instead of "disc of plate glass," which is an entirely different contrivance. We have detected a few genuine printer's errors, viz. *pre*-oral for *per*-oral, *deglutatory* for *deglutitory*, and the reference on p. 121 to Fig. 45, which should read Fig. 46, and perhaps *thoractomy* for *thora cotomy* comes under this head.

"Direct Laryngoscopy, Bronchoscopy and Esophagoscopy" is an original, informing, and splendidly turned-out book, which reflects immense credit upon author, translator and publishers. William Hill.

## THE TEACHING OF OTO-LARYNGOLOGY IN ITALY.

To the Editor of The JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY, RHINOLOGY AND OTOLOGY.

DEAR SIR,---In an article by Prof. Massei, published in the JOURNAL OF LARYNGOLOGY, RHINOLOGY AND OTOLOGY, April, 1912, on the conditions of university teaching of Oto-rhino-laryngology in Italy, it is stated that, except in Rome, there exist no other clinics of this speciality with bed-Now, while this is correct as regards Naples and some other universitie of the kingdom, it is not true for Turin. In Turin there has been in existence ever since 1895 a university clinic with ten beds under the direction of the undersigned. In order to aid the official clinic the undersigned founded in 1900 a private clinic, which at present contains seventy beds, and which allows him in the most efficacious manner to arrange for the teaching both of students and of doctors. At Genoa, Pavia and Padua also, although a real clinic has not yet been instituted, the Professors Masini, Nicolai and Arslan have the disposal of a number of beds sufficient to serve for their teaching. Although, however, in Italy, as in other countries, Oto-rhino-laryngology has not vet reached the height which is due to its importance in medical studies, the progress made during these last years fills us with confidence that a better future awaits it.

> Yours truly, Prof. Dr. G. GRADENIGO, Ordinary in the University of Taxia.

TURIN; May 9, 1912.

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