

Book Notices

Macdonald Critchley and Eileen Critchley, *John Hughlings Jackson: father of English neurology*, New York, Oxford University Press, 1998, pp. xi, 228, illus., \$55.00 (0-19-512339-5).

Macdonald and Eileen Critchley's biography of Hughlings Jackson is a modest, gentle account of M Critchley's hero. Although there was no overlap at the National Hospital, Queen Square, between Critchley and Hughlings Jackson, he apparently provided a constant inspirational presence for the author during his own long and distinguished career in neurology. The biography is not strictly chronological, and personal details are introduced at the beginning with a section on family history, which would be more easily read as a family tree and in the three final chapters. One still wants to know more of the man, although the destruction of Hughlings Jackson's papers at his request after death makes this a difficult task.

The best parts of the book are the middle chapters and particularly those that assess Hughlings Jackson's work on epilepsy, the cerebellum and aphasia. Critchley refers to both Hughlings Jackson's contemporaries—e.g., the engagement with Paul Broca, the links with Herbert Spencer—and re-discoveries by, for instance, Henry Head. While he admirably refrained from duplicating the writings of Temkin, Greenblatt and Riese, Critchley might have helped his readers by explaining in more detail the nature of Hughlings Jackson's theories, particularly as he repeatedly reminds us that reading his original papers is difficult, even for the trained neurologist.

Mary G McCrea Curnen, Howard Spiro and Deborah St James (eds), *Doctors afield*, New Haven and London, Yale University Press, 1999, pp. xv, 233, illus., £18.50 (0-300-08020-4).

This book presents twenty-six potted accounts of doctors who do something else—make art, music and wine, write, collect, participate in government or the church—apart from their daily job in medicine. For the most part these are presented as dual careers, although four of those featured here, including most famously Gertrude Stein, abandoned the practice of medicine.

Apart from the volume's curiosity value, the editors have a serious purpose in mind. As members of the Program for Humanities in Medicine at Yale University School of Medicine they hope to encourage doctors to explore other aspects of themselves in order to improve what they can offer to individual patients and the wider world. Among those who did not leave medicine, the majority believe their creative, alternate careers contribute to their abilities as physicians and surgeons because they are better able to communicate with patients.

BOOKS ALSO RECEIVED

(The inclusion of a title does not preclude the possibility of subsequent review. Items received, other than those assigned for review, are ultimately incorporated into the collection of the Wellcome Library.)

Jacques Baur, *Les Manuscrits du Docteur Comte Sébastien Des Guidi*, Grands homéopathes de notre temps, Paris, Éditions Similia, 1999, pp. 406 (2-84251-029-1).

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Virginia Berridge, *Health and society in Britain since 1939*, New Studies in Economic and Social History, Cambridge University Press, 1999, pp. viii, 133, 19.95, \$39.95 (hardback 0-521-57230-4), £7.95, \$13.95 (paperback 0-521-57641-5).

Alan Bewell, *Romanticism and colonial disease*, Medicine and Culture, Baltimore and London, Johns Hopkins University Press, 1999, £35.00 (hardback 0-8018-6225-6).

Anne Borsay, *Medicine and charity in Georgian Bath: a social history of the General Infirmary, c. 1739–1830*, The History of Medicine in Context series, Aldershot, Ashgate, 1999, pp. xii, 484 £55.00 (0-7546-0060-2).

James H Capshaw, *Psychologists on the march: science, practice, and professional identity in America, 1929–1969*, Cambridge Studies in the History of Psychology, Cambridge University Press, 1999, pp. xii, 276, £40.00, \$59.95 (hardback 0-521-56267-8), £14.95, \$19.95 (paperback 0-521-56585-5).

Hugh Freeman (ed.), *A century of psychiatry*, London, Mosby–Wolfe Medical Communications, 1999, pp. xxv, 374, illus., £59.95 (0-7234-3174-4).

Gayle Greene, *The woman who knew too much: Alice Stewart and the secrets of radiation*, Ann Arbor, University of Michigan Press, 1999, pp. x, 321, illus., £19.95 (hardback 0-472-11107-8).

Michael R Grey, *New Deal medicine: the rural health programs of the Farm Security Administration*, Baltimore and London, Johns Hopkins University Press, 1999, £35.00 (0-8018-5939-5).

John S Haller, Jr, *A profile in alternative medicine: the Eclectic Medical College of Cincinnati, 1845–1942*, Kent, Ohio, and London, Kent State University Press, 1999,

pp. xii, 212, illus., \$35.00 (hardback 0-87338-610-8).

Nancy Rose Hunt, *A colonial lexicon of birth ritual, medicalization, and mobility in the Congo*, Durham and London, Duke University Press, 1999, pp. xix, 475, illus., £13.95 (paperback 0-8223-236-4).

Ibn al-Jazzār on fevers: a critical edition of Zād al-musāfir wa-qūt al-ḥādir. Provisions for the traveller and nourishment for the sedentary, Book 7, Chapters 1–6, The original Arabic text with an English translation, introduction and commentary by Gerrit Bos, Sir Henry Wellcome Asian Series, London, Kegan Paul International, 2000, pp. vii, 217, £65, \$110 (0-7103-0570-2).

Stanley W Jackson, *Care of the psyche: a history of psychological healing*, New Haven and London, Yale University Press, 1999, pp. xiii, 504, £30.00 (hardback 0-300-07671-1).

Jacques Jouanna, *Hippocrates*, trans. M B DeBevoise, Medicine and Culture series, Baltimore and London, Johns Hopkins University Press, 1999, pp. xv, 520, £41.50 (0-8018-5907-7).

Ludmilla Jordanova, *Defining features: scientific and medical portraits 1660–2000*, London, Reaktion Books in association with the National Portrait Gallery, 2000, pp. 192, illus., £14.95 (paperback 1-86189-059-1).

Shigehisa Kuriyama, *The expressiveness of the body and the divergence of Greek and Chinese medicine*, New York, Zone Books, 1999, pp. 340, illus., \$20.50 (hardback 0-942299-88-4). Distributed by The MIT Press.

Mary M Lay, Laura J Gurak, Clare Gravon, Cynthia Myntii (eds), *Body talk: rhetoric, technology, reproduction*, Rhetoric of the Human Sciences, Madison, University of Wisconsin Press, 2000, pp. xiii, 308, £18.50 (paperback 0-299-16794-1).

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H S J Lee, *The medical millennium: 1000 pioneers who have contributed to the development of medicine over the last 1000 years*, New York and London, Parthenon Publishing Group, 2000, pp. 113, illus., £25.00, \$45.00 (1-85070-466-X).

Martin Lengwiler, *Zwischen Klinik und Kaserne. Die Geschichte der Militärpsychiatrie in Deutschland und der Schweiz 1870–1914*, Zurich, Chronos, 2000, pp. 432 (paperback 3-905313-44-8).

Heikki Mikkeli, *Hygiene in the early modern medical tradition*, Humaniora series no. 305, Helsinki, Finnish Academy of Science and Letters, 1999, pp. 195 (951-41-0869-8). Distributor: Bookstore Tiedekirja, Kirkkokatu 14, 00170 Helsinki, Finland. Fax: + 358 9 637 017.

Michael L Millenson, *Demanding medical excellence: doctors and accountability in the information age*, University of Chicago Press, 1999 (hardback 1997), pp. xviii, 451, \$16.00 (paperback 0-226-52588-0).

Jock Murray and Janet Murray, *Sir Charles Tupper: fighting doctor to father of confederation*, Canadian Medical Lives, Markham, Ontario, Associated Medical Services and Fitzhenry & Whiteside, 1999, pp. 155, illus., \$18.95 (1-55041-183-7).

J G Raffensperger (ed.), **Louis G Boshes** (assoc. ed.), *The old lady on Harrison Street: Cook County Hospital, 1833–1995*, International Healthcare Ethics series, vol. 3, New York and Bern, Peter Lang, 1997, pp. x, 455, illus., £40.00 (0-8204-3461-2).

Susan Resnik, *Blood saga: hemophilia, AIDS, and the survival of a community*,

Berkeley and Los Angeles, University of California Press, 1999, pp. xvi, 292, illus., \$29.95 (hardback 0-520-21105-2).

James C Robinson, *The corporate practice of medicine: competition and innovation in health care*, Berkeley and London, University of California Press, 1999, pp. xii, 261, \$45.00 (hardback 0-520-22075-7), \$18.95 (paperback 0-520-22076-5).

Michael Roe, with a specialist chapter by **Richard Wood-Baker**, *Life over death: Tasmanians and tuberculosis*, Hobart, Tasmanian Historical Research Association, 1999, pp. viii, 234, illus., Orders to: Tasmanian Historical Research Association, PO Box 441, Sandy Bay, Tasmania, Australia 7005.

Volker Roelcke, *Krankheit und Kulturkritik. Psychiatrische Gesellschaftsdeutungen im bürgerlichen Zeitalter (1790–1914)*, Frankfurt and New York, Campus, 1999, pp. 252, DM 58.00, SFr 5.00 (paperback 3-593-36208-2).

Angela Roth, *Würdig einer liebevollen Pflege. Die württembergische Anstaltspsychiatrie im 19. Jahrhundert*, Zwiefalten, Verlag Psychiatrie und Geschichte, 1999, pp. 151, illus., DM 29.80 (hardback 3-931200-05-1). Send rev. to: Philipp Schurr, Bibliothek, Münsterklinik, Zentrum für Psychiatrie, Psychotherapie, Neurologie, Rehabilitation, Hauptstrasse 9, 88529 Zwiefalten.

Anton Sebastian (ed.), *Dates in medicine: a chronological record of medical progress over three millennia*, New York and London, Parthenon Publishing Group, 2000, pp. viii, 436, illus., £35.00, \$58.00 (1-85070-095-8).