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INCLUDING

AN ACCOUNT OF THE SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT
OF DIPHTHERIA BY IODINE, ITS HISTORY,
CAUSES, AND CHARACTER.

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Survey the whole; who thinks slight faults to find
Thinks what ne'er was, nor is, nor e'er will be.
POPE'S ODE TO CRITICISM.



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TO
SIR HENRY BARKLY, KNT., K.C.B., G.C.M.G.,
LATE GOVERNOR OF
THE CAPE,
This Treatise is respectfully Dedicated
BY THE AUTHOR,
IN ADMIRATION OF
THE EMINENT SERVICES HE RENDERED THE COLONY
BY THE
ADMINISTRATION OF A POLICY
WHICH TENDED IN A VERY GREAT MEASURE TO
MAKE IT ONE OF THE MOST VALUABLE
OF THE
BRITISH POSSESSIONS.

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PREFACE.

THE death of the Princess Alice, which has called forth such profound expressions of sympathy from all parts of the civilised world, and whose last act has shed additional lustre on a name that was already revered by all Englishmen for the devotedness she displayed during the illnesses of the late Prince Consort and Prince of Wales, and the death of an only brother from the same fatal malady, has induced me to publish, much sooner than I had intended, a small treatise on diphtheria, containing a description of an epidemic that attacked Grahamstown in 1869, its cause, character, and my successful treatment of a large number of cases with iodine.

My brother fell a victim to this horrid disease after assisting to nurse his partner's wife and two children, who all perished. The contagious and infectious nature of diphtheria has been often

exemplified, but in no more terrible instance than in the embrace between the illustrious Princess and her child, which act the poet, the sculptor, and the artist might vie with each other in endeavouring to immortalise. I have tried to make the character and treatment of this fell disease as comprehensive as possible by avoiding all technicalities, and using such language as is both simple and expressive.

The prescriptions are written in English, and may be readily obtained of any chemist.

For the last ten years I have treated so large a number of cases successfully that I feel bound to place an account of my experience in the hands of the public.

5, Finsbury Pavement, City,
March, 1879.

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