While my best thanks are due to all who have given their support, I must express great disappointment at the illiberal manner in which very many of the citizens and corporations responded to application for encouragement.

If any publication more than another furnishes an index to the progress of a rising city, it is a good directory annually issued and well filled with mercantile advertisements, but I regret to admit that in this instance the publishers will not receive a sufficient sum to pay its cost of compilation, a mere catalogue of residents' names and locations being a sufficient risk for a Toronto Directory publisher to run.

On behalf, therefore, of the publishers, I hope the few that have subscribed and advertized will hand over the amount on delivery of the work.

Others, non-subscribers, desirous of obtaining copies, can I believe do so at an advance of 75c. on the subscription price.

W. R. BROWN.

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