

P R E F A C E.

SEVERAL very good works have been written on the subject, and what can be called the nickel country of Ontario has been described in different mining and scientific papers; but now that the importance of nickel is growing every day, and that the demand for it is constantly increasing, a few words more, relating the conditions and the working of nickel ores of Sudbury, will perhaps be found interesting; and even if these lines do not add to the knowledge already acquired by those who have to deal with nickel, it will remind them that there is a literature on the subject, and that men of science and learning have written things which are worth reading.

In writing these pages, very valuable information was derived from the following books, reviews and