

has been expended in the compilation of this volume, and it is believed that every house within the city limits, has been visited to ascertain the name and business of the occupant. Such at least were the instructions given to the parties employed to do the work, and the public can judge by the increased number of names (nearly eight hundred) whether they were faithfully executed, or not.

It did not however fall within either the design or scope of the work, to give the names of persons (except specially requested to do so) who were not either carrying on business or keeping house in the City, consequently no disappointment need be experienced if the names of Boarders, or of those who live beyond the corporation limits are not to be found in the Directory.

Much inconvenience and loss of time, even to seriously delaying the publication, has been experienced in procuring the necessary information relating to Public Societies and bodies, and in several cases it has been found necessary to omit them entirely.

The Editor regrets this very much, but is induced to hope that the Officers of such bodies will in future furnish the necessary information in time; they were appealed to through the Press, to do so on the present occasion, and if they chose to neglect it, he hopes that no blame on that account may be attached to him.

The Classified Business Directory contains, as will be perceived, the names of *those only* who are subscribers to, or are known as steady supporters of the Directory; this was conceived to be merely a matter of justice to those gentlemen, who certainly deserve any additional prominence which this classification can give them, and it is an arrangement to which the Editor is determined in future scrupulously to adhere.

He trusts that taken altogether the present volume will