

PREFACE.

In submitting the County of Kent Gazetteer and Directory to the Public, the Publisher is desirous of returning his sincere thanks to those who, by their liberal advertising and subscription patronage, have afforded him material assistance in the enterprise, and also to those gentlemen who kindly, and at considerable personal inconvenience, furnished him with the necessary information required for a work of this description.

The correct compiling of a Directory, even one of this size, is an undertaking of considerable difficulty, and let one be ever so careful, errors, both of omission and commission, can in some instances be discovered by persons who are disposed to look for them. Entire accuracy, in books of this class, has never yet been attained, and owing to various reasons which need not be specified here, it is more than probable, never will be. Such being the case, indulgence is claimed for any mistakes that may be found in this work, the more especially as it is confidently believed that they are as few in number, as those that occur in other books of the same description.

In fact, the greatest possible care has been taken to render the Kent Gazetteer and Directory thoroughly reliable, and, excepting the few errors that will creep in, in spite of the utmost vigilance, it can be depended upon as being, in the main, perfectly correct.

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