1943-09

Book Notices
Blood Groups and Transfusion

The third edition of Blood Groups and Transfusion is a comprehensive and authoritative treatise of the subject. It is a notable improvement over and enlargement of the second edition. Two new chapters have been added, one dealing with the transfusion of stored blood and blood substitutes, and the other with the Rh factor. So many changes were made in the other twenty chapters that the book was reset from new type. Detailed discussions of the four blood groups, the history of blood transfusion, and the techniques and results of transfusions are given. The most recent advances in regard to knowledge of the M and N agglutinogen, the subgroups of A and AB, the P and X agglutinogens, and the secretor substances are considered. Substantial additions are included in the discussion of the racial distributions of the blood reactions. The genetics of the various blood reactions is thoroughly presented. This new edition should be cordially welcomed by physicians, students of human heredity and physical anthropologists.

—D. C. Rife.