

PREFACE.

The Publisher has the pleasing duty of presenting to his Subscribers the *Eighth Edition* of the Quebec Directory, and of returning thanks for the continued support his efforts to furnish a reliable work have met with.

He has endeavored in the preparation of the work to make it worthy of the future Capital of the Province of Quebec, and looks hopefully forward, on the Establishment of the Local Legislature at Quebec, to receive such additional encouragement as will warrant his incurring greater expense in making the miscellaneous contents of the work more varied and voluminous.

In the district of St. Roch's, partly destroyed by the fire of October last, the old numbering of the few houses temporarily erected has been retained. This in the exceptional state of things was rendered necessary to make the Directory intelligible.

This calamity, and the consequent large depopulation by the removal of the sufferers to other parts of the Provinces and the United States has had