

discoveries, and observations upon them,) I now present this work to the public of Upper Canada, and conclude this preface with the sublime description of Eternal Wisdom given us in the 8th chapter of Proverbs ; and which, I trust, will justly apply to the great additional light which the modern discoveries in pneumatic science are enabled to confer on the cosmogony of the creation.

" The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.—v. 22.

" I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or even the earth was.—v. 23. (Say before the Combustion of the Gasses, as shown in this work.)

" When *there were* no depths, I was brought forth ; when *there were* no fountains abounding with water.—v. 24. (At the Combustion of the Gasses, as shown in this work.)

" When he prepared the heavens, I *was* there ; when he set a compass upon the face of the depth ;"—v. 27. (Say after the Combustion of the Gasses, as shown in this work.)

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