

Goderich is fifty-nine miles from London, and eighty-two from Galt; for stage fares, see London, Galt, and Hamilton. The exports for 1844 were small, but during the spring of 1845, about 12,000 bushels of wheat were shipped.

#### GODERICH.

A Township in the Huron District, is bounded on the north by the River Maitland; on the west by Lake Huron; on the south by the River Bayfield; and on the east by Hullett. The soil on the banks of the lake, and the Rivers Maitland and Bayfield, is poor and stony; the rest of the township is good land. The township contains 56,066 acres, 35,118 of which are leased or sold, of which 5,156 acres are under cultivation. Goderich contains one grist and two saw mills, fulling-mill, and carding machine. There is a tavern on the Bayfield road, four miles south of Goderich.

Population, 1,673.

Ratable property in the township. £16,189 8s.

#### GORE DISTRICT.

Consists of the Counties of Wentworth and Halton, and contains some of the richest, best settled, and most highly cultivated townships in Canada West. The rapid growth of Hamilton, the district town, seems to have given an impetus to the rest of the district, and it has increased in wealth faster, during the last few years, than any other portion of the province. Between January 1842, and January 1844, 41,000 acres of land have been brought into cultivation, a very great increase. There are many large farms in the district, one of which in particular deserves mention; that of Mr. Colman, near Paris, in the township of Dumfries, who last year had 375 acres of land in wheat. There are many scientific English and Scotch farmers in the District, who possess stock that would be a credit to any country. Large numbers of the farms have flourishing orchards attached to them. The Grand River runs through the district, on which, and its tributaries, are numerous grist and saw mills. Hamilton, the district town, being the key to the west, is becoming the great depot for merchandize intended for the west, and western produce; and the villages of Dundas and Galt are fast becoming manufacturing towns, through the agency of their extensive water power. A profitable trade is carried on in freestone and limestone, much of which is exported. A large portion of the inhabitants of the district are English, Scotch and Irish, and the remainder, Canadians, Americans and their descendants, and a few Germans. 2,400 acres, only, of crown lands are open for sale in the Gore District, to purchase any of which, application must be made to the Crown lands' agent at Hamilton.

The population of the Gore District in 1841, amounted to 31,507, since when the number has probably increased one third; the town of Hamilton alone, has doubled its population in the period.

The following abstract from the assessment rolls will show the rate of increase and improvement in the district.

Date.	No. of Acres Cultivated.	MILLS.		Milk Cows.	Oxen 4 years old, and upwards.	Horned Cattle from 2 to 4 years old.	Amount of Ratable Property.
		Grist.	Saw.				
1842	222,098	37	115	16,087	5899	7873	986,499.
1843	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1844	266,842	38	130	16,577	6099	8097	1,041,713