PREFACE.

The Publisher begs to present to his subscribers the Ninth Edition of the QUEBEC DIRECTORY, and at the same time to return them his sincere thanks for their support.

He has not spared any necessary expense to make the contents as accurate in detail, as varied in character and as complete in general form as was required for the Capital of the Province of Quebec.

As in last year's issue he has still retained the old numbering of the houses erected in place of those destroyed by fire.

The publisher has to regret the existence of causes which lead to a continued decrease in the population of the City and a consequent diminution in the number of his subscribers; but trusts that ere long he may look for a return of prosperity to the Ancient Capital, when he is confident that his labors will receive the encouragement he has always endeavored to deserve.