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PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION.

NUMEROUS interpolations and the employment of about forty new illustrations have materially increased the size of the present edition, and have, it is hoped, also added to its usefulness. Alterations have been made in the original text to the extent that certain sections, notably that upon Diseases of the Septum, have been almost entirely rewritten. The section on Diphtheria was contributed by my assistant, Dr. M. P. Warmuth, who has had the advantage of five years as a resident physician of the Philadelphia Municipal Hospital, where, during his term of service, more than five thousand cases of diphtheria received treatment.

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PREFACE.

It is hoped that the following pages will be a sufficient excuse for themselves. It is admitted that, to the learned specialist, the information they contain will appear superficial; but superficial information has its value to a beginner as a foundation for that more profound knowledge which only comes slowly through years of extensive reading, thought, and actual work in the diagnosis and treatment of disease. To the recent graduate in medicine, who wishes to take "a special course in a Nose and Throat dispensary," a little book will probably prove more valuable than a larger volume in enabling him to acquire, in the shortest possible time, those rudiments of Rhinology and Laryngology which are essential in order that he may understand and appreciate that which he sees and hears in the actual work of the dispensary.

It is also thought that this little book may prove useful to the busy general practitioner who, from the force of circumstances, finds himself obliged to treat disease of the nose or throat, and can find quickly here, in a condensed form, the essentials of diagnosis and treatment in any given case. The author has outlined that treatment of each affection that he has found by actual experience most satisfactory, and has simplified the matter as much as possible by mentioning only the few drugs, prescriptions, and operative procedures that are essential to the accomplishment of a desired result.

It is supposed that the reader is already familiar with the anatomy and physiology of the upper air-passages, and hence lengthy descriptions of anatomical structures and their functions have been omitted, the reader being referred for such to the Question Compendis of this series on Anatomy and Physiology, or to the text-books on those subjects.

The author wishes to express his indebtedness to the books of Bosworth, Sajous, Brown, Woakes, and Seiler, and the writings of numerous other authors contained in current medical literature, for aid in the preparation of this little work.

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