

description of the operative technique is given with illustrations, and the volume can be thoroughly recommended to anyone interested in this special branch of surgery. J. M. W.

A SHORTER SURGERY. Second Edition. By R. J. McNeill Love. London : H. K. Lewis and Co., Ltd. 1930. Pp. xvi + 371. Price 16s.

This volume has been increased in size by seventy-one pages. Many of the chapters have been re-written and new illustrations added ; also chapters on specific diseases, fractures and dislocations have been added.

The author intends the volume to be used in conjunction with one of the standard surgical textbooks and in no way attempts to cover the whole field of surgery.

The book does without doubt give a great deal of help in the way of classifications and requisites for examinations which is not to be found in the same form elsewhere. It is of a handy size, excellently got up, and should be of great use in preparing for the higher surgical examinations.

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MEDICAL TACTICS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "JOURNAL OF THE ROYAL ARMY MEDICAL CORPS."

SIR,—The continued appearance of articles on medical appreciations shows that there are many differences of opinion on the subject. I would venture to suggest that a book on "Medical Tactics" be published, which would lay down the form required.

The officers who have attended courses at the Staff College and the Senior Officers' Course would collaborate.

The book would deal with medical tactics under the various circumstances of battle and would answer problems such as :—

"Under what circumstances are W.W.C.P.'s required?" The ideas at present on the subject are immensely varied.

It would deal with Major Reynolds's inquiries about the calculation of casualties, etc.

There appears to be ample scope for a publication of this nature, which would be of great assistance to officers in learning their job.

Devonport.

May 21, 1930.

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