

PREFACE AND PROSPECTUS.

ON presenting the SECOND Volume of the QUEBEC DIRECTORY to the Public, it is the Editor's pleasing duty, in the first place, to return his grateful acknowledgments to the patrons and friends of the work generally, and in particular to His Honor the Mayor, and the Corporation of the City for their liberal support, in ordering 25 Copies of the present Edition.

THE ALPHABETICAL DIRECTORY, extending to the 161st page, contains the names of about 5000 of the citizens, properly arranged, which is a considerably larger number than appeared in the former Edition. It is much to be regretted, however, that a good deal of difficulty was encountered by the assistants employed in procuring the requisite information, whose instructions were, *to call at every house*, and, if possible, ascertain the name and business of the occupant. These gentlemen, Messrs. Wickens, Atkins and Brooks, no doubt, faithfully fulfilled their part in calling and inquiring, but in many instances without success. In *every case*, however, in which the desired information was obtained, either from the parties themselves, or, as frequently happened, from others more intelligent, the names appear in the Alphabetical part of the work. The Second or Classified Business Directory part of the Volume, consists of the Names and Business Cards of the subscribers, arranged under their proper Professional or Business heads; and as over 600 Copies of that part are printed off and circulated in pamphlet form, *free of cost*, among the business community in Montreal and elsewhere, it is hoped it will be of some advantage to the supporters of the work, who alone are entitled to, or can reasonably expect such additional publicity as is thereby afforded.

The remainder of the Volume consists of such information as may be useful to the public generally, and it is believed that it will be found, upon the whole, to be more complete and satisfactory than any Directory of Quebec which has hitherto been issued.