## AUTHOR'S PREFACE.

My reason for writing this book is to give farmers, and all owning horses and cattle, an insight into the symptoms and treatment of diseases commonly met with on this continent. I have endeavoured to make it as plain as possible, carefully avoiding the use of hard technical terms as far as I could; for I know that a great many books have been published, which, unless a man be well read in the profession, he cannot understand, on account of the Latin and other foreign terms. I have given my own practical treatment, as well as that from other authors, and have, where I have deemed it advisable, quoted from the experience of others whose word I can rely on with the greatest faith. Having had several years of good practical experience as a Veterinary Surgeon in this country, I have felt that a book of this description was much needed by the Farming community, knowing that they are sometimes unable to obtain the services of an experienced man; and I trust that all making a parchase of this work may find therein a true and serviceable friend.