

*Papers on Psycho-Analysis.* By ERNEST JONES, M.D., M.R.C.P.  
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We cannot pretend to review the subject-matter contained in a work of this kind owing to the extent of the field it covers. It comprises a collection of thirty-nine papers (or addresses) by the author, of various dates from 1908 to 1923, which, for the purpose of consecutive reading, are arranged in groups of chapters in the following order: General papers, including an introductory chapter, papers on dreams, papers on treatment, clinical papers, and papers on child-life and education.

Dr. Ernest Jones by this means builds up a work which covers a wide field of psycho-analytic theory and practice in relation to normal psychology, psycho-pathology and psycho-therapy. It is remarkable that the author has only in one instance found it necessary to make any extensive alteration in any one paper, but in this edition five papers have been withdrawn and five substituted, and the remainder revised and brought up to date.

Dr. Ernest Jones is a true disciple of Prof. Freud—indeed this book, practically a life's work, he dedicates to him, and nobody, certainly in this country, is more capable of presenting Freudian teaching in relation to psychological medicine. He preaches no diluted doctrines, but belongs to the orthodox school, and his unique knowledge of the subject entitles him to be always heard and read with respect.

He points out that the study of unconscious mentation is, bit by bit, building up a genetic theory of mind as a whole—a statement about which there can be no doubt. Its materialization in the practice of psychiatry is another matter, but if ever the Freudian school of thought becomes a valuable asset—and some would claim it is already—in the treatment of the psychoses and psychoneuroses, it will be due in no small measure to Dr. Ernest Jones's intense devotion to the subject both experimentally and clinically, and to his lectures and writings, and of which devotion this book is an undoubted evidence.

To those who desire to seek light upon Freudian teaching in relation to psychological medicine in its widest sense we can with confidence recommend these collected papers by Dr. Ernest Jones.

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*Supernormal Faculties in Man: An Experimental Study.* By Dr. EUGENE OSTY. Translated by STANLEY DE BRATH. London: Methuen & Co., 1923. Pp. xi + 245. Price 15s. net.

Mankind is, and has ever been, so prone, for the most part, to belief in the marvellous that the sceptic is usually looked upon askance. Even an attitude of mild philosophic doubt has not been without its dangers in the past. Rigid conformity with preposterous opinions has been supported by such persuasive arguments