

## INTRODUCTION.

**O**UR Twenty-Third Annual Directory of the City of Toronto will be found to contain as complete and useful information as it is possible to procure.

Few people have even the faintest idea of the many difficulties that there are in procuring, preparing, revising and correcting the information that is required to produce this publication, in so complete a form. Not many appreciate as they should a work of such value in a city like this, where about one-third of its inhabitants either change their address, their occupation or the composition of their firm, their name or in some other way make a change of which The Directory must take note.

The outlook for wealth in our back woods and mining regions is still growing brighter and the output of bullion is steadily increasing. Toronto is waking up to the necessity of better communication with the valuable minerals, farming lands, forests, fisheries, etc., in the northern part of Ontario.

We have 302 less vacant houses and 112 less vacant stores and offices than in 1897 issue. We have 3,057 more names in 1898 than in 1897 Directory. This shows plainly that the population is still increasing at the rate of about 9,000 per year, and yet some people wish to keep the number of our inhabitants at what it was seven years ago. We trust there will be no more efforts to convince the public that there are not over 200,000 inhabitants in Toronto without the suburbs being counted in.

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