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## PREFACE.

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THIS translation of Dr. Felix Wahnschaffe's *Anleitung zur wissenschaftlichen Bodenuntersuchung*, has been prepared in the belief that it will prove of interest to those engaged in scientific agriculture and the investigation of agricultural problems.

Some of the methods of analysis described are in use in the laboratory of the Royal Prussian Geological Institute, whilst others have been taken from approved text-books, but in many respects modified by Dr. Wahnschaffe. Only methods yielding scientifically useful results, and of comparatively easy and rapid execution, have been selected.

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The chapter on "The Definition of the Soil," being of interest only to German readers, has been omitted, and a few trifling changes and additions have been made.

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