

P R E F A C E .

ON introducing to the Public a Directory of the City of Quebec, upon a plan which has not been heretofore adopted, as relates to the Ancient Capital of Canada, the Editor would respectfully submit a few explanatory observations, which he trusts will be favorably received, by those for whom they are intended.

Upon undertaking to bring out a General Directory of the City, it was his desire to render it as complete and perfect as such a work can possibly be made, and with that end in view, he either personally, or through competent parties, in his employ, visited (he believes) the dwelling, counting house, store, or office of every person residing, or carrying on business in Quebec. It is almost impossible, however, in a work of this nature, (and especially in the first edition of it,) to procure *all* the necessary information, and it is a painful fact that *and many persons totally refused*