

## ADVERTISEMENT.

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IN the following narrative, the Author has no other object in view, than to convey to the mind of the emigrant, before he leaves his native country, some idea of the nature and importance of the step he is about to take, with such hints and information as he will find useful for his guidance afterwards: to this end, an attempt is made to disabuse his mind of certain general impressions, as prejudicial to his own well-being as they are to the interests of the Province\* of Lower Canada, by bringing under his observation the hitherto neglected claims to his notice which it so decidedly possesses. Claims, which the writer trusts, he has succeeded in proving to be superior to those of any other portion of this mighty continent, as far, at least, as concerns two of the most important classes of those who seek an asylum in its bosom—the capitalist, whether large or small, and the labourer or mechanic, unencumbered with a family. To the one is held out, a bright and an immediate prospect of independence, if not of wealth; while the other, if he be careful and steady, may look forward, if not with equal rapidity, at least with equal certainty, to a state of comfort and competency.

To other classes of Emigrants, the prospect that can any where be held out, is but a sad and a gloomy one. These, however, if sober and industrious, (and no European knows the full importance of the former virtue, till he comes here,) by remaining in this Province, or the eastern parts of Upper Canada, would escape all that suffering and misery, which so long a journey into the interior, necessarily entails upon them, without bettering their condition.

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\* As these sheets were written before the Union of the Provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, and as these terms are still not only necessary, but absolutely indispensable, to designate several places of the same name in each, I shall not make any alteration in the text. Scotland is as much Scotland now, as before the union, and so is Lower Canada, Lower Canada still. Foolish attempts are frequently made to do away with these ancient *land marks*; a circumstance which led me to think this note necessary.