

PREFACE.

The presentation of this brief treatise on the teeth to friends and patrons, affords me much pleasure.

It contains instruction upon dental subjects of great practical importance. I have used this method of statement in order to impress upon the mind the great importance of preserving the natural organs, and the most simple manner by which this can be accomplished; also to give the reader a knowledge of the temporary and permanent teeth in each jaw; and the order in which they are developed, erupted, and shed, as well as the causes of their decay, &c., in as small a space and condensed a form as possible. Taking reference from the principal works that treat upon these subjects, and my own observations, I have selected those points that will come under the observation of both the Dentist and his patrons, and which will be most beneficial to parents, so that from this small book they may obtain a knowledge of the great importance of the teeth, how to preserve them, and the best method of substituting them when lost.

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