

*The Clinical Examination of the Nervous System.* By G. H. MONRAD-KROHN, M.D., F.R.C.P. With a Foreword by T. GRAINGER STEWART, M.D., F.R.C.P. London: H. K. Lewis & Co., Ltd., 1928. Fourth edition. Crown 8vo. Pp. xvi + 209. Price 7s. 6d.

In our October, 1926, number we reviewed, at some length, the third edition of this work, giving its history since its first appearance in 1921, and spoke of how the author has kept faith with his readers by not allowing his book to become out of date, but had taken the opportunity afforded by its popularity and consequent call for reprints to revise the text carefully, and make wise additions of new matter reflecting the advances made since the previous edition.

It is on the same grounds that we welcome the fourth edition.

The text has once more needed but little revision, which shows the care and foresight expended when it was first drawn up and the wisdom displayed in the choice of new matter. It is satisfactory to note that the author has substituted "mental state" for "cerebration."

The additions in the fourth edition and some re-arrangement here and there in the text have increased the number of pages by eight. A new section for beginners has been included on the interpretation of X-ray pictures of the skull, with two plates showing the dislocation of the pineal shadow to one or other side in cases of cerebral tumour. Another new plate added illustrates the effects of spinal tumour.

The author has recognized the diagnostic value of estimating the amount of chlorides in the cerebro-spinal fluid by including Buzzard and Greenfield's method of quantitative estimation—a raised percentage being indicative of renal insufficiency, and a slightly lowered one indicating an acute general infection or slight meningitis. In cases of general paralysis there is no doubt that the amount of general infection present has an important bearing on the results of malarial treatment.

We are glad to see that the author has retained the section on the first routine examination. We consider it a valuable key to the book, especially in psychiatric cases.

Since the publication of the third edition Prof. Monrad-Krohn has been elected F.R.C.P., an honour well merited, and which is an additional tie between him and the County of London where he gathered much of his early experience of neurology and psychiatry.

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*Mind and Personality.* By WILLIAM BROWN, M.D., D.Sc. University of London Press, Ltd., 1926. Pp. x + 344. Price 12s. 6d.

This book is described as "An Essay in Psychology and Philosophy." The aims of the author, as given out on the jacket and in the Introduction, are "to obtain a synoptic view of the personality," and "to consider the unity of the mind from every point of view." The synoptic view is weak on the æsthetic side. The book is really