

PREFACE.

AT THE request of some of the leading stockowners and prominent farmers of Canada and the United States, and believing that a work of this kind has long been wanted by those interested in domestic animals, the authors have undertaken the publication of *THE VETERINARY SCIENCE* in the simplest English language. They have endeavored to make it a profitable and interesting study for stockowners and their sons, who, by carefully consulting the pages of this book, will find it to contain information of untold value.

The first fifty-eight pages contain the practical anatomy or conformation of the horse, and should be carefully studied.

The diseases and treatment of the horse follow these, and Chapter I. lays the plan of how to examine a sick horse, and as the reader proceeds it will be found to be simple in the extreme. Mistakes in doctoring can hardly be made, as the causes, symptoms and treatment of the diseases are so fully explained that the stockowner has but to follow the directions laid down in this book.

The comparative anatomy, diseases and treatment of cattle, beginning at page 243, will likewise be found to be as simple and satisfactorily explained as that of the horse.

The diseases and treatment of sheep, found between pages 316 and 337 of the book, are fully dealt with, and it will be found by persons who read and study this part of the book that sheep are as easy to doctor as any of the other animals. The same may be said of the diseases and treatment of pigs, dogs and poultry, found at page 337 and following pages.

The medicines and receipts constitute Part V. of the book, and are a very important part of the study; they are fully and practically explained. The receipts for making liniments, lotions, powders, blisters, etc., are very valuable to everybody, especially those interested in stock, which it may now be said is what the farmer looks to for a livelihood.

The index, as you will see, is a prominent feature of the book, being an index of symptoms as well as of diseases. This makes it very easy for anyone to find out what their animal is suffering from, as they can look for the symptom the animal is showing in the index, which directs them to the right disease.