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PREFACE OF THE TRANSLATOR

THE reputation of Marshal Marmont is too well established to call for any comment. Fifty years' service and twenty campaigns, either as Lieutenant of Napoleon or as Commander-in-Chief, give great authority to his opinions on military matters.

This work, from which many writers have largely borrowed, is, in itself, a treatise of the military art, and it has the great merit of being interesting while treating of professional matters.

To those officers who are not familiar with French, an English version will be acceptable; indeed, I always thought so, for this translation was made six years ago. When, lately, Mr. Mitchell observed that officers regretted the absence of an original treatise of modern date which might be used as a standard, I brought him this manuscript.

Making an exception for the Chapter on Artillery, which is out of date, I introduce Marmont to the Non-French readers as the best work we have on Modern Armies.

The title differs from the original, *Esprit des Institutions Militaires*. While conveying an exact idea of the contents of the text, it turns the difficulty of rendering French words which have no equivalent value in English.

A. F. LENDY.

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