

PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION.

TEN years have passed since the first edition of this book was published. During that time there has been an immense increase in the use of mineral waters as medicinal agents, both by the profession and the public. The present edition of this work contains the analysis, properties, and description of nearly one hundred mineral springs which have been developed or analyzed since the first edition was published. Yet each year adds to the number of new springs, some of which are of positive value and an addition to the resources of medical art; others are ephemeral in their fame.

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