

## NOTE 1.

### INTRODUCTORY

When I wrote in 1913 my little "Guide Book," as I must with due humility call it, "All about Vernet-les-Bains," I was installed as Honorary Librarian in the Library of the Etablissement in that charming Pyrenean health resort, and here I am now in 1916, some thousands of miles away, temporarily located in a little study in the magnificent Provincial Library of Victoria, British Columbia, thanks to the courtesy of the Librarian, Mr. E. O. S. Scholefield, to whom I am also indebted for many of the interesting facts about the City, which I embody in these pages. My fellow visitors at Vernet were kind enough to say that my notes acceptably supplied their needs for information and guidance, and I am hopeful that those who visit Victoria, or intend making it their home, may find that this little book meets their requirements, and that it