

**MANUAL OF AUSCULTATION AND PERCUSSION. · EMBRACING THE PHYSICAL DIAGNOSIS OF DISEASES OF THE LUNGS AND HEART, AND OF THORACIC ANEURISM.** By AUSTIN FLINT, M.D., Professor of the Principles and Practice of Medicine and of Clinical Medicine in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, etc. etc. Third edition, revised. Pp. xii. 242. Philadelphia: Henry C. Lea's Son & Co., 1883.

THE second edition of this practical and justly popular manual, was given to the profession in 1880. The fact that it was exhausted, and a new one called for in 1882, is ample evidence of the positive merit it possesses. It is conveniently divided into eight chapters, and the student is gradually led up from a general consideration of physical signs in health and disease, to the differential diagnosis of diseased conditions by a knowledge of these physical signs. As in his courses of practical instruction, so in this book, the author's plan is to simplify the subject as much as possible; to consider the distinguishing characteristics of different physical signs as determined by *analysis*, and as based particularly on the variations in the intensity, pitch, and quality of sounds; to impress the facts upon the student and reader, that the significance of physical signs relates to certain physical conditions, and that close study of the physical conditions in health and disease, is a *sine qua non* of success, in both diagnosis and treatment. In this edition, the author also gives the modes by which pulmonary signs may be reproduced in the lungs after removal from the body, and by artificial illustrations.