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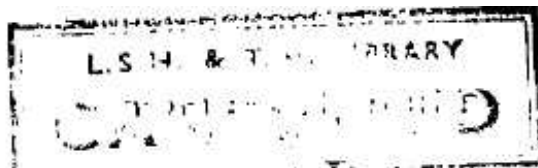
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THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE INSCRIBED,
IN PLEASANT REMEMBRANCE OF THE PAST,
AND AS A TOKEN OF
THE AUTHOR'S
SINCERE REGARD AND ESTEEM.

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PREFACE TO FIRST EDITION.

IN the following pages no attempt has been made to produce a scientific text-book, solely for the perusal of those who, like myself, are in the daily pursuit of increased medical knowledge; but it is to the sufferers from Gout and Rheumatic Gout that I more particularly address myself.

With this end in view, I have written in the plainest manner, avoiding, whenever I could, technicalities, confining myself entirely to an unvarnished statement of facts, and dealing only with the details of these diseases and their prescribed remedies, in a style which every sufferer may understand.

This will, I trust, go far to show how much already has been and can be done, not only to cure these distressing maladies, but to prevent their recurrence. The cases of cures could have been swelled to a very large number, but as their details would have appeared very similar in print—although widely differing in each individual patient—I am induced to think the selection made will, without wearying my readers,

afford sufficient evidence of the successful results of my treatment.

Some years ago, I was urgently entreated by my patients to publish my method of treating Gout and Rheumatic Gout; but having witnessed the recantations of so many of the published opinions of some of the most distinguished of my professional brethren—the apparent result of their more matured experience—I declined to put forth my treatment until I had, by time and further experience, so thoroughly tested it, that I had cleared up every doubt which suggested itself to me, as to its reliability in every possible form of these disorders.

Perfectly convinced on all points of the value of my method, and in deference to the pressing solicitations of some former patients, whose professional acquaintance has ripened into friendship, I now accede to their request, and issue these few sheets upon Gout and Rheumatic Gout, fully intending at some future period, when the demands upon my professional time will allow, to publish a work upon those diseases, which will be written purely for the profession.

J. W. F.

2nd NOVEMBER, 1870.

PREFACE TO TENTH EDITION.

IN issuing the Tenth Edition of my work, it is with no little satisfaction I am able to assure my readers, that the increased experience I have acquired in curing many hundreds of severe cases of Gout and Rheumatic Gout, has not inclined me to alter the opinions or the treatment set forth in my First. On the contrary, my continuous success has established my adhesion to both more firmly than ever; and that (as I stated in my Sixth Edition) my treatment has been of the greatest benefit to many who were before hopelessly suffering, is a fact of which I have daily most convincing proofs.

In the course of his arduous profession, the physician has no greater stimulus to his exertions than the consciousness that the knowledge he has attained through care, study, and deep researches, is of value; and that he is enabled, by diffusing this knowledge, to relieve