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chapter or two on the same topic. In the present text, however, there is condensed within one small volume, material which otherwise is likely to be found scattered here and there throughout the literature. While it is not always possible in the police laboratory to apply the theoretically "proper" techniques in an examination (because of the peculiar and varied nature of evidence materials), there are still many instances in which a good knowledge of the microscope may facilitate certain determinations. An application of the principles of microscopy as set forth in this text will frequently improve the results obtained in an examination, besides suggesting other methods of conducting the work.

Included in the text are brief chapters on the electron microscope; ultra-violet microscopy; polarized light in microscopy; and the metallurgical microscope. While none of these is described in detail, the basic features of each are described. This book might profitably be added to the library of any police laboratory.

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