## PREFATORY NOTE.

This Volume contains quite a number of the Reverend Doctor Ryerson's Annual Reports. They are remarkable for their full and varied information on the Educational Events of the year to which they refer. They are at the same time admirably condensed so that the reader can see at a glance what were the chief events which they narrate.

Of the thirty-two Annual Reports which narrate the principal events of Doctor Ryerson's Administration sixteen are inserted in this Volume. The remaining sixteen will be inserted in Volume Six of this series. They will well repay perusal, for they cover the whole period during which Doctor Ryerson occupied the position of Chief Superintendent of Education in Upper Canada.

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