PREFACE.

In presenting this the Fourteenth Edition of the "Quebec Directory", the Compiler has endeavoured to embrace all possible improvements, so as to render it still more worthy of acceptance than its predecessors. The Street Directory, included for the first time in the last Edition, is again continued, and will, from the increased usefulness and patronage accorded, be a permanent feature in all future Editions; and it is hoped that its usefulness may be still further increased by the proper numbering of the Streets, a strong feeling for such having been lately manifested through the local Press and by public opinion; and a more fitting memento of the accession of our present worthy Mayor to the Civic Chair could not be initiated than the numbering of the City. The additional matter added this year is that of a General Classified Business Directory, embracing all Trades and Professions. Formerly it included only Subscribers to the Work: containing all, it will be found of great advantage to all Travellers and Business Agents visiting the City, who can thus find at a glance the names and place of business of all engaged in each branch of Trade.

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The Compiler is also glad to state that the Book is printed and bound in this City, it having been found hitherto impossible to have it done with sufficient expedition to meet the views of the Compiler; this being overcome, has been the means of ensuring greater correctness, changes and corrections up to the moment of going to press being much easier effected.

The Compiler has also the pleasure to state that he has removed to the City of Quebce for permanent residence, and trusts that his long familiarity with the highways and bye-ways, still to be made more familiar, will be a further guarantee that all improvements found necessary will be incorporated in future Editions, and that any useful amendments or alterations suggested by friends to the Work will be thankfully received and attended to. In conclusion, he would beg to return his sincere thanks to those who have, by kind suggestions and assistance, materially aided him, and for the very liberal patronage accorded.

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