd. 1916. Price 7*s.* 6*d.* net.

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