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P R E F A C E .

A convenient Manual of Operative Military Surgery has been much needed in the army of the Confederate States. To supply this deficiency, the Surgeon-General has directed the preparation of the present brief collection of papers. Unambitious of authorship, the officers to whom this duty was confided have sought only to supply, in the briefest possible period, the most comprehensive and, as near as they could, the most convenient hand-book for the use, more particularly, of medical officers in the field. They have not, therefore, hesitated to use freely any material which their restricted opportunities and the state of the country permitted. Throughout the work such opinions as have been derived from their personal experience, acquired either before or during the war, have been freely, though briefly, expressed. At the beginning or in the body of each article, ample acknowledgment will be found for the selections to the several authors from whom they have been derived. The work does not profess to be even a complete manual, far less an elaborate treatise on Military Surgery. It will hence be observed that it treats of but few of the diseases incidental to the camp and hospital. The selection of these few subjects have been strictly confined to those affections most

intimately connected with gun-shot wounds and operations, as Shock, Tetanus, Hospital Gangrene, Pyæmia, &c.

The outline lithographs at the end of the volume have been carefully selected, and, the difficulties attending such work at this time being taken into view, in most instances accurately executed. It is hoped they will aid much in the elucidation of the text.

RICHMOND, VA., *October, 1863.*