

not hurt them it might be often advantageous to choose low places, where they might be sheltered from the north and north-west winds.

We may also profit from what has been said to the advantage of forests, for if we mean to make a reserve of any of the trees, it should never be in parts where the frost is severe; and in planting we should pay attention to put in vallies those trees which can endure the frost better than the oak.

When any considerable fall of timber is made we should make them in roads, beginning always on the north side, in order that the wind, which generally blows in frosty weather, may dissipate that humidity which is so prejudicial to the underwood.

There might be also many other useful consequences drawn from our observations; but we shall content ourselves with having briefly adverted to some, because the ingenious man may supply what we have omitted by paying a little attention to the observations we have mentioned. We are well convinced there are a great number of further experiments to be made on this matter; and perhaps even those which we have related will engage some persons to work on the same subject, and from our hints general and useful advantages may be derived.