

PREFACE.

In presenting the "Gazetteer and Directory of the Counties of Haldimand and Brant" to the public, the compilers wish to state that their object, which they hope they have attained, is to provide a work which will prove not only useful, but interesting, and that every exertion in their power has been made to render it full, complete and reliable; and though, from the variety of sources from which the necessary information was obtained, and the impossibility of avoiding *all* mistakes in a work of this nature, inaccuracies will be found, particularly in the orthography of proper names, the publishers trust that as few errors will be discovered in this work as in any of a similar character, and that it will deserve the approbation of its Patrons.

We deem it our duty to return our sincere thanks to those who have so liberally aided the undertaking, by providing us with valuable information, as well as in a pecuniary sense. We are particularly indebted to the editors of the several papers in the Counties.