

## PREFACE.

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PREVIOUSLY to entering on the consideration of the separate Articles enumerated in the Prospectus of the following Work, it may be advisable to inform the public that several of them have been for some years the objects of my attention. During a residence nigh Quebec from 1819 to 1829, I had published in a Periodical paper (the Enquirer) several articles calling the attention of the Houses of Assembly to the necessity of a plan for diffusing a knowledge of the modern system of Agriculture through the Province, by which a great increase of agricultural produce would be gained. The Houses of Assembly however appear to have been too deeply involved in their political differences with the other Branches of the Legislature to attend to what would really have produced great service to their country; and the members to whom I addressed myself were contented with observing there was a Committee of Agriculture