

student, are too brief and will probably fail to present an adequate picture of their complexities. For the otologist the chapters on audiometry, defects of hearing and their measurements, and alleviation of deafness leave out much desirable detail. Throughout this interesting book short passages exist where clarity has been sacrificed for brevity, but these deficiencies can be readily remedied by referring to the works quoted in the preface and bibliography. Wisely, essential physical data and the more difficult mathematical theory are given in the appendices, so making the book more readable and appealing to clinicians. The layout in general is satisfactory and fulfils the aim of giving a short, comprehensive, up-to-date review of this extensive and fascinating subject.

Dr. Littler has supplied a book to fill the need of both physicists and otologists in training, and it should be in every otologist's library and read by every candidate taking the higher diplomas in otolaryngology.

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## Mission to Lepers

**An Inn Called Welcome.** The Story of the Mission to Lepers, 1874-1917. By A. Donald Miller. (Pp. 241+x. 5s. 2d.) London: Mission to Lepers. 1965.

This small, inexpensive paperback records the history of the Mission to Lepers from its beginning in 1874 until 1917, when its founder, Wellesley Bailey, an Irish Protestant who became a Scottish Presbyterian missionary in India, retired. Bailey's early efforts in Northern India were directed at providing shelter, protection, and food for lepers—not treatment, for none was known. In India, where, as in China, the common lot of the leper was to be burnt alive, Bailey's fight to provide sanctuary was a difficult one. A drawing-room meeting in Dublin provided the first meagre funds; for years the mission depended on small donations from, often, poor people. Bailey's criterion was need, his motive compassion. His primary aim was shelter, not conversion, and compulsory religious instruction has never been imposed by this mission.

Working often through and with other societies of all Protestant Christian denominations, the activities of this mission truly became a world oecumenical effort. Their hospital at Purulia in Bihar stands as one of the Mission to Lepers's most substantial achievements. The pioneer work in providing "Healthy Homes" for uninfected children of leprosy parents has been an outstanding success and has been widely copied.

The story of the spread of the activities of this Mission to Burma, China, Africa, and South America is well told. The whole situation with regard to leprosy has changed since 1917. Many cases are now susceptible to treatment, the lepra bacillus is the subject of intensive study, the principles of prevention and control are better understood and are being applied with vigour. There is a strong feeling among patients and doctors alike that the word leper should disappear. When the second volume follows bringing the story up to date we shall no doubt hear of a change of title of the Mission.

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## Books Received

*Review is not precluded by notice here of books recently received.*

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**Preventive Medicine.** For Nurses and Social Workers. By J. B. Meredith Davies, M.D.(Lond.), D.P.H. (Pp. 186+vi. Boards 15s.; paperback 8s. 6d.) London: English Universities Press. 1965.

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**The Scientific Endeavour.** Centennial Celebration of the National Academy of Sciences. (Pp. 331+vii; illustrated. \$2.50.) New York: Rockefeller Institute Press. 1965.

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