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### PREFACE.

This manual is the outcome of a series of lectures delivered before the University of Maryland Training School for Nurses. Its object is not to give a course in bacteriology, but to show in a clear way the connection between bacteria and disease, and how we may prevent the latter, by destroying as far as possible, the former. The subject, being a new department of medicine, is necessarily undergoing many changes. Things which are true to-day may be replaced to-morrow by stronger facts; therefore, while the author has tried as far as possible, to adhere to facts, and not indulge in fancies, it may be that he has made statements to which others might take exception, or to which they would not agree. At all events he has tried to state the truth, and if by chance he should have exaggerated the dangers of these bacteria, he hopes it will only serve to make the nurse more careful in her daily work.

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