

P R E F A C E .

I HAVE been induced to undertake this Work with a view to supply a want which has long been felt by the student of Physiology—of a condensed work which should embrace all the most important facts connected with the subject. The limited amount of time at the disposal of the student of medicine is not sufficient to enable him to wade through the more elaborate treatises ; and although chiefly intended for the student, it is to be hoped that it may prove serviceable to many medical practitioners, more especially those who may have pupils under their instruction. In its construction, I have availed myself of all the more important Works on Physiology. I am also indebted for many views expressed in this Work to the lectures on Physiology delivered by Prof. JOHN N. REID, M.D., of Victoria College, Toronto, during my academic course.

It is my ardent hope that it may effect the desirable object for which it is intended in a satisfactory manner; and if so, I shall feel greatly rewarded for my exertions.

JOHN FULTON.

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