

certainly as grace of movement is lost when the effort becomes manifest, so true culture is wanting when the assertion of it is present.

With a too subjective life followed idea of being misunderstood, and perhaps some idea about notoriety was an active agent also. "Voices," moral perversion due to sexual abuse may also have played a part.

An interesting case of attempted mutilation of the genital organs in a female will be found reported by Dr. Howden in the Clinical Notes and Cases.

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*Guiteau.*

We had intended to comment upon the psychology of Guiteau, but defer doing so until we are in possession of more particulars. The papers sent to us, reporting medical evidence given at the trial, are imperfect, and the "American Journal of Insanity," which it is expected will contain a full report, has been delayed in consequence beyond the time of publication.

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## PART II.—REVIEWS.

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*A Treatise on the Diseases of the Nervous System.* By JAMES ROSS, M.D., M.R.C.P. Lond., Assistant Physician to the Manchester Royal Infirmary, &c. *Illustrated with Lithographs, Photographs, and Two Hundred and Eighty Woodcuts.* Two Vols. London: Churchill.

Rarely indeed does a work so excellent in every way come under the notice of the reviewer; and it is with feelings of pleasure that we proceed to give some idea of the character and scope of this new treatise on Diseases of the Nervous System.

The work is a large one, and is designed to be comprehensive. It consists of two volumes, containing between them nearly sixteen hundred pages. It treats of all diseases of the nervous system except insanity.

It presents several noteworthy features. The arrangement, the illustrations, the matter, and the style, are all such as to deserve a few detailed remarks.

The first portion of the work, to the extent of about two hundred and eighty pages, is devoted to the general pathology