

The population of Indiana was in 1850, when it numbered 1,000,000—177 $\frac{1}{2}$  times what it was in 1800 (5,641); but this it will be perceived is greatly under the Home District within the same time.

Here we see how conclusions drawn from particular cases may mislead when applied generally.

While in Upper Canada there have been differences in rate of growth, yet the comparative rate is hardly less satisfactory than the amount on the whole, the different sections having generally maintained a fair proportion to one another.

The Gore and Wellington Districts (formerly one) present us, for instance, with an increase of more than 19 times in 33 years; having advanced between 1817 and 1850 from 6,684 to 130,661. Within the same period the Western District has risen from 4,158 to 31,150—an increase of over seventimes; London from 8,907 to 46,805—between five and six times increase; Norfolk County from 3,137 to 17,504—between five and six times; Niagara District from 12,540 to 46,543—nearly four times; while in seven years Oxford has nearly doubled, having increased between 1841 and 1848 from 15,621 to 29,219.

The following extract from a statement furnished by the Clerk of the Peace to the Board of Registration, and Statistics, shows the extraordinary progress of the Huron District in a period of 9 years:

The population of the Huron District, (now the United Counties of Huron, Perth and Bruce) in 1841 was 5,600.

In 1847, six years thereafter . . . . . 16,641. Increase, 11,043

In 1848, one year thereafter . . . . . 20,450. Increase, 3,807

In 1850, two years thereafter . . . . . 26,933. Increase, 6,483

The last quotation is nearly independent of the new and fast settling county of Bruce, which, owing to the infancy of its municipal institutions, only returned 360 persons for the townships of Huron and Kincardine, but which may now confidently be assumed to contain from 3,000 to 4,000 inhabitants—say 3,067—or a total population of the three united counties of . . . . . 30,000

Being an increase for 1849 and 1850 of . . . . . 9,550

Or a total increase, since 1841, of . . . . . 24,400

an increase almost incredible, as by reference to Smith's work on Canada, it will be found that the Huron District has made more rapid progress since its first settlement in 1827, than Lower Canada did in one hundred and four years, its population then being (in 1721) 24,511.

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\* By the census of 1852 just taken, the population is 37,480, which shows that in the short space of two years the increase has been 10,547.