

Preface to 3rd Edition
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PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION.

At the present rate of progress in all departments, a text-book six years old needs a very thorough revision. In the second edition, issued three years ago, many corrections were made and much new matter was added. The present edition has been wholly recast. With their wonted liberality the publishers have furnished a new font of type and a somewhat enlarged page so that the additions have not materially increased the size of the volume. A paper of better quality has also been used.

The following articles have been rewritten or are new: Vaccination, Beri-Beri, The Bubonic Plague, Cerebro-spinal Fever, Pneumonia, Malta Fever, Yellow Fever, Dengue, Influenza, Leprosy, Glandular Fever, The Gonorrhoeal Infection, Cancer of the Stomach, The Gastric Neuroses, Enteroptosis, The Cirrhoses of the Liver, Jaundice, The Diseases of the Bile-passages, Diseases of the Pancreas, Diseases of the Thymus Gland, Diseases of the Spleen, Lymphatism, Addison's Disease, Encephalitis, Neurasthenia, Erythro-melalgia, and many shorter articles, as Hypertrophic Stenosis of the Pylorus, Ether Pneumonia, Anæsthesia Paralysis, Pneumaturia, Albumosuria, etc.

Into the sections on Typhoid Fever, Tuberculosis, Rheumatic Fever, Diabetes, Gout, Arthritis Deformans, Parasitic Diseases, Diseases of the Blood, Heart, Lungs, and Kidneys, much new matter has been incorporated. The section on Diseases of the Nervous System has been rearranged, and an attempt has been made to group the diseases in accordance with the modern conceptions of the anatomy and functions of the parts.

I have in all sections tried to maintain the thoroughly practical character of the work, as a guide in diagnosis, symptomatology, and treatment.

I have again to thank many friends for much valuable help, without which the revision would have been very incomplete. Dr Flexner has not only given me great assistance in connection with the pathology and bacteriology, but has enabled me to utilize for the present edition much material from the records of the pathological department of my colleague Dr Welch. Dr H. M. Thomas and Dr F. L. Barker have given much time and invaluable help in the revision of the section on Diseases of the Nervous System. To the former I owe the excellent rearrangement of the subjects in this section.

To my associate in the chair of medicine, Dr Thayer, and to my assistants, Drs. Fitcher and McCrae, I am under many obligations. Dr Livingood, the associate in pathology, by whose untimely death¹ the Johns Hopkins Medical School has suffered a grievous loss, was most kind in furnishing facts from the post-mortem records of the hospital.

¹ He was one of the victims in the Bourgogne disaster.

Dr Frank R. Smith has very kindly seen the edition through the press, and I have again to thank my secretary, Miss B. O. Humpton, for the preparation of the index.

And not least, since their liberal encouragement has made the revision possible, I have to thank my brethren on both sides of the Atlantic for their kind reception of the previous editions.

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