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PREFACE

THE following pages continue the discussion of the subject along lines which are a natural extension of those followed in our earlier volume. Most of the chapters are based on recent papers by the author; but the scope of the book is widened by the treatment of other topics also. Chapter XII, for instance, contains a brief discussion of Flexion and Applicability of Surfaces, giving an account of some of the theorems that have already become classical; while Chapter IV supplements the treatment of Ruled Surfaces and *W*-surfaces contained in the first volume, and Chapter IX gives a simple exposition of Levi-Civita's theory of "parallel displacements" on a surface, with some applications to Tchebychef Systems of curves. Chapter XIII represents an extension of the theory of Curvilinear Congruences given in two recent papers by the author.

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