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PREFACE TO THE AMERICAN EDITION.

THE want of some well arranged homœopathic work treating of the diseases of the digestive organs, has been so sensibly realized, that no apology for submitting an "American edition," of the work on indigestion, constipation and hæmorrhoids, is at all necessary. The editor, in carefully preparing the work for the press, has found but little to disapprove of in the English edition. The Author is richly entitled to the thanks of the Homœopathic profession and the public for the exceedingly valuable service he has rendered them. The homœopathic practitioner has always had much to contend with of a formidable character, in the treatment of dyspeptics, in consequence of their great proneness to be ever resorting to deleterious agents for relief of suffering, either in the form of tonics or aperients. The following pages are valuable as suggesting in a concise manner the hygienic measures as well as the medical treatment that may be observed, calculated not only to obviate the necessity of recourse to dangerous palliatives, but to promote a complete restoration of health. The suggestions relative to air, light, exercise and general habits, are worthy of the strictest attention. The general remarks on diet and also the specific directions with regard to edibles and

beverages are all in perfect agreement with what a dyspeptic or one suffering from constipation or hæmorrhoids seemingly requires. In adapting the work to the American public great care has been exercised to preserve its original form. Several remedies have been added with a view to render the work more complete. And the directions for the administration of the remedies have been made a little more full, and a few notes have been added, containing the suggestion of additional remedies and treatment.

The work in its present form is offered to the American Homœopathic profession, and the patrons of homœopathy in general, in the full belief that it may prove an acceptable manual especially to dyspeptics, &c.

Philadelphia, Nov. 5, 1853.

PREFACE.

THE recognition and practice of Homœopathy by men of acknowledged position in Medical Science, was the sole cause that first directed the Author's attention to the study of this mode of treatment; four years ago he was as strong an opponent to this so-called innovation, as he is now, upon conviction, its supporter. He had not long, however, adopted the system, when he became sensible that Homœopathic writers had hitherto bestowed but little attention upon the important class of diseases, which form the subject of the brief treatise now submitted to the reader.

In the treatment of these diseases, he has dwelt as much on the Anatomy and Pathology connected therewith, as the narrow limits of so small a volume allowed. He would inculcate most forcibly, that without minute investigation of those subjects, Homœopathic, as well as all other practice, must be unavailing.

He has also bestowed particular attention upon the general or hygienic treatment, and has deemed it advisable, in laying down regulations for Diet, to enter into detail respecting the preparation of appropriate delicacies for the use of Dyspeptic patients.

Diseases resulting from irregularity or debility of the

digestive organs are so frequent in their occurrence, that scarcely a family can be found, in which one or more of its members are not sufferers thereby; and it is from almost habitual success in testing the efficiency of Homœopathic treatment in such cases, as will hereafter be noticed, that the Author feels some confidence in putting forth the following remarks.

In conclusion, the Author would entreat those who possess a rooted disbelief in the principles and effects of Homœopathy, first to remember, that it is on the selection, not on the amount of the medicine, that the sound practitioner of Homœopathy relies for success; secondly, he would ask both patients and practitioners to test the effects of infinitesimal doses—of *medicines homœopathically* selected—before they summarily condemn their application.

74, CONNAUGHT TERRACE, HYDE PARK,
February 16, 1852.