

## PREFATORY REMARKS.

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This establishment was commenced in 1811 by the proprietor's raising a few trees for his own use, and would perhaps never have been thought of, had there not been such a difficulty in obtaining good kinds by purchase.

Finding his efforts crowned with success and the business delightful, he resolved to extend his nursery, and devote the most part of his time to it, not only from a consideration of the pleasure and advantage he might himself derive, but also from a desire of placing the bountiful gifts of nature within the reach of his friends and neighbours.

It will be seen by the catalogue, that my greatest attention has hitherto been paid to apple trees, because I considered the apple the most congenial fruit to this climate, and the most useful in new countries : there is now in the nursery nearly 20,000 apple trees, the greater part of which are grafted or inoculated with the best and most approved European and American kinds, and are from one to seven years old, and from one to nine feet high. Gentlemen by calling at the nursery can select for themselves---no difference is made in price on account of age or size.

The nursery business is attended with difficulties and disappointments which ought carefully to be guarded against ; mistakes are often made in the proper names of trees, plants &c. by the ignorant and careless, to the great mortification of the purchaser. I have been disappointed in this way myself, but the public may rest assured that the greatest care will be taken to prevent such disagreeable occurrences in this establishment, all the business is done by my own hands and I will be accountable for all mistakes of my own making, but there is one cause of disappointment with which the nursery-man has nothing to do, and for which he is often unjustly blamed. A person gets a fine apple and enquires its name---a wrong one is given, he sends to the nursery and gets trees by this wrong name--after