

## REVIEW

## BASIC PSYCHIATRY

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E & S Livingstone Ltd., 1968. Pp. 262. 25/-.

Basic Psychiatry is much more comprehensive than the title implies. Like any other psychiatry books it has its shortcomings. The neurophysiology section lacks diagrams to guide the reader. The aetiology factors of mental deficiency (page 230) are improperly set out. The "question and answer" presentation

tends to convey the impression that the authors have biased attitude.

With revision, the book is highly recommended for students including those preparing for D.P.M.

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