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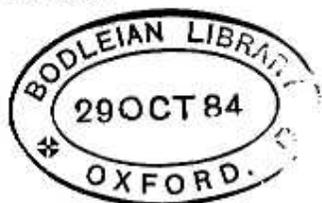
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P R E F A C E.

THE MIDWIFE will find in the following pages, described in familiar language, all the information necessary for a thorough understanding of so much of the art of midwifery as belongs to her. Technical words and phrases are added and explained, so that she may be able to understand the orders and remarks of the accoucheur, when his scientific assistance is required.

A general anatomical sketch of the human body is given, with an exact description of the parts concerned in the business of conception, pregnancy, and delivery. The progress of pregnancy and its signs, the management of natural labour and of the lying-in state, are minutely detailed. The diseases and accidents peculiar to each condition, the signs and symptoms of *unnatural* labour, and the treatment, are fully described as far as the midwife requires for her guidance, and for the recognition of impending danger demanding the attendance of the accoucheur.

The treatment of the infant ; its food and illnesses ; as also the various diseases incidental to the mother immediately after child-birth, are sufficiently detailed.

Drawings and diagrams are introduced wherever they can be of service in facilitating the understanding of the text, and full Index is appended.

The works of the principal authors on the subject of midwifery have been consulted, and due acknowledgment is here offered for the use made of their well-known standard writings.

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