

PREFACE
TO SECOND EDITION

IN the ten years that have passed since this volume first appeared, considerable advances have been made in the investigation of the fungi, and much new material has therefore been included in the present edition. In particular, the importance of flagellation as a guide to the interrelationships of the Phycomycetes has been emphasised, heterothallism has been discovered in the rusts, and many new life histories have been followed. To some extent the study of fungi is thereby simplified, but very much remains to be done.

We should like, once again, to express our thanks to those who have permitted us to use their figures; we hope that the book may be of use both to research students and undergraduates.

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