

The very short chapters on ascitic fluid and on circulating tumour cells of blood are inadequate for an "atlas," because there are not enough descriptions and illustrations of the types of non-malignant cells encountered in these materials. The translation is on the whole in good English, but here and there is unidiomatic. It is unfortunate that the jargon distinction between abnormal (= abnormal) and atypical (= suspicious of malignancy) has been adopted in some passages, while in others the two words have been used synonymously, which is the common medical usage in England. Inaccuracies and misprints are fairly rare, but there is one whole passage where per cent. is repeatedly given for per thousand (page 147). There is an extensive bibliography with titles. This would be easier to use if entries had been classified, and the absence of specific references in the text is also a defect.

In spite of all these criticisms the book is an excellent atlas of the main subject it treats, and the text is full of helpful information. Moreover the authors do not claim too much, and give guidance on the limitations of the method. It can be recommended to all clinical cytologists, and to gynaeco-

logists who wish to be well informed about the examinations done on their patients.

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Back on Their Feet

Rehabilitation of the Lower Limb Amputee. By W. Humm, M.S.R.G. Foreword by E. S. Wheatley, C.B.E., D.F.C., T.D., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Pp. 78 + ix; illustrated. 18s.) London: Baillière, Tindall & Cassell. 1965.

Amputation of a limb is always a catastrophe, and preparation of the patient before the operation (which is usually possible) and the treatment afterwards may make the difference, so far as use of a prosthesis is concerned, between success and dismal failure. It is good to find that Mr. W. Humm starts off with the psychological approach. This excellent manual teaches much special skill that a physiotherapist or remedial gymnast must learn before tackling the difficult job of getting maimed folk back on to their feet. But this skill, as the author points out, includes gaining and building up the patient's confidence; some are old and dodderly and

easily disheartened; they may be afflicted by angina, poor vision, or deafness.

After the first world war limb fitting in this country was perhaps the best in the world. Then we drifted into the doldrums. There were few advances in design of apparatus and the whole business became divorced from surgery. Now there are signs of improvement, which is just as well, because people are living long enough to lose their limbs from vascular degeneration, and the machines of every kind that encompass us take off a lot more. There are ginger groups in the artificial-limb business. The Ministry's aim is to reunite the care of the amputee with orthopaedics. One consequence of all this is that knowledge of how to deal with the amputee must become more widely diffused. So Mr. Humm's book has appeared at the right time. It is short and practical. The only possible fault is that the illustrations are not very good; perhaps this could be put right in a later edition. We need, too, a companion volume on the upper limb, particularly as it is in this field that the most striking developments in prosthetic design are occurring.

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La Kinésiologie Respiratoire. By Antonio Luigi Maccagno. (Pp. 15. 29 F.) Paris: Masson. 1965.

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