

well adduce this as a more than sufficient excuse. *They* have at their doors, the highway of the ocean ; *we* can only reach that highway by the bye path of one hundred and fifty miles of a River, the upper portion of which is practically unnavigable for seven or eight months of the year. Then, in extent Carleton County is insignificant compared to the area of the Province. It covers perhaps seven hundred thousand acres, or about 4-24 per cent of the 16,500,000 acres of the area of New Brunswick.

Yet, with all these disadvantages, what is Carleton now industrially ? what has it done ? and what has it the capacity to do ? We shall cite a few facts from the Census Returns of 1861, which may perhaps astonish those who, while they confine their travels, in their own country, principally to the expansive districts of the "North Market Wharf" and "Chubb's Corner," fancy they *know* the Province of New Brunswick. The population of Carleton County much exceeds proportionately its area, forming 6-49 per centum of that of the Province. Comparing Carleton with the Province, we find that in 1861 she had 9-17 per centum of the improved lands—more than double her proportion according to area ; and that the value of her farms was 7-89 per centum, or nearly double the proportion of her area. In that year she raised 9-19 per centum of the Hay ; 9-69 of the Wheat ; 18-61 per cent., or more than four times the proportion of her area, of the Oats ; 22 per cent. of the Buckwheat ; and 26 per cent., or more than one quarter, of the Rye. Follow up the inquiry : she raised 11-51 per cent. of the Turnips ; 22-95 of the Beans ; 15-43 of the Peas ; 22-20 of the Indian Corn ; and 83-26 of the Clover Seed. Only in a few articles of farm produce—Carrots, Potatoes, Barley, &c., did she fall short of these ratios. then proceeding to other productions of the Farm, the Loom, and the Factory, we find that Carleton produced 10-60 per cent. of the Butter ; 11-74 of the Cheese ; 11-07 of the Maple Sugar ; 11-05 of the Wool (an astonishing production considering her large annual exports of Sheep overland to the United States markets) ; 9-18 per cent. of the Pork ; 9-61 of the Cloth and other Home manufactures. Of Honey, over one third of the production of the Province is in Carleton County—35-52 per centum. The Carleton Tanneries produce 8 per cent. of the Leather ; and her shops over 13 per cent. of the Saddlery, and over