

several settlements, for which they were paid at a reasonable rate. This mode of assistance gave them not only profitable employment, but enabled them to reach their lands with facility. The experiment was attended with complete success, and no doubt might be extended to other parts of the Province with the like favourable results.

In the north-eastern part of this county, the New-Brunswick and Nova-Scotia Land Company, (incorporated by Royal Charter in 1834,) holds upwards of half a million acres of land in one tract. This Company has from time to time expended large sums in making roads, and constructing bridges, mills, school-houses, churches, and other buildings, in order to encourage the settlement of their territory. Stanley, a thriving village on the river Nashwaak, was founded by the Company; a good road connects this village with the City of Fredericton. At present, the Company sells lots of land, up to 300 acres each, at the rate of 4s. 6d. currency per acre, (equal to 3s. 9d. sterling) payable as follows:—Deposit on signing agreement to purchase, 6d. currency per acre. The second year no payment is required; the third year, and each succeeding year, 6d. currency per acre, until the whole is paid, without interest. Larger quantities of land may be purchased by special agreement, as also improved farms, with buildings; a liberal discount is made by the Company to those who pay in full at the time of purchase. Settlements have been established on the south-west Miramichi, Nashwaak, Mactaquack, and Keswick rivers; the cleared and cultivated land on many of the farms in these settlements, is from 30 to 80 acres. Much of the land is represented to be of good quality, especially near the rivers, and there are several mill sites for sale. The Company's Commissioner resides at Fredericton, and there is an agent at the port of St. John.

CARLETON.—This county is nearly triangular in form; it lies north of York, with the State of Maine on the west, York county on the east, and Victoria to the northward. The river St. John runs nearly through its centre from north to south; it contains 700,000 acres, of which 465,802 acres are granted, and 234,198 acres are still vacant. The quantity of cleared land in 1851 was 55,537 acres, and the population, 11,108 souls.