

TO THE PUBLIC.

THE ALMANAC for 1852, which the Compiler now presents for the use and information of his fellow Colonists, will be found in every way superior to its predecessor of 1851. The encouragement which he received last year from the Legislature, by the revival of the annual grant to sustain the regular publication of the Newfoundland Almanac, has caused him to be more circumspect respecting the appearance of the work, the character and quantity of its contents, and the cheapness of its issue. He has incurred considerable expense to supply a local ANNUAL of useful information, in a style creditable to the Colony; and he has devoted much time, and given his closest attention to the collection of such statistical, astronomical, and other information as would give a character of respectability to the work. He relies upon the Legislature for its continued aid, on the ground of the increased expense to which he has subjected himself, and the very reduced price of *One Shilling*, at which he now issues the work; and he hopes that the public may evince their appreciation of his labour by the general and rapid sale which the publication shall experience.

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