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PREFACE

Among garden structures dealt with in this book are summer-houses, arbours, pergolas, bridges, and fencing of various descriptions. As these, strictly speaking, do not come under the general heading of garden furniture, it may be well to explain that, in order to prevent a cumbersome and lengthy title, I have taken the liberty of including them as such.

My obligations are due to Loudon's "Encyclopædia of Gardening" for information respecting the early employment of "furniture" in gardens of various countries.

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