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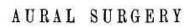
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TO THE MEMORY OF

THE LATE JAMES HINTON

AS A HUMBLE TRIBUTE TO

HIS GENIUS, TALENTS, AND WORTH,

THIS TREATISE IS DEDICATED,

BY ONE WHO, FOR SEVERAL YEARS, RECEIVED MANY KINDNESSES AT HIS HANDS.



PREFACE.

THE following pages are intended chiefly for the busy practitioner and student. They contain the substance of a course of lectures I delivered a few years since to the students attending the Cork Ophthalmic and Aural Hospital. When I first wrote the papers, "Practical Remarks on Aural Affections," in the Medical Press and Circular, I had no intention of republishing them in book form. I hoped to do some good by writing a few short and practical papers on a branch of surgery which is too often neglected by the student, and a knowledge of which is an essential advantage to the practitioner. As a general surgeon myself, I can all the more appreciate the gain which is reaped from an acquaintance with aural diseases and their treatment. friends having urged me to publish these papers in book form, I have ventured to do so, in the hope that it may prove a concise practical work for the practitioner, and give sufficient information to the student, who cannot often hope to peruse the more exhaustive treatises on this subject.

Avoiding as far as possible reference to matters

which are not of practical importance, I have reproduced the "Remarks" nearly in the order in which they appeared in the Medical Press. The works of Turnbull, Roosa, and the exhaustive treatise recently published by Dr Burnett of Philadelphia (Messrs Churchill), can be used as books of reference by those who desire more complete information on some matters than can be found in these pages. I desire to express my thanks to Dr Turnbull, senior, of Philadelphia, for the many useful hints and suggestions on various practical points which he from time to time has sent me. Miss Boole, who was for some time engaged assisting me at the hospital, I have to thank for several of the drawings which she has made of the aural instruments. Dr Ringrose Atkins, now medical superintendent of the Waterford Asylum, has written at my request the chapter on Othæmatoma. Dr Atkins has furnished me with some beautifully executed drawings of this affection which appear in the Atlas, now in the hands of Messrs Churchill, and shortly to be published by them. I may just say, in conclusion, that the treatment recommended has been fully tested during the past nine years in some thousands of aural cases which have passed under my personal observation. Where this has not been so, I have not hesitated, in stating the experience of others, to express my inability to speak positively of results. If without