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PREFACE.

A CONSIDERABLE PORTION of this work is formed by the matter of two lectures given by me at the Royal College of Surgeons in June of the present year. Of these lectures the medical journals presented condensed reports, embracing about one-half of the original composition.

I now present the lectures entire, although not preserving the exact form in which they were delivered, since numerous additions were rendered necessary, in order to elucidate the subject treated of more fully than it is possible to do in the narrow limits allotted to oral communications. Besides these, I have appended notes, histories, tables of cases, etc., as well as many illustrations from microscopic and other specimens exhibited by me in the College Theatre.

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TUMOURS OF THE BLADDER.

CHAPTER I.

DIAGNOSIS.

Necessity for systematic inquiry into and observation of symptoms—
Scheme for examining them—Physical examinations—Relief of
obscure and painful symptoms—A case—Tactile examination of
interior of bladder—A case resulting in removal of vesical tumour
—Considerations as to the best means of accomplishing it.

It is a fact which now begins to appear somewhat surprising, that, until a very recent period, the subject of tumours of the bladder has received a comparatively small share of attention, either from pathologists or from practical surgeons. The former have noticed these morbid products, chiefly to remark on their rarity; the latter have alluded to them chiefly, as, for the most part, beyond the power of art to remove. Yet there is little doubt that these growths are by no means uncommon, and recent experience is teaching us that surgical treatment may often greatly palliate, and sometimes successfully extirpate, the disease.