

PREFACE.

In bringing out this the Second Edition of the HAMILTON CITY AND COUNTY OF WENTWORTH DIRECTORY, the Publishers beg to assure the public that no expense nor labor has been spared to render the volume, in every particular, as reliable a guide to the professional, commercial, manufacturing, and farming communities as works of such a character can possibly be made. And, although it is next to impossible to have a compilation of this nature entirely free from errors, it is to be hoped, however, the patrons of the work will, in view of the difficulties experienced in obtaining correct information from so many different sources, grant their kind indulgence and overlook such as may unwittingly appear.

Some new features have been introduced into this book not found in any similar work in Canada, viz., the introduction of several fine wood engravings, with descriptive and historical sketches of the Churches, Colleges, Schools, and other public institutions, and it is trusted such will be found to be of interest to a large class of the community.

A large extra edition of the CLASSIFIED BUSINESS DIRECTORY, with the ADVERTISEMENTS, has been issued for free distribution throughout Canada, thus giving prominence and publicity to the business and manufacturing interests of Hamilton.

In future the Directory will be issued annually, and every advantage taken of any improvement that long experience in works of this character may suggest.

The Publishers desire to present their acknowledgments to the Press of Hamilton, and to many gentlemen both in the City and County, who have readily furnished such information as was desired, which otherwise would have involved much time and expense to procure.

To the Patrons of the work is especial gratitude due for the very liberal support given the enterprise from the commencement.

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