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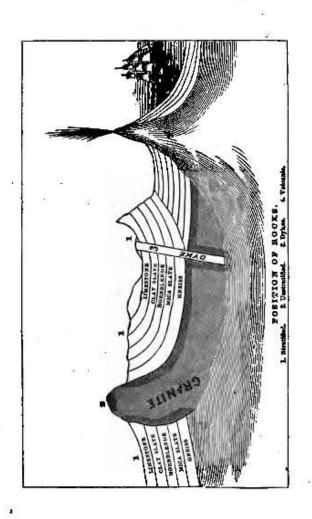
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PREFACE.

THIS work has been written at the solicitation of many earnest friends of popular education, and is commended to both parents and instructors. It is not designed to give a thoroughly scientific arrangement or description of Geology, Mineralogy, etc., but such an amount of information as may be acquired by the young while prosecuting other studies, and by those of any age who have not time or opportunity for more extended research.

The belief of the writer is that it may be introduced, with great propriety, into district or common schools; and would be eminently useful in furnishing the youthful mind with the key necessary to open many avenues which, from the want of a suitable text-book, have hitherto been closed. The young are always interested in minerals, if they can learn their names and uses. No subject is better adapted to fix attention and lead to early habits of comparison and classification, so essential to be early cultivated. It is believed that every intelligent instructor will need only one experiment to become fully convinced that the study of any department of NATURAL SCIENCE is eminently interesting to the young. No one branch will excite greater interest, or is more worthy of the attention of parents and teachers, than that presented in this volume.

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