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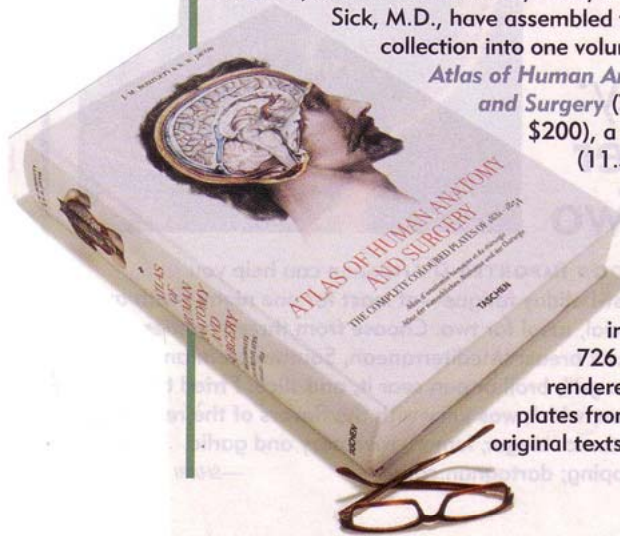
IN 1830, French physician Jean Baptiste Marc Bourguery (1797-1849) started work on an exhaustive compendium of anatomy with illustrator Nicolas Henri Jacob (1782-1871). After two decades, the duo finally completed the project, eight volumes in all. In addition to anatomy, the books include detailed techniques of nearly every major operation performed in the early 19th century. Fast-forward 175 years and two French doctors, Jean-Marie Le Minor, M.D., and Henri Sick, M.D., have assembled the entire collection into one volume, the

Atlas of Human Anatomy and Surgery (Taschen, \$200), a colossal

(11.5 inches by 16 inches and 14.2 pounds) reprint, which

includes all 726 brilliantly

rendered color plates from the original texts.



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