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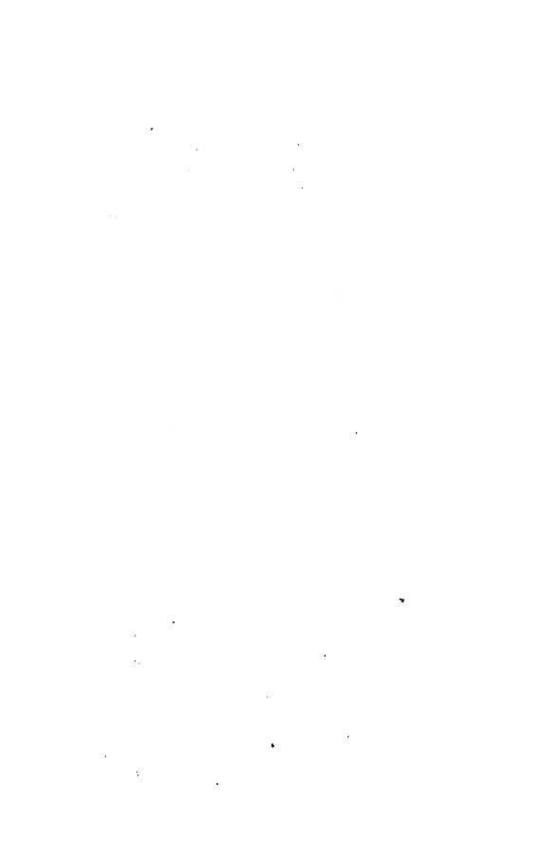
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PREFACE

TO THE FIRST EDITION.

Having given much time to, and thought deeply upon, the various subjects treated of by writers, and upon the converse of practical men on agriculture, I have never been able to find that they sufficiently explain or elucidate the causes of the various modes practised. The effects alone are argued upon, or if the first causes are noticed, it is without any explanation as to their origin. I have, therefore, thought that it would lead to a practical benefit to all agriculturalists, if I could show the origin and explain the cause of the first principles of agriculture upon a plain and simple basis. With this view an attempt is made to explain the causes of the improvement of land, proceeding either from fallowing, manuring, laying