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PREFACE.

THE subscribers have the pleasure to introduce to the favorable notice of their fellow-citizens, the "ROCHESTER CITY DIRECTORY FOR 1845-6."

The practice of renting tenements, from the first of *April* or *May* of each year, renders it necessary, to insure a greater degree of accuracy, that the city should be canvassed about the middle or close of the latter month, and *not* on the *first of the year*, as has heretofore been practiced.

The work is submitted to the public with much confidence, and in the assurance that it will be found emphatically a *City Directory*, and a valuable reference book to all who may find it necessary to refer thereto. Great care has been observed, in the compilation of this work, in all cases where practicable, to make the *additional* reference, whether a journeyman or employer, by specifying the number, or otherwise describing the *place of business*, viz: 'Ja's W. Green, Furnaceman, R. G. Benedict's, b. 12 Mill'—thus providing against a removal from a tenement or boarding house—a plan not heretofore adopted. Much care has been taken, to distinguish between the dealer or manufacturer, and the journeyman, by adding these, or equivalent terms, to the former, and simply the term *maker*, to the latter. It will be observed, also, in this work, that not only *all* the associations, &c., are inserted, but likewise the *date* of the organization of each.

The acquisition of a neatly executed Map, exhibiting, at a glance, a correct outline of the city, its newly created wards, streets, &c., together with the enumeration of its chief new and other public edifices, is deemed by the publishers no trifling recommendation of the work.

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The subscribers would not fail here to tender their acknowledgments to such of the Proprietors of Hotels, Boarding Houses, and others, as promptly afforded the desired information concerning their boarders and persons in their employ; and also to those gentlemen and ladies who have so kindly furnished such statistics as pertained to the various associations which it was proper to insert in the Directory. At the same time, perhaps, it is due to themselves to state, that there were instances where individuals attempted to *mislead*, relative to persons in their employ; and others, whose ideas of the rules of propriety and civility, induced them to *withhold* the required information concerning those whose temporary absence prevented a personal application.

The expense attending the publication of a work of this kind, is quite considerable; and in addition to the amount of patronage in the way of *advertisements*, the subscribers rely upon the magnanimity and generosity of the good citizens of Rochester, for that support to which the publication of a *correct* and *neatly printed* City Directory should entitle them.

CANFIELD & WARREN.

Rochester, August, 1845.