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and 20 links. The whole extent has been opened 12 ft. wide and the stumps cut close to the ground; no ditches have been made at the sides nor has any considerable bridge been made. The country traversed by the road is mountainous but fit for cultivation, and in some parts excellent soil; there are seven steep hills over which the road has been necessarily carried. The road runs mostly through the waste lands of the Crown and which are of a description to encourage settlement. The sum of £.300 currency has been expended in the exploring, surveying and opening of the road; and £.150 more would cover the expenses of constructing a bridge over the river Bécancour (the only considerable stream, being one chain wide) and of cutting the steep hills on the road.—The population is about 75.—*Ungranted and unlocated*, 12,400 acres.

Annual Agricultural Produce.

	Bushels.		Bushels.		Bushels.
Wheat	650	Barley	100	Mixed grain	200
Oats	610	Potatoes	1,050		

Live Stock.

Horses	29	Cows	55	Swine	70
Oxen	30	Sheep	110		

BULÉES ISLES, V. LAUZON, S.

BRUND (F.), V. MASKINONGE, S.

BUCKINGHAM, township, in the co. of Ottawa, is bounded w. by Templeton, E. by Lochaber, in front by the river Ottawa and by the waste lands of the Crown in the rear.—It is divided into twelve ranges and each range into 28 lots of 25 chains 71 links in breadth by 81 chains 66 links in depth, making a superficies of 200 acres, exclusive of the usual allowance of five per cent. for highways. The first four ranges and one-half of the fifth were surveyed and marked in the field in 1802 with the exception of the late Capt. Robertson's 2000 acres, which were laid out on either side of the river *au Lièvre* two years antecedent to that period. The land in Buckingham is similar to that of the neighbouring townships except from the fourth range N., when it becomes more bold and conspicuous and, rising to a greater elevation, is in various places steep and abrupt. From the fourth range S. to the borders of the Ottawa the surface is low and generally level, occasionally rising and falling in gentle slopes of fertile land, covered with large and well-grown timber. The major part of the first range is overflowed in the spring and fall

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by the rise of the Ottawa, which copiously irrigates the soil and leaves, when the waters recede, most wholesome and rich pasturage. The surveyed part of this T. is most abundantly watered by the river *au Lièvre* and numerous inferior rivers, streams and rivulets, which meander through the T. in various directions and discharge their waters into the Ottawa and river *au Lièvre*.—N. of the basin into which the R. *au Lièvre* discharges itself is a most propitious site for a village; but here the lands granted to the late Capt. Robertson are left in an absolute state of nature. The next eligible position for a village is the crown reserve, No. 10, in the second range, in the proximity of the basin, half of which has recently been located to an individual who might probably surrender his claim if proposals were made and compensation tendered. In that case the nearest crown reserve to No. 10 would be appropriated for the church and other objects. Mr. Bigelow, the actual proprietor of a large portion of the granted lands in this T., has commenced the erection of a saw-mill on the R. *au Lièvre* and cleared several acres adjacent. In 1827 he had cleared above 400 acres; 300 of which were, the year preceding, in crops of grass, grain, potatoes, &c. He commenced his improvements in 1824, and in three years erected several houses, barns, stores, &c. &c., and was still animated with a laudable desire to make additional improvements for the benefit of himself and other settlers in this and the neighbouring townships.—Of the part of this township that has been surveyed 16,940 acres were granted under letters patent, in 1799 and 1803, to Capt. Robertson, Elias Hawley, Wades, Dunning and others.—The roads are bad.

Statistics.

Population	266	Potteries	1	Taverns	1
Corn-mills	1	Potasheries	1	Artisans	5
Saw-mills	2				

Annual Agricultural Produce.

	Bushels.		Bushels.	Hay	tons
Wheat	1,555	Potatoes	3,725	Maple sugar,	142
Oats	500	Indian corn	2,128		25
Rye	50				

Live Stock.

Horses	16	Cows	26	Swine	34
Oxen	20				

BUCKLAND, township, in the co. of Bellechasse, is bounded N. by St. Gervais, La Mar-