

BOOK REVIEWS : BOEKBESPREKINGS

CARE OF THE INJURED

A Practical Guide to the Care of the Injured. By P. S. London, M.B.E., M.B., B.S. (Lond.), F.R.C.S. (Eng.). Pp. xii + 777. Illustrated. R9.68. Edinburgh and London: E. & S. Livingstone. 1967.

The purpose of this book is to bring together those parts of medicine, surgery and allied subjects that are necessary for the proper care of the injured. It attempts to provide practical guidance for the student of 'accident surgery', and the authors appraise the advantages and disadvantages of different methods of treatment and select those which they consider the best.

In this aim, the book is successful. After a preliminary section on the general and special effects of injury, separate sections are devoted to urgent considerations, wounds, fractures and dislocations, head injuries, injuries of the trunk, burns and anaesthesia. Two special sections follow: the one on conditions simulating and associated with injuries, and the other on rehabilitation and medico-legal aspects.

The book is a success and can be warmly recommended to all those who may be called upon to deal with injuries, from the most junior casualty officer to his most senior colleague.

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MANAGEMENT OF SHOCK

Clinical Management of Shock. Surgical and medical. By R. M. Hardaway, III. Pp. xx + 599. Illustrated. \$22.00. Springfield, Ill.: Charles C. Thomas. 1968.

This book contains most interesting and useful information. The theory of various types and the treatment of shock are well considered, and the chapters on experimental laboratory studies and disseminated intravascular coagulation are particularly illuminating.

The book is well written and achieves its purpose. An excellent publication to guide anaesthetists, surgeons and physicians who are continually meeting problems involving shock in the course of their work.

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