

PREFACE.

I N submitting to the Canadian public, and my Orange Brethren in particular, "The Canadian Orange and Protestant Minstrel," I have most respectfully to state that, in selecting and compiling the present edition of Orange Songs and Sentiments, I wish it to be clearly understood that my object is to revive amongst the Brethren of the Loyal Orange Organization throughout the Universe that loyal and constitutional feeling which existed in our forefather's time and animated them to deeds of valour, which in the remembrance of the victories won at Derry, Aughrim, Enniskillen, and finally consummated at the ever-memorable Battle of the Boyne, must stimulate us to follow in their footsteps.

I am not aware of a single line or paragraph that would in any way offend the most moral and religiously inclined of the Brotherhood, or of any party who may think proper to patronise this my first attempt at compilation.

Our principles, as Orangemen, teach us to have love to God and universal love to man. Our political and religious principles may be briefly summed up, from the two following passages of Holy Writ:—"The husbandman that laboureth shall be the first partaker of the fruits ! Honour all men ! Love the Brotherhood ! Fear God ! Honour the King."