

INTRODUCTION.

IN presenting to the citizens of Guelph their first City Directory, we desire to return our sincere thanks to all those who have so kindly aided us in obtaining the information it contains. Especially are our thanks due to the editors of the local papers for the kindness they have evinced in calling public attention to the author's efforts. Many others have placed us under obligations in furnishing material for the work, and in other ways encouraging us in our arduous task, to all of whom we tender our sincere acknowledgments.

That our work is a perfect one in every respect, we do not claim, but that it is as complete as more than ordinary diligence and care can make such a work, we do not hesitate to assume, and we believe that for all the purposes of a city directory it will be found the most satisfactory reference of this description that has yet been published for this city.

To augment the usefulness of this work we have added, at a considerable expense, a neat lithographic map of the city, showing the outline of every street, location of churches and more prominent buildings, and other interesting features. This will be found the most correct map of the City of Guelph now extant.

The advertisers in this work represent the leading business men of the city, and we most cheerfully commend them to the patronage of all under whose observation these pages may come.

With thanks to friends and patrons generally, we leave our work in their hands, trusting it may meet with that favor which honest endeavor ever wins from a discriminating public.

WM. W. EVANS.