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PREFACE.

The present work on Intracranial Diseases embraces inflammatory, organic, and symptomatic affections of the brain and its membranes—diseases which are quite as important, and as frequently met with in practice, as those contained in my work on Diseases of the Nervous System. Though intended chiefly as a Supplement to the latter work, I have endeavored to render it so complete in itself, as to present within a moderate compass the leading views of those most advanced in cerebral pathology and therapeutics, and, at the same time, furnish a safe and sufficient guide to those who may be disposed to consult its pages for information on these interesting and important subjects.

As the diagnosis of intracranial diseases is frequently attended with considerable difficulty, I have prefixed a few chapters on matters pertaining to the regional diagnosis of cerebral affections; for, as M. Charcot has well said in the preface to the American edition of his Lectures, "The exposition of the principles underlying the doctrine of cerebral localization seems to have now become a necessary chapter of introduction to the practical study of diseases of the brain."

In conclusion, I desire to acknowledge with grateful feelings the generous appreciation bestowed by the profession upon my former writings, especially those pertaining to the nervous system, and to express the hope that the present addition thereto will be found to possess merits entitling it to a like favorable reception.

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