

duce a work which, if not exhaustive, would yet be suggestive and helpful. In the second edition the general plan and scope of the work have, therefore, been maintained. Nevertheless, we have strengthened it in certain points where, in our judgment, it seemed lacking. Unnecessary repetition has been avoided. Where conflicting opinions had inadvertently been expressed, these have been modified in harmony with what we believe to be the trend of the latest investigation. Some few subjects which were overlooked and omitted in the former edition are dealt with now. Others, which possibly were handled with scant courtesy, are discussed in more detail. Realizing that in a book which does not attempt to be exhaustive its defects may to some extent be compensated by the inclusion of a good bibliography, this phase of the subject has received fuller recognition. To facilitate handy reference, the index has been greatly amplified and the cross-references are much more numerous. To save space, some few illustrations which were not effective and some which were repeated have been omitted. What to our minds were the characteristic features of the book, the introductions, in which we attempt to apply the facts of embryology, anatomy, and physiology to the elucidation of disease processes, have been rearranged and have received much more adequate treatment. The introductory chapters on the disorders of the Ductless Glands and Nervous System have been rewritten, the latter, indeed, being almost recreated. That on the Urinary System has been greatly amplified by the addition of some chemistry, a discussion of the function of urination, and a consideration of the relationship of urinary disease to general metabolic process and lesions elsewhere. The chapters preliminary to the discussion of the Circulatory and Respiratory Systems are substantially unaltered, save for the addition of some points in embryology and anatomy, which have been transferred from other parts of the book. Thus, altogether, this portion of the subject has been rendered more logical and coherent, and is much more adequate than before. In view of these changes, we feel that the usefulness of the book has been greatly enhanced. As it stands now, practically the whole of the introductions to the Circulatory and Respiratory Systems and to the Ductless Glands, and about half of that on Urinary Function are from the pen of the senior author, together with sundry comments throughout the text, while the junior author is responsible for the special descriptive pathology, the preliminary chapters on the Digestive Functions, the Nervous System, and the newly added portion on the Urinary Function. Both have collaborated over the general arrangement of the subjects and