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PREFACE.

The eminent position of M. Bresse in the scientific world, and in the French Corps of Civil Engineers, is my best apology for attempting to supply a want, felt by the students of civil engineering in our country, of some standard work on Hydraulic Motors, by furnishing a translation of the chapter on this subject contained in the second volume of M. Bresse's lectures on Applied Mechanics, delivered to the pupils of the School of Civil Engineers (École des Ponts et Chaussées) at Paris.

In making the translation, I have retained the French units of weights and measures in the numerical examples given, as the majority of our students are conversant with them.

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HYDRAULIC MOTORS,

AND SOME

MACHINES FOR RAISING WATER.

§ 1.—Preliminary Ideas on Hydraulic Motors.

1. Definitions; theorem of the transmission of work in machines.—The term machine is applied to any body or collection of bodies intended to receive at some of their points certain forces, and to exert, at other points, forces which generally differ from the first in their intensity, direction, and the velocity of their points of application.

The dynamic effect of a machine is the total work, generally negative or resisting, which it receives from external bodies subject to its action. It happens that the dynamic effect is sometimes positive work: for example, when we let down a load by a rope passed over a pulley, the weight of the load produces a motive work on the system of the rope and pulley.

Let us suppose, to make this clear, that the dynamic effect is a resisting work. Independently of this, the machine is affected by some others which are employed to overcome friction, the resistance of the air, &c. The resistances which give rise to these negative works have received the name of secondary