

Another very important item in the wealth of the Colony is the number of pleasure carriages and their value, for which there should be two columns, one for wheel carriages and another for pleasure sleighs, and a third column for their value.

That this is a very important item will be readily seen from the fact that these are luxuries procured from the surplus means of the owners, over and above the necessities of life, and also from the fact of their very great increase both in number and value. Take one County, with which I am acquainted. In 1833 there were only 3, not worth £50 altogether, and now there are upwards of 600, worth at least £10,000. This County contains a population of 32,000, and this item of wealth alone amounts to 6s. 3d. per individual.

The pleasure carriages were taken in the five Cities of Upper and Lower Canada, and in Bytown and London, but not elsewhere.

It is also a matter worthy of consideration whether there should not be a column for the value of the Church property in each Enumerator's divisions. To this branch of information our neighbours have paid a vast deal of attention, giving not only the value of all the Churches in the Union, but separately of twenty of the principal sects, having one column for all the minor sects together. To shew that this is a very important item in the aggregate wealth of the Country, it is only necessary to mention, that in Ohio, (the State which approximates the nearest to Canada in population,) the total value of Church property, (page 30 of the Superintendent's Report,) is \$5,765,149, and the population 1,980,427, being 14s. 9d. each individual. There is no reason to believe that the Church property in Canada is less valuable than that in Ohio.

There is another alteration in the heading of the columns, which is very important, and it may be well to notice them all here that they may not be lost sight of at the preparation of the sheets for the next decennial Census. In the large column headed "Information as to Mills, Factories, &c.," the headings should be subdivided into "Grist Mills," "Saw Mills," "Carding Mills," &c., &c., and there should be headings for "Value," "Capital employed," "Rental," "Number of Saws," "Number of run of Stones," &c., &c. The information given under the general heading is *undefined* and so incorrectly stated that little reliable information as to the wealth of the Colony in these respects can be gleaned from the Returns. Some Enumerators have given one characteristic of value and some another, and it is most important that whatever characteristic of value is given, it should be given wholly and truly for the entire Province. In many cases a sum of money has been set down for a mill, &c., and it was left to the mere surmise of the Clerk abstracting whether such sum was rent, outlay, or net profit.

Having thus alluded to the propriety of inserting six additional columns in the Census sheets, it may further be observed, that a slight change in the arrangement might be made with very good effect,—for instance, the columns for Married and Single, and Widows and Widowers, which are now on the second sheet of the Schedule, should in future be placed on the first—thus enabling the Clerk with greater facility to designate separately their respective Ages.