

COLBORNE DISTRICT.

Consists of the county of Peterboro', which returns a member to the House of Assembly, and comprises the following townships: Asphodel, Belmont, Burleigh, Bexley, Dummer, Douro, Eunismore, Emily, Eldon, Fenelon, Harvey, Methuen, Mariposa, Otonabee, Ops, Smith, Somerville, Verulam, and North Monaghan. This District is situated to the north of the Newcastle District; and has a chain of lakes running through the north and east of it, called Balsam Lake, Sturgeon Lake, Pigeon Lake, Shemong Lake, and Trout Lake; and the townships of Otonabee and Asphodel are bounded on the south by Rice Lake and River Trent. It is besides, watered by the Otonabee River, the Scugog River, and numerous small streams scattered over it; most of which discharge themselves into the lakes. Much of the timber on the lakes and rivers is pine, and a great trade is carried on in lumber; immense quantities of which are carried down the River Trent. The district is getting well settled, and land in the neighbourhood of Peterboro', the district town, is becoming valuable. Two hundred and sixty-four thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight acres of Crown lands are open for sale in the Colborne District, at 8s. currency per acre; to purchase any of which, application must be made to the Crown lands' agent, at Peterboro'.

Population in 1842, 13,706; since when it has probably increased one-fifth.

The following abstract from the Assessment Rolls will show the rate of increase and improvement in the district:—

Date.	No. of Acres Cultivated.	MILLS.		Milch Cows	Oxen, 4 years old, and upwards.	Horned Cattle, from 2 to 4 years old.	Amount of Ratable Property.
		Grist.	Saw.				
1842	48916	14	17	4756	2789	2264	£159,003
1843	53340	13	24	4911	3007	2575	170,331
1844	58492	15	20	5214	2947	2550	180,245

Government and District Officers in the District:

OFFICE.	NAMES.
Judge of the District Court and Surrogate Court.....	B. T. McKyes.
Sheriff.....	W. S. Conger.
Registrar	Charles Rubidge.
Treasurer and Crown Lands' Agent	Frederick Ferguson.
Clerk of the Peace and Deputy Clerk of the Crown..	W. H. Wrighton.
Clerk of the District Court and Registrar of the Surrogate Court	Thos. Fortye.
Inspector of Licenses	Thos. Milburn.
District Superintendent of Schools	Elias Burnham.
District Clerk	Walter Sheridan.

Coroners of the Colborne District:

NAMES.	RESIDENCE.
John Hutchison	Peterboro'.
John R. Benson	Smith.
Samuel Strickland	Douro.
Christopher Knowlson	Emily.
Francis Henderson	Do.
John McNabb	Peterboro'.

No. of Common Schools in operation in the Colborne District.—Asphodel, nine; Douro, four; Dummer, three; Emily, twelve; Eunismore, one; Fenelon, one;