

P R E F A C E.

THIS volume was commenced while the author was engaged in lecturing upon the Principles and Practice of Surgery. Finding that a single session, although of six months, was not sufficiently long to permit him to embrace in his course both the principles and the practice of the science, he proposed to himself to prepare a handbook of the principles for his class, that he might thereby be enabled to devote more time to the practical part of the subject. Circumstances having led to his withdrawal from the college, he has been induced to extend the limits of the work to the present size, in the hope that it may be found more useful. In doing so great attention has been devoted to surgical pathology, believing that it is most essential to a knowledge of all rational treatment. The groundwork is mainly derived from the lectures delivered by him upon General Pathology and Surgery. In the preparation of those lectures the following works were freely consulted: Rokitsansky's, Jones and Sieveking's, and Gross's Pathological Anatomy, Simon's General Pathology, Principles and Practice of Surgery by Miller, Cooper's Surgical Dictionary, Chelius's System of Surgery, and especially Paget's Surgical Pathology. Other works were also often examined. And in completing the work much assistance has been obtained from Virchow's Cellular Pathology and Holmes's System of Surgery. It follows that much contained in these pages may be found in those works, and it gives the author pleasure to thus make this distinct acknowledgment. But the author, in appropriating the labors of others,

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