

PREFACE.

IN placing before his patrons this the fifteenth issue of the Ottawa Directory, the publisher wishes to state that he has spared neither time or expense in his effort to issue as reliable and correct a book as it is possible to have a work of the kind. He trusts that those criticising the book will bear in mind the many difficulties to be contended with in gathering the necessary information, especially in a city composed of two nationalities speaking different languages, as well as the great amount of detail connected with its compilation. In the present work the street guide has been thoroughly corrected and made complete. When a street is described as running from another, the *number* of the street from which it runs is given. Another feature added to the work is that a reference is made to the different ways in which names are spelled. The present work contains 15,731 names, from which must be deducted 1,764 being the number of firms, corporations and names of persons in business or employed in the city but who reside in the suburbs, this leaves a balance of 13,967 names which when multiplied by three (the usual figure used by directory publishers) gives the city a population of 41,901. This does not include the territory which will be annexed to the city January 1st next, and which will add to the population about 5,000. The number of residences erected during the past year shows that no city outside of Toronto has made such rapid progress and the indications are that the coming year will show an equally large improvement. In conclusion the publisher wishes to thank the citizens generally for the facilities afforded while taking the information.

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