

BLANDFORD.

A Township in the Brock District ; is bounded on the east by the township of Blenheim ; on the north by Wilnot ; on the west by Zorra ; and on the south by Oxford. In Blandford, 23,199 acres are taken up, 2633 of which are under cultivation. The timber of Blandford is principally pine. In the south of the township, on and about the line between Blandford and Blenheim, are several ponds or small lakes, varying in size from 50 to 200 acres, and surrounded by considerable swamp. The town of Woodstock is in the south-west corner of the township.

Population of Blandford, 735 ; who are principally emigrants from Europe.

Ratable property in the township, £10,224.

BLANSHARD.

A Township in the Huron District ; is bounded on the north-east by Fullarton and Downie ; on the north-west by Usborne ; on the south-west by Biddulph ; and on the south-east by Nissouri. The north branch of the river Thames runs through this township. Blanshard contains 50,396 acres, 26,468 of which are leased or sold ; of which 619 are under cultivation. There are in the township one grist mill and one saw mill.

Population, 972.

Ratable property in the township, £7821.

BLENHEIM.

A Village in the township of Harwich, recently laid out by Colonel Little, on the road leading from Chatham to the Rond'Eau, at the point where it crosses the Talbot road. Distant from Chatham, ten miles ; and from the Rond'Eau, four and a half. The situation is healthy, being on a gravelly soil, at an elevation of 117 feet above the level of the lake. It contains a tavern. Village lots are sold at from £5. to £7. 10s.

BLENHEIM.

A Township in the Brock District ; is bounded on the east by the township of Dumfries ; on the north by Wilnot ; on the west by Blandford ; and on the south by Barford. In Blenheim, 35,985 acres are taken up, 10,882 of which are under cultivation. A large swamp extends across the township, dividing it into two portions. The land on the north side of the swamp is good, with hardwood timber ; and on the south side the land is poor, timber principally pine. The village of Princeton is situated in the south of the township, near the centre. of the town line between Blenheim and Barford ; and the village of Canning, near the south-east corner. There are one grist and fourteen saw mills in the township.

Blenheim contains a mixed population of 1772.

Ratable property in the township, £29,615.

BLOOMFIELD.

A Village in the north of the township of Athol : contains about one hundred inhabitants, who have two Quaker meeting houses. There are in the village two grist and saw mills, carding machine and woollen factory, and two stores.

BOGART-TOWN.—(See KING.)

BOIS BLANC ISLAND.

A long, narrow Island in the Detroit River, opposite Amherstburg. It contains about 230 acres of land, all of which are fit for cultivation. It was thickly wooded, but the timber was cut down, during the rebellion, in order to give the forts a greater command of the channel on the American side. There are three block-houses on the island, which are garrisoned by British soldiers. On the south point of the island, which commands a view of Lake Erie, is a light-house.

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