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BODY.—(*From the Medical Repository.*)

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This Book is Respectfully Dedicated
TO THE
STUDENTS OF THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT
OF
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
TO WHOM THE LECTURES WERE ORIGINALLY DELIVERED
AND TO THE
STUDENTS OF RUSH MEDICAL COLLEGE
TO WHOM I HAVE SUBSEQUENTLY REPEATED THEM WITH
SUCH CHANGES AS THE LAPSE OF TIME
HAS MADE NECESSARY

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PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION.

During the six and a half years that have elapsed since the publication of the last edition of this book many changes have taken place and very much of the text has had to be rewritten.

The last decennial revision of the nomenclature of the Royal College of Physicians took out of the list of tumors all the class due to infective organisms (the *granulomata*) and confined it strictly to the neoplasms and cysts.

As that nomenclature was long since adopted in this country by the American Medical Association, it has been strictly followed. This necessitated entire rearrangement. Some new illustrations have been added. Since the appearance of the first edition many larger works have appeared, some of them essentially, and, in fact, works on operative surgery, but this will, as formerly, be limited in scope, so as to serve as a recitation book on the pathology and clinical history of tumors. For convenience the original lecture form has been continued.

The new illustrations have been made from drawings of specimens in the college laboratory.

The author hopes that students will find it as useful to them in their recitations as heretofore.

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PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION.

The fact that a new edition of this book has been called for so soon after its first appearance is a gratifying evidence that it was needed, and that it measurably met the wants of those for whom it was intended. It made no pretense of being exhaustive; it simply dealt with the elementary principles of the subject, and was intended for students. Extended references to more elaborate works, it was thought, would detract from its simplicity by overloading, and thus tend to create confusion in the minds of beginners in the study.

The author sincerely thanks the reviewers of the Medical Press, who gave the first edition such a very cordial reception, and were

"To its virtues very kind
And to its faults a little blind,"

and he sincerely hopes that they will find the second edition an improvement on its predecessor. He also thanks the publisher for the promptness with which the work was published after the manuscript was placed in his hands.

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