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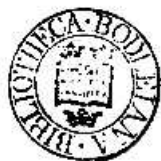
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PREFACE.

IN offering the following pages to the consideration of the Agriculturist, the author is aware that he shall have to contend with no inconsiderable difficulties, arising from prejudices in favor of the old system of Agriculture. Nevertheless, *having been twice honored by a medal from the Agricultural Society,** he does not hesitate to submit to the candour and discernment of landowners and the practical farmer, a plan, which, if pursued as laid down in this publication, will, he is confident, greatly benefit both the landlord and the tenant.

An intimate acquaintance with his subject for a period of upwards of forty years, has convinced the author that the present practice of agriculture admits of very considerable improvements.—It is on this ground that he rests his claim to countenance and consideration, and he persuades himself that he shall not appeal in vain to the liberality of those valuable classes of the community—the landowners and their tenants—whose interests this publication more immediately concerns; satisfied as he is, that his little work will be found to contain information at once interesting and *exceedingly valuable*.

In the following Treatise the author has confined himself solely to **HIS OWN EXPERIENCE** and observation—being

* The author had first a Silver, and afterward a Gold Medal, voted to him by the Agricultural Society.

convinced that this was the only safe course for him to pursue: for he has found that many of the works on this important subject, which have come under his notice are only calculated to mislead the less experienced cultivator. He has endeavoured to set forth, in a concise but clear manner, the best methods of conducting extensive and small farms, for the growing of wheat, and fattening beast and sheep; together with other valuable information, which cannot fail to benefit the community at large, and more particularly those engaged in Agriculture. Whatever may be the success of this publication, it claims for its author no higher merit than goodness of intention, and the simple recommendation of its practical utility.

In this work is most clearly shewn, the modes of making land profitable, by increasing the produce considerably beyond the common average;—improved methods of growing wheat and keeping sheep, applicable to all sorts of soils,—which have been adopted by the author with complete success;—together with a great variety of other valuable information on Agriculture.

Cultivators of land ought well to consider how much and how many depend on their judgment for support. Many farmers have their doubts what methods to pursue to make the most of their land; those may rely on the plans the author has recommended in this small publication, for insuring lasting profits. Keeping the extra number of sheep on the land, as is recommended, not only enriches it, and causes it to produce better crops, but will furnish a large supply of food and raiment for the increasing population.

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The author requests indulgence for all errors of grammar or composition that may be found in his Treatise. It has been his study to point out, in the plainest terms, the most useful and profitable plans—the results of more than forty years' experience:—his education and habits of life prevented his doing this in refined language or a captivating style.