

INTRODUCTION.

In presenting to the public the **TORONTO DIRECTORY** for 1879, the Publishers beg to express their confidence that it will be found in all respects the most complete and reliable of any issued for this City.

Competent Canvassers have been engaged, and to induce the greatest care in taking the necessary information, the Publishers offered for competition, three handsome bonuses, to be awarded to those whose work should prove to be the most correct.

Notwithstanding that every effort has thus been made to ensure accuracy, the Public must bear in mind the many difficulties which attend a work of this description. The almost numberless changes in private residences, as well as alterations in the style of business firms, which have taken place *during* the canvass, have necessitated a careful revision of the original information collected, and the publishers think that all these changes have been noted in the present issue.

The villages surrounding Toronto have been carefully taken, and are placed in alphabetical order after the City.

The Miscellaneous information has been compiled with great care, and all Government and other changes have been given, making this part of the Directory of especial interest just at the present time.

As regards the Business Classified, the Publishers have long thought that sufficient difference has not been made between their supporters and the general public. Thus it will be found this department embraces only the names of subscribers.

It is the intention of the Publishers to issue later in the season a complete Business Directory of the City, at a low price, which they hope will meet with the approval of their Patrons.

In conclusion, the Publishers beg to thank those who have aided in supplying information, and they wish their friends a prosperous and happy New Year.

MIGHT & TAYLOR.

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