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IN undertaking to procure a correct list of the Merchants, Traders, and House-keepers of Montreal, the compiler was well aware of the existing difficulties; he did not, however, conceive, or anticipate, any other, than those publicly known, would intentionally have been thrown in his way. Such, unfortunately, has been the case; and but for the greatest perseverance, and a determination to effect the object so anxiously enquired after, in the best manner it was susceptible of, this work must still have continued in embryo.

The impediments before alluded to, have certainly had the effect of preventing the Directory being as perfect, as it was the wish of the compiler it should be. He can only, therefore, offer it to the public, as the best, that could possibly be obtained, under the circumstances, with all the attention and pains, that himself and assistants were able to bestow upon it.

The absence of eulogium on its accuracy, in this place, it is to be hoped will