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PREFACE TO SECOND EDITION.

This book has been developed from one of the problems prepared for study by the student officers of The Army School of the Line during its present session.

It is intended to illustrate at once, under assumed conditions of battle, the leading of troops and the management of a sanitary service co-ordinate therewith, and thereby give some idea of the inter-dependent and detailed operations of the tactical and sanitary mechanism of a large military unit in modern war.

Planned originally as a study in battle orders, it has been found best to somewhat amplify its scope and introduce various fictitious personages, so far as the sanitary service is concerned, through whom many typical and important points perhaps not wholly related to the subject in question could be more clearly and realistically brought out.

The belief of the authors, expressed in the previous edition, that "there is a very real educational need for a work of this nature, especially under the conditions under which the military forces of our country are raised, organized and administered" seems justified by the fact that more than three thousand copies of this book have been called for within six months

It is thought that its careful persual by line officers may give the latter in time of peace a far clearer conception of

certain functions and purposes of the Medical Department of which they can see little except in time of actual war, and emphasize the value of the latter as a military asset whose tactical as well as humanitarian importance they cannot afford to disregard. Medical officers, especially those new to the army or such as patriotically tender their services with troops during hostilities, may thereby gain a better understanding, not only of the conduct of war, but also of the duties which may be expected of them in active campaign, outside of purely professional service with sick and wounded. If both these classes are thereby caused to reflect upon the relation to each other of the respective parts they play, and better to appreciate the fact that mutual understanding of purpose and co-operation in method by all the organized factors which make up a military force is essential to its success, the purpose of this work will have been accomplished.

The terms "sanitation" and "sanitary" have been used throughout in their broadest sense, as relating not only to the preservation of health but its restoration.

The 2-inch map of Fort Leavenworth and vicinity is used for reference.

To those who may not be entirely familiar with the use of military maps, the employment of pins to check off the various tactical and sanitary positions referred to in the text is recommended.

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