PREFACE.

In 1858, a Directory of Quebec was published by the proprietor of the present volume, and met with a favorable reception. Two years having now elapsed, causing necessarily many changes, and the Government being now located in the city, the proprietor has been encouraged to issue a new Directory, and he trusts that it will receive that degree of support from the citizens of Quebec which he confidently hopes its merits deserve.

The chief aim of the compiler has been to be accurate. The fullest information has been given where it could be obtained, but none that cannot be relied upon as correct.

An historical sketch of the city might have been prefixed to the work, but the compiler has omitted this, keeping in view the objects which a work of this kind is required to serve, and which he has endeavoured uniformly to carry out.

The encouragement which this work receives must decide the proprietor as to whether the citizens of Quebec will support the issue of it annually. If liberal support be accorded, the compiler can only hope that each succeeding edition will surpass its predecessor in utility and accuracy.