

Success has crowned this undertaking of revising Holmes' Surgery, so far as the first volume is concerned. The appearance of the second and third volumes will be hailed with great satisfaction, judging from the appearance of the book before us.

Dr. Packard and the publishers may congratulate themselves in having made a valuable addition to surgical knowledge.

The original work sustained a great reputation as a complete epitome of the opinions and experience of England's greatest surgeons. The practice of London's largest hospital was given by a corps of distinguished surgeons, in a series of monographs, on all the science of surgery. St. George's, Guy's, St. Thomas', St. Bartholomew's and other hospitals were represented, and the profession received the work with great favor.

A great addition has been made to the vast store of knowledge which the original articles contained. The author, Dr. Packard, has incorporated in the American edition new surgical material, much of which has accumulated in the ten years which have elapsed since the original appearance of the work.

Dr. Packard has chosen wisely in selecting his co-laborers who have faithfully discharged the duties of revision and of rewriting such parts of the original articles as was deemed advisable.

A three volume edition will prove preferable to the five volume one, and in the new edition the subjects so far have been grouped more conveniently than they were in the old.

To the reader the work is interesting and to the surgeon in active practice it will prove a great aid, as it promises to be a complete library on practical surgery.

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¹ Edited by T. Holmes, M.A. First American from Second English Edition. Thoroughly Revised and much Enlarged. By John H. Packard, M.D. Philadelphia: H. C. Lea's Son & Co. 1881.