

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 9 per cent. of the Boots and Shoes. And nothing speaks more strongly of the progress of Carleton than the fact that, insulated and cut off from the outer world as she has been for many long years, only one County has, in the ten years from 1851 to 1861, surpassed her in proportionate increase of population, and that she was five per centum above any other, and 17.35 per cent. above the average of the Province. Albert, owing to the richness of her mines, increased 49.59 per centum; Carleton 47.40, and Victoria 42.40.

This wonderful proportionate production of our County must be at-