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BOOK REVIEW

SOME MILESTONES IN THE HISTORY OF HEMATOLOGY. *Camille Dreyfus*. New York and London, Grune & Stratton, 1957. 87 pp., \$4.50.

Dr. Dreyfus of Paris, well known to us from his days with us in Boston many years ago, has written a delightful series of essays dealing with the history of the blood. They show an enormous erudition, a profound sense of the importance of the historical approach, and yet a Gallic lightness which makes for easy reading.

The first essay, "A Glance at the History of the Blood" takes us from the ancient writings of the Bible and the Aeneid to those great days in Paris when such giants as Chauffard, Widal, and Hayem were at the forefront of the stage. "Chronic Hemolytic Jaundice," the early history of leukemia and of "plethora vera" are discussed. Fittingly, the book closes with a brilliant essay on "le grand maitre," Georges Hayem. In more ways than one this remarkable man, who lived to be 94 years of age, was the father of hematology. His book "Du Sang" (1898) was a classic, in many ways ahead of its time. There, for example, we find some remarkable early descriptions of the hematology of purpura. As Dreyfus says, "The work of Georges Hayem dominates from a great height." But Hayem knew that his work and his teachings, good as they were, were by no means the last word. "The excursion is far from completed. To teach medicine in our day is to continue one's education. Isn't that what constitutes the incomparable charm of our profession?"

This charming little volume deserves a place on every hematologist's book shelf, or perhaps better, his night table, where he may refresh himself with a dip now and then in the historical reviews of the past, so far removed from the very high and often dry peaks of modern scientific hematology.—*William Dameshek*.