

PREFACE.

IN the preparation of this work the motives of the author have been other than those of profit or popularity. A worthier object, one of broader and deeper purport, will perhaps manifest itself in, and grow out of, its careful examination and use—that of enabling the many thousands throughout the country, who have devoted less attention, and fewer years to the subject, to reap the benefit of his experience. That much study and practice are essential to a work of this description, all will concede; for injury and loss to an incalculable amount must necessarily result where these are wanting. It is, therefore, because of his uniform success as a veterinarian, and his abiding interest in the noblest and most useful of animals, that the author has consented to publish **THE DISEASES OF THE HORSE, AND CATTLE AND SHEEP.** The amount of care and labor expended upon it will be amply remunerated in whatever of suffering is alleviated, and improvement effected, in the treatment of the animals named in its title.

The reader will find the book throughout to be truthful, concise and clear—free from any literary nicety or labored effort—frowning upon the destructive and injurious system of bleeding, blistering, physicking and firing