

P R E F A C E .

THE first edition of THE PARLIAMENTARY DIRECTORY AND STATISTICAL GUIDE is presented to public favor in full confidence that its publication will meet a want not heretofore so well supplied.

The book will be found to embrace several new and useful features—interesting, it is believed, not only to members of both Houses of Parliament but to officials and others desiring a work of reliable reference.

The plan of the book is somewhat similar to that of the CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTORY, the second edition of which has appeared, but the scope of the PARLIAMENTARY DIRECTORY will be found more comprehensive than that of its American prototype

The letter-press was partly executed last season, but was not completed owing to the difficulty of collecting some information for its pages Hence an "Addenda," which brings the corrected information up to date, and by this means, for the first issue, the purpose intended has been reached.

THE PARLIAMENTARY DIRECTORY will be published each Session, after the organization of the Committees of both Houses, its pages being revised each season, and its scope enlarged by taking in matters of Provincial Legislative interest, as well as that of a Dominion character—in which interest, especially, the work has been issued.

The names of Senators and Commoners have been alphabetically arranged, and further to meet the requirements of social life, a system has been adopted whereby it can be easily ascertained if a wife, daughter or other ladies accompany legislators to the city—the city address being given.

Suggestions for future guidance will be gladly received by the editor, whose address will be found on the title page Meantime a generous consideration of the difficulties attending the compilation of such a work, taking in, as it does, matters untouched by previous authors, is respectfully asked by

THE EDITOR.

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