Book Notices

CHESTER R. BURNS (editor), Legacies in ethics and medicine, New York, Science History Publications, 1977, 8vo, pp. [vi], 326, illus., \$7.95.

A series of sixteen papers dealing with the history of medical ethics, arranged chronologically according to contents, and ranging from Ancient Hebrew writings to the nineteenth century. They have all appeared elsewhere, mostly in the Bulletin of the History of Medicine and the Journal of the History of Medicine and Allied Sciences, and the editor has selected two of his own, as well as providing a brief introduction. This anthology is valuable for teaching purposes. An index would have been useful, but there is none.

CHESTER R. BURNS (editor), Legacies in law and medicine, New York, Science History Publications, 1977, 8vo, pp. [vi], 310, illus., \$7.95.

There are eighteen papers in this collection, and the same comments made for the above apply.

PHILIP CARAMAN, The lost paradise. An account of the Jesuits of Paraguay 1607-1768, London, Sidgwick & Jackson, 1975, 8vo, pp. 341, illus., £5.95.

The earlier civilizations of Central and South America are of particular importance to the historian, not only on account of their own significance, but also because they can be compared and contrasted with contemporary cultures in Europe, the Middle and Far East. The Jesuits' South American Republic is of special interest, and Mr. Caraman, a professional writer, provides an excellent and scholarly account of it. All aspects of the Indians' life are explored but the part of greatest interest to historians of medicine is the very brief chapter on 'Reduction life, medicine, sickness and danger'. Further study of these topics is now needed to extend Mr. Caraman's work.

BOOKS ALSO RECEIVED

(The inclusion of a title in this list does not preclude the possibility of subsequent review.)

Bibliography of the history of medicine, no. 11: 1975, Bethesda, Md., National Library of Medicine, 1977, pp. viii, 191, \$3.25 (paperback).

ARTHUR M. KLEINMAN (editor), Culture, medicine and psychiatry, An international journal of comparative cross-cultural research, vol. 1, no. 1, April 1977, Dordrecht and Boston, D. Reidel, pp. 132, quarterly, Dfl. 100, \$36.00 per annum.

THOMAS MCKEOWN, The role of medicine. Dream, mirage, or nemesis?, London, The Nuffield Provincial Hospitals Trust, 1976, pp. xv, 180, [no price stated].

Physicians in mezzotint. Catalogue of an exhibition, London, Royal College of Physicians, 1977, pp. v, 24, [no price stated].