

Population, 5474.

Ratable property, in the township £69,168, which includes the town of Prescott.

AYLMER.

A Village in the township of Malahide, on the Talbot road, twelve miles from St. Thomas, pleasantly situated on Catfish creek, in the midst of a rolling country. It was commenced in 1835, and now contains about 260 inhabitants, who have a neat Baptist chapel.

Post Office, post three times a-week.

Professions and Trades.—One physician and surgeon, two tanneries, three stores, three taverns; one ashery and saleratus factory, one watchmaker, two cabinet makers, two saddlers, four blacksmiths, three waggon makers, one tin-smith, four tailors, three shoemakers.

AYR.

A Village in the west of the township of Dumfries; situated on Smith's creek, or river Nith, ten miles from Galt. It was laid out in 1839. Population, 280. Ayr contains two churches, Presbyterian.

Post Office, post once a-week.

Professions and Trades.—One grist mill, fulling mill and carding machine, one tannery, two stores, one blacksmith, two shoemakers, two tailors, one cooper, two carpenters.

BAGOT AND BLITHEFIELD.

Townships in the Bathurst District, which, being but little settled, are at present united together. Bagot lies to the north-east and Blithfield to the south-west. They have been formed out of the township of Madawaska; and are bounded on the north-east by McNab; on the north-west by Adamston; on the west by unsurveyed lands; and on the south-east by Levant and Darling. In Bagot 9,172 acres are taken up, 1,020 of which are under cultivation. In Bagot 65,900 acres, and in Blithfield 30,150 acres of crown lands are open for sale, at 8s. currency per acre. There is one saw-mill in the township. There is no return of population for these townships.

Ratable property in the township, £4,047.

BALDOON.

A Settlement in the township of Dover, which was originally made under the auspices of the Earl of Selkirk, who caused a road to be cut out from the settlement to the river Thames. The situation, however, was not well chosen, being too low, and liable to ague, consequently it has not increased very fast, or made much progress in improvement.

BALSAM LAKE.

A Lake in the north-west of the Colborne District. The most northerly of a chain of lakes running through the Colborne and Newcastle Districts.

BARTON.

A Township in the Gore District; is bounded on the east by the township of Saltfleet; on the north by Lake Ontario and Burlington Bay; on the west by Ancaster; and on the south by Glanford. In Barton, 15,392 acres are taken up, 8993 of which are under cultivation. This township is small, but it is well settled, and a large portion of it is under cultivation. The land is generally good, although the soil on the banks of the lake and bay is light. Timber,—maple, black walnut, beech, oak, &c., with a small quantity of pine. The town of Hamilton is situated in the township, on Burlington Bay. There are one grist and five saw mills in the township.

Population in 1841, 1434.

Ratable property in the township, £13,873.

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