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Current Therapy

Current Therapy, 1966. Edited by Howard F. Conn, M.D. (Pp. 857+xxxi. £4 11s.) Philadelphia and London: W. B. Saunders. 1966.

Current Therapy 1966 is the eighteenth volume of an annual series which the editor claims is devoted to the task of bringing concise information on current therapeutic methods to the practising physician. In addition to Dr. Conn, the editor, 12 con-

sulting editors and 317 contributors are concerned in producing the 850 pages which make up this book.

It suffers from many of the faults which seem inseparable from annual production and multiple authorship. The writing is often slipshod and cumbersome: "if stressful situations occur that formerly caused engorgement of food"; "cardiac arrest is the functional inability of the heart to maintain effective circulation by its pumping mechanism." Similarly turgid or meaningless phrases can be found on almost every page. Inevitably, too, with so many contributors the standard varies. For all the editor's disclaimer, the way in which each author's name is preceded by the words "method of" sug-

gests that he has some proprietary right to the form of treatment described, although it seldom differs greatly from that which we have all been using for years.

These criticisms concern more the mode of presentation than the matter presented. Even if the literary merits of this work are dubious, its practical value cannot be questioned. It contains accounts of the generally accepted treatment for most of the diseases which commonly confront the practising physician. One cannot doubt that it will lie discreetly hidden in the desk drawer of many of them, frequently to be consulted with a furtive haste while the patient dresses in the examination room.

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