

PREFACE.

THE Publisher of this work now places before the public his ninth edition of HALIFAX CITY DIRECTORY, and twelveth edition in full (three being Provincial Directories). The Publisher can state, as he has done on each of the previous years, that it is hardly possible to take more pains to make the work reliable than he has done this year. There are no doubt errors both typographical and otherwise which will creep in, as the work must be advanced in haste to get it out in a seasonable time. The public will please pass over the errors and give the Publisher credit for placing the work before them earlier than usual.

The Street Directory will be found pretty correct, some streets yet require numbering.

The Historical Sketch the Publisher thought proper not to publish, as it has been so often repeated, not having anything new to offer.

To the supporters of this work the Publisher returns his sincere thanks, especially as it has been a very trying season of depression, but it has become a matter of serious concern to the Publisher, whether he will or not continue the publication of this work, the advertising being the chief means of support, has fallen off to a large extent. The Publisher has heard quite a number of business men say they could not dispense with the work, even if they had to pay double the amount charged for it; if those would advertise to the extent of even two dollars each year, that would relieve the Publisher to a considerable extent and enable him to continue the publication, and cover up the number of insults he receives mostly from those who refuse even to purchase the work.

In conclusion the Publisher does not consider it a charity for any person to purchase this work any more than purchasing a newspaper.