

PREFACE TO THE TENTH EDITION.

THE value attached to this little work may be estimated in some degree by its having already reached a Tenth Edition.

The testimony borne to its worth and utility to actual and intending settlers, by persons so well entitled to give an opinion of its merits as William Hutton, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Agriculture and Statistics; Frederic Widder, Esq., Resident Commissioner of the Canada Company, and A. C. Buchanan, and A. B. Hawke, Esqrs., the Government Emigration-Agents at Quebec and Toronto, has doubtless given it an importance which it otherwise might not have attained.

The matter in the first portion of the book is written by Mrs. Traill, after a residence of twenty-five years in the Colony, a considerable portion of which has been in those "Backwoods of Canada," so vivid and interesting a description of which she gave to the public through the medium of Knight's Shilling Volumes.

The second part consists of official documents.

The third part consists of a republication of several letters, written from one friend in Canada to another in England, and are reprinted by request, but do *not* form any portion of the work which claims to be official, though it is believed to give correct information.

Much valuable official information will be found in the Appendix.

The growing interest felt in Canadian matters at home, and the prospect of an extensive Emigration to this Province in the approaching year, have caused a large demand for the