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The position which you occupy in society sufficiently attests your skill and acquirements; but the esteem and regard of your brethren, which no one ever enjoyed in a higher degree, have been earned by still higher qualities of mind, by great urbanity, and an untiring readiness to promote the professional advancement of your juniors.

I have yet another reason for prefixing your name to these pages. They treat of diseases which occur for the most part in that early period of human life, to the management of which your thoughts have been in a great degree directed. In submitting my ideas to your judgment, I feel that I am subjecting them to their severest ordeal.

I am, my dear Sir Charles,

Ever very faithfully yours,

GEORGE GREGORY.

Weymouth Street,
 March 16, 1843.

PREFACE.

The following short course of Lectures on the Eruptive Fevers was delivered in the Theatre of St. Thomas's Hospital, between the 18th January and the 8th February, 1843. It was thought that the experience which twenty years of official connexion with the Small Pox and Vaccination Hospital had given to the author might contribute something towards that extended and improved system of medical education now pursued in that school.

The Lectures are published in the same form as that in which they were delivered, with the exception of certain portions necessarily omitted in the oral delivery, in order that what was calculated for thirteen lectures might be compressed into eleven.

The author is very conscious of one imperfection of the present volume. He is fully aware that the conversational tone adapted for the lecture-room does not suit the closet so well as the gravity of a didactic style; and that many, who might be inclined to look with favour on the matter, may very reasonably object to the manner.