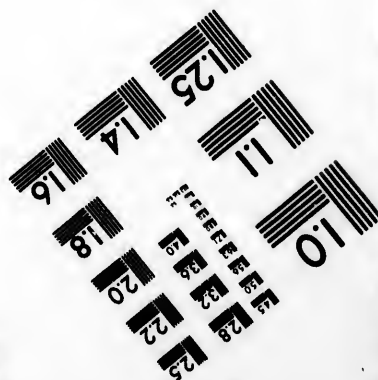
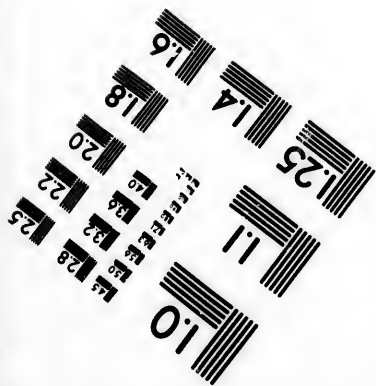
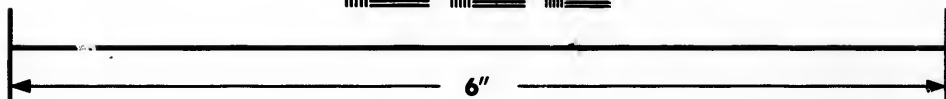
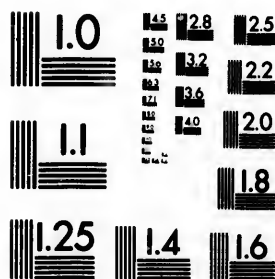


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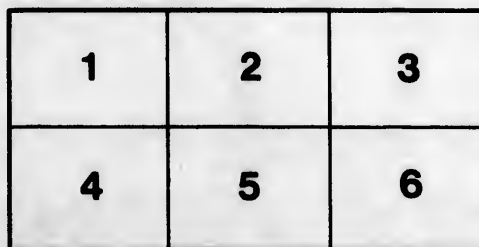
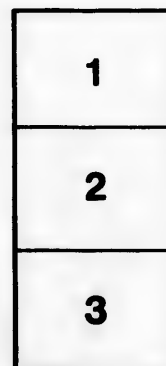
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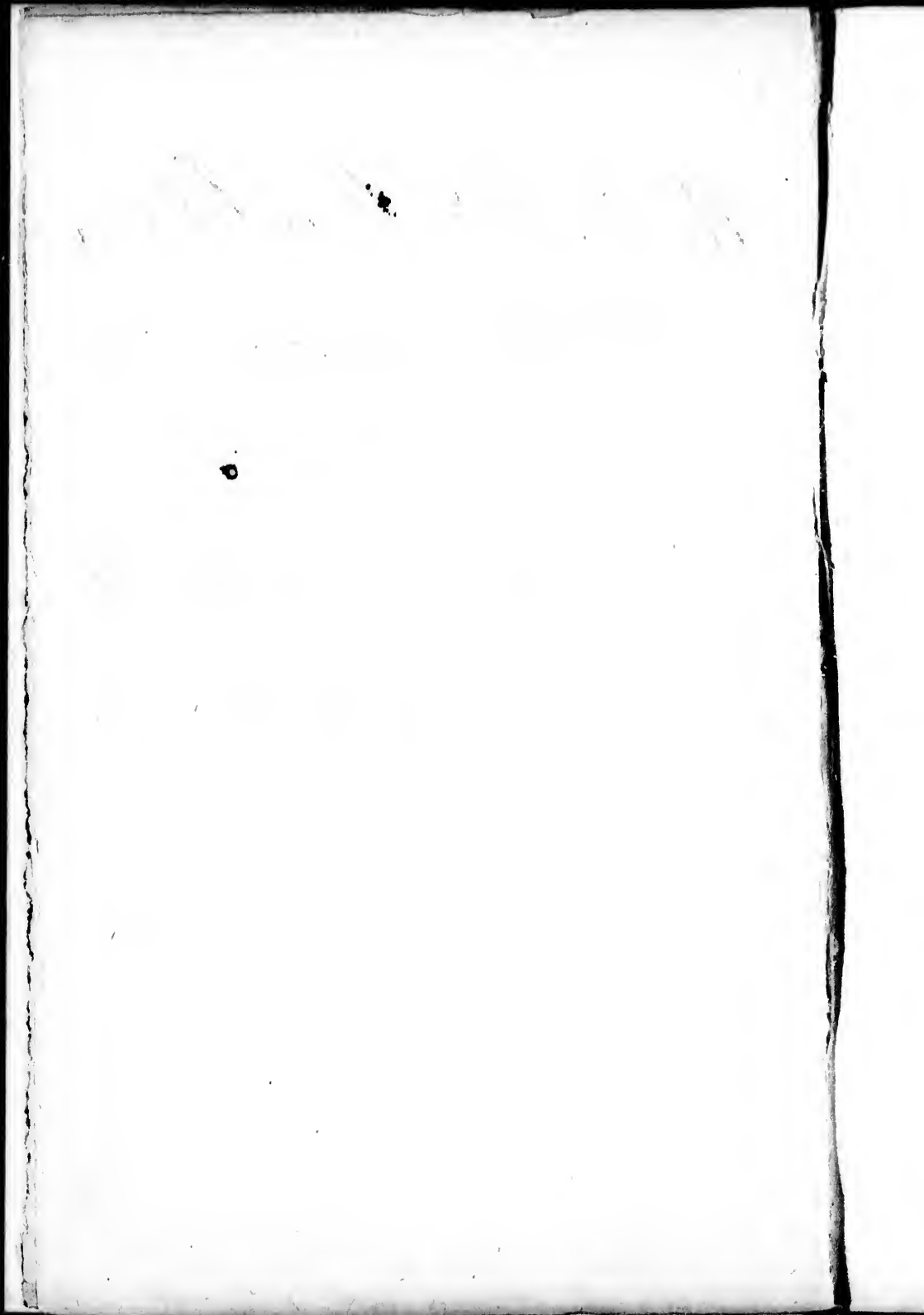
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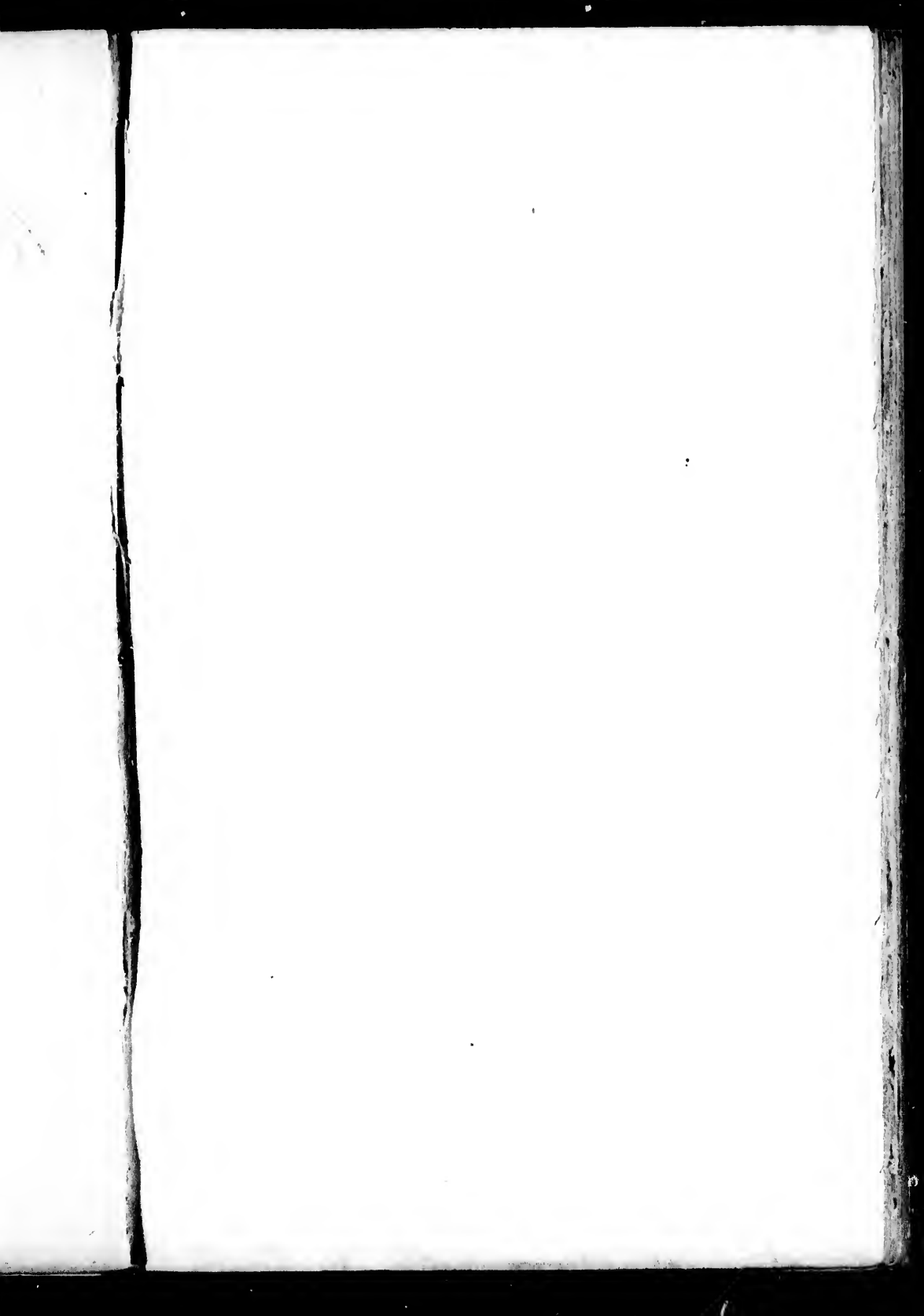
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PROVINCE OF UPPER CANADA—ITS CENSUS.

RELIGIONS.	No.	ORIGINS.	No.
Church of England .....	223,190	England and Wales....	82,699
“ Scotland .....	57,542	Scotland .....	75,811
“ Rome .....	167,695	Ireland .....	176,267
Free Presbyterian Church..	65,807	Canada, French origin..	26,417
Other Presbyterians .....	80,799	“ not of French origin..	526,093
Wesleyan Methodists .....	96,640	United States .....	43,732
Episcopal “ .....	43,884	Nova Scotia & Prince Ed.	3,785
New Connexion “ .....	7,547	New Brunswick.....	2,634
Other “ .....	59,585	Newfoundland .....	79
Baptists .....	45,353	West Indies .....	345
Lutherans .....	12,089	East Indies .....	106
Congregationalists .....	7,747	Germany and Holland..	9,957
Quakers .....	7,460	France and Belgium....	1,006
Bible Christians .....	5,726	Italy and Greece.....	15
Christian Church .....	4,093	Spain and Portugal....	57
Second Adventists .....	663	Sweden and Norway....	29
Protestants .....	1,733	Russia, Poland, & Prussia	188
Disciples .....	2,064	Switzerland .....	209
Jews .....	103	Austria and Hungary ...	11
Menonists and Tunkers .....	8,230	Guernsey .....	24
Universalists .....	2,684	Jersey & other Br'tsh isl'ds	131
Unitarians .....	834	Other places .....	1,351
Mormons .....	247	Born at Sea .....	168
Creed not known .....	6,744	Birth place not known ..	889
No Creed given .....	35,740	Total Population .....	952,004
All other Creeds, not classed	7,805		
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NATIVES OF

AGRICULTURAL ABSTRACT—UPPER CANADA.

Lands, Produce, Live Stock, and Domestic Manufacture.	No.	Lands, Produce, Live Stock, and Domestic Manufacture.	No.
No. of Persons occupying		Turnips, produce in bushels	8,644,942
Lands .....	99,860	Clover and Grass Seeds “	42,460
No. Acres held by the above	9,823,233	Carrots .....	174,895
Under cultivation . acres	3,697,724	Mangel Wurzel . . . . .	54,226
Crops in 1851 . . . . .	2,274,587	Beans .....	18,109
Pasture .....	1,367,649	Hops .....	113,064
Gardens and Orchards “	55,489	Hay .....	681,682
Wild or under wood “	6,125,509	Flax or Hemp .....	50,660
Under wheat . . . . .	782,115	Tobacco .....	764,476
Barley .....	29,916	Wool .....	2,699,764
Rye .....	38,968	Maple Sugar .....	3,581,505
Peas .....	192,109	Cider .....	701,612
Oats .....	421,684	Fulled Cloth .....	527,466
Buckwheat .....	44,265	Linen .....	14,955
Maize .....	70,571	Flannel .....	1,169,801
Potatoes .....	77,672	Bulls, Oxen, aud Steers .	193,982
Turnips .....	17,135	Milch Cows .....	298,924
Other crops, fallow and idle	600,151	Calves and Heifers .....	254,988
Wheat, produce in bushels	12,692,852	Horses .....	203,300
Barley .....	625,875	Shaep .....	983,022
Rye .....	479,651	Pigs .....	569,237
Peas .....	2,873,394	Butter .....	15,976,315
Oats .....	11,198,844	Cheese .....	2,228,776
Buckwheat .....	639,384	Beef .....	817,746
Maize .....	1,806,513	Pork .....	523,129
Potatoes .....	4,987,475	Fish .....	47,539



PROVINCE OF CANADA—ITS CENSUS.

COUNTIES.	ACRES.	CITIES, TOWNS, & VILLAGES.	POPULATION.			
			1850.	1852.		
Oxford, ... }	457,000	Woodstock	1,564	2,112	} 27,378	32,638
		Ingersoll		1,190		
Addington	352,200	Bath		700	} 11,820	15,165
		Brantford	2,563	3,878		
Brant	266,004	Paris	1,864	1,890	} 21,554	25,426
Bruce	634,764				} 376	2,837
Carleton	574,520	Bytown	6,616	7,760	} 20,152	31,397
		Richmond	422	434		
Dundas	241,200				} 11,739	13,811
Durham	396,600	Port Hope	2,082	2,476	} 27,250	30,732
		St. Thomas		1,274		
Elgin	491,200	Sandwich			} 12,292	16,817
		Amherstburgh		1,880		
Essex	383,700	Kingston	10,097	11,585	} 27,011	30,735
Frontenac	875,440				} 8,324	13,217
Grey	1,485,905				} 15,920	17,596
Glengary	288,080				} 17,236	20,707
Grenville	269,280	Prescott	1,828	2,156	} 14,749	18,788
Haldimand	293,524				} 16,858	18,322
Halton	232,000				} 23,454	31,977
Hastings	847,800	Belleville	3,326	4,569	} 15,488	19,198
		Goderich	1,191	1,329		
Huron	892,769	Chatham		2,070	} 13,067	17,469
Kent	606,600				} 8,620	10,815
Lambton	699,826				} 22,901	27,317
Lanark	574,000	Perth	1,581	1,916	} 27,203	30,280
		Brookville	2,757	3,246		
Leeds	514,400				} 6,412	7,955
Lennox	108,000				} 3,282	3,340
Lincoln	195,700	Niagara	3,282	3,340	} 3,538	4,368
		St. Catharines	3,538	4,368		
Middlesex	650,698	London	5,124	7,035	} 29,018	39,899
		Cobourg	3,374	3,871		
N'rthumb'rd	467,500	Simcoe		1,452	} 17,869	21,281
		Oshawa	1,106	1,142		
Norfolk	383,200				} 23,773	30,576
Ontario	454,200				} 19,995	24,816
Peel	293,200				} 12,061	15,545
Perth	446,728				} 12,589	15,237
Peterboro'	643,300	Peterboro'	1,800	2,191	} 9,487	10,487
Prescott	305,620				} 18,577	18,887
Prince Edward	213,900	Pictou	1,532	1,569	} 9,975	9,415
Renfrew	671,000				} 1,847	2,870
Russell	242,400				} 23,134	27,165
Simcoe	1,150,000	Barrie		1,007	} 12,536	14,643
Stormont	250,200	Cornwall	1,506	1,646	} 9,743	11,657
Victoria	478,200				} 1,180	} 24,947
Waterloo	328,463	Preston		1,180	} 2,248	} 26,537
		Galt	1,720	2,248		
Wellington	791,604	Guolph		1,860	} 21,341	26,796
		Chippawa	862	1,193		
Welland	228,000	Thorold		1,091	} 16,473	20,141
Wentworth	273,000	Hamilton	10,312	14,112	} 37,636	42,619
		Dundas	2,311	3,517		
York	257,600	Toronto	25,166	30,775	} 35,535*	79,719
	20,374,525					952,004

\* By the official return, Co. York, in 1850, had 10,380 inhabitants, and in 1852, 48,944.

COUNTY OF OXFORD—AGRICULTURAL CENSUS.

AGRICULTURAL CENSUS.

NAMES OF MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY OF OXFORD.	NUMBER OF ACRES OF LAND.						WHEAT.		BARLEY.		RYE.	
	OCCUPIED IN EACH MUNICIPALITY.	UNDER CULTIVATION.	UNDER CROPS IN PASTURE 1851.		GARDENS OR ORCHARDS.	UNDER WOOD, OR WILD.	ACRES.	PRODUCE.	ACRES.	PRODUCE.	ACRES.	PRODUCE.
			UNDER CROPS IN PASTURE 1851.	IN 1851.								
Woodstock, . . . . .	1,464	1,464	---	---	---	---	101	2,360	2	75	2	---
Ingersoll, . . . . .	1,322 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	669 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	413 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	202	54 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	693	102	1,780	5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	90	10	230
East Oxford, . . . . .	27,883	13,514 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7,283 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	5,922	309	14,369 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3,421	71,991 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	61	1,707	13	197
West Oxford, . . . . .	17,140 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8,165	5,572	2,166	426 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	8,975 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,543	33,321	51	1,118	29	455
North Oxford, . . . . .	15,494 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5,238 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3,867 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,279	92	10,256	1,146 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	19,740	41	844	24 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	359
West Zorra, . . . . .	42,481	12,195 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	7,852	4,135 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	207 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	30,285 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	2,863 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	43,801	136	2,993	---	---
East Zorra, . . . . .	38,430 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	15,785 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12,165	3,339	281 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	22,645	3,586	59,165 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	82 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,618	16 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	274
Nissouri, . . . . .	25,420 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	8,049 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	4,881	3,120 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	48 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	17,371	2,000 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	25,663	133	2,668	1	10
Blandford, . . . . .	20,053	7,239 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6,112 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	1,035 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	91 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12,813 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,758 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	35,325	32 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	666	21	343
Norwich, . . . . .	56,038 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	25,079 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	15,994 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	7,982 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,103 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	30,958 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	5,628	103,449	162 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3,886	28	273
Blenheim, . . . . .	51,479 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	26,603 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	15,740 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	10,578	285 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	24,876	7,037	153,789	78	1,662	105 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1,509
Dereham, . . . . .	38,717 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	11,901 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	9,024 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	2,699 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	177 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	26,816	3,677 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	60,667	37	797	4	50
Total, . . . . .	235,966	135,909	88,906	42,459	3,077 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	200,060 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	32,865 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	611,252	821 <sup>3</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	18,124	252 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	3,700

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AGRICULTURAL CENSUS—Continued.

COUNTY OF OXFORD—AGRICULTURAL CENSUS.

NAMES OF MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY OF OXFORD.	PEAS.		OATS.		B. WHEAT.		INDIAN CORN.		POTATOES.		TURNIPS.		GLOVER, TIMOTHY, OR OTHER GRASS SEED—BUSSH.	CARROTS—BUSSH.
	ACRES.	BUSHEL.	ACRES.	BUSHEL.	ACRES.	BUSHEL.	ACRES.	BUSHEL.	ACRES.	BUSHEL.	ACRES.	BUSHEL.		
Woodstock, ---	40	810	55	1,825	---	11	314	14	525	4	1,160	---	---	
Ingersoll, ---	50	825	78	2,650	1	10	475	21½	1,394	16½	2,170	10	14	
East Oxford, ---	1157½	23,226	1,601	45,828	60¾	1,129	3,384	138¾	6,105½	117¾	19,729	36	46	
West Oxford, ---	694	13,985	927	30,911	22	370	3,335	86¾	5,564	65¾	14,720	97	10	
North Oxford, ---	456½	6,922	699½	19,331	19	409	1,642	85½	5,784	45	7,071	47	27	
West Zorra, ---	801½	9,707	3,561½	86,402	22¾	54½	961	280½	9,382	64½	8,045	12½	6	
East Zorra, ---	956½	14,584	2,623½	69,471	8½	143	2,092½	268½	12,330½	135½	18,147	71½	231½	
Missouri, ---	155½	6,437	1,634½	40,178	30	421	1,190	103	4,193	44½	3,802	1	---	
Blandford, ---	379	7,078	840½	26,792	25	231	954	94½	6,835	90	17,189	15½	62	
Norwich, ---	990½	20,512	2,625½	81,261	193¾	3,895	28,663	246¾	5,455	89¾	15,275	117½	232	
Blenheim, ---	912	14,810	2,672½	87,633	133½	1,808	6,507½	302½	25,227	200	40,603	48	---	
Dereham, ---	899½	10,315	1,568	48,983	34½	520	19,724	158½	6,928	111	19,302	23	3	
Total, ---	7,483¾	129,211	18,325¾	540,445	551	9,278	2,681½	69,302	1,822½	69,852¾	983¾	167,213	478¾	631¾

129,411 | 16,929 | 340,445 | 69,302 | 1,822 | 69,852 | 983 | 167,213 | 478 | 631

AGRICULTURAL CENSUS—Continued.

COUNTY OF OXFORD—AGRICULTURAL CENSUS.

NAMES OF MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY OF OXFORD.	MANGLE WURZEL.	BEANS. Bush.	HOPS. Lbs.	HAY. BUNDLES OR TONS.	FLAX OR HEMP. Lbs.	TOBACCO. Lbs.	WOOL. Lbs.	MAPLE SUGAR. Lbs.	CIDER. GALLS.	FULLED CLOTH. YARDS.	LINEN—YARDS.	FLANNEL—YARDS.	BULLS, OXEN, OR STEERS.	MILCH COWS.
Woodstock, . . . . .	178	686	5,838	23,129	730	508	119,952	320,932	8,657	14,781	471	63,834	9,121	12,055
Ingersoll, . . . . .	1	1	72	147	50	---	1,260	900	---	15	---	89	11	182
East Oxford, . . . . .	46	13	72	1,848	50	---	11,623	29,900	508	832	45	3,704	38	181
West Oxford, . . . . .	53	53	13	1,360	40	260	7,736	17,990	1,704	604	---	1,412	747	983
North Oxford, . . . . .	4	105	2,936	2,629	---	12	6,897	20,477	185	589	---	2,183	357	843
West Zorra, . . . . .	2	2	26	1,732	---	---	14,400	33,740	---	1,942	43	2,533	1,281	633
East Zorra, . . . . .	58	77	2,081	1,107	11	---	13,873	41,035	---	2,030	149	4,914	1,037	1,302
Nissouri, . . . . .	5	5	705	842	---	---	7,279	29,512	---	1,182	109	4,100	681	759
Blandford, . . . . .	---	---	---	1,555	---	---	5,707	10,861	---	497	---	1,848	497	488
Norwich, . . . . .	69	221	---	4,732	410	---	20,815	56,203	5,160	2,928	80	10,794	1,227	2,258
Blenheim, . . . . .	---	---	---	3,447	73	200	18,004	31,832	1,066	2,337	---	7,544	1,424	1,585
Dereham, . . . . .	---	127	---	2,632	50	25	10,975	48,402	54	1,823	45	1,602	1,313	1,491
Total, . . . . .	178	686	5,838	23,129	730	508	119,952	320,932	8,657	14,781	471	63,834	9,121	12,055

AGRICULTURAL CENSUS—Concluded.

COUNTY OF OXFORD—AGRICULTURAL CENSUS.

NAMES OF THE MUNICIPALITIES IN THE COUNTY OF OXFORD.	CALVES OR HEIFERS.	HORSES OF ALL AGES.	SHEEP.	PIGS.	BUTTER—LBS.	CHEESE. LBS.	BEEF. BARRELS OR CWTs.	PORK.	
								BARRELS.	CWTs.
Woodstock, .....	56	205	323	146	5,715	300	434	.....	26,600
Ingersoll, .....	55	138	614	201	4,882	1,400	22,550	.....	33,931
East Oxford, .....	906	750	4,393	2,472	40,041	16,490	60,140	.....	264,492
West Oxford, .....	551	519	3,311	1,370	23,665	25,203	56,500	.....	180,970
North Oxford, .....	560	339	2,314	1,136	26,763	10,406	113,055	.....	137,635
West Zorra, .....	1,453	781	6,350	3,443	52,536	24,778	87,950	.....	232,625
East Zorra, .....	1,385	813	5,321	3,197	49,727	9,949	20,066½	11½	293,290
Nissouri, .....	1,113	475	2,911	2,571	38,830	8,890	30,680	.....	179,629
Blandford, .....	416	298	2,142	1,409	22,831	8,817	29,871	.....	146,096
Norwich, .....	1,740	1,788	7,346	5,054	112,930	112,543	79,820	.....	599,436
Blenheim, .....	1,253	1,158	6,438	3,924	94,275	15,575	121,624	.....	394,262
Dereham, .....	1,061	695	4,315	2,985	40,239	81,299	48,676	.....	361,475
Total, .....	10,549	7,959	51,808	27,908	512,434	315,650	677,386½	11½	844,441

RECAPITULATION OF COUNTY PRODUCE OF EACH CENSUS, ETC., ETC.

GRAIN	1842.*			1848.			1850.			1852.		
	BUSH.	ACRES.	BU. PER AC.	BUSH.	PER AC.	ACRES.	BUSH.	PER ACRE	ACRES.	BUSH.	PER AC.	
Wht.,	98,501	23,975	13½	325,122	26	29,743	399,753	13¼	32,868	611,252	18½	
Oats..	152,219	12,013	26	314,702	26	15,199	374,866	24½	18,327	540,445	29½	
Peas,	87,787	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,121	92,038	15	7,438	126,211	17½	
Pota.†	124,435	1,120	88	99,609	88	1,176	122,799	112¾	1,822	69,853	38½	
Corn,	20,411	1,719	24¾	42,903	24¾	1,714	35,972	20¾	2,681	69,302	25¾	
Rye,.	3,793	392	13¼	5,191	13¼	514	6,327	12½	252	3,700	14¾	
B. W.	3,909	371	1¼	6,809	1¼	.....	6,034	.....	551	9,278	16¾	
Barl'y	11,601	756	21¼	16,143	21¼	1,070	21,097	19½	821	18,124	22	

YEAR.	R ES.	NEAT CAT-TLE.	MILCH COWS.	SHEEP.	WOOL. LBS.	HOGS.	HAY. TONS.	MAPLE SUGAR.	FJAN-NEL.
1830	567	3,277	1,939	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1842	1,689	16,996	.....	18,473	39,192	12,280	.....	270,382	27,916
1848	5,357	21,261	.....	40,645	102,467	22,659	.....	366,569	54,916
1850	6,422	28,259	.....	41,236	114,375	18,477	15,400	477,320	59,861
1852	7,959	31,725	12,055	51,868	119,952	27,908	22,046	320,952	33,830

OFFICERS OF BROCK DISTRICT AND OXFORD COUNTY COUNCILS.

YEARS.	WARDENS AND CHAIRMEN.	CLERKS.	TRASURERS.	SUPERINTEND'T OF SCHOOLS.	AUDITORS.
1842	Hon. P BdeBlaquire	S. F. Robinson.	H. C. Barwick,	.....	Hendry & Riddell,
1843	Solomon Lossing,	Wm. Lapenotiere,	" "	.....	Hendry & Mavor,
1844	Benj. VanNorman,	" "	" "	Rev. N. Bosworth,	Hendry & Hall,
1845	G. W. Whitehead,	" "	" "	Geo. Hendry,	Wilson & Hall,
1846	" "	" "	" "	Rev W H Landon,	" "
1847	Jared Vining,	" "	" "	" "	Kintrea & Hall,
1848	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1849	Wm. Carroll,	" "	" "	" "	" "
1850	Benj. VanNorman,	T. S. Shenston,	" "	.....	" "
1851	John Scatcherd,	" "	" "	.....	" "
1852	Donald Matheson,	" "	" "	.....	" & Laycock.

1850 was the first year of the County Councils.

\* In 1842 no returns of the number of acres were made.  
 † The potato crop of this present year is good compared with last.

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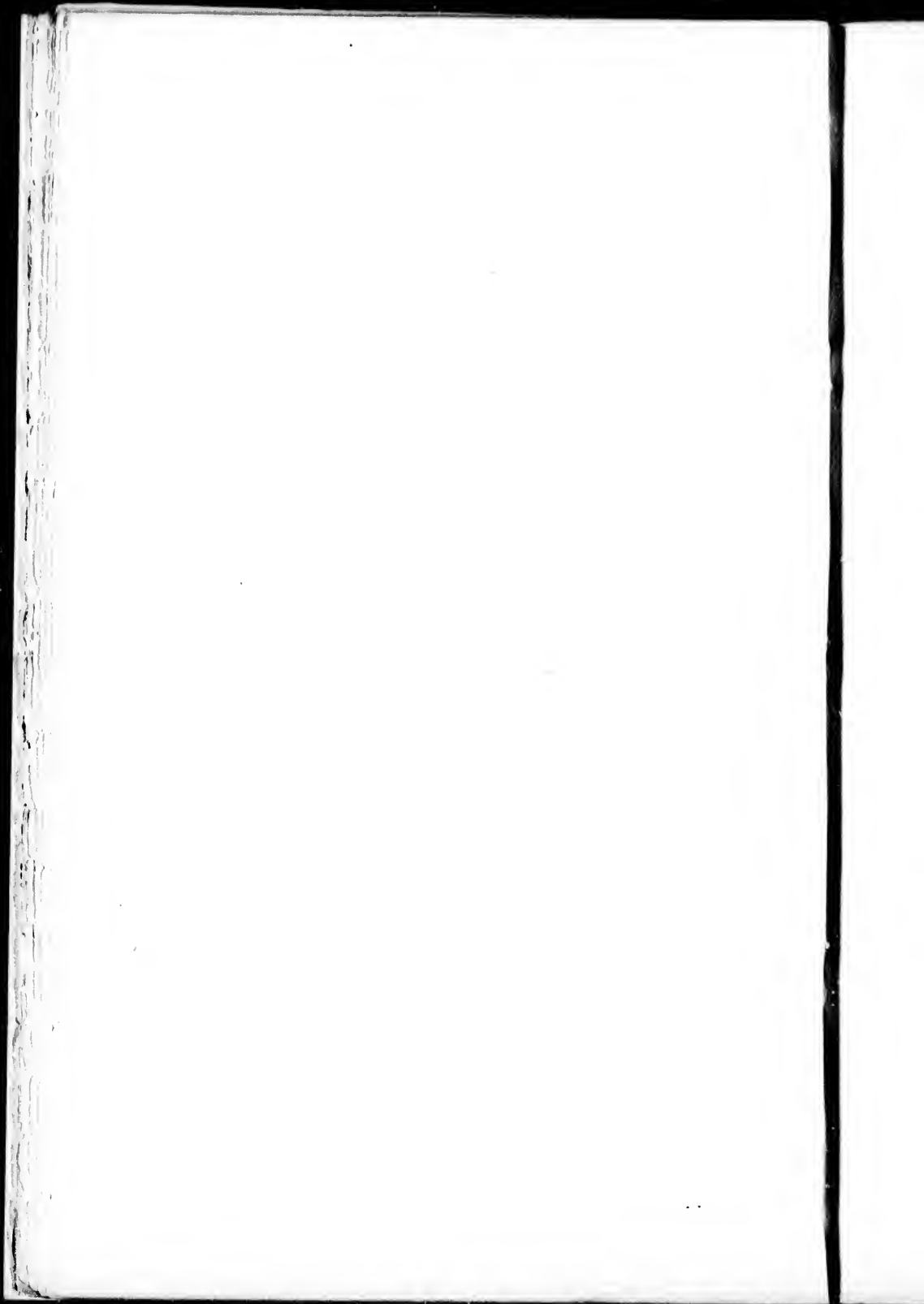
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## TOWN OF WOODSTOCK.

THIS town was erected under the authority of the 12th Victoria, chap. 81, sec. 55, by Proclamation, bearing date 27th September, 1850, to take force and effect on the following 1st day of January. Its limits are defined as follows:

“ Commencing on the northerly limit of Dundas street, at a point where a post has been planted at the south-west angle of Lot, No. 18, in the first concession of the township of Blandford; thence in a northerly direction along the Western boundary of the said lot, to the allowance for road between the first and second concession of the said township of Blandford; thence continuing the same course to the northerly limit of the said road allowance; thence westerly along the said northern limit, to the river Thames; thence in continuation of the last mentioned course, across the said river to the waters edge on the westerly bank thereof, to a point opposite the southerly bank of Cedar Creek; thence along the waters edge of Cedar Creek on the southern side thereof to the eastern limit of the allowance for road between Lot No. 21, in the 1st concession of the Township of East Oxford and the Gore between East and West Oxford; thence southerly, along the said eastern limit to the southern limit of the allowance for road between the first and second concessions of the said township of East Oxford; thence easterly along the said southern limit, to a point opposite to the centre of Lot No. 18, in the first concession of the said township; thence on a line equi distant from the eastern and western side lines of the said Lot No. 18, on a course about north 15° 40 m. west to Dundas street; thence continuing the same course to the northern limit of Dundas street; and thence westerly along the northern limit of Dundas street to the place of beginning.”

The town of Woodstock was long called the “Town Plot.” How it came by that name we have not been able to find out by any official document. We clip the following from the *Woodstock Herald* of January 11, 1844:

“ Twelve years ago the present site of Woodstock was, with the exception of two or three houses, a wilderness, and two years later than that there was no village, and within the present limits there was but one ill supplied tavern, and one small store similarly circumstanced. It was the western part of the town that was originally laid out as the “Town Plot,” by Governor Simcoe,\* many years ago; but Captain Drew having laid out his property at what now constitutes the east end, in village lots, and built the Episcopal Church, the village began to grow in that quarter first. At this time, the County of Oxford, now constituting the Brock District, formed part of the London District. The “Town Plot,” however, in course of time also commenced growing, and in 1835 or 1836 an application to Parliament to set off the County as a separate District was made. Two years ago the limits of the town were extended, and they now comprehend both ends, east and west, which are rapidly joining each other ”

It was partly surveyed by Mr. Reinham, in the year 1833. The “Park Lots,” by Peter Carroll, Esq., in 1834, and by Mr. O. Bartley in 1844.

The first town Lots sold by the Government, were No. 2, Winnet street, and Nos. 1 & 2, Givens street. They were sold to Mary Hallock, April 25th, 1836.

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\* Governor Simcoe was Governor of the Province from 1793 to 1796.



The next sold were Nos. 1 to 15, on the east side of Yeo street, and Nos. 1 to 15 on the west side of Yeo street, and Nos. 1 to 7, east side of Bexley street. The Rev. Wm. Betteridge, B. D., was the purchaser, on the 31st April, 1836.

The next was purchased by Abraham Sudsworth, on the 27th May, 1836, being No. 1, Riddell street, and No. 1, Graham street. On the same day Mr. Nath. Hill purchased No. 1, Light street, and No. 1, Vansittart-street, and Mr. Wm. Clark, No. 1, Vansittart street, and No. 1, Delatrestreet.

According to the Assessors return there are only 1167 acres of land within the limits of Woodstock, not including the public lands, (about 20 acres,) whereas, according to our rough estimate, it comprises about 1600 acres. Lots Nos. 21, 20, 19, and west half of 18 of the township of East Oxford, contain 700 acres; Lots Nos. 19, 20, and 21, of the township of Blandford, contain 600 acres, and the piece of land lying between Cedar creek and the river Thames, west of the above, about 300 acres, being 433 acres more. This discrepancy we account in part for as follows: By the 13th & 14th Victoria, chap. 67, (*The Assessment Act*) sec. 13, it is provided, "That the yearly value aforesaid of real property in towns, shall be the real rack-rent or full yearly value thereof, for each separate tenement; except that if more than a  $\frac{1}{4}$  acre of land be attached to any house, the overplus shall be held to be vacant ground, &c." A large portion of the houses in Woodstock have only, or less than, a quarter of an acre, consequently would be assessed for no land.

Up to 1845 the limits of Woodstock embraced only that portion of what is now the town, which lies north of Dundas street and west of Riddell st.—the street upon which Mr Scarr's shops are built.

The town was first defined by Act of Parliament in 1845, (4th & 5th Victoria, chap. 70.) by which the limits were defined precisely as they are now, with the exception of the southern half of the eastern boundary.

At a public meeting held at the "Royal Pavilion" Hotel, on Saturday, July 6, 1850. It was, on motion of Mr. Shenston, resolved to add the west half of Lot No. 18, in the 1st Concession of East Oxford to the town; and Messrs. Finkle, Shenston, Brown, Douglas, Whitehead, Grey, and Beattie were appointed a committee to draft a petition in accordance with such resolution.

The prayer of the petition was granted, as can be seen by a glance at the map or the copy of proclamation on the foregoing page.

In 1812, Lot No. 18, 1st. Con. East Oxford, (the west half of which forms a part of Woodstock) was owned and occupied by Mr. Zacharias Burch\* of which 30 acres were cleared and upon which a log house was erected about twelve years previous—the first one built in the neighborhood of Woodstock. Mr. Burch and sons cleared the lot themselves.

In 1812, Lot No. 19, was owned and occupied by the present occupant Arch. Burch, Esq., and of which 6 acres were then cleared. Mr. Burch, cleared the remainder himself, with the exception of a "small slip" at the North East Corner of the lot which was cleared by Mr. Sam. Tree, Senr.

\* Father of Arch. Burch, Esq., of Woodstock.

In 1812, Lot No. 20, was owned and occupied by Mr. Levi Babbitt who had, at that time 10 acres cleared. He sold out in 1820, to the present owner and occupier, John Hatch, Esq., at which time were 20 acres cleared.

In 1812, Lot No. 21, was unoccupied and entirely wild. In 1817 Mr. Wm. Leeple "squatted" upon it and "slashed" about ten acres, in the neighborhood of the "Royal Pavillion" and Mr. Henry Chase a few acres about the "Rising Sun." L. H. Perry, Esq., the present occupier a owner purchased of Mr. Teeple his "betterments" and moved on it in 1819.

That portion of Woodstock what is in Blandford was cleared by Nath. Hill, Senr., Francis Babbitt, — Burrowlough, — Lamport, — Dibble.

The Clerk of the Peace for *some* reason, always made a *separate* roll for what he called the "town of Woodstock," which embraced only the North of Dundas Street. The census of 1848, taken under him, were taken in the same manner, consequently in that year Woodstock was represented with a population of only 994, and each official report, since issued by the Government, gives the same number.

In May 1844, the late Mr. George Menzies, editor of the late *Woodstock Herald*, took the census of the town for the satisfaction of the readers of his paper, by which the population was 950, and the number of houses 160. In Nov, 1845 the same gentleman made another return, in which the population was, males 570, females 515. Total 1,085. And the number of houses 200. And adds "we may here observe, that when we took the census before, there was a number of people boarding in town, then engaged on the Macadamized Road, since finished, who do not now live here at all. When we saw Woodstock first, about ten years ago, it was a very paltry village indeed—or rather a few straggling houses at very unsocial intervals."

By the last census return the population was males 1103, females 1009. Total 2,112. Married 664, Single 1279. Widows 44, widowers 27. Births during the year, males 52, females 36. Total 88. Deaths during the year, males 18 females 20. Total 38, of these 27 were from diarrhoea which prevailed to an *unusual* extent in 1851. The number of houses were, framed 240, Brick 47, vacant 8, in course of erection 6. Total 301.

**COURT HOUSE.** The first meeting to take the requisite step for the erection of a Court House, was held at the "Royal Oak" Inn,\* March 22d 1837. Andrew Drew Esq., in the Chair. Wm. Lapeniotier, Esq., acted as Clerk. At this meeting it was resolved to convene a public meeting, at the same place on the 24th of the following month. This meeting was presided over by Capt. A. Drew and Wm. Lapeniotier, Esq., acted as Secretary, and it was decided to proceed at once with the erection of a Court House and East wing. John Arnold, Peter Carroll, Capt. Drew, Capt. Graham & G. W. Whitehead, Esqs., were appointed a building committee and authorized to raise a loan of £3000, Capt. P. Graham appointed Treasurer.

The plan submitted by Mr. Leighton was the one adopted.

Messrs. Henry Bishop & John Harrison were the contractors for £3,700 Mr. Leighton was employed to superintend its erection.

\* Burnt down May 8th 1852.

H. C. Barwick, Esq., the present Treasurer, was appointed treasurer to the building committee Aug. 13th, 1838.

Nov. 11th 1839, The building was pronounced fit to be occupied, and application was made to the Governor to issue the requisite Proclamation, which was done on the 23rd Dec. 1839, setting apart the County of Oxford as a distinct District by the name of the District of Brock.

The first case tried was on the 28th April 1840, before Judge John Arnold.\*

The present judge has acted in that capacity since Monday, June 30, 1845.

*The Presbyterian Church* belonging to the Congregation in connection with the *Church of Scotland* was commenced in 1841 and finished as far as it now is in 1843. The contractors were—for the erection and enclosing, Messrs. White and Lewis—for the pews Mr. David White—and for the plastering Mr. Alexander McIntosh. Cost £650. The minister at present in connection therewith is the Rev. F. P. Sims.

*Grammar School House.* A meeting was held at the "Woodstock Hotel" on Friday, April 7th, 1841, at which R. R. Hunter, Esq., presided, "To take the necessary steps to get a Grammar School erected in the Town of Woodstock." At which meeting it was moved by Robt. Riddell, Esq., seconded by Mr. J. Frazer, and Resolved "That a Committee be at once formed to raise subscriptions for the building of a Grammar School in Woodstock." The Committee appointed was Messrs. Arnold, Cameron, Rothwell, McKenzie, Geo. Murray, Scott, Ingersoll, Frazer, Hook, Bishop, Gray, McTaggart, Burnes, Yale and Bailey.

*The Grammar School* was established in 1843, in which year the trustees engaged Mr. Summerville, their first teacher, who continued about thirty months. George Strachan, Esq., the gentleman at present teaching, is the second teacher, having been employed since August 18th, 1846. The school house was erected in 1748. Contractors Messrs. White & Dixon. Cost about £500. Government aid £195; the remainder made up by subscriptions. The number of pupils attending in July last, was forty-four, of which number, thirty-four resided in town and ten out. The number of pupils studying classics twenty-nine. Assistant master, Mr. William Oliver.

*Baptist Meeting House* was built in 1836 and opened by Rev. W. H. Lamont, the first Sabbath in December of the same year. Messrs. McCaldum and Guild were the contractors. Mr. Granson Swan put up the frame. The whole cost about £200. Archibald Burtch Esq., gave the ground attached to it. The minister at present connected therewith is the Rev. J. Winterbottom.

*Knox's Free Church* is a fine brick building, 42 × 60 feet, situated in a most convenient and conspicuous place. It was erected in 1849 and

\* We cannot do better than copy the following paragraph to show why Mr. Arnold was removed, and D. S. McQueen, Esq., our present impartial and universally respected judge appointed. "We learn with very high satisfaction that D. S. McQueen, Esq., Barrister of this town has been appointed Judge of the District Court of this District, in room of John Arnold, removed by a provision of the new law (8th Victoria Chap. 13) that makes it necessary that district judges shall be Barristers of five years standing, we beg to congratulate the inhabitants of the District on the choice which has been made and the new Judge of his appointment."—[Woodstock Herald May 30th 1845.

pewed in 1850; the former by Messrs. White & Dixon, of Woodstock, and the latter by Messrs. Mellish & Russell, of Brantford. The whole cost of the building and lot £970, of which amount the ladies raised by bazaars and festivals the sum of £200. W. C. McLeod, Esq., of Woodstock, gave the half-acre lot upon which it is erected. To mention names is generally pronounced "invidious" but it is a *fact* connected with the erection of the building, that ought to be mentioned, that it is owing principally to the *untiring and indefatigable* exertions of Mr. John Douglas, of Woodstock, in contributing, soliciting, collecting, and expending subscriptions, that the house is now erected and paid for. We think *none* will feel inclined to question this fact, or we would not have mentioned it at all. The minister at present connected therewith is the Rev. Wm. B. H.

*The Primitive Methodists Meeting-house* was erected the forepart of the present year; cost about £75; the amount raised by subscription.—First sermon preached therein was on the first Sunday in June, by the Rev. R. Boyle. Mr. P. C. Teeple gave the lot on which it is erected, in addition to the most liberal subscription of any of the contributions towards the erection of the house.

*Free Church, Gaelic*, is at this time, Nov. 1st, nearly erected, the workmen being busily employed putting on the roof. Mr. Danby is the contractor for the brick work; and Messrs. Davidson and Sutherland, the contractors for the carpenter work. Cost for enclosing it, £600; to complete it, it will cost £400 more. The minister of the Gaelic congregation, Rev. ——— McDermit.

*The Brick Common School House* was erected in the year 1848, at a cost of about £200. Messrs White and Dixon, contractors.

*The Registry Office* was erected by the late District Council, on motion of T. S. Shenston, in 1847. Contractors, Messrs. White & Dixon. Cost £250.

*The Episcopal Church* was built in 1833, by Messrs. Hill & Bishop. Cost £1800. The bricks were made by Mr. Joseph Peers, of which there are 120,000. In 1843 a Chancel was erected, at an expense of £250.—Messrs. White & Dixon, Contractors. And in 1851 two wings were added at an expense of about £1,000. Messrs. Mellish and Russell, contractors.

The "*Lecture Room*," which used to stand in the Churchyard, was burned down on the morning of April 16, 1852. It caught fire from the "*Woodstock Hotel*."

The first sermon preached in Woodstock by the present Rector, was in the spring of 1834, to a congregation of eleven souls, in his own house, from the text, "One thing is needful."

The first person buried in the church yard was a blacksmith, by the name of R. G. Spencer, who only came to town the evening before he died; was only sick about twelve hours. He died of cholera. The second person buried there was Lieut. Veitch.

*New Methodist Chapel* was built by Messrs. White & Dixon, in the year 1846, for £172, and about £70 or £80 additional for pewing it. The ministers at present connected therewith, is the Rev. E. Sheppard and Rev. Wm. Evans.

*Old Methodist Meeting-House* was built by subscription, on or about the year 1836, on the front portion of the burying ground, and was moved from there to the place where it at present stands, in (or about) the year 1847. It is at present occupied as a Common School.

*Goodwin's School House.* This house was built by subscription, in the year 1839, "To be used as a common School House, and to be open for the accommodation of the inhabitants as an occasional place of worship, for such denominations of Christians as may, from time to time, require it, and for other public purposes not incompatible with the primary object of its erection." The subscribers of £1 5s. and upwards were:—R. R. Hunter, R. Riddell, Henry Bishop, Levi H. Perry, Thomas Love, John Greig, Henry Vansittart, senr., Mrs. East, James Gibson, Col. Light, John Harrison, Elijah Nellies, John Hatch, Joseph Peers, Wm. Danby, Hendry and Bain, George H. Elliot, Thomas Cheer, Walter Jones, John Lockhart, and James White. Henry Bishop was the builder; and R. R. Hunter, John Greig, and Robert Lynn, the first trustees.

The first brick house built in Woodstock was the one situated immediately west of the Rectory in East Woodstock, the bricks of which were made by Mr. Joseph Clark, of East Oxford. It was built in 1836. The second brick house was erected in the following year by Mr. George Elliott, being the house situated immediately opposite of Mr. C. McLeod's new brick block. Mr. Leighton was the contractor, and Mr. Joseph Peers made the brick. To William Grey, Esq. is due the great credit of erecting the first three-storey brick house, which was the large and commodious Hotel called the "Royal Pavilion," situated in front of the Court House, West Woodstock. It was built in 1844, at a cost of £500. Mr. Grey having "broken the ice," and shewn that large brick houses *could* be built in Woodstock, others soon followed his example. In 1846, the late Messrs. Love and Robinson erected the four splendid houses known as the "Victoria Buildings," at a cost of about £2,800, and John McF. Wilson, Esq., the "Albert House," at a cost of about £1,600, both in East Woodstock. In 1847, T. S. Shenston and Archibald Burch, Esqrs., erected the "Elgin Buildings," at a cost of about £2,400, and Mr. Henry Vansittart, the house now occupied by Mr. Andrew Smith, both in East Woodstock. In 1848, Mr. C. McLeod's block of two splendid buildings were erected at a cost of about £1,600, and Messrs. Finkier's block of four at a cost of about £2,000. In 1849, Mr. Thomas Scott, Mr. Elijah Hill, and Mr. Robert Clark, each erected fine three-story fire-proof houses, at an average cost of about £650 each.

The principal building erected this year is the "Woodstock Hotel," situated in East Woodstock, corner of Huron and Dundas streets, at a cost of upwards £2,000. This is a truly splendid building, and well arranged

for the purpose for which it was erected, and will make, perhaps, the most complete and comfortable hotel west of Toronto city. Messrs. White and Dixon were the builders.

The front "5 acres" was granted to trustees (viz. Bishop of Quebec, Capt. Drew and Maj. Barwick) on the 23rd May 1833, for a Church, Church-yard and burying ground, for which a patent, issued 23rd June 1834. It is entirely distinct from the Rectory Endowments grants made under an order of Council on January 15th, 1836, nor has it ever been surrendered as has been often reported.

The second "5 acres" is for a Court House and Gaol, and Yards connected therewith, the *principle* object, we believe in giving so large a piece was to prevent *any* buildings being erected near the gaol.

The third "5 acres" was granted to the late District Council of the District of Brock for the purpose of "holding free fairs according to law." Through the exertions of the present President of the Agricultural Society of the County of Oxford a good fence has this year been put around the whole at an expense of £40, of which sum the County Council contributed (by a majority of one) £20, and the Woodstock Town Council £20.

The last agricultural show was held upon the ground, and on the 19th of October of this present year, the first "free fair" was held there, which proved to be a most satisfactory and numerous gathering of both buyers and sellers. The *Progress* of the 21st Oct., says:—"Altogether, the Fair, for a beginning, has been quite as successful as could have been expected, and the farmers in our neighborhood have reason to congratulate themselves upon the establishment amongst them, of an institution calculated to be of such permanent benefit to them."

*Woodstock Post Office* was established October 7th, 1835. T. S. Short was the first post master, and the office was first kept in the old framed store opposite the "Victoria Buildings." Mail three times a week, till some time in 1844, since which period there has been a daily, or rather, as the "Woodstock Herald" of the time said, a "nightly mail." On Oct. 6th, 1840, H. C. Barwick, Esq., our present accommodating post master was appointed, who kept the office, until last year, in a small house on the east side of Huron Street.

Twenty years ago (1832) Mr. Jed. Jackson had the contract for carrying the mail from Brantford to London, twice a week, who carried it at an average rate of three miles an hour, at which period it was not carried through Woodstock, but along the "old stage road," from which circumstance the road is so named.

The receipts of the Woodstock office for the quarter ending January 5th, 1838, were £28 10s. Od., and for the same quarter in 1851, £192 0s. Od. For the first quarter, after the introduction of the 3d. postage, (ending July 5th, 1851), £115 9s. Od., and for the first quarter in the present year (ending April 5th, 1852), £138 19s. Od.

The first store opened in Woodstock, was by Mr. Patrick Phelon,\* in the latter part of 1833. This store was kept in the building long known as "cheap side," situated opposite Mr. Sudsworth's.

*Steam Engines.*—Messrs. Andrew Sutherland & Co., were the first to introduce steam power in Woodstock. They have a 14 horse power engine in their mill. Messrs. H. P. Brown, & Co., Founders, were the next; they built an 8 horse power engine in their own foundry, to which was connected a lathe capable of turning castings of one ton weight. But unfortunately for its owners and the town, this engine and the building in which it was in, was destroyed by fire on the morning of 8th Sep. 1852. We are most happy to be able to say that the brick walls of a new building are now up (1st Nov.) Messrs. Bain and Hay were the next and last to introduce steam. They have this present year very much enlarged their cabinet and chair factory, and erected a four horse-power engine to turn the lathe, saw, &c.

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#### NEWSPAPERS.

*The Woodstock Herald* was the first paper published in the County of Oxford. It was printed and published by Messrs. Menzies† and Walker, and edited by the former. The first number was printed on the 3d of June, 1840, and the last on the 1st day of January, 1848.

*The Monarch* was the second paper published in the county. It was commenced in September, 1842, and continued till some time in 1847, we think.‡

*The Oxford Star* was the third one. The first number of it appeared January 15th, 1848; and continued one year. It was edited by Mr. John Allen, and printed by Messrs. Alex. Hay & Jas. Egan.

*The British American* was the fourth one, the first number of which was issued Saturday, Sept. 30, 1848, and is still in existence.

*The Western Progress* was the fifth one, the first number of which was issued Friday, November 14th, 1851, and is still in existence. Printed and published by George Laycock. For the first six months it was edited by Rev. W. H. Landon.

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#### ROAD COMPANIES.

*The Woodstock and Huron Road Company* was formed Aug. 21st, 1849. The first Board of directors were Arthur A. Farmers, Esq., (President) John Harrington, Henry Finkle, G. W. Whitehead, & Cabel Caistor; Secretary and Treasurer, John Douglass.

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\* The father of Daniel Phelon, Esq., Merchant, Ingersoll.

† This gentleman died at Woodstock, March 4th, 1847.

‡ We have lost the exact date, just before going to press.

Second Board, January 1851,—Henry Finkle, president, A. A. Farrer, G. W. Whitehead, Joseph Twaitets & Hugh Richardson; Secretary, John Douglass; Treasurer, H. C Barwick.

Third Board, January, 1852. Caleb Caistor, president, H. L. Turner, Henry Harwood, Robt. Webber, Hugh Richardson, Henry Finkle, (Reeve Woodstock), and Alex. Mitchell (Reeve South-Eashope); Secretary & Treasurer, Hugh Richardson. The amount of money expended, the number of miles completed, &c., we were unable to procure, although we repeatedly asked for the information.

*The Woodstock and Norwich Road Company* was formed on the 5th day of June, 1851, by the election of the following five gentlemen as Directors:—Thomas Cottle, president, G. W. Carden, Chancey Willcox, P. C. Teeple, and William Chambers; secretary and treasurer, T. S. Shenston; John A. Tidy, engineer. The second Board was composed of the following gentlemen:—Thomas Cottle, president, G. W. Carden, George Alexander, William Chambers, and Benjamin Haley; secretary and treasurer, T. S. Shenston; John A. Tidy, engineer.

The amount of stock subscribed is £2,100; to this is to be added, one-third of the amount of several of the contracts, and £1,000 lately subscribed by the Town Council of Woodstock.

The whole length of the road is  $18\frac{1}{2}$  miles to Otterville, from which place there is now a good plank road completed to Port Dover.

Five miles of each end of the road is very nearly completed at this time (Nov. 1st), and two toll gates are being erected, to be completed by the 1st of December, at which time it is proposed to commence collecting toll. It is confidently expected that the remaining  $8\frac{1}{2}$  miles will be completed by the end of next year.

*The Woodstock Subscription Library* was established February 12th, 1835, at a meeting at which Rev. W. Betteridge, B.D., occupied the chair, and Mr. John Greig acted as secretary. It was decided to call it "The Woodstock Reading Society," to be governed by president, vice do., treasurer, librarian, and a committee of three. Every person paying 2s. 6d. entrance fee, and 10s. annually, were members of the society. The first set of officers:—Rev. W. Betteridge, B.D., president; Rev. W. H. Landon, vice do.; John Greig, librarian; O. Bartley, treasurer; and L. Perry and D. White, committee.

*The Mechanics' Institute and Library* was formed May 19th, 1852, by the election of the following officers:—John Greig, Esq., president; John McColl, vice do.; Edward Lakeman, librarian; C. Goodwin, secretary and treasurer; George Laycock, corresponding secretary; and Messrs. John Bain, George Alexander, James Simpson, David White, A. Smith, George Strachan, and H. Izard, committee.

£50 granted by Government.



## TOWN COUNCIL.

The first municipal election for the Town of Woodstock, was held at the *Royal Pavilion* Hotel, West Woodstock, on Monday and Tuesday, the 6th and 7th days of January, 1851. T. S. Shenston was returning officer, appointed such by the Governor General, in accordance with the 12th Victoria chapter 81, section 55. The councillors elected were Hugh Richardson, (94 votes), William Wilson, tanner (99 votes), Alexander Green [92 votes], Valentine Hall [98 votes], and Andrew Smith [90 votes].

*Inspectors*—Arch. J. Thompson [120 votes], Thos. Phelan [99 votes], and Joseph Sudsworth [94 votes]. Poll clerk, James Egan. At the first meeting of the council, Hugh Richardson was elected reeve; James Kintrea, clerk; and Thos. Scott, treasurer.

The second municipal election was held at the same place, on Monday and Tuesday, the 5th and 6th January, 1852. Francis Ball, Esq., by virtue of his office as town clerk, was returning officer. The councillors elected were:—Henry Finkle (156 votes), Thomas Cottle (139 votes), John Sutherland (168 votes), James Kintrea (142 votes), and William Grey (169 votes). Valentine Phelan, poll clerk.

*Inspectors*—William McKay [94 votes], Joseph Sudsworth [178 votes], and Thomas Fraser [99 votes].

At the first meeting of the council, Henry Finkle was appointed reeve. Present clerk, John Greig.

## TOWN OF WOODSTOCK DIRECTORY.

NAMES AND OCCUPATIONS.	NAMES AND OCCUPATIONS.
Appleton, Thomas, laborer	Buckle, Robert, tavern keeper
Andrew, John, miller	Barrowclough, William, laborer
Abbott, Benjamin, soap boiler	Beagley, James, laborer
Arkell, John G. brewer	Brooks, William, laborer
Allan George, laborer	Burns, John, laborer
Allan, Abraham, carriage-maker	Burns, Peter, laborer
Ashton, Mrs.	Boyce, Joseph, farmer
Andrews & Sutherland, millers	Bryan, John, farmer
Arnold, Mrs	Brown, H. P. founder
	Bowness, Thos. grocer
Bettridge, B. D., Rev Wm. rector	Burteh, A. W. store-keeper
Ball, Rev. W. S., minister	Bedford, Stephen, blacksmith
Barwick, Esq. H.C. Esq., postmaster,	
Burteh, Archibald, Esq., farmer	Chambers, Robert, bailiff
Burteh, R. H., merchant	Cummings, Robert, gaoler
Burteh, Henry, farmer	Cottle, Esq., Thos. J. farmer
Bendyse, Nelson, farmer	Clarke, Robert, merchant
Bowditch, George, tinsmith	Carryer, Charles C. saddler
Budd, John, blacksmith	Colson, George, miller
Burton, Joseph, cooper	Collins, William, chair maker
Brown, Sheyler, moulder	Constable, Mary A. dressmaker
Bain, John, cabinet-maker	Clarke, James, cabinet-maker
Bickerton, Ralph, carpenter	Cootts, Charles, livery stable keeper
Brooks, John, boot maker	Carman, William, cabinet-maker
Beaton, Francis, shoemaker,	Clark, John, merchant
Bickle, James and Joseph, butchers	Charlesworth, S. merchant,
Brown, & Co., H. P, founders	Carroll, Patrick, farmer
Belton, Peter, blacksmith	Campbell, H.
Burke, R. H. tinsmith	Cromier, Joseph, shoemaker
Brownrigg, James, carpenter	Caghill, Donald, shoemaker
Braham, Edward, carpenter	Copp, Thomas, shoemaker
Budd, Henry, cabinet maker	Creighton, William, shoemaker
Biokerstaff, Fred. painter	Clarke, Patrick, laborer
Ball & Carroll, barristers, &c.	Cook, William, laborer
Blevin, Edward	Campbell, John, laborer
Balls, Mrs.	Chantler, Peter, teamster
Barr, David, jeweller, &c.	Campbell, John, shoemaker
Belseer, William, tanner	Coghill, John, collector, &c
Barnes, John, wagon-maker	
Brown & Wilson, tanners	Douglas, John, editor
Bond, Samuel, baker	Douglas John, saddler
Bond, William, teamster	Douglas, Dorothy, tavern keeper
Barney, Martin E. pedlar	Davis, Norris, teamster
Brown, George	Dunn, James, carpenter
Barclay, James, carpenter	Ditton, Thomas, laborer
Beattie, Joseph, merchant	Dash, Charles, painter
Barnard, Warner, constable	Dixon, W. P. builder

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<p>Denman, John, laborer  Duncan, Howard, farrier  Dagg, James, innkeeper  Dawson, Richard, tavernkeeper  Dunn, Thomas,</p>	<p>Grub, Mark, laborer  Garner, William, cooper  Grey, Thomas, farmer  Graham, Mary  Green, Alexandor, shoemaker</p>
<p>Egan, Maurice, carpenter  Elliott, Mrs.  Edgar, George, carpenter  Egan, Mrs. Ellen  Edwards, John, bricklayer  Edwards, Thomas R.  Ellison, Joseph B. shoemaker  Edwards, Nelson, blacksmith  Elliott, Archibald, cabinetmaker</p>	<p>Hatch, John, Esq. farmer  Huggins, John, engineer  Hack, Henry, hotel keeper  Henry, Thomas, merchant  Hatch, James, farmer  Hay, James, cabinetmaker  Hay, George, carpenter  Hughes, James, carpenter  Hodson, Henry, bricklayer  Harrison, John, bricklayer  Hamilton, William, watchmaker  Hadskis, Hugh, turner  Hamer, William, bricklayer  Hay, Alexander, printer  Henderson, George, teamster  Hanley, Murdock, laborer  Hatch, James, blacksmith  Harwood, Henry, shoemaker  Horsnell, William, tailor  Hall, Robert, carpenter  Hay, William, cabinetmaker  Horner, William, bricklayer  Hendry, Mrs.</p>
<p>Finkle, Esq., Henry, merchant  Finkle, John, merchant  Ford, R., student  Frazier, Thos., blacksmith  Finkle, Miss Janet,  Frame, Thomas, blacksmith  Fleming, James, cabinetmaker  Fuller, Rial, teamster  Fouler, George, laborer  Finkle &amp; Co., H., merchants  Foquette, Rich., Clerk C.C.</p>	<p>Hart, Edward  Hunter, Murdoch, laborer  Holtby, Matthias, carriage-maker  Heath, George, laborer  Hay, James, cabinetmaker  Hart, John, laborer  Harris, Abraham, cabinetmaker  Hague, William, laborer  Halker, William, farmer  Hill, Nathaniel, innkeeper  Hatch, Henry, grocer</p>
<p>Goodwin, Christopher, teacher  Greig, William  Greenaway, James, carpenter  Goble, Anson, cabinetmaker  Greig, John, attorney  Ganier, William, carpenter  Griffin, Rev. Stephen, minister  Green, William, carpenter  Gamble, Andrew, carpenter  Grant, Alex. tailor  Gordon, Donald, blacksmith  Gurnett, John, printer  Gurnett, Gabriel, saddler  Gunn, Hugh, teamster  Gunn, James  Gunn, Lauchlan, teamster  Gunn, George, tailor  Gunn, Alexander, shoemaker  Gurnett, George, shoemaker  Goldthorp, David, tailor  Grey, William  Gordon, David, teamster  Garnlin, William, labourer  Gordon, Donald, labourer  Graham, John, teamster</p>	<p>Ingersoll, James, J.P. registrar  Izard, Henry, teacher  Idale, John, grocer  Idale, William, tailor</p> <p>Jacob, Thomas, carpenter  Jones, Walter, farmer  Johnson, Samuel, cooper  Johnson, James, shoemaker  Judge, Michael, gunsmith  Johnson, J. cabinetmaker  Jones, Robert, carpenter</p>

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<p>Kidd, John, hostler Kintrea, James, painter &amp; grocer</p> <p>Logan, George, saddler Laycock, James, Esq. merchant Loveroin, William, butcher Laycock, George, printer Lewis, Evan, builder Lawrance, Miranda, shoemaker Lockman, Elijah, blacksmith Lakeman, Edward, merchant Love, Mrs. Ann Lawson, Berry, and Co. merchants Landon, Rev. W. H. minister Lamon, Samuel, cooper Lensberry, James, cooper Lakoman, Jacob, butcher Lanaway, James, laborer Lyons, Timothy, laborer Lamport, Edward, farmer Lamport, Henry Lister, James, nurseryman</p>	<p>McKenzie, Alex. contractor McCulloch, Donald, laborer McCracken, Angus, laborer McLeod &amp; Co., W. C. merchants McCurdy, Mrs. McDonald, Alex. plasterer McKay, Donald, laborer McKay, Neal, tanner McLean, Calvin, laborer McQueen, D. S. judge C. C. McMicken, John McPherson, Donald, baker McLeod, Alex. watchmaker McKay, David, turner McKay, John, teamster McCall, sen., John, carriage-maker McCall, jr., John, carriage-maker</p>
<p>McKay, John, teamster McKay, Alex. tailor McLean, John, laborer McLeod, W. C. merchant McLaren, Duncan, druggist McIntosh, Alex. plasterer McLeod, George, tailor McLeod, Donald, cooper McKay, John laborer McKay, Duncan, laborer McKinnon, Donald, laborer McKay, Hugh, bailiff McKay, James, stove-maker McDonald, Archibald, laborer McInnis, Peter, laborer McIsaac, Donald, laborer McInnis, Donald, laborer DeDonald, Angus, laborer McKay, Angus, laborer McWhinnie, John, clerk McIntosh, Donald, laborer McKay, William, mason McLeod, Alex. laborer McKay, Christopher, laborer McDonald, Donald, laborer McDonald, John, laborer McKenzie, James McKay, James McLeod, Donald, labourer McLeod, Peter, distiller</p>	<p>Matheson, Thos. blacksmith Martin, James, grocer Montgomery, Geo. innkeeper Morris, Richard, tailor, Murna, George, carpenter Mitchell, John, laborer Minthon, Jacob, teamster Murray, William, carriage maker Meagley, George, boot-maker Mitchell, John, brickmaker Matson, Elijah, hotel-keeper Matthew, Daniel, shoemaker, Munroe, Alex. millwright Murray, Heden, laborer Murray, Alex. geologist Matthews, Henry, bricklayer Maddock, J. F. solicitor Maycock, Joseph, painter Miller, D. G. solicitor Murray, James, sheriff's clerk Muir, Michael, laborer Mears, Thomas, laborer Murray, Donald, carpenter Matthison, John, laborer Moore, Thomas, laborer Matthison, Angus, laborer Murray, Geo. contractor Murray, A. contractor Murray, Wm. wagon-maker Melville, George, shoemaker Menzie, Mrs. H. grocer</p> <p>Nicholson, John, carpenter Norman, John, cabinet-maker Nasmyth, George, tailor</p>

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<p>Outram, William, shoemaker Oag, William, cooper, Oliver, Thomas, merchant</p>	<p>Shenston, Thomas S., J.P., county clerk</p>
<p>Powoll, John, assistant postmaster Payne, Absalom, carriage-maker Pascoe, Richard, labourer Prout, Abraham, lime-burner Passmore, Francis, carriage-maker Porrin, Thomas, laborer, Pigott, Thomas, carpenter Patterson, Mrs. Purdy, Mrs. Perry, L. H. farmer Peacock, Daniel, carpenter</p>	<p>Strachan, George, teacher Sudworth, Joseph, bootmaker Scott, William, surgeon &amp; physician Sutherland, Donald, laborer Smith, Andrew, merchant Sharp, Leboe, F. town clerk, Blandford Sheppard, Rev. E. minister Sutherland, Hector, carpenter Sutherland, Mrs. J. Stewart, Francis, cabinet-maker Swan, Chas. G. carpenter Snelgrove, Jacob, carriage-maker Sutherland, Sinclair, carpenter Silner, Christian, baker Smith, John J. tanner Stewart, Donald, laborer Snarey, Thos. moulder Stevens, John, gardener Smith, John, laborer Simpson, James, turner Spencer, Mrs. C. Spencer, George, pedlar Sutherland, Robt. laborer Shaw, John Sheppard, W. G. laborer Scott, Thomas, apothecary Snelgrove, Henry, cabinet-maker Small, Jas. shoemaker</p>
<p>Quinten, Daniel, laborer</p>	<p>Thomas Henry, carpenter Thompson, William, pump-maker Teepie, Pelham, farmer Tallman, Thomas Turner, H. L. merchant Turner, James, laborer Tisdale, J. E. merchant Tune, William, confectioner Turquand, John, physician &amp; surgeon Taylor, Joseph, saloon keeper Thompson &amp; Sons, founders Thompson, Harry, laborer Thompson, Alex. blacksmith Thomson, Archd. carpenter Taylor, Peter, shoemaker Turner, Chas. merchant Thomson, Geo. carpenter</p>
<p>Rodgers, Jas. blacksmith Ross, Hector, miller Rawlings, Richard, cabinet-maker Roberts, John, laborer Redford, Stephen, blacksmith Robertson, Robert, cabinet-maker Robertson, George, bricklayer Robertshaw, John, shoemaker Randall, John, teamster Richardson, Hugh, barrister Robertson, C. W. livery stable keeper Robinson, B. J. barber Revell, R. deputy sheriff Rose, Alex. laborer Ross, Robert, tailor Rowland, Thos. painter Rose, Eliza Ridd, John, hostler Rawlings, T. H. cabinet-maker Revell, Rev. Henry, minister</p>	<p>Vanvalkenburgh, Henry, cooper Vanvalkenburgh, John, cooper</p>
<p>Spencer, William, butcher Smith, John, tailor Sudworth, Abraham, bootmaker Sudworth, William, bootmaker Sutherland, Benjamin, shoemaker Sutherland, John, carpenter Steele, John, laborer Schofield, Francis, carpenter Scarff, William, carriagemaker Small, John, nurseryman Sessims, Bernard, laborer Snelgrove, William, cabinetmaker Snarey, James, bricklayer</p>	<p>Watt, S. H. Surgeon,</p>

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<p>Wnrner, Richard, miller  Walker, Angus, laborer  White, David, builder  Wilson, Cromwell,  Wardell, Frank, carpenter  Walton, Joshua, shoemaker  Wilson, Joseph, merchant  Wilson, John, tailor  Wilkinson, John, gardener  Wright, Wm. H. currier  Winterbottom, Rev. John, minister  Wilson, William, wagon-maker  Wilson, Malcolm, labourer  Weeks, John, blacksmith  Weakley, William, bricklayer  Walker, William, farmer</p>	<p>Wilson, Edward, plasterer  Wilson, Esq., William, shoemaker  Walton, John Sutton, shoemaker  Whitehead, Esq., G. W., c' &amp; D. C.  Wilson, William, tanner  Ward. Robert, carpenter  Watson, James, miller  Whitehead, Charles, weaver  Woodger, William, shoemaker  Warwick, William, stationer  White, William, gardener  Wilson, John, chairmaker  Weeks, William, blacksmith    Youngs, John, briokmaker  Yates, Joseph, laborer</p>

## INGERSOLL.

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This Village was erected under the authority of the 12th Victoria, chapter 81, section 58, by Proclamation bearing date 12th September, 1851, to take force and effect on the following 1st day of January. Its limits are defined as follows:—

“ Consisting of all that part of this Province, situate partly in the Township of Oxford West, and partly in the Township of Oxford North, in the County of Oxford, and lying within the following limits, that is to say:—commencing on the southerly bank of the river Thames, in the boundary line between lots numbers 17 and 18 in the broken front concession of the Township of West Oxford; thence along the said boundary line between lots numbers 17 and 18 in the broken front concession, and the boundary line between lots number 17 and 18 in the first concession, south-easterly, to the middle of the depth of the said first concession; thence along the middle of the depth of the said first concession, south-westerly, to the boundary line between lots numbers 22 and 23; thence along the said boundary line between lots numbers 22 and 23, north-westerly, to the south-easterly bank of the river Thames; thence along the south-easterly bank of the said river with the stream, to a point in prolongation of the boundary line between lots numbers 8 and 9 in the said concession, and the prolongation thereof northerly, to the northerly limit of the allowance for road between the 3rd and 4th concessions of the said Township of North Oxford; thence along the northerly limit of the allowance for road between the 3rd and 4th concessions easterly, to the easterly limit of the allowance for road, between lots numbers 12 and 13 southerly, to the north-westerly bank of the said river Thames; thence along the said north-westerly bank of the river Thames, up the stream, to a point in prolongation of the aforesaid boundary line between lots numbers 17 and 18 in the broken front of the Township of West Oxford; thence across the said river to the place of beginning.”

Mr. W. G. Warham, D. P. S., has kindly furnished us with the exact number of Acres included in the village, viz:—725 acres in North Oxford, and 997 acres in West Oxford. Total, 1,722 acres.

In Smith's "Canada," the village is thus graphically described:—

“ In entering the County of Oxford from London, the first place you reach is Ingersoll, which is twenty-one miles from London; it is a considerable village, containing about 500 (should be 1000—T. S. S.) inhabitants. It is well situated, the greater part of it being built on the sides and summit of the high gravelly banks of the east branch of the river Thames, which flows through it, and furnishes water to supply one (should be two—T. S. S.) grist mill and two saw mills, a carding machine, and fulling mill. The village also contains a foundry, tannery, distillery, &c., and five churches—Episcopal, Free Church, Wesleyan Methodist, Episcopal Methodist, and Roman Catholic; and has a daily post.”

We had, at much trouble and expense, prepared a rather lengthy history and description of this really flourishing village, which has become, we must, in justice, say, no mean rival to the town of Woodstock; but, for want of room, we have been obliged to leave it, with much other matter, out.

*The Post Office* in this place was the first established in the County, and known until a few months since, by the name of the "Oxford Post office." It was established, January 6th, 1821, and Charles Ingersoll, Esq., was appointed Post-master: James Ingersoll, Esq., in 1834; and Daniel Phelan, Esq., in 1847. The amount of postages received in 1832, was £74 7s 5d: in 1833, £112 0s. 9d.; in 1834, £173 15s, and for the last two years as follows.

LAST YEAR UNDER OLD RATE.		FIRST YEAR OF NEW RATE.	
Quarter, July 4, 1850,	£71 10s 10d.	Quarter, July 5, 1851,	£56 1s. 1d.
" Oct. 5, "	71 14s 1d.	" Oct. 5, "	55 10s 6d
" Jan. 5, 1851,	68 10s 6d.	" Jan. 5, 1852,	55 11s 7d
" Apr. 5, "	81 0s 3½.	" Apr. 5, "	67 8s 10
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£292 15s 8½d		£232 12s 0d	
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*The Village Council.* The first election was held on Monday, 5th January, 1852, at the Royal Exchange Hotel. James McDonald, Esq., Returning Officer, at which election the following gentlemen were elected by the following votes, viz: John Galliford, 82 votes; W. A. Ramsay, 97 votes; Thomas Brown, 72 votes; Charles Parkherst, 68 votes, and James Murdock, 57 votes.

By the Council Edward Dotty, was appointed Treasurer, and James Barrie, village Clerk

*Schools.*—The first Board of School Trustees were elected on Tuesday the 6th day of January, viz: Wm. Barker, Chairman, David Paine, Secretary. John Buchann, Edward Morris, Henry Schofield, and Adam Oliver. Schools 1; Scholars, 150. Charge, per quarter, 2s 6d currency. Teacher, James Izard; Assistant, F. Reynolds.

INGERSOLL & PORT BURWELL PLANK & GRAVEL ROAD.

This Company was formed in September, 1849.

President,—Benjamin VanNorman.

Directors,—Thomas Brown, Ingersoll, Andrew Bodwell Dereham, Martin Hubbard, Bayham, Mr. Francisco, Vienna. No change in Directors since the formation of the Company. R. H. Campbell, Secretary & Treasurer, 1849; James R. Ingersoll, do. 1850 and 1851; J. M. Chapman, do. 1852. Office, village of Ingersoll.

The whole distance of the road is 31 miles, of which 16½ miles is within the county of Oxford. The road is completed to Vienna, a distance of 28 miles, and the remaining 3 miles, from Vienna to Port Burwell, under contract to be completed this present Fall.

The average cost per mile of that portion of the road which is gravelled, is £275, and of that which is planked, £300 per mile.



The number of toll gates already erected is seven; another one will be erected when the road is completed.

The only statement of the amount of Toll received at each of the gates erected, which we have been able to obtain, is for the month of July last, and is as follows, viz:—

No. 1.....	£10 15s. 0d.	No. 2.....	£10 0s. 0d.
" 3.....	10 0s. 0d.	" 4.....	17 5s. 11d.
" 5.....	13 0s. 0d.	" 6.....	22 5s. 0d.
" 7.....	18 0s. 0d.	—making a total of £185 5s. 11d.; at this rate, for the 12 months, would be £2,224 11s. 0d., which would pay for the construction of 8 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles of the road.	

### INGERSOLL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

This Society was formed in 1847. The following were its officers, &c. since:—

YEARS.	PRESIDENT.	SECRETARY AND TREASURER.	DATE OF SHOW.	SUBSCRIP- TIONS.			GOVERN- MENT GRANTS.		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1847	C. E. Chadwick	Elisha Hall	Oct. 20th	27	5	0	.....	.....	.....
1848	C. E. Chadwick	Daniel Phelan	Oct. 12th	40	15	0	.....	.....	.....
1849	Thomas Brown	Daniel Phelan	Oct. 10th	39	10	0	110	0	0
1850	Elisha Hall	Daniel Phelan	Oct. 10th	52	10	0	150	0	0
1851	Thomas Brown	Daniel Phelan	Oct. 9th	50	0	0	88	0	0
1852	John Mathews	Daniel Phelan		77	13	0			

This Society was re-organized under the new Act, and the following Gentlemen were appointed as officers:—John Mathews, president; C. E. Chadwick, vice-president; Daniel Phelan, treasurer; John M. Chapman, secretary; and Thomas Brown, Adolphus Milne, James Henderson, Jacob Choat, W. B. Maybee, Copeland Stinson, George Walker, James Bodwell, and Robert Cameron, directors.

The treasurer of the Society most kindly furnished us with a list of the Prizes which had been awarded for the last four years,\* but it is crowded out, in consequence of the work swelling to a much larger size than was anticipated.

## VILLAGE OF INGERSOLL DIRECTORY.

NAMES AND OCCUPATIONS.	NAMES AND OCCUPATIONS.
<p>Adams, Arthur, laborer                      Adair, David, merchant                      Archer, John, mechanic                      Allen, G. W. mechanic</p> <p>Barnes, Lawrie, yeoman                      Bowel, John, laborer                      Beattie, Wm. merchant                      Barker, Wm. shoemaker                      Barker, Edward, shoemaker                      Brady, John, laborer                      Barry, Wm. tailor                      Byrne, Thos. harness-maker                      Brown, Thomas, tanner                      Barker, Joseph, merchant                      Browett, Joseph, merchant                      Brown, James, baker                      Bunker, Wm. yeoman                      Buchanan, Jon, tinsmith                      Babcock, Geo. millwright                      Bowers, John, clerk                      Brown &amp; Byrne, saddlers                      Burke, Joseph, merchant</p> <p>Cronk, Wm. laborer                      Carnigie, John, yeoman                      Carnigio, Wm. yeoman                      Connought, Charles, bootmaker                      Crotty, Richard, yeoman                      Carroll, R. H. yeoman                      Carroll, D. miller                      Canfield, D., J. P. and clerk D. C.                      Campbell, Homer, mechanic                      Comstock, H. P. yeoman                      Chapman, J. M. druggist                      Carnage, John, farmer                      Course, George, laborer                      Cerrey, Mrs. accouchour</p> <p>Dundis, Edward, shoemaker                      Donaldson, Jacob, wagonmaker                      Dotty, David, blacksmith                      Dotty, Edwin, livery stable keeper                      Dunn, Wm. founder,                      Delaney, Patrick, currier                      Daly, M. innkeeper                      Dunn, J. shoemaker</p>	<p>Evans, Donald, laborer                      Eastwood, Willard, merchant                      Elliott, Thomas                      Evans, Wm. plasterer</p> <p>Fursman, John, wagonmaker                      Fannon, Hugh, laborer                      Fish, John, carpenter                      Farley, James, laborer                      Faulkner, Robt. laborer                      Forbes, George, laborer                      Featherston, William, joiner                      Fowler, James, carpenter                      Fowsett, Thos. laborer                      Fowler, William, laborer</p> <p>Girham, Evan, sawyer                      Gilbert, C. W. minister                      Greig, James, miller                      Gorden, A. tailor                      Goble, John, teamster                      Galliford, Esq., John, bootmaker                      Gunes, James, bricklayer                      Gilchrist, Angus, laborer</p> <p>Haining, Robt. tinsmith                      Holland, John, fiddler                      Haywood, E. painter                      Henderson, John, shoemaker                      Hill, R. P. teamster.                      Hill, David, carpenter                      Holmes, Alex. carpenter                      Hall, C. P. merchant                      Haywood, William, painter                      Hall, Elisha, yeoman                      Houghton, Stephen, laborer                      Hopkins, H. P. saddler                      Howett, John, plasterer                      Harrington, Geo. bricklayer                      Hill, Sylvester, yeoman                      Harris, Lenord, shoemaker</p> <p>Izard, James, teacher                      Ingersoll, James H. yeoman</p> <p>Jessup, Richard, labourer                      Jarvis, G. T. distiller</p>

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Johns, Solomon, cooper Jackson, J. R. merchant James, John, cooper	Poole, Robt. yeoman Peacock, Thos. yeoman Pillton, Willis D. shoemaker Poole, Henry, teamster Powell, John, laborer Parker, C. P. yeoman Parkhurst, Chas. clothier Poole, Sam. tailor Phelan, Daniel, J. P., merchant Patterson, John, innkeeper Paine, David, tailor Philips, Uriah, blacksmith
Knott, Wm. miller Kelley, Robt. shoemaker Kennedy, Peter, Teamster	Quegley, Edmund, lumberer
Linirx, Henry, teamster Lawrance, M. carpenter Lanson, J. W. blacksmith Larkworth, Wm. carpenter Lind, Edwd. shoemaker Leonard, John, tanner Lawrance, John, joiner	Robinson, Eph. chairmaker Ramsey, R. H. founder
Miller, Steph, labourer Mulleron, Alex. blacksmith Merygold Mrs Morrison, John, tailor Moore, Robt. labourer Maiss Peter, miller Maiss, Joseph, labourer Mahoney, Patrick, weaver Murdoock, James, wagonmaker Macklin, John, merchant Mollison, John, mechanic Moore, John, moulder Murray, James, blacksmith Mavor, Edward, carpenter	Shanly, Patrick, laborer Sheady, John, laborer Sheady, R. carpenter Spur, G. A. innkeeper Smith, Wm. wagonmaker Shell, D. carpenter Snelgrove, A. mechanic Steele, Aaron, mechanic Schofield, Henry, blacksmith Smith, L. F. minister
McKenzie, Geo. blacksmith McDowell, Wm. laborer McKenzie, John, tailor McDonald, James, laborer McDonald, John, merchant McDonald, James, merchant McNab, John, merchant McKenzie, J. I. merchant McMullkim, Christ. yeoman McCarthy, James, physician McDonald, Rob. merchant McKay, Marshall, carpenter	Taylor, John, carpenter Tripp, Moses, bailiff
O'Brien, Henry, tailor Owington, Mrs. Oliver, Adam, carpenter	Urwin, John
Phelan & Adsir, merchants Pichard, Hiram, teamster	Venton, Stephen, laborer Vanatter, James, laborer
	Warwick, John, cabinetmaker Walker, John, cooper Welsh, John, lawyer Wilson, David, druggist Webster, G. H. cabinetmaker Weigh, Richard, mechanic Wellfare, Edwd. teamster Walker, James, butcher Webster, George, joiner Wail, John, yeoman Ward, Thomas, laborer Wallace, Robert, minister

## THE TOWNSHIP OF DEREHAM.

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THIS is a large square Township, bounded on the south by the township of Bayham, county of Norfolk; on the east, by the township of Norwich, county of Oxford; on the west, by the township of South Dorchester, county of Middlesex; and on the north, by the township of West Oxford, county of Oxford.

When the first territorial division of the Province was made, (July 16th, 1792,) the township of Dereham formed a part of the County of Norfolk, and was described as follows:—"Lies to the west of, and adjoining to Norwich." A very satisfactory and explicit explanation, surely.

By the Act 38 Geo. III., chapter 5, (1798), the township of Dereham was attached to the County of Oxford.

The first portion of the township was surveyed in 1799, by Mr. Hamley; another portion in 1810, by Mr. Samuel L. Willmot; and a third portion, or rather a *re-survey*, in 1822 (or 1832), by Mr. Russell Mount.

The first lands granted in the township was on the 4th day of September, 1800, as follows:—

John & George Ball.	1st con., lots 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 27, and 28.												
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The first lot sold by the *Government*, was the north half of lot number 12, in the first concession of the township. It was sold on January 22d, 1834, to Stilson Hackett, at 17s. 6d. per acre.

For several years, the township of Dereham was, for township purposes, attached to the township of West Oxford. We have been fortunate enough to find an Assessment Roll, wherein the residents of each township have been kept distinct. The year alluded to is 1825. John Galloway and William Underwood were assessors. The following is an Abstract of the Roll, as far as Dereham is concerned:—

NAMES OF PARTIES ASSESSED.	NO. OF CONCESSION.	NO. OF LOT.	ACRES UNCULTIVATED.	ACRES CULTIVATED.	HORSES.	OXEN.	COWS.	YOUNG CATTLE.
Ira Bishop .....	3	18	---	---	---	1	---	2
Daniel Dopp .....	1	14	71	16	---	2	2	2
Stillman Smith .....	---	---	---	---	---	---	1	---
Henry Dopp .....	---	---	---	---	---	2	---	2
Stillson Hackett .....	1	13	40	10	3	4	3	4
Haron Sinclier .....	1	14	106	4	---	2	1	3
George Turner .....	---	---	---	---	---	2	---	---
James Bodwell .....	1	11	40	11	2	2	6	4
Phineas Colburn .....	1	---	---	---	---	2	---	1
Daniel Deane .....	*	*	487	13	---	2	3	---
George Perry .....	*	*	96	4	---	2	1	---
John Deans .....	*	*	200	---	---	---	---	---
Robert Miller .....	*	*	196	4	---	3	1	1
Philip Gillard .....	*	*	98	2	---	---	---	---
James Merchant .....	*	*	198	2	---	2	1	---
Charles Anson .....	*	*	---	---	---	2	1	---

This township has settled the fastest of any other township in the county. It is a good, well-watered township; the Otter Creek flows through the south-east corner of it. There are twelve saw-mills in the township, two of which are driven by steam-engines of twelve horse power, valued at £5,700; and capable of sawing 3,950,000 feet of lumber per year. There is such a good demand for lumber in the United States, and the convenience for sending it there down the Otter Creek is such, that we have no doubt but what that amount was really sawed in the township last year. We are informed on good authority, that about 4,000,000 ft. in the log was sent last year from the township to the United States. The forepart of this year eight masts were taken from the township to Boston city, which sold for \$2,400. The best one brought \$450. The south part of the township is

\* No return made.

principally pine. The Ingersoll and Port Burwell Plank and Gravel road runs through the township its entire length.

There are two grist mills in the township valued at £1,500 and capable of grinding 50,000 bush. a year. One carding and fulling mill, worth £280; and one large tannery, worked by a 12 horse power steam engine, worth £1500, which turns out 35,000 lbs. leather per annum.

The first school, which we have any official account of, taught in the county, was by Lydia Ronney.

The first township meeting was held in January, 1832; Mr. Harvey Tillon being the first township clerk.

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### W H E A T .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	6,871 bushels,				
1848, 3,441 acres, and	37,818 bushels,	being 11 bushels per acre.			
1850, 3,085 “ “	46,036 “ “	14 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ “			
1852, 3,877 “ “	60,667 “ “	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ “			

### O A T S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	7,499 bushels,				
1848, 800 acres, and	27,219 bushels,	being 34 bushels per acre.			
1850, 1,120 “ “	28,788 “ “	25 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ “			
1852, 1,568 “ “	48,983 “ “	41 “ “			

### B A R L E Y .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	597 bushels.				
1848, 37 acres and	987 bushels,	being 27 bushels per acre.			
1850, 27 “ “	456 “ “	17 “ “			
1852, 37 “ “	797 “ “	21 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ “			

### R Y E .

1842, no return of acres,	109 bushels,	being — bushels per acre.			
1848, 9 acres and	150 “ “	16 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ “			
1850, 2 “ “	20 “ “	10 “ “			
1852, 4 “ “	50 “ “	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ “ “			

### I N D I A N C O R N .

1842, no return of acres,	2,585 bushels.				
1848, 265 acres, and	6,060 bushels,	being 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.			
1850, 197 “ “	4,571 “ “	23 “ “			
1852, 473 “ “	6,567 “ “	14 “ “			

## BUCKWHEAT.

1842, no return of acres, 302 bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.
1848, 20 acres, and	475	" " 23 $\frac{3}{4}$ " "
1850, no return made,	334	" " — " "
1852, 34 acres, and	520	" " 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "

## PEAS.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres, 3,236 bushels,
1850, 618 acres, and 10,161 bushels, being 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ bushels per acre.
1852, 399 " " 10,315 " " 11 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "

## POTATOES.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres 8,671 bushels,
1848, 76 acres, and 8,593 bushels, being 113 bushels per acre,
1850, 68 " " 7,901 " " 116 " "
1852, 152 " " 6,928 " " 43 $\frac{3}{4}$ " "

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

1842, 1,403 sheep, and 4,897lb, being 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb per sheep.
1848, 3,933 " " 9,841lb, " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb "
1850, 3,874 " " 10,039lb, " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb "
1852, 4,315 " " 10,975lb, " 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb "

## HORSES.

1842, 178; 1848, 515; 1850, 641; 1852, 695; See page 60.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1842, 1,666; 1848, 2,908; 1850, 3,211; 1852, 3,865.

## MILCH COWS.

1840, 358; 1850, .....; 1852, 1,491.

## HOGS.

1842, 1,011; 1848, 2,247; 1850, 1,965; 1852, 2,985.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842, 25,972lb; 1848, 56,669lb; 1850, 78,118lb; 1852, 48,402.

## HAY.

1850, 1,769 tons; 1852, 2,632 tons.

## FULLED CLOTH.

1842, 661 yards; 1848, 2,417 yards; 1852, 1823 yards.

## FLANNEL.

1842, 2,121 yds.; 1848, 6,600 yds.; 1850, 8,819 yds.; 1852, 1,602 yds.

TOWNSHIP OF DEREHAM COUNCIL.

1850.

Benjamin Van Norman, Reeve.

William Smith, Jacob Glover, Robert Stroud, James Bodwell.

ASSESSORS.

Adam Tripp, William Hall, and Charles G. Cody.

Collector, Charles G. Cody.

Charles E. Chadwick, Clerk and Treasurer.

1851.

George Leash, Reeve.

William Smith, Charles Hawkins, Jacob Glover, George Quartimas.

Assessors, Charles C. Cody and Matthias Millard.

Collector, Andrew Smart.

Charles E. Chadwick, Clerk and Treasurer.

1852.

Charles Hawkins, Reeve.

William Smith, George Quartimas, W. Nisbet, Moses Hadcock.

Assessor, William Hall.

Collector, Andrew Smart.

Charles E. Chadwick, Clerk and Treasurer.



**LIST OF OFFICERS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF DEREHAM, &C., SINCE THE FIRST  
FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BROCK.**

YEAR.	TOWN CLERKS.	ASSESSORS.	COLLECTORS.	TOTAL ASSESSED VALUE.	TOTAL TAXES LEVIED.
1840	Benj. VanNorman,	Robert Stroud,	Robert Stroud,	£ 8,081 4 0	£ 84 4 6
1841	James Bodwell,	"	"	9,004 4 0	93 4 2
1842	"	Andrew Bodwell,	Eliphat Bodwell,	11,300 11 0	175 2 9
1843	Jesse S. Woodward,	Peter Smith,	Peter Smith,	12,325 9 0	248 19 7
1844	"	Robert Stroud,	Robert Stroud,	14,040 3 6	168 2 1
1845	Charles G. Cody,	Wm. C. Darrow,	William C. Darrow,	16,323 9 0	173 9 5
1846	"	Isaac Hadcock,	Alvin Hill,	20,529 19 5	280 3 6
1847	Jesse S. Woodward,	Charles G. Cody,	Charles G. Cody,	22,378 17 0	233 8 5
1848	"	"	"	25,113 6 0	319 15 6
1849	"	"	"	27,011 3 0	338 0 3
1850	Charles E. Chadwick,	"	"	32,039 0 0	£100 6 10
1851	"	"	Andrew Smart,	† 171,636 0 0	£228 17 6
1852	"	William Hall.	"	† 180,047 0 0	£223 19 0

YEARS.	MUNICI- PAL SCH'L GRANT.	LEGISLAT. SCHOOL GRANT.	AMOUNT				TOT. AM'NT.		CHILDREN		NO. SCHOOL SECTIONS.	NO. SCHOOLS OPERATION.	AVERAGE MONTHS TAUGHT.		
			RAIS'D BY		PAID TO		FROM 5 TO 16								
			£	s	d	£	s	d	TAU'T.	NOT TAU'T.					
1844	46 3	2 43 1 6	£	37	10	0	£	113	19	1	285	189	12	10	74
1845	61 9	5 63 19 8	£	62	15	7	£	155	2	4	316	227	12	9	7½
1846	64 0	5 53 6 6	£	35	16	11	£	153	14	8	279	289	14	9	3½
1847	63 13	6 54 17 3	£	162	16	8	£	407	2	8	377	188	13	13	6
1848	59 12	2 52 9 3	£	65	14	10	£	197	12	10	417	226	13	12	6½
1849	64 9	10 50 3 0	£	115	6	6	£	228	5	9	591	197	14	12	7½
1850	49 10	0 48 2 3	£	160	4	9	£	255	17	4	650	218	15	12	7
1851	90 14	5 63 16 6	£	39	1	7	£	282	0	0	657	193	15	12	8
1852	79 15	0 72 2 5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	706	394	—	—	—

**TOWNSHIP OF DEREHAM'S "RUIN AND DECAY."**

	1820	1830	1840	1848	1850	1851	1852	WHOLE OF COUNTY. 1820
Population, ..	¶ ..	329	776	2,463	2,839	¶ ..	3,644	1,522
Occupied, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	15,058	37,267	43,775	52,838	54,492	39,822
Cultivated, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	2,275	8,432	11,257	¶ ..	11,902	7,148
Non-resid't, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	14,562	12,908	¶ ..
Non-resid't, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	£14,663	£12,246	¶ ..
Personal, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	£16,233	£17,132	¶ ..
Real, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	£140,739	£150,669	¶ ..
Total, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	£8,984	25,113	£32,039	† 171,636	† 180,047	£26,967
Framed, 1 story,	¶ ..	¶ ..	11	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	146	55
Brick and Stone, 1 story,	¶ ..	¶ ..	1	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	6	¶ ..
F., Brick, & Stone, 2 stories	¶ ..	¶ ..	2	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	22	5
Taxes lev'd,	¶ ..	¶ ..	£84 4s	329 15	117 4 4	§ 228 17 6	§ 223 19 6	£235 3s
M. Cows, ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	368	¶ ..	¶ ..	¶ ..	1,491	993

\*And Adam Tripp and William Hall.

† Valued according to the new Assessment Act.

‡ County Rate only.

§ By the Census Return.

¶ No returns.

## TOWNSHIP OF "OXFORD UPON THE THAMES."

WHAT is now West, East and North Oxford, was called until very recently in all the Acts of Parliament in which they were alluded to, *Oxford upon the Thames*. It was so described at the first territorial formation of the County of Oxford, (January 1st, 1800,) which township was thus described by Surveyor General Smith, in 1799:—"It lies southward of Dundas-st., where the western end of that road meets the upper forks of the River la Tranche" (Thames). Under this head, therefore, we propose giving a brief\* chapter.

Blenheim, Blandford, and part of Oxford upon the Thames, were the first townships which were surveyed in the County. They were surveyed by Mr. Augustus Jones, in 1793, the next year after the arrival of the first Upper Canada governor.

In the old Township book, we found the following explicit and minute minute of a meeting:—"March, 1800—A Town meeting was held." A similar minute is made for several years after. We have not, in consequence, been able to collect any information from the Township books, and it is rather defective what we have obtained elsewhere, but are sure it is correct, what is given.

The following list gives the names of some of the Township officers:—

Y'rs.	Town clerks.	Assessors.	Assessors.	Collectors.
1811	Archibald Burtch	Archibald Burtch	Ely Harris	Arch'd Burtch
1812	"	Ely Harris	David Curtis	"
1813	Wm. McCartney	Joel Piper	John Catroll	Isaac Burdick
1815	"	Eleazor Scott	Isaac Burdick	"
1816	Alanson Tousley	Abel Thornton	Alanson Tousley	Horatio Lewis
1817	Alanson Tousley	Calvin Thornton	Henry Carroll	Calvin Martin
1818	Alanson Tousley	Samuel Lewis	Benjamin Loonis	Wm. McCartney
1819	James Carroll	Marvel White	Isaac Burdick	Calvin Martin
1822	"	Solomon King	Gilbert Harris	"
1824	"	Wm. McCartney	Elisha Harris	"
1825	Isaac Carroll	John Galloway	Wm. Underwood	Heman James
1826	"	Thos. Ingersoll	Jeremiah Finck	"
1827	Isaac Carroll	Robt. Allway	James Harris	Roswell King

We give below a copy of the Assessment Roll, as far as the *names of the landholders and householders*, the *quantity of land*, and the number of the *horses, oxen, and cows*, are concerned, for the year 1812, which is the latest *authentic* roll we could, after much search, find. On the roll there are no

\* We had prepared a lengthy chapter respecting this, the most interesting township of the County, but have been obliged to withhold it in consequence of the size this work has already swelled to.

"merchant's shops" nor "mills," and the only taxable house, one of Mr. Delight Hoskins. He certainly had good reason to be delight(ed) with his proud position.

It should also be borne in mind that, with the exception of a few persons in a very small settlement in the Township of Blenheim, the below embraces the *whole inhabitants, &c., of the entire County of Oxford at that period.*

Names.	Uncultivated Land.	Cultivated Land.	Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.
Peter McNames	47	3	..	..	1
John McNames	38	14	2	..	1
Silas Williams	48	2	1	..	2
John Carroll	150	50	3	2	7
James Carroll	80	20	3	..	3
Edwd Topping	200	..	2	..	..
Alex. Graham	26	4	1	..	1
Deligh Hoskins	43	22	2	2	3
Geo. Nichols	30	10	..	..	1
Freeman Burdick	45	5	1	2	..
Wm. Cook	48	12	..	..	4
Thos. Douling	40	10	2	3	2
Sam. Sage	40	10	3	4	3
Iehabode Hall	325	75	3	4	3
Sam. Camfield	585	15	1	2	3
Christopher Kern	660	40	3	2	3
David Lick	90	10	2	..	4
Jonathan Wright	180	20	1	2	2
Henry Wolsey	50	..	..	..	1
Nicholas Brink	480	20	2	..	5
Wm. Reynolds	89	15	1	..	2
Enoch Burdock	50	20	1	..	2
James Janes	..	15	1	..	2
Joel Piper	92	8	1	2	4
Peter Taylor	48	12	1	2	1
Cabel Burdoek	50	8	1	2	3
Zacharah Burtch	170	30	1	2	4
Levi Luddington	180	20	1	2	4
Elezr. Scott	90	20	1	2	5
Williard Sage	155	20	1	2	3
Wm. Scott	40	4	..	..	2
Allen Sage	90	10	1	..	4
Jacob Carroll	40	10	1	..	2
Isaac Burdock	51	9	..	3	2
Daniel Dodge	79	16	2	..	3
Luther Hoskins	350	50	2	..	5
John Youngs	284	15	1	2	3
Sykes, Townley	150	50	3	2	7
Dalour, Taylor	44	6	..	2	2

Names.	Uncultivated Land.		Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.	Names.	Uncultivated Land.		Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.
	Acres.	Roods.					Acres.	Roods.			
Vernam Mathows,	188	12	1	1	2	Daniel Harris,	36	4	2	1	2
Robt. Clark	182	18	2	2	2	James P. Harris,	39	11	1	1	2
John B. Free	100	1	1	1	1	Elijah Harris,	41	9	1	1	1
Arch. Burtch,	94	6	1	1	2	Gilbert Harris,	92	8	1	1	1
Levi Babbitt,	86	15	1	1	1	Peter Teeple	8	2	2	2	4
Benj. Loomis,	84	16	1	1	4	William Hill	77	3	2	1	2
James Graham	84	16	2	1	2	Duty Underwood	47	3	1	2	2
Heman Jones	90	10	1	1	1	Abraham Canfield	580	20	2	2	3
Jonathan Spraggo	190	10	1	2	1	Mathew Choates	37	9	1	1	1
Hiram Sales	88	12	1	1	1	Jacob Choates,	194	6	1	2	1
Calvin Martin	116	1	1	2	1	Jacob Karne,	195	5	1	1	3
Ely Harris	60	60	1	4	6	David Curtis	120	30	1	2	2
Sylvester Daggert	80	20	2	1	1						

In 1816, there were the following additions:—

Names.	Uncultivated Land.		Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.	Names.	Uncultivated Land.		Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.
	Acres.	Roods.					Acres.	Roods.			
Jeremiah Finck	80	60	2	1	2	Cooper Pecksley	34	10	1	1	1
Nicholas Brinek	485	15	2	1	3	Jno. Mudge	200	70	4	2	1
Wm. McCarthy	40	20	3	2	2	Wm. Underwood	45	5	1	1	1
Eve Hall	365	85	1	4	8	Daniel Carroll	30	15	1	1	1
Cabel Piper	7	7	1	1	3	Ruth Marks	264	20	1	1	1
Sam. Lewis	42	8	2	1	4	John Harris	42	8	1	1	1
Ebenezer Cook	40	60	2	2	4	Warren Daggert	90	10	1	1	1
John Galloway	60	40	3	1	5	Jacob Wood	32	18	1	1	2
Simon Maybell	36	24	2	2	4	Mary Taylor	85	15	2	1	1
Comfort Sage	41	6	1	1	1	Walter Brown	197	3	2	1	1
Henry Carroll	100	20	2	1	2	Isaac McNames	240	40	1	1	1
Wm. Carroll	88	12	1	2	2	Isaac Edwards	100	1	1	1	1
James Fuller	27	2	2	1	2	Marshall White	200	1	2	4	1
Samuel Cook	100	1	1	1	1	Abm. Carroll	95	5	1	1	1
Sturm Mather	75	1	1	1	1	George Karn	200	20	1	1	1
Samuel Sage	40	25	1	1	1	A. Towsley	40	25	1	2	3
Alex. Thornton	75	25	2	1	2	Alanson Towsley	40	25	1	1	1

Notwithstanding a first settlement in the county was commenced in Blenheim two years before one was attempted in Oxford, the latter one may be justly called the first settlement of the county: Oxford was, as it were, the nucleus around which the entire county was settled. We had, at much trouble, collated a somewhat lengthy history of its settlement, but have been compelled, for want of room, to suppress it. Mr. Gourley, in 1818, thus reported it:—"It commenced settling in 1796; in 1817, it had 530 of a population, and 76 inhabited houses. No place of worship; 1

Baptist minister; 1 grist mill, and 2 saw mills. Worth of a horse, £16 5s.; of a cow, £6 5s.; of an ox, £10; of a sheep, 15s.; of a lb of wool, 2s. 6d.; butter, 11d.  $\frac{3}{4}$  lb. Price of land, in 1800, 2s. 6d.  $\frac{3}{4}$  acre, and in 1817, 12s. 6d." By the Act 33 Geo. III., chap. 3, it is enacted, "That when any township shall not contain 30 inhabitant householders, it shall not be lawful for the justices to issue their warrant for calling a (township) meeting therein, but the said inhabitants shall be joined to, and taken as inhabitants of, the township adjacent." This accounts for the three Oxforas being in one township for a number of years. North Oxford became detached on 1st January, 1842, but we have not been able, after much search, to find out when East Oxford did. It was between 1820 and 1822, we think. The only person who could give us this information writes that he has not time to make the search.

## THE TOWNSHIP OF WEST OXFORD.

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This township is triangular in shape, and entirely surrounded by townships belonging to the county of Oxford. It is bounded on the east by the township of East Oxford; on the south by the township of Dereham; and on the north-west by the township of North Oxford, from which it is divided by the river Thames. The townships of North Oxford and East Oxford were formerly attached to this township; the former was detached in 1842 and the latter, we think, between 1820 and 1822.

At the first territorial formation of the county, (1798) West Oxford formed one of its townships.

In 1820, the three Oxforas, the whole of the townships of Zorra and Nissouri were assessed together, at which time their united population amounted to 719 souls. The same territory now has 14,914 souls.

The township was partly surveyed in 1793, by Mr. Augustus Jones, and partly by Mr. Mahlon Burwell, in 1825.

The following lands were granted by the Crown previous to 1850, viz:—

Thos. Dexter,	Dec. 1, 1798,	2nd con., 6th lot.
Saml. Confield, jun.	“ 31, “	1st con., 29th lot.
Luther Haskins,	“ “ “	“ “ 7th lot.
James Hopkins,	“ “ “	2d con., 4th lot.
Eliza Scott,	“ “ “	3d con., 18th lot.
Saml. Confield,	Dec. 31, 1798,	29, B. Front.
Allen Sage,	Mar. 30, 1799,	12, B. Front.

The first lot sold by the Government, was the 9th lot, 1st con. It was sold to Mr. Nicholas Brink, at 15s. per acre, on the 1st day of May, 1830.

The second lot registered in the county, was in this township, viz:— December, 22, 1800, lot 6th, 2d con. Thos. Dexter and wife, of the township of Berton, District of Niagara, to Luther Haskins.

To Major Ingersoll\* was entrusted the settling of the township. He and Benjamin Loomis were the first that moved in, which was in 1793. Ichabod Hall,† Eebenezzer Cook, — Canfield, Luther Haskins, and Capt. David Curtis, in the following year. The first white child born in the township was in 1801. Maj. Ingersoll brought with him two cows, which were the first brought into the township, and in all probability, the first into the county. James Burdick, Esq., erected the first mill in the township, (a small one, 16 feet square, which stood where Centreville now stands,) in or about 1805. In 1810 it came into the possession of Mr. Andrew Westbrook, who just be-

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\* The father of our much respected townsman, James Ingersoll, Esq., Registrar.

† The father of Eliza Hall, Esq., of Ingersoll.

fore the war "ran away" and left it. In 1812 or 1813, in the capacity of an American General, he came over the lines with some two or three hundred men, and amongst other *valiant* acts, burnt this mill. We have in our possession a letter from this General, in which he threatens something of the kind if certain unreasonable requests were not granted. The British Government paid the owner for the loss of this mill.

We have in our possession a copy of Mr. Joseph Willcock's newspaper, *The Guardian*, published at the town of Niagara, Saturday, September 11th, 1811, in which we find three advertisements from West Oxford.\*

The first is a notice, dated July 6, 1811, of Luther Hoskins, and Nicholas Brink, Executors of Eliza Hoskins, calling upon all persons indebted, &c., &c.

The second is as follows:

"Ran away from the subscriber an indentured apprentice, named Elijah James. Whoever will take up said runaway, and return him to me, shall receive ten dollars reward, and all necessary charges paid. West Oxford, May 15, 1811.

JACOB CHOATE.

The third is of a nature that for the credit of the parties, we do not copy:

The same paper, under the head of "The latest news," informs its readers that "the King remained much the same as per last advices," and that "Capt. Moore states that an embargo was momentarily expected to be laid on all American vessels in British ports," which news left England, June 30th, and New York, August 2nd.

On the 24th of Dec., 1817, a public was held in a log school house,† situated on Lot No. 13, 1st Con., West Oxford: "For the purpose of taking into consideration the propriety of answering certain queries, proposed by Robert Gourlay." The chair was occupied by Peter Teeple, Esq., and amongst others, the following answers were unanimously given:—

"9th, Soil—A dark loam surface, level and extremely well watered."

"10th, Timber—Maple, Beech, Elm, Ash, Baswood, Pine, Cherry, Oak, and Butternut."

"22nd, Sleighing two months. Plowing commences 1st April."

"24th, Pasture good—an ox will gain one-fourth in a summer's run; the quality of the dairy produce is good."

"26, Land sometimes let on shares; the owner of the land receives one-third of the crops in the field when harvested."

"31, We consider that a want of persons of ability to purchase the lands in the township, and becoming actual settlers, is what principally retards the improvement of the same." The whole lands of the township are of the very best quality and nearly all settled.

There are six saw mills in the township, unitedly worth £1,350, and capable of sawing 1,150,000 feet per year. There are no grist mills.

According to the return of the Crown Land Office, there are 23,000 acres in the township, which includes the 997 acres taken therefrom, to form a portion of the village of Ingersoll. But by the assessors return, there

\* The Town of Niagara is 100 miles from West Oxford, and at this time there was only a "blazed road" between the two places. A very convenient advertising medium surely.

† Long since rotted down.

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are 26,631 acres, *not* including Ingersoll, making a difference between the two returns of 3,828 acres. This discrepancy we have endeavoured to account for on page 50.

Not knowing the exact year East Oxford was detached, we cannot give a copy of the assessment roll, for the first year afterwards. We therefore give a copy of the one for 1824, as far as the names of landholders, and the quantities of land occupied, &c., are concerned:—

Names.	Concession.			Names.	Concession.				
	Lot.	Uncultivat.	Cultivat.		Lot.	Uncultivat.	Cultivat.		
Calvin Martin, .....	3	6	200	25	Jacob Karn, .....	BF 1	160	40	
Welcome Yale,* .....	1	6	.....	1	Willard Sage, .....	1	13	135	40
Daniel Fuller,* .....	1	6	.....	1	David Curtis, .....	1	12	90	60
Daniel Lick, .....	1	5	50	50	Isaac Carroll, .....	BF 12	65	60	
Joseph Dodge,* .....	1	4	40	60	John Youngs, .....	BF 8	99	80	
Sylvester Roxford* .....	1	3	100	.....	Solomon King,* .....	1	8	65	35
Luther Hoskins, .....	1	7	324	80	Thomas Ingersoll, ..	1	20	85	10
Henry Carroll, .....	BF 12	115	60	60	Ebenezer Cook, .....	2	19	130	50
Abraham Canfield, .....	BF 10	180	20	20	Wm. Reynolds, .....	2	14	60	40
Robt. Allway,* .....	2	3	175	65	Michael Tripp,* .....	1	16	170	30
Munson Cook,* .....	BF 5	59	8	8	Wm. Herrick,* .....	3	19	15	5
Christopher Karn, .....	BF 6	357	50	50	Wm. Kennedy,* .....	4	16	146	12
Wm. Carroll, .....	BF 5	110	40	40	Peter Hagle,* .....	3	19	35	25
Thos. Tracey,* .....	BF 4	80	20	20	Nicholas French,* ..	3	19	84	16
Gilbert Harris, .....	2	18	50	20	Jacob Wood, .....	1	14	24	20
Elisha Harris, .....	7	19	25	25	John Galloway, .....	2	14	25	75
Wm. Hill, .....	2	19	69	50	Heman Jones, .....	2	12	65	35
Comfort Sage, .....	1	14	30	20	Joel Piper, .....	2	12	68	32
Simon Maybee, .....	2	13	165	30	Sylvester Daggart, ..	2	9	70	30
Nicholas Brink, .....	1	10	155	45	Joshua Brink, .....	BF 3	88	12	
Peter Spoonover,* .....	1	13	70	30	James Harris, .....	1	19	145	55
Samuel Lewis, .....	3	18	10	30	Daniel Hannis,* .....	2	18	30	70
Wm. Underwood, .....	1	17	35	15	Elisha Habbis,* .....	1	17	80	40
John Stevens,* .....	1	23	300	100	Robert Conison,* .....	2	16	70	30
Geo. Nickolds, .....	1	15	65	35	Chas. Ingersoll, Esq. BF 20	570	100		
Daniel Carroll, .....	BF 19	60	40	40	Willard Scott, .....	1	14	92	45
Henry Swart, * .....	1	23	185	15	Wm. McCarthney, .....	1	15	81	50
Peter Teeple, Esq., .....	BF 15	138	40	40	Samuel Canfield, .....	1	18	190	50

We accidentally found a School report, of a School kept in West Oxford, by Mr. Rufus Foster, in the year 1825. The names of the scholars, who attended the school, we publish below, thinking it may be interesting to some parties in the township.

Lavina Carroll, Martha McCarthney, Cyrus McCarthney, Justus Reynolds, Abigail E. Foster, Rufus Foster, Wm. Galloway, Zachariah Sage, Horace Foster, James McCarthney, James Sage, Mary Stephens, Lydia Piper, Fanny

\* Those marked thus must have settled in the Township between 1816 and 1824, as their names do not appear in the list on pages 34 and 35.



A. Nicholds, Lucy Sage, Charles Hess, Sarah Reynolds, Phoebe Curtis, Danl. Curtis, jr., Ebenezer Galloway, Enoch Sage, Mary Sage, Avery Scrambling, Fred Scrambling, Jane McCarthney. Trustees, Willard Sage, Wm. Reynolds, & Henry Carroll. School open from May 16th till Aug. 16th.

There was a Sabbath School commenced July 1st., 1827, by Mr. Willard Scott, on the 1st. Sept. he reported that he had 15 scholars, and that they had committed to memory 3069 verses, as follows:—Lydia Piper, 563; Lucy Jones, 449 verses; Ruby Jones, 392, verses; Isaac Piper, 364 verses; Lobina Wood, 308 verses; H. Laura Jones, 172 verses; E. Laura Jones, 167 verses; Esther Piper, 167 verses; Wm. Galloway, 126 verses; Levi Sage, 124 verses; Solomon Wood, 77 verses; Abigail Jones, 63 verses; Nelson Jones, 61 verses; and Allen Sage, 18 verses.

#### W H E A T .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	10,132 bushels.
1848, 2,559 acres, and	24,019 bushels, being $9\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1850, 2,972 “ “	29,510 “ “ $6\frac{1}{2}$ “ “
1852,* 1,543 “ “	33,321 “ “ $21\frac{1}{2}$ “ “

#### O A T S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	16,370 bushels.
1848, 913 acres, and	25,898 bushels, being $28\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1850, 988 “ “	21,374 “ “ $21\frac{1}{2}$ “ “
1852,* 927 “ “	30,911 “ “ $33\frac{1}{4}$ “ “

#### P E A S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	3,002 bushels.
1850, 557 acres, and	7,499 bushels, being $13\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1852,* 664 “ “	13,985 “ “ 21 “ “

#### B A R L E Y .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	1,491 bushels.
1848, 64 acres and	1,335 bushels, being 21 bushels per acre.
1850, 103 “ “	1,320 “ “ $12\frac{1}{2}$ “ “
1852,* 51 “ “	1,118 “ “ 22 “ “

\* Ingersoll was detached January, 1st, 1852.

## R Y E .

1842, no return of acres, 419 bushels, being — bushels per acre.
1848, 114 acres and 1,739 “ “ 15½ “ “
1850, 36 “ “ 354 “ “ 9½ “ “
1852,* 28 “ “ 455 “ “ 16 “ “

## I N D I A N C O R N .

1842, no return of acres, 839 bushels.
1848, 104 acres, and 2,486 bushels, being 24 bushels per acre.
1850, 93 “ “ 2,379 “ “ 25½ “ “
1852,* 139 “ “ 3,335 “ “ 24 “ “

## B U C K W H E A T .

1842, no return of acres, 251 bushels, being — bushels per acre.
1848, 42 acres, and 733 “ “ 17½ “ “
1850, no return made, 565 “ “ — “ “
1852,* 22 acres, and 370 “ “ 17 “ “

## P O T A T O E S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres, 9,674 bushels.
1848, 78 acres, and 7,745 bushels, being 99½ bushels per acre.
1850, 62 “ “ 6,830 “ “ 110 “ “
1852,* 86 “ “ 5,694 “ “ 66 “ “

## S H E E P &amp; W O O L .

The following will show the number and quantity:—

1842, 2,024 sheep, and 4,118lb, being 2lb per sheep.
1848, 4,169 “ “ 10,564lb, “ 2½lb “
1850, 3,920 “ “ 11,348lb, “ 2¾lb “
1852,* 3,311 “ “ 7,736lb, “ 2½lb “

## H O R S E S .

1830, 168;† 1842, 369; 1848, 599; 1850, 623; 1852,\* 519.

## N E A T C A T T L E .

1830, 956; 1842, 1,574; 1848, 2,002; 1850, 2,072; 1852,\* 1,751.

## M I L C H C O W S .

1830, 443; 1840, 551; 1848, . . . . ; 1850, . . . . ; 1852,\* 843.

## H O G S .

1842, 1,147; 1848, 1,780; 1850, 1,907; 1852,\* 1,370.

## M A P L E S U G A R .

1842, 19,587lb; 1848, 31,222lb; 1850, 32,140lb; 1852,\* 17,790.

\* Ingersoll was detached January 1st, 1862.

† Three years old and upwards.

## HAY.

1850, 1,129 tons; 1852,\* 1,360 tons.

## FULLED CLOTH.

1842, 1,121 yards; 1848, 1,670 yards; 1852,\* 604 yards.

## FLANNEL.

1842, 2,253 yds.; 1848, 6,191 yds.; 1850, 4,458 yds.; 1852,\* 1,412 yds.

## TOWNSHIP OF WEST OXFORD COUNCIL.

1850.

Benjamin Thornton, Reeve.

John McDonald, W. B. Maybee, Charles Mason, &amp; David Canfield.

Assessors, Wm. Hook, Senr., John Youngs, Senr., Alexr. McDonald.

Collector, Alexander McDonald.

David Curtes, Clerk, and D. Doty, Treasurer.

1851.

John McDonald, Reeve.

Benjamin Thornton, D. Canfield, W. B. Maybee, John Gallaford  
Assessors, Charles Parkhurst, Edmund Deedes, James Galloway.

Collector, Sylvester Sage.

James Berry, Clerk, D. Doty, Treasurer.

1852.

Charles Mason, Reeve.

W. B. Maybee, Thomas Holcroft, Jacob Topping, Thomas Elliott.

Assessors, Benjamin Thornton, Jonathan Jarvis, Jacob Chott.

James Berry, Clerk.

\* Ingersoll was detached, January 1st, 1852.

**LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &C., SINCE THE FIRST FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BROCK.**

Years.	Town Clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1840	David Canfield	Willard Scott	Willard Scott	25,437	2	0	239	4	4
1841	David Canfield	Willard Scott	Willard Scott	26,962	15	0	254	14	7
1842	David Canfield	Willard Scott	Willard Scott	20,894	5	0	261	13	6
1843	David Canfield	Willard Scott	Willard Scott	23,004	9	4	377	17	1
1844	David Canfield	John McDonald	John McDonald	24,616	4	2	203	10	5
1845	John Youngs	John McDonald	John McDonald	25,275	6	0	181	9	2
1846	David Canfield	Alex. McDonald	Alex. McDonald	26,824	2	8	251	7	4
1847	John Youngs	Alex. McDonald	Alex. McDonald	28,910	14	10	178	17	1
1848	John Youngs	Alex. McDonald	Alex. McDonald	31,476	2	6	349	4	1
1849	Darius Doty	Alex. McDonald	Alex. McDonald	33,193	3	10	338	11	7
1850	David Curtis	William Hook	Alex. McDonald	36,099	10	0	611	12	11
1851	James Barrie	Chas. Parkhurst	Sylvester Sage	43,467	0	0	619	5	9
1852	James Barrie	Benj. Thornton	Not appointed	112,932	0	0	613	2	3

**SCHOOL STATISTICS.**

Years	Municipal School Grant			Legislative School Grant			Amount Raised by Rate Bill			Total Amount Paid To Teachers		Children between 5 and 16.		No. Sch'l Sections	No. Sch'l Operation	Average Months Taught.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Taught.				Not Taught	
																		Children between 5 and 16.
1344	63	12	5	63	12	5	22	4	11	127	3	9	309	151	6	6	8½	
1345	61	13	8	52	7	9	67	15	8	183	14	5	323	250	9	8	8	
1846	55	17	7	51	15	0	142	2	2	248	5	10	410	199	9	9	8½	
1847	62	0	0	0	57	11	10	109	14	2	249	14	0	374	296	8	5	10
1848	60	0	0	1	55	19	11	77	5	10	230	3	8	511	366	8	5	9½
1849	61	0	0	0	46	14	6	185	17	6	280	10	5	463	250	7	6	10
1850	75	2	4	65	19	3	88	19	9	253	7	8	457	176	6	5	9½	
1851	75	16	8	48	15	0	123	1	5	289	5	1	577	173	6	6	—	
1852	41	5	0	37	9	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	e 280	e 235	—	—	—	

a North Oxford attached.      b County Rate only.      c According to New Assessment Act.  
 d Ingersoll was detached, and became a municipality.      e By Census R return.

**WEST OXFORD'S "RUIN AND DECAY."**

	West and North Oxford until divided.			West Oxford & Ingersoll		West Oxford	Whole Co.
	1820	1830	1840	1850	1851	1852	1820
Population,	165	544	1,277	2,536	a	1,894	1,522
Occupied,	8,500	18,320	27,144	20,301	22,924	24,501	39,822
Cultivated,	1,870	4,079	6,026	5,067	a	8,165	7,148
Non-resident,	a	a	a	a	3,783	2,130	a
Non-resident,	a	a	a	a	L12,091	L5,616	a
Personal,	a	a	a	a	L19,700	L13,407	a
Real,	a	a	a	a	L111,676	L93,909	a
Total,	L6,930	L15,390	L25,437	L36,100	dL143,467	dL112,932	L26,967
Fram'd Istory	19	45	100	a	a	164	55
Br'k & stone							
1 storey,	"	"	3	a	a	11	a
F., B., & S.,							
2 storeys,	3	10	27	b	a	30	5
Taxes levied,	L46 18	L101 18	L239 4	L181 17 5	bL195 9 10	dL132 13 8	L235 2 0
Milch Cows,	204	443	662	a	a	843	939

a No return.      b County Tax only.      d Valued under the new Act.

## THE TOWNSHIP OF EAST OXFORD.

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The township of East Oxford is bounded on the east by the township of Burford (county of Brant); on the north, by the township of Blandford (divided therefrom by the Government road, which is Macadamized); on the west, by the township of West Oxford; and, on the north, by the township of Norwich (all of the county of Oxford).

In the first territorial formation of the county (January 1st, 1800), it formed a part thereof, but was attached to West Oxford.

By the Act 38 Geo. III., chap. 3 (1793), it is provided, "That when any township shall contain over 30 inhabitant householders, it shall be lawful for such township to elect officers, &c.; and such as have not that number, to be attached to the adjoining township."

Under the authority of this Act the township became detached from West Oxford, between the years 1820 and 1822. We have not been able to find out the exact year.

In 1820, East, West, and North Oxford were united, and were, together with the whole of Nissouri and Zorra, assessed together, at which period they had a population of 719 souls. The same territory now has 14,914 souls.

This is a really splendid township; perhaps, the best in the county. There is little or no waste lands, and the timber entirely hard wood, well watered, and few or no swamps. The Great Western Railroad runs through nearly the entire township, running most of the way parallel with the Government road, about 40 chains from it.

The township was surveyed by Mr. Augustus Jones, in 1793.

Mr. Abraham Canfield, the first settler, came in in 1793 or 1794.

The following lots were granted between the time of its survey and 1800:—

Wm. Tulley . . . .	Dec. 28, 1759.	6th con., lots 6, 7, and E. $\frac{1}{2}$ 8,	500 acres.	
Thos. Merritt . . . .	{	" 31, "	2nd " " 1 . . . . .	200 "
		" " "	4th " " 3, 10, and 17 . . . . .	600 "
		" " "	6th " " 2 and 9 . . . . .	400 "
Gordon Tiffney . . . .	{	" " "	7th " " 5 . . . . .	200 "
		" " "	4th " " 12 and 13 . . . . .	400 "
Sylvester Tiffney . . . .	" " "	5th " " 12 and 13 . . . . .	400 "	
Samuel Street . . . .	{	July, 1798.	3rd con., lots 17, 18, and 19 . . . . .	600 "
		" " "	4th " " 14, 15, 18, and 19, 800 "	600 "
Patty M. Peters . . . .	Oct. 23, 1798.	2nd con., lots 7, 8, and 9 . . . . .	600 "	

The first lot *sold by the Government*, was the east half of No. 9, in the 1st Concession. It was sold to John Phelan, November 12, 1832, at 10s. per acre.

The first deed registered (the sixth in the County) was on April 20, 1802. A deed from Sylvester Tiffney to William and James Crooks, Lot 12, 5th Concession, 200 acres.

According to the return made by the Crown Land Office, there are 32,200 acres in the township, which includes three lots and a half of the north-west corner, now belonging to the town of Woodstock. The assessors return 33,815 acres, not including Woodstock, shewing a difference between the two returns of 2,315 acres.

In 1850, the Town Council erected a good sized town-hall at the expense of £215. Messrs. White & Dixon, of Woodstock, were the contractors. It is situated on Lot No. 12, 4th Concession.

The Woodstock and Norwich Plank and Gravel Road runs along the west quarter town line of the township.

On Lot 9, 1st Concession, (just at the point where the Brantford Plank road intersects the Government road,) is the best saw mill in the County, erected and owned by Messrs. Vansittart & Cattel. It is wrought by a 35 horse power steam engine, has three upright and six circular saws, two turning lathes, and one planing machine. Sold last year, 1,500,000 feet of lumber, and has sawed 15,000 feet in twelve hours. Worth £1,600.

Attached to the saw mill, and worked by the same engine, is a custom grist mill, capable of grinding thirty bushels per hour. Worth £400.

In July last, a "Farmers' Association" was formed in the township. Geo. Alexander, Esq., President; Henry Peers, Vice-President; L. C. Teeple, Secretary; John Vroman, Treasurer; and Wm. Burgess, Wm. Peers, Wm. Garbett, Peter Lampman, John Greer, jun., Wm. Pooling, Robt. Vandecar, James Falkner, John Rutledge, Hirah Spragg, Stephen Cook, James Pettitt, John Guild, Wm. Chambers, Thos. Hart, James McCallum, Joseph Peers, John Green, sen., Thos. Lazerby, and John Leak, Committee of Management.

This Association, and several similar ones in different parts of the county, have been established by Geo. Alexander, Esq., the indefatigable local Superintendent. Their object is to elicit and disseminate sound and practical agricultural information.

#### W H E A T .

The following will show the quantities raised :—

1842,	no return of acres,	11,235	bushels.
1848,	2,186 acres, and	35,197	bushels, being 16 bushels per acre.
1850,	2,641 " "	40,214	" " 15 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "
1852,*	3,421 " "	71,991	" " 21 " "

\* Part of Woodstock was detached from the Township, January 1st, 1861.

## O A T S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	11,222	bushels.			
1848,	854 acres, and	24,058	bushels, being	28	bushels per acre.	
1850,	1,353 " " "	30,768	" " "	27 $\frac{3}{4}$	" "	" "
1852,*	1,601 " " "	45,828	" " "	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "

## P E A S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	3,370	bushels.			
1850,	798 acres, and	13,536	bushels, being	17	bushels per acre.	
1852,*	1,157 " " "	23,226	" " "	20	" "	" "

## B A R L E Y .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	2,358	bushels.			
1848,	94 acres and	1,892	bushels, being	20	bushels per acre.	
1850,	106 " " "	1,640	" " "	15 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1852,*	61 " " "	1,707	" " "	28	" "	" "

## R Y E .

1842,	no return of acres,	858	bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.	
1848,	18 acres and	249	" " "	13	" "	" "
1850,	131 " " "	2,439	" " "	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1852,*	13 " " "	197	" " "	15	" "	" "

## I N D I A N C O R N .

1842,	no return of acres,	834	bushels.			
1848,	191 acres, and	4,647	bushels, being	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	bushels per acre.	
1850,	131 " " "	2,439	" " "	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1852,*	158 " " "	3,384	" " "	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "

## B U C K W H E A T .

1842,	no return of acres,	809	bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.	
1848,	40 acres, and	597	" " "	15	" "	" "
1850,	no return made,	552	" " "	—	" "	" "
1852,*	61 acres, and	1,129	" " "	18 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "

## P O T A T O E S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	2,522	bushels.			
1848,	87 acres, and	7,716	bushels, being	88 $\frac{1}{2}$	bushels per acre.	
1850,	81 " " "	8,718	" " "	107 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1852,*	138 " " "	6,105	" " "	45	" "	" "

\* Part of Woodstock was detached from the Township, January 1st, 1851.

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantity:—

1842,	1,535	sheep,	and	2,851	lb,	being	1 $\frac{1}{2}$	lb	per	sheep.
1848,	3,112	"	"	8,810	lb,	"	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	lb	"	"
1850,	4,167	"	"	11,359	lb,	"	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	lb	"	"
1852,*	4,393	"	"	11,623	lb,	"	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	lb	"	"

## HORSES.

1830, 37; † 1842, 204; 1848, 448; 1850, 619; 1852,\* 750.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1830, 372; † 1842, 1,484; 1848, 2,244; 1850, 2,520; 1852,\* 1,751.

## MILCH COWS.

1830, 182; 1840, 384; 1848, -----; 1850, -----; 1852,\* 983.

## HOGS.

1842, 1,323; 1848, 2,087; 1850, 1,905; 1852,\* 2,472.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842, 31,530 lb; 1848, 31,307 lb; 1850, 41,851 lb; 1852,\* 21,900.

## HAY.

1850, 1,379 tons; 1852,\* 1,848 tons.

## FULLED CLOTH.

1842, 1,001 yards; 1848, 1,904 yards; 1852,\* 832 yards.

## FLANNEL.

1842, 1,949 yds.; 1848, 3,960 yds.; 1850, 4,458 yds.; 1852,\* 3,704 yds.

## TOWNSHIP OF EAST OXFORD COUNCIL.

1850.

William Burgess, Reeve.

John Leake, Henry Peers, James Scarff, and John Canada.

Assessors—John Hall, R. H. Burtch, and Hugh Monroe.

Collector—James McCallum.

Jonathan Tripp, Clerk and Treasurer.

\* Part of Woodstock was detached from the Township, January 1, 1851.

† Three years old and upwards.

‡ Two years old and upwards.



1851.

William Burgess, Reeve.

Henry Peers, William Lemon, William Garbutt, and James Pettit.

Assessors—William Peers and William Chambers.

Collector—James McCallum.

Jonathan Tripp, Clerk and Treasurer.

1852.

William Burgess, Reeve.

William Lemon, William Peers, Stephen Cook, and Patrick Collins.

Assessor—Charles Hughill.

Collector—James McCallum.

James Searff, Clerk and Treasurer.

# NAMES OF OFFICERS, &c,

SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BROCK.

Years.	Town clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				l.	s	d	l.	s	d
1840	William Grey	John Ernest	Henry Finkle	14,049	11	0	1,131	19	2
1841	James Mavor	Levi H. Perry	Jonathan Tripp	13,821	19	0	1,321	11	9
1842	James Mavor	Valentine Hall	Jonathan Tripp	17,025	10	0	1,337	1	6
1843	Joseph Peers	Jonathan Tripp	Jonathan Tripp	15,358	0	0	201	7	7
1844	Jonathan Tripp	James Guild	Joel Canfield	19,370	8	4	358	14	10
1845	Joel Canfield	William Burgess	Wm. Burgess	20,021	6	0	113	10	0
1846	William Peers	John Hall	Jas. McCallum	21,200	18	0	282	4	4
1847	William Peers	John Hall	Jas. McCallum	27,134	8	8	231	0	0
1848	Henry Peers	George Taylor	Jas. McCallum	20,037	10	0	372	10	0
1849	Henry Peers	John Hall	Jas. McCallum	30,857	13	10	327	15	2
1850	Jonathan Tripp	John Hall	Jas. McCallum	35,314	3	0	110	8	0
d 1851	Jonathan Tripp	W Peers	Jas. McCallum	6130,560	10	0	1100	3	7
d 1852	James Scarff	J. Hugall	Jas. McCallum	6130,831	5	0	1151	8	3

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years.	Municipal School Grant.			Legislative School Grant.			Amount Raised by Rate Bill.			Total Am't Paid to Teachers.			Children between 5 and 10.		No. School Sections.	No. Sch'ln Operation.	Average Months Taught.
	l.	s	d	l.	s	d	l.	s	d	l.	s	d	Taught.	Not Taught.			
1844	51	17	3	51	17	3	45	10	1	126	18	0	252	328	0	8	62
1845	70	11	10	66	1	1	93	0	0	212	8	2	391	320	11	11	64
1846	75	11	2	65	5	0	93	5	7	240	2	1	300	321	12	10	84
1847	78	6	0	71	10	9	81	7	2	178	0	0	250	213	11	10	6
1848	37	3	2	32	10	8	102	5	6	107	0	2	359	215	10	8	64
1849	58	10	10	46	1	6	168	14	2	288	6	9	325	203	11	9	84
1850	52	10	1	43	9	2	179	10	2	327	7	3	392	341	11	10	84
d 1851	73	15	6	53	18	6	107	12	0	262	17	0	387	157	8	8	9
d 1852	48	10	0	43	14	0				c492			c492	c257			

a County Rate only.  
c Census return.

b Valued under New Assessment Act.  
d Town of Woodstock detached from the Township.

## EAST OXFORD'S "RUIN AND DECAY."

	East Oxford and part of Woodstock.				East Oxford alone.		E'tire Co
	1820	1830	1840	1850	1851	1852	
Population,	75	127	1,076	2,715	a	2,210	1,522
Occupied,	3,320	6,334	18,077	26,456	30,544	31,498	39,822
Cultivated,	620	1,094	3,727	10,520	a	13,515	7,148
Non-Resident,	a	a	a	a	2,717	2,317	a
Non-Resident,	a	a	a	a	15,742	14,311	a
Personal,	a	a	a	a	1,14,030	1,12,540	a
Real,	a	a	a	a	1,110,708	1,113,141	a
Total,	£2,230	£4,140	£14,040	£35,314	c £139,570	c £130,631	£26,967
Framed, 1 storey,	3	7	48	a	a	91	55
Brk & Stone, "	—	—	2	a	a	11	—
F. B. & S. "	1	3	16	a	a	14	5
Taxes levied,	£15 10	£27 0	£131 10	b £120 2 11	b £100 3 7	b £154 8 3	£235 2
Milch Cows,	93	182	384	a	a	963	939

a No return.

b County Rate only.

c Valued under the New Act.

## TOWNSHIP OF NORTH OXFORD.

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THE township of North Oxford is the smallest one in the county, and triangular in shape. It is bounded on the north by the townships of East and West Zorra, and Nissouri, (county of Oxford); on the west by the township of North Dorchester, (county of Middlesex); and on the south-east by the township of West Oxford, (county of Oxford,) and is divided therefrom by the river Thames.

According to the return made by the crown land office, there are 14,600 acres in the township, including the 725 acres now attached to Ingersoll; and by the Assessors' return, 19,537 acres, withal making a difference of 5,662 acres. With one exception—West Zorra—there is a discrepancy between the two returns in every township, which we endeavor to account for on page 50. But in none is the difference so great as in this the smallest township. We have good reason to believe that the Crown Land office have neglected to add the thirty lots from North Dorchester which were lately attached to North Oxford. The whole township is excellent land, well timbered with hard wood. There is a large lime-stone quarry on its south-eastern boundary. The Great Western Railroad runs along the whole length of the township.

There are three saw mills in the township, unitedly capable of sawing 800,000 ft. per annum; one flour mill, worth £250, and capable of grinding 4,000 bushels per annum, and one lath mill.

A portion of the village of St. Andrews now called Thamesford, is situated in that portion of the township which formerly belonged to North Dorchester.

The township was surveyed by Mr. Hamley in 1799.

The following are the first and only lots granted previous to 1800:

Hon. D. W. Smith, July 16, 1799, 2nd con., lots 17, 18, 19, and B front, 500 acres.

Hon. John McGill, Aug. 3, 1799, 2nd con., lots 8, 10, 12, 13, and 15, 1000 acres.

Hon. John McGill, Aug. 3, 1799, 3rd con., lots 9, 11, 13, 14, and 16, 1000 acres.

Hon. John McGill, Aug. 3, 1799, 5th con., lot 8, 200 acres.

The first lot sold by the Government was No. 20 in the 1st and 2nd con. It was sold to Mr. Calvin Martin on the 23rd day of January, 1830, at the price of 15s. per acre.

In 1820, West, East and North Oxfords, were united, and were, together

with Nissouri and Zorra, assessed together, at which period their united population was 719 souls. The same territory now has a population of 14,914 souls.

By the old "Township Meeting Act," (1 Vic., chap. 21, 1838,) junior Townships were allowed to detach themselves so soon as they should contain thirty inhabited freeholders and householders. Under the authority of this Act, North Oxford became detached January 1, 1842.

The following is a copy of the Assessment Roll for West Oxford, for the year 1825, as far as it relates to persons then resident in North Oxford:—

NAMES OF PARTIES ASSESSED.	NO. OF CONCESSION.	NO. OF LOT.	ACRES UNCULTIVATED	ACRES CULTIVATED.	HORSES.	OXEN.	COWS.	YOUNG CATTLE.
George Karn, .....	1	18	184	16	2	.....	3	5
John McNames, .....	1	21	25	25	1	.....	2	2
Horall Fuller, .....	B. C.	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4
John Creig, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
John Strong, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	3
James Carroll, .....	1	23	180	70	4	4	7	5
Reuben Martin, .....	1	21	.....	.....	2	.....	1	.....
Jacob Carroll, .....	1	24	10	40	2	2	3	2
Ira Fuller, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	1	1
Richard Levings, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	3
John Johnston, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	2
Jeremiah Finch, .....	1	21	35	40	.....	2	2	.....
Abel Thornton, .....	1	22	140	60	2	4	4	3
Thomas Bedford, .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Christopher Karn, jr., .....	1	19	75	25	2	.....	2	2
John Baldwin, .....	1	20	50	50	1	2	2	.....
Horace Cross, .....	1	20	45	5	2	.....	1	.....
Darius Cross, .....	1	20	35	15	1	2	2	2

John McNames, James Carroll, and Abel Thornton, were the only persons who had *taxable* houses, and they were all squared log ones.

#### W H E A T.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....no return of acres, 2,918 bushels.

1848,..... 589 acres, and 8,300 " being 14 bushels per acre.

1850,..... 619 " " 7,390 " " 17 " "

1852,\*...1,146 " " 19,740 " " 17 " "

\* A portion of North Dorchester was attached, and a portion of Ingersoll detached, January 1, 1852

## O A T S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	4,692	bushels.			
1848,....	502 acres, and	10,660	"	being	11½	bushels per acre.
1850,....	420 " "	8,686	"	"	20½	" "
1852,*....	700 " "	19,331	"	"	27½	" "

## P E A S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	1,117	bushels.			
1850,....	181 acres, and	2,093	"	being	11½	bushels per acre.
1852,*....	456 " "	6,922	"	"	15	" "

## B A R L E Y.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	419	bushels.			
1848,....	33 acres, and	636	"	being	19	bushels per acre.
1850,....	41 " "	620	"	"	15	" "
1852,*....	41 " "	844	"	"	20½	" "

## R Y E.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	110	bushels.			
1848,....	16 acres, and	230	"	being	14	bushels per acre.
1850,....	2 " "	20	"	"	10	" "
1852,*....	24 " "	359	"	"	15	" "

## I N D I A N C O R N.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	289	bushels.			
1848,....	50 acres, and	861	"	being	17	bushels per acre.
1850,....	no return of acres,	256	"	"	—	" "
1851,*....	85 acres, and	1,642	"	"	21½	" "

## B U C K W H E A T.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	289	bushels.			
1848,....	28 acres, and	326	"	being	11½	bushels per acre.
1850,....	no return of acres,	256	"	"	—	" "
1852,*....	19 acres, and	409	"	"	19½	" "

## P O T A T O E S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	5,026	bushels.			
1848,....	66 acres, and	5,241	"	being	79½	bushels per acre.
1850,....	46 " "	3,746	"	"	81½	" "
1852,*....	107 " "	5,784	"	"	54	" "

\* A portion of North Dorchester was attached, and a portion of Ingersoll detached, January 1, 1852.

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantities:—

1842,.....	443 sheep,	and 1,241 lbs wool,	being 2½ lbs per sheep.
1848,.....	1,491 " "	3,624 " " "	2½ " "
1850,.....	1,273 " "	3,184 " " "	2½ " "
1852,*.....	2,314 " "	6,897 " " "	2½ " "

## HORSES.

1842,.....	77.	1850,.....	222.
1848,.....	165.	1852,*.....	339.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1842,.....	673.	1850,.....	847.
1848,.....	1,046.	1852,*.....	1,681.

## MILCH COWS.

1840,.....	121.	1848,.....	—.	1852,*.....	633.
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## HOGS.

1842,.....	437.	1850,.....	386.
1848,.....	740.	1852,*.....	1,136.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842,.....	8,176 lbs.	1850,.....	16,405 lbs.
1848,.....	15,770 "	1852,*.....	20,477 "

## HAY.

1850,.....	595 tons.	1852,*.....	2,629 tons.
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## FULLED CLOTH.

1842,....	443 yds.	1848,....	781 yds.	1852,*...589 yds,
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## FLANNEL.

1842,.....	312 yds.	1850,.....	1,155 yds.
1848,.....	1,799 "	1852,.....	2,183 "

## TOWNSHIP OF NORTH OXFORD COUNCIL.

1850.

John Brady, Reeve.

John Mathews, John Croty, James Henderson, John Armatrong.

Assessor and Collector—Abraham Hillsdale.

Thomas Peacock, Clerk and Treasurer.

\* A portion of North Dorchester was attached, and a portion of Ingersoll detached, Jan. 1, 1850.

1851.

James Henderson, Reeve.

John Armstrong, John Crotty, John Brady, W. S. Light.

Assessor—Henry Crotty.

Collector—Abraham Hillsdale.

Thomas Peacock, Clerk.

Treasurer—W. A. Ramsay.

1852.

W. S. Light, Reeve.

James Henderson, James Armstrong, Ebenezer Golding, Neil McKay.

Assessors—Donald McKay, Wallace Crawford.

Collector—George Allen.

Abraham Hillsdale, Clerk; James Park, Treasurer.

**LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &C., SINCE THE FIRST FORMATION OF THE TOWNSHIP.**

Years.	Town Clerks	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1842	Thos. Peacock	James Ennison	James Ennison	5,654	12	0	83	5	3
1843	Thos. Peacock	James Ennison	James Ennison	6,064	7	0	87	12	10
1844	Thos. Peacock	James Ennison	James Ennison	6,288	0	4	67	16	5
1845	Thos. Peacock	James Ennison	James Ennison	6,634	18	8	65	8	1
1846	Thos. Peacock	James Ennison	James Ennison	7,526	12	0	96	9	11
1847	C. D. Martin	James Ennison	James Ennison	7,894	10	0	81	12	6
1848	John Canagie	James Ennison	James Ennison	8,686	8	0	119	19	3
1849	John Canagie	John Croty	John Croty	9,468	8	0	106	5	2
1850	Thos. Peacock	Abra'm Hilsdon	Abra'm Hilsdon	8,607	0	0	81	12	6
1851	Thos. Peacock	Henry Croty	Abra'm Hilsdon	c 47,332	16	10	b 64	9	11
1852	Abra'm Hilsdon	Donald McKay	George Allen	c d 56,248	10	0	b 75	4	11

**SCHOOL STATISTICS.**

Years	Municipal School Grant.			Legislative School Grant.			Amount Raised by Rate Bill.			Total Amount Paid To Teachers.		Children between 5 and 16.		No. Sch'l. Sec-tions.	No. Sch's Oper-ation.	Average Months Taught.	
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Taught.				Not Taught.
1844	19	19	7	19	19	7	—	—	—	22	3	9	83	40	5	5	8½
1845	24	18	6	20	16	10	—	—	—	44	5	10	169	84	6	4	7½
1846	23	10	10	20	11	9	—	—	—	33	10	10	198	65	7	7	8½
1847	24	11	9	25	11	3	39	8	2	76	9	1	161	45	3	3	8
1848	27	0	6	23	15	1	55	17	5	149	15	6	241	76	5	4	7½
1849	31	0	6	23	15	6	53	4	6	136	14	7	207	80	6	4	9
1850	41	17	3	23	5	7	51	15	10	115	19	3	254	158	6	6	7½
1851	30	7	4	30	6	0	29	1	11	89	15	3	211	148	3	3	7½
1852	29	19	0	27	5	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	a 212	211	—	—	—

a By Census Return.      b County Rate only.      c According to New Assessment Act.  
d A portion of North Dorchester attached, and 725 acres detached, to form a part of the corporation of Ingersoll.  
e Five pounds of this amount borrowed from County Council.

**NORTH OXFORD'S "RUIN AND DECAY."**

	North and West Oxford until divided.			North Oxford.			With part Dorchester added.
	1820	1830	1840	1848	1850	1851	1852
Population,	165	544	1,277	808	822	a	1,378
Occupied, .	8,500	18,320	27,144	10,844	11,601	12,925	15,161
Cultivated, .	1,870	4,079	6,026	2,886	3,037	a	5,238
Non-resident,	a	a	a	a	a	2,505	4,376
Non-resident,	a	a	a	a	a	L8,704	L6,593
Personal, .	a	a	a	a	a	L4,500	L5,342
Real, . . .	a	a	a	a	a	L39,128	L44,314
Total, . . .	L6,980	L15,390	L25,437	L8,686	L9,607	c L47,332	cL56,249
Fram'd Istory	19	45	100	a	a	a	61
Br'k & stone	—	—	3	a	a	a	1
1 storey, }							
F., B., & S., }							
2 storeys, }	8	10	27	a	a	a	4
Taxes levied,	L46 13	L101 18	L239 4	L119 19	b L35 1 2	b L64 9 11	cL75 4 11

a No return.      b County Tax only.      c Valued under the new Act.



## TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA.

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WHEN the first territorial division of the Province was made, July, 1792, the township of Zorra was unsurveyed and unknown. The first allusion made to it by any Act of Parliament was in 1821, (2nd Geo. IV, chapter 3rd), by which Act it was, together with the township of Nissouri, added to the county of Oxford.

The township was surveyed in 1820, by Mr. Shubal Parke. The whole township contains excellent land of hard wood—mostly maple, beech, and elm. There is very little pine.

On December 22, 1797, July 6, 1804, January 5th, 1815, October 20th, 1819, and January 1st, 1820,—69,068 acres of the lands of Zorra were granted to persons in parcels, mostly of 100 and 200 acres. Joseph Randell, Daniel Randell, Robt. Roseburgh, Thomas Roseburgh, Samuel Roseburgh, Lewis Evans, Shubal Parke, and Thomas Woomack, were the only ones to whom was granted so little as 50 acres; Thomas Merritt and James Kerby, the only ones to whom was granted 1000 acres each; and the only person who received above that quantity was Mr. Thaddeus Davis, to whom was granted 5,069 acres. In the same year in which he received this, he received 4,290 acres in the township of Nissouri.

Previous to 1822, the township of Zorra, Nissouri, and West and North Oxfords, were assessed together, at which period their united population was 719 souls. The same territory now has a population of 14,914 souls.

The township was first organized in 1822, by a warrant issued by Charles Ingersoll and Peter Teeple, Esquires. The first township officers were Joseph Fitch, town clerk; Joseph Fitch and Henry Larne, assessors; and Alpheus Talf, collector.

The following is a copy of the assessment roll for 1822, as far as the householders and landholders are concerned:

Names.	Uncultivated Land.	Cultivated Land.	Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.	Names.	Uncultivated Land.	Cultivated Land.	Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.
Cabel Piper, . . . . .	92	8	..	..	3	Brought forward, . . .	4556	39	6	33	45
James Welsh, . . . . .	95	5	..	2	2	Wm. Land, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1
Alex. McGregor, . . . . .	196	4	..	2	1	Thomas Wait, . . . . .	190	10	..	2	2
Alanson Harris, . . . . .	300	..	..	2	2	Isaac Merrill, . . . . .	90	10	1	1	1
Ira C. Day, . . . . .	200	..	..	..	..	Theron Hallock, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1
Daniel Cook, . . . . .	100	..	..	1	2	Stratton Rowell, . . . . .	194	6	..	2	2
Peter Vanatter, . . . . .	194	6	1	..	3	Robert Thompson, . . . . .	98	2	..	..	1
John Maxwell, . . . . .	100	..	1	..	2	John Thompson, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	..
Israel Reed, . . . . .	998	2	1	2	5	Richard Times, . . . . .	14	6	..	..	..
Abraham Vanatter, . . . . .	195	5	1	2	1	Wm. A. Bunday, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1
Rufus Withey, . . . . .	100	..	..	2	2	Henry Dorman, . . . . .	96	4	..	..	2
Levi Lewis, . . . . .	96	4	..	2	2	Joseph Randell, . . . . .	97	3	..	..	2
John Morrison, . . . . .	95	..	..	2	3	Joshua Brink, . . . . .	400	..	..	..	..
Richard Sarvice, . . . . .	100	..	..	2	2	Silas Williams, . . . . .	150	18	2	..	2
Peter McDonald, . . . . .	200	..	..	2	2	Adam Dodge, . . . . .	188	12	2	..	2
Hiram Bodwell, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	2	Robert Ford, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	2
Alpheus Taft, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1	Robert Mathews, . . . . .	100	..	..	2	2
Ira Barr, . . . . .	100	..	..	2	1	Thomas Warmick, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	2
Leonard Karn, . . . . .	98	2	2	..	2	John Harrington, . . . . .	199	1	..	..	1
Allen Colbourn, . . . . .	100	..	..	2	2	Ira Fuller, . . . . .	97	3	..	..	1
Barnabas Ford, jr. . . . .	98	2	..	..	..	Wm. McKay, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	..
James Jacobs, . . . . .	99	1	..	2	2	Angus McKay, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1
Jerry Willson, . . . . .	100	..	..	2	..	Wm. Clason, . . . . .	250	..	1	..	..
Hugh Chisholm, . . . . .	200	..	..	..	..	David Randell, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1
Elijah Harris, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1	Wm. Landerlip, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	2
Robt. Sweet, . . . . .	200	..	..	2	1	Allen Waker, . . . . .	42	8	..	..	1
Curtis Edgerton, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	..	Peter Alyea, . . . . .	92	8	1	2	3
Alvin Allen, . . . . .	100	..	..	..	1	Isaac Burdick, . . . . .	385	15	1	2	6
Total, . . . . .	4556	39	6	33	45	Total, . . . . .	8338	145	14	44	84

It must be borne in mind that the above includes what is now East and West Zorra.

At this period, there were only 145 acres cleared in the whole township, and the only taxable house was a hewed log one of Mr. Alexander McGregor's.

## TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA.

(SEE "TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA," PAGE 164.)

By the Act 8th Victoria, chapter 7, (1845,) it is enacted, "That East Zorra shall consist and include of so much of the present township of Zorra as lies eastward of the line dividing the 8th Concession thereof from the 9th." This township is bounded on the north by the township of Wilmot, (county of Waterloo); on the east by the township of Blandford (county of Oxford), the River Thames forming the boundary of about two-thirds of the distance; on the south by the townships of Blandford and North Oxford (county of Oxford); and on the west by the township of West Zorra (county of Oxford).

According to the return made by the Crown Land Office, the township contains 55,200 acres, and according to the assessors' return, 57,340, being 2,140 acres more.

The township is settling and improving very fast. The "Woodstock and Huron Plank and Gravel Road" runs through this township. About four miles from Woodstock, on this road, is a church and a small settlement called "Huntington." In this neighbourhood is situated the house of Arthur Farmer, Esq., which is considered the best house in the county.

There are three saw mills, worth unitedly £380, and capable of sawing 148,000 feet per annum. One grist mill, worth £600, and capable of grinding 14,000 bushels a year. One oatmeal mill, worth £500, capable of grinding 9,500 barrels of meal a year; and one carding and fulling mill, worth £275; cards 7,000lb of wool, and fulls 1,500 yards of cloth, per annum.

The first lot in the township *sold by the Government*, was Lot No. 2, in the 9th Concession. It was sold to Mr. John Strong, at 11s. 3d. per acre, on the 14th day of June, 1830.

On the 27th day of April, an Agricultural Society was formed in the township. A. Farmer, President; Joseph Thwaites, Vice-President; J. Turner, Secretary and Treasurer; J. Smith, H. Sewell, John Harrington, H. Stewart, C. Caistor, Samuel Auchenlick, R. Adams, J. Barnes, and Thomas Buckle, Directors.

On Wednesday, the 6th October, the first annual show of the Society was held at Donaldson's "Cumberland Inn," at which the following prizes were awarded:—

### THOROUGH-BRED CATTLE.

Best Cow—Richard Adams .....	£1	0	0
2nd best Cow—A. H. Farmer, <i>Diploma</i> .			
Best Bull—Alexander Wilson .....	0	10	0
2nd best Bull—Robert McDonald, <i>Diploma</i> .			

Best 2 years old Heifer—Richard Adams .....	£0	10	0
Best yearling Heifer—A. H. Farmer .....	0	10	0
Best heifer Calf—Richard Adams .....	0	7	6
2nd best heifer Calf—A. H. Farmer, <i>Diploma.</i>			

## GRADE CATTLE.

Best Bull—Robert Alway .....	0	10	0
2nd best Bull—James Reid .....	0	5	0
Best 2 years old Bull—Hiram Shadwick .....	0	10	0
2nd best 2 years old Bull—S. Thompson .....	0	5	0
Best yearling Bull—John Harrington .....	0	10	0
2nd best do.—Alex. Willson .....	0	5	0
Best bull Calf—Wm. Danby .....	0	7	6
Best Cow—Rev. F. D. Fauquiere .....	0	15	0
2nd best Cow—John Barnes .....	0	10	0
3rd best Cow—John Scott .....	0	5	0
Best two year old Heifer—Richard Adams .....	0	10	0
2nd best two year old Heifer—Jos. Turner .....	0	5	0
Best yearling Heifer—H. Huntingford .....	0	7	6
2nd best yearling Heifer—Jos. Thwaites .....	0	5	0
Best Heifer Calf—John Scott .....	0	7	6
2nd best do. Thomas Fox .....	0	5	0
Best Yoke of Oxen—Henry Huntingford .....	0	10	0
2nd best do. Caleb Caister .....	0	5	0
Best yoke of 4 years old steers—G. Smith .....	0	7	6
Best yoke of 3 years old steers—Thos. Fox .....	0	7	6
Best yoke of two years old steers—J. Barnes .....	0	5	0

## HORSES.

Best Brood Mare—David Bott .....	0	15	0
2nd best do. Thomas Buckle .....	0	10	0
Best 3 years old Filly—John Smith .....	0	10	0
2nd best do. Richard Adams .....	0	5	0
Best two years old filly—David Bott .....	0	10	0
2nd best do. Thomas Buckle .....	0	5	0
Best foal—David Bott .....	0	7	6
2nd best foal—Richard Adams .....	0	5	0

## THOROUGH-BRED SHEEP.

Best ram—John Barnes .....	0	10	0
Best tup lamb—Thomas Millman .....	0	5	0
Best Pens of Ewes—Rev. F. D. Fauquiere, .....	0	15	0

## GRADE SHEEP.

Best ram—John Scott .....	0	10	0
2nd best ram—Henry Harwood .....	0	5	0

Best tup lamb—Richard Adams .....	£0	5	0
2nd best do. John Jackson .....	0	1	6
Best pen of ewes—Rev. F. D. Fauquiere .....	0	15	0
2nd best do. John Donaldson .....	0	7	6
Best pen of ewe lambs—John Jackson .....	0	10	0
2nd best do Jos. Turner, .....	0	5	0

## HOGS.

Best boar—John Smith .....	0	10	0
Best breeding sow—Samuel Thompson .....	0	10	0
2nd best do. John Donaldson .....	0	5	0
Best Spring pigs—Joseph Turner, .....	0	10	0

## FARM PRODUCE.

Best Fall wheat—John Jackson .....	0	15	0
2nd best do. George Skelton .....	0	5	0
Best Spring wheat—Samuel Thompson .....	0	7	6
2nd best do. Robert Millman .....	0	5	0
Best barley—S. Aurbieleck .....	0	7	6
2nd best barley—John Jackson .....	0	5	0
Best Oats—Robert Millman .....	0	7	6
2nd best Oats—Wm. Harrington, .....	0	5	0
Best Pease—John Jackson .....	0	7	6
2nd best Pease—John Donaldson .....	0	5	0
Best Turnips—John Jackson .....	0	5	0
2nd best Turnips—A. H. Farmer .....	0	2	6
Best Potatoes—Isaac Cook .....	0	5	0
2nd best Potatoes—Thomas Fox .....	0	2	6
Best Carrots—Isaac Cook .....	0	5	0
2nd best Carrots—Joseph Turner .....	0	2	6
Best Mangelwurzel—Joseph Turner .....	0	5	0
2nd best do. Richard Adams .....	0	2	6

## DAIRY PRODUCE.

Best firkin of Butter—Caleb Caister .....	0	10	0
2nd best do. Jos. Thwaites .....	0	7	6
Best fresh Butter—Hiram Shadwick .....	0	7	6
2nd best do. George Skelton .....	0	5	0
3rd do. do. John Barnes .....	0	2	6
Best Cheese—Joseph Thwaites .....	0	10	0
2nd best do. George Skelton .....	0	5	0
3rd do. do. Joseph Turner, .....	0	2	6

## W H E A T .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	17,413	bushels.			
1848,	2,255 acres, and	34,255	bushels, being	15	bushels per acre.	
1850,	3,040 " " "	40,395	" " "	13 $\frac{1}{4}$	" "	" "
1852,	3,580 " " "	59,165	" " "	16 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "

## O A T S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	33,154	bushels.			
1848,	1,620 acres, and	37,457	bushels, being	23	bushels per acre.	
1850,	1,769 " " "	46,001	" " "	25	" "	" "
1852,	2,623 " " "	69,471	" " "	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "

## P E A S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	10,253	bushels.			
1850,	655 acres, and	9,545	bushels, being	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	bushels per acre.	
1852,	801 " " "	9,707	" " "	12	" "	" "

## B A R L E Y .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	3,533	bushels.			
1848,	50 acres and	1,068	bushels, being	21	bushels per acre.	
1850,	221 " " "	1,616	" " "	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1852,	82 " " "	1,618	" " "	19 $\frac{3}{4}$	" "	" "

## R Y E .

1842,*	no return of acres,	134	bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.	
1848,	29 acres and	288	" " "	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1850,	6 " " "	40	" " "	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	" "	" "
1852,	17 " " "	274	" " "	16	" "	" "

## I N D I A N C O R N .

1842,*	no return of acres,	124	bushels.			
1848,	82 acres, and	2,110	bushels, being	25 $\frac{3}{4}$	bushels per acre.	
1850,	83 " " "	1,836	" " "	22	" "	" "
1852,	90 " " "	2,092	" " "	21	" "	" "

## B U C K W H E A T .

1842,*	no return of acres,	675	bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.	
1848,	5 acres, and	79	" " "	16	" "	" "
1850,	no return made,	262	" " "	—	" "	" "
1852,	9 acres, and	143	" " "	16	" "	" "

\*The whole of Zorra before it was divided.

## POTATOES.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	36,632	bushels.			
1848,	128 acres, and	12,153	bushels, being	95	bushels per acre.	
1850,	17½ " "	15,699	" " 90	" "	" "	
1852,	230 " "	9,382	" " 33½	" "	" "	

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantity:—

1842,*	4,131	sheep, and	7,098	lb, being	1½	lb per sheep.
1848,	3,874	" "	9,056	lb, "	2½	lb "
1850,	4,898	" "	10,769	lb, "	2½	lb "
1852,	5,321	" "	13,872	lb, "	2½	lb "

## HORSES.

1830,\* 75; † 1842,\* 511; 1848, 545; 1850, 587; 1852, 813.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1830,\* 795; † 1842,\* 4,556; 1848, 2,709; 1850, 3,271; 1852, 3,744.

## MILCH COWS.

1830,\* 345; 1840,\* 828; 1848, ....; 1850, ....; 1852, 1,302.

## HOGS.

1842,\* 2,412; 1848, 2,408; 1850, 1,930; 1852, 2,472.

## HAY.

1850, 1,451 tons; 1852, 1,107 tons.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842,\* 61,225 lb; 1848, 44,044 lb; 1850, 59,098 lb; 1852, 41,035.

## FULLED CLOTH.

1842,\* 2,133 yards; 1848, 1,534 yards; 1852, 2,030 yards.

## FLANNEL.

1842,\* 5,386 yds.; 1848, 5,015 yds.; 1850, 5,724 yds.; 1852, 4,914 yds.

\* The whole of Zorra before it was divided.

† Three years old and upwards.

‡ Two years old and upwards.

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TOWNSHIP OF EAST ZORRA COUNCIL

1850.

John Harrington, Reeve.

William Willson, R. H. Campbell, J. Brown, and Alexander McKay.

Assessors—William Frazer and William Rowell.

Collector—George Forbes.

Adam Marshall, Clerk and Treasurer.

1851.

John Harrington, Reeve.

William Willson, R. H. Campbell, J. Brown, and Alexander McKay.

Assessors—George Blake and George Forbes.

Collector—George Forbes.

Daniel Perry, Clerk. Hugh C. Barwick, Treasurer.

1852.

John Harrington, Reeve.

William Willson, William McKay, William Winters, and John Brown.

Assessor—George Blake.

Collector—.....

Daniel Perry, Clerk. H. C. Barwick, Treasurer.



# LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &C.,

*Of the Township of East Zorra,*

SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BROCK.

Years.	Town clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.		Total Taxes Levied.	
				l.	s d	l.	s d
d 1840	Alex. Wood	Alexander Ross	Alex. Ross	26,657	12 0	250	18 2
d 1841	Alex. Wood	William Ross	William Ross	29,031	10 0	272	17 0
d 1842	Alex. Wood	William McKay	Alex. Ross	31,610	12 0	320	0 7
d 1843	Alex. Wood	Alex. McKay	Alex. Ross	32,076	19 0	504	19 7
d 1844	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	35,964	2 5	422	17 6
d 1845	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	37,301	8 0	414	1 4
d 1846	Adam Marshall	George Forbes	Thomas Clark	40,661	0 0	261	3 11
1847	Adam Marshall	John Brown	John Hatch	21,668	8 0	211	1 2
1848	Adam Marshall	John Brown	John Hatch	24,094	12 0	306	15 9
1849	Adam Marshall	William Fraser	George Forbes	27,958	0 0	330	3 3
1850	Adam Marshall	George Blake	George Forbes	31,711	4 0	399	2 2
1851	Daniel Perry	George Blake	George Forbes	6135,073	5 0	615	5 1
1852	Daniel Perry	George Blake	George Forbes	6154,163	0 0	619	17 6

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years.	Municipal School Grant.			Legislative School Grant.			Amount Raised by Rate Bill.			Total Am't Paid to Teachers.			Children between 5 and 14.		No. Schol' Sections.	No. Sch'l's Operat.	Average Months Taught.
	l.	s	d	l.	s	d	l.	s	d	l.	s	d	Taught.	Not Taught.			
d 1844	123	10	0	119	9	1	79	15	0	239	17	0	597	453	18	15	7 1/2
d 1845	143	15	1	130	19	5	138	3	6	385	7	3	806	783	18	16	8 1/2
d 1846	55	4	10	129	7	6	111	18	11	235	18	1	256	230	8	6	8 1/2
1847	48	19	0	44	3	1	131	18	8	231	11	7	407	369	14	9	10 1/2
1848	60	4	4	58	5	6	106	1	6	270	11	4	419	318	19	8	9 1/2
1849	75	3	0	57	12	0	141	19	8	265	11	10	417	333	10	9	7 1/2
1850	81	2	7	66	10	7	81	10	11	227	19	3	591	320	10	9	7 1/2
1851	71	7	11	52	5	6	115	15	5	302	0	9	423	311	10	9	8
1852	69	12	0	63	5	8							c160	c565			

a County Rate only.  
c Censur return.

b Valued under New Assessment Act.  
d The whole Township before divided.

## EAST ZORRA'S "RUIN AND DECAY."

	Whole of Zorra, until divided.			East Zorra.			E'tire Co
	1820	1830	1840	1850	1851	1852	
Population,	227	722	2,738	2,785	a	3,300	1,522
Occupied,	4,310	19,554	32,938	37,612	o	35,430	30,822
Cultivated,	764	2,235	7,495	9,120	a	15,753	7,148
Non-Resident,	a	a	a	a	11,348	11,824	a
Non-Resident,	a	a	a	a	113,769	116,215	a
Personal,	a	a	a	a	112,363	112,446	a
Real,	a	a	a	a	1109,000	1125,802	a
Total,	£2,843	L9,460	L26,657	L31,711	c L135,072	c L154,463	L26,067
Framed, 1 storey,	1	3	54	a	a	59	55
Br'k & Stone, "	—	—	2	a	a	8	—
F. B. & S. 2 "	—	—	—	a	a	11	5
Taxes levied,	£12	L62 0	L250 18	b L115 16 9 1/2	b L184 1 1 1/2	b L196 17 6	L335 2
Milch Cows,	163	345	828	c	a	1,302	939

a No return.

b County Rate only.

c Valued under the New Act.



Wood, and Wm. Walsh; No. of scholars, 20 boys. Gov't grant paid £7 7s. 6d. 2nd, Lewis Hyde, teacher; Leonard Lewis, O. Lewis, and G. W. Harris, trustees; scholars, 10 boys, 20 girls; Government grant, £5 17s. 6d. 3rd, Hugh Gordon, teacher; John D. Dent and George McDonald, trustees; scholars, 17 boys and 4 girls: amount of Government grant, £7 7s. 6d.

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### W H E A T.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	17,413	bushels.			
1848,	1,857 acres, and	25,122	"	being	13½	bushels per acre.
1850,	2,372 " "	25,829	"	"	10½	" "
1852,	2,863 " "	43,800	"	"	18½	" "

### O A T S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	53,154	bushels.			
1848,	1,958 acres, and	47,017	"	being	24	bushels per acre.
1850,	2,608 " "	48,492	"	"	18½	" "
1852,	3,561 " "	86,402	"	"	24	" "

### P E A S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	10,253	bushels.			
1850,	586 acres, and	7,089	"	being	12	bushels per acre.
1852,	801 " "	9,707	"	"	12	" "

### B A R L E Y.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	3,533	bushels.			
1848,	47 acres, and	988	"	being	21	bushels per acre.
1850,	102 " "	1,328	"	"	13	" "
1852,	136 " "	2,993	"	"	21	" "

### R Y E.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	134	bushels.			
1848,	3 acres, and	60	"	being	17	bushels per acre.

\* The whole of Zorra before it was divided.

## INDIAN CORN.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	1,775	bushels.				
1848,	26 acres, and	622	"	being	24	bushels per acre.	
1850,	30 acres, and	564	"	"	19	"	"
1852,	54 acres, and	961	"	"	18	"	"

## BUCKWHEAT.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres,	675	bushels.				
1848,	10 acres, and	194	"	being	19	bushels per acre.	
1850,	no return of acres,	209	"	"	—	"	"
1852,	22 acres, and	282	"	"	12	"	"

## POTATOES.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,*	no return of acres	36,632	bushels.				
1848,	230 acres, and	14,335	"	being	62½	bushels per acre.	
1850,	213 " "	17,721	"	"	83½	"	"
1852,	280 " "	9,382	"	"	33½	"	"

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantities:—

1842,*	4,131 sheep, and	7,098	lbs. wool, being	—	lbs. per sheep.		
1848,	5,016 " "	11,488	"	"	2½	"	"
1850,	5,414 " "	11,719	"	"	2	"	"
1852,	6,350 " "	14,400	"	"	2½	"	"

## HORSES.

1830,*	75.†	18 2,*	511.
1848,	527.	1850,*	694.
1852,			781.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1830,*	795.	1842,*	4,556.
1848,	3,462.	1850,	3,767.
1852,			4,084.

\* The whole of Zorra before it was divided.

† Three years old and upwards.

‡ Two years old and upwards.

## TOWNSHIP OF ZORRA WEST.

## MILCH COWS.

1830,*.....	345.	1840,*.....	828.	1850,.....	—
1852,.....					1350.

## HOGS.

1842,*.....	2,412.	1848,.....	2,382.
1850,.....	2,133.	1852,*.....	2,443.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842,*.....	61,225 lbs.	1848,.....	36,016 lbs.
1850,.....	49,491 "	1852,.....	33,740 "

## HAY.

1850,.....	1,331 tons.	1852,*.....	1,732 tons.
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## FULLED CLOTH.

1842,*....	2,133 yds.	1848,....	2,064 yds.	1852,....	1,942 yds.
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## FLANNEL.

1842,*.....	5,386 yds.	1850.....	5,343 yds.
1848,.....	7,004 "	1852,.....	2,533 "

## TOWNSHIP OF WEST ZORRA COUNCIL.

1850.

Donald Watson, Reeve.

Angus Munro, Benson Pelton, J. M. Ross, Alexander Clark.

Assessors: Asa H. Allecock, Alexander Gordon, James McKay.

Collector: Alexander Ross.

Alexander Wood, Clerk and Treasurer.

\* The whole of Zorra was divided.

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1851.

Donald Watson, Reeve.

J. M. Ross, Benson Pelton, George Gordon, Alexander Clark.

Assessor: Alexander Wood.

Collector: Alexander Ross.

Alexander Wood, Clerk and Treasurer.

1852.

Donald Watson, Reeve.

J. M. Ross, George Gordon, Benson Pelton, Alexander Clark.

Assessors: William Holloway, Alexander Gordon.

Collector not appointed.

Alexander Wood, Clerk and Treasurer.

## LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &c., OF WEST ZORRA,

*Since the formation of the District of Brook.*

Years.	Town Clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.		Total Taxes Levied.	
				£	s. d.	£	s. d.
d1840	Alex. Wood	Alex. Ross	Alex. Ross	26,657	12 0	250	18 2
d1841	Alex. Wood	William Ross	William Ross	29,000	10 0	272	17 0
d1842	Alex. Wood	William McKay	Alex. Ross	31,640	12 0	520	9 7
d1843	Alex. Wood	Alex. McKay	Alex. Ross	32,976	19 0	504	19 7
d1844	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	55,904	2 6	422	17 6
d1845	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	37,904	8 0	414	1 1
d1846	Alex. Wood	Alex. Ross	William Ross	22,454	7 0	246	3 2
1847	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	24,332	10 0	276	11 1
1848	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	27,033	6 6	367	4 9
1849	Alex. Wood	William Ross	Alex. Ross	27,895	18 6	249	3 1
1850	Alex. Wood	Asa H. Albeck	Alex. Ross	32,054	15 0	400	5 11
1851	Alex. Wood	Alex. Wood	Alex. Ross	c 119,966	0	6163	10 9
1852	Alex. Wood	William Oliver	Not appointed	c 137,615	15 0	6182	17 9

### SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years.	Musical School Grant		Legislative Fund Grant		Amount Raised by Rate Bill		Total Amount Paid To Teachers		Children between 5 and 16		No. of Sch. Months taught.	No. of Sch. Months taught.	
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	Taught.	Not Taught.			
	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.	£	s. d.			
d1841	11	10	11	9	17	15	0	17	6	597	453	18	15
d1842	143	15	143	5	188	9	6	7	3	304	786	18	16
d1843	93	10	129	10	95	5	73	2	11	615	225	18	18
1844	93	10	100	10	123	9	127	18	10	495	483	16	10
1845	97	11	127	10	131	1	259	17	8	490	339	15	10
1846	99	6	119	2	282	9	374	13	0	612	211	16	1
1847	92	1	121	8	219	7	221	15	5	710	523	15	12
1851	99	8	126	13	62	1	664	2	9	739	17	12	—
1852	71	9	63	7	0	—	—	—	—	a 491	502	—	—

a By Census Bill. b Property Rate only. c According to New Assessment Act.  
 d Township amount was raised. e Part of this amount looked by County Council.

### WEST ZORRA - BRICK AND BRICKYARD

	Whole of Township.			West Zorra.			Whole Co.
	1820	1850	1859	1850	1852	1859	
Population,	—	122	2,768	2,000	a	3,392	1,522
Occupied,	4,310	19,551	32,908	31,082	45,659	46,298	26,822
Cultivated,	764	2,235	7,495	8,398	a	12,195	7,148
Non-resident,	a	a	a	a	10,771	13,112	a
Personal,	a	a	a	a	L10,616	L11,649	a
Real,	a	a	a	a	L18,956	L15,531	a
Total,	L2,813	L9,430	L26,657	L32,683	c L132,788	c L137,616	L26,967
Brick & Stone	—	3	61	a	a	77	55
1 storeys,	—	—	2	a	a	27	—
F., B., & S.,	—	—	—	a	a	23	5
2 storeys,	—	—	—	a	a	—	—
Taxes levied,	L12	L62 6	L250 18	L128 3 7 1/2	L163 10 6 1/2	L182 17 9	L235 2
Milch Cows,	163	846	828	a	a	1,350	939

a No return.

b County Tax only.

c Valued under the new Act.

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## TOWNSHIP OF NORWICH.

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**THE** township of Norwich is one of the three largest townships in the County. It is bounded on the east by the township of Windham (County of Norfolk); on the north, by the township of East Oxford (county of Oxford); on the west by the township of Dereham (county of Oxford); and on the south, by the township of Middleton (county of Norfolk.)

In the first territorial division of the Province (made July 16th, 1792,) the township of Norwich formed a part of the county of Norfolk, and was described as follows: "the township of Norwich lies to the east of, and adjoining to, Dereham." A very satisfactory and definite description, surely.

By the Act 38 Geo. III., Chapter 5 (1798), the township of Norwich was one of "the townships which formed the county of Oxford," which Act did not come into force until January 1st, 1800.

By the Act 2 Geo. IV., Chapter 3 (1821), it is provided "that the *gore* of land on the east side of the township of Norwich be attached to, and become a part of, that township."

The township was surveyed in 1799, by Mr. — Hanley, assisted by Colonel John Bostwick. The "gore" was surveyed by Peter Corroil, Esq., in 1825.

The first lands which were granted in the township, were gifts, in quantities of from 100 to 1000 acres, to various individuals, on the 22nd day of July, 1800.

The first lot *sold* by the Government was the south half of Lot No. 16, in the fourth Concession. It was sold to Mr. James Gourlay, on the 26th day of February, 1803, at 14s per acre. We have prepared, at much time and cost, a long chapter respecting the first settlement, &c. &c., of this interesting township, but have been obliged to suppress it, in consequence of our intended *little* work having already swelled into a *large one*. We must, therefore, content ourselves by copying the following extract from *Gourlay's Canada*—a history of Canada, published in 1818:—

"At a meeting held in the township of Norwich, the 5th of the first month, 1818, according to law, for choosing town officers. The proposal by R. Gourlay, for publishing a Statistical Account of the Province of Upper Canada, in order to exhibit correct ideas respecting the encouragement this fine country holds out to such Europeans as have a mind to emigrate in quest of a country rich in natural resources, but poor in point of population, in order to improve and occupy the natural advantages thereof, to their individual interest and happiness of their families. His proposals being read, the meeting made choice of Peter Lossing, to draft a schedule of the beginning and progress of several of the first adventurers into the wilderness about 12 miles from any settlements, and also appointed John Shroo-morton, William Curtis, Elias Moore, and Peter McLees, to assist the *aforemen-*



tioned Peter Lossing, in preparing correct answers to the several queries suggested by the said R. Gourlay, affording materials for giving an accurate description of Norwich in an agricultural point of view, and to affix their signatures to the statement forwarded to the said R. Gourlay."

2nd. A few families arrived in 1808, but very little progress till 1811.

3rd. Two houses appropriated for public worship of the Society of Friends; three approved ministers of that society.

4th. One regular bred practitioner of physic and surgery.

5th. Three Schools; common fees, per quarter, £15—board and lodgings found.

6th. No lack of houses of entertainment.

7th. No licensed taverns, dram shops, nor distilleries.

8th. One store, one grist mill, two others buildings, three saw-mills. Price of boards at the saw-mill, pine, £1 11s. 3d. per thousand square feet.

PETER LOSSING.

THOMAS SHROCKMORTON.

WILLIAM CURTIS.

ELIAS MOORE.

PETER McLEES.

Several thousand bushels of wheat to spare over what is required to supply the inhabitants."

"Worth of an horse, £15; of a cow, £6 5s.; of an ox, £7 10s.; of a sheep, 12s. 6.; quantity of wool, per sheep, 3½lbs.; price of wool, per lb. 2s.; average bushels wheat, per acre, 20 bushels. Price of land, in 1811, 6s. 8d. and in 1817, 13s."

WE COPY THE FOLLOWING

TABLE

From the same Work, showing the quantity of Grain raised, &c., together with the names of all parties who raised grain in that Township, between the years 1811 and 1817:—

NAMES OF RESIDENTS.	Where Born.	Date of commencement of improvement.	No. of Family.	Acres Owned.	ACRES IN CROP.							No. of Horses.	No. of Cows.	No. of Oxen.	No. of Sheep.	No. of Acres Cultivated.	Bushes of Wheat.	Bush & Corn.	Bush of Potatoes.	Money Expended.	New Buildings.			
					1811	1812	1813	1814	1815	1816	1817													
Peter Lossing...	Dutchess Co. NY	1811..	Wife & 5 child'n	300	14	29	23	25	28	33	3	2	3	8	2	25	80	300	900	1000	£ F. Barn & T. House.			
Michael Storer..	Do.	"	"	1000	4	11	13	15	13	15	1	2	2	7	2	39	60	400	350	100	Frame Barn.			
Fred. Stover....	Do.	"	"	1000	4	10	10	10	15	15	3	3	4	7	2	18	70	250	300	200	320	Frame Barn & House		
Adam Stover....	Do.	"	"	1000	..	5	0	15	1	14	..	3	2	6	2	26	80	100	120	60	24	Log House and Barn		
Sears Mold.....	Do.	"	"	100	8	12	14	16	18	20	..	2	2	4	..	16	50	300	80	100	.....	Frame Barn.		
Samuel Cornwall Do.	Do.	"	"	200	..	16	20	22	23	25	1	2	2	4	2	4	25	200	220	300	62	Log House and Barn		
Elias Moore....	Nova Scotia	"	"	400	..	21	24	28	30	41	2	4	1	9	2	5	100	500	150	200	300	300	3	Frame Barns.
John Tiple.....	N.York city..	"	"	200	..	18	18	20	22	30	..	3	2	6	2	13	40	200	200	200	.....	Frame Barn.		
Sol. Saerider....	Dutchess Co. NY	"	"	200	..	20	25	25	24	27	2	2	4	7	4	20	60	200	200	200	50	Log House and Barn		
Peter Delong....	Do.	"	"	400	7	25	24	25	28	..	3	2	4	7	2	24	100	150	300	150	100	100	100	Frame Barn.
Peter McLees....	Do.	"	"	300	..	4	5	6	8	9	1	1	2	3	2	19	40	250	100	320	36	Frame Barn.		
11 Farmers.....	Do.	"	"	3200	37	165	155	214	230	261	16	26	28	73	20	245	785	2750	2330	2834	1242			

According to the return made at the Crown Land Office, there are only 66,200 acres in the township; and, according to the assessors', 69,138 acres, showing a difference between the two returns of 2,938, acres.

The first town meeting was held in 1816, at which Thomas Lossing was appointed township clerk.

The Census Enumerators for 1852 return, as "cultivated," 25,079 acres, and, as "wild," 30,959 acres, making a total of 56,038 acres, "occupied,"—being 3,210 acres less than the return made by the assessors for the same year. We think the discrepancy is easily accounted for. Under the new Assessment Act, the lands of non-residents are placed, with respect to taxes, in a much worse position than the lands of residents, and the taxes thereon being obliged to be paid nearly as soon, but through a more circuitous channel, consequently a large quantity is "*given in*," to the assessors which is really not occupied.

Notwithstanding, the township has steadily, uniformly, and even fastly increased since its first settlement, as can be seen by its "Ruin and Decay" table. It will have to increase *still faster* than it has hitherto done, if it does not wish to be crowded off from the "head of the heap" by Blenheim, Dereham, and West Zorra. Blenheim has this year within 244 of its population, and actually beats it in wheat by 50,340 bushels, and in oats, by 6,372 bushels! Even the "new township" of Dereham has within 1595 of its population, and actually beats it in potatoes, turnips, and cheese.

There are twelve saw-mills in the township, unitedly worth £5,400, and capable of sawing, (and no doubt do), 4,160,000 feet of lumber per annum. Two grist mills, worth £2,750, capable of grinding 45,000 bushels per annum.

The saw-mill situated on lot 25, 2nd concession, is a really splendid mill, worth £750, and capable of sawing 900,000 feet per year. The next best is a steam one, situated on lot 7, on the same concession—it is capable of sawing 800,000 feet a year.

Otterville is a beautiful clean, and flourishing village, situated on lot No. 12, 8th concession, the Otter Creek flowing throughout. Post every day. Population, about 250.

Norwichville is a busy little place, situated on lots Nos. 7 and 8, on the 4th concession. Post every day. Population, about 300. No. 4 Division Court is held in the village, and it is the place of residence of Mr. Carnaby, the clerk of said Court. Norwichville Post Office was established in 1830. It was the second \* one established in the county, Oxford (now Ingersoll) being the first. Mr. Peter Lossing was postmaster, 1832, and part of 1833; but whether he was the *first* one or not, we do not know. The amount received for postage, for these two years, were:—for 1832 £28 17s. 5d., and for 1833, £37 16s. 7d. E. Cook, Esq., was appointed postmaster in 1833. D. D. Willson had the contract, in 1832, for carrying the mail from and to Norwich and Burford, once a week, for which he received £10 8s. 0d. for the year. He had also the contract for the year 1833, for which he received £10 16s. 3d. For 1834, Mr. J. H. Wilson had the contract,

\* The Burford Post Office was established about the same time as the Oxford one, but this township not "new" belonging to the county is not reckoned.

for which he received £12. The average rate which the mail was carried for these three years was three miles an hour.

By the kindness of the present postmaster, Thomas Wallace, Esq., we are enabled to present the following, as the receipts for the last two years:—

1850.		1851.	
Quarter ending July, ..	£36 15 7½	Quarter ending July, ..	£28 1 9½
“ “ Oct., ..	35 17 0½	“ “ Oct., ..	29 3 8½
1851.		1852.	
“ “ Jan. ..	37 9 4½	“ “ Jan. ..	31 12 9
“ “ April..	46 6 6½	“ “ April ..	38 4 1
£156 8 7		£127 2 4	

The above shows a *decrease* of £29 6s. 3d., for the last twelve months, which is accounted for by the great reduction lately made in postage. The carriage of a letter now to Quebec is only 3d., whereas it was 1s. 7d. eighteen months ago.

Mr. W. R. Kirby has the present contract for carrying the mail from Burford to Norwich, six times a-week, and to St. Thomas three times a week, for which he receives £325 currency a-year.

Norwich is a little ahead of all the other townships in the following articles, viz:—

Neat cattle, .....	5,225	Milch cows, .....	2,258
Butter, .....	112,930lb	Cheese, .....	112,543lb
Wool, .....	20,815lb	Hogs, .....	5,054
Hay, .....	4,732 tons.	Maple Sugar, .....	56,203lb
Flannel, .....	10,794 yds.	Indian Corn, .....	28,662 bus.
Buckwheat, .....	3,895 bus.	Barley, .....	3,886 bus.

Mr. Peter Lossing and Peter Delong purchased, July 7th, 1810, of Mr. Wm. Willcox, 15,000 acres of land, comprising the following lots, viz:— Nos. 8, 9, 11, 13, and 14, in the 1st and 3rd concessions; lots Nos. 8, 10, 11, 12, and 14, in the 2d con.; Block No. 2, and lots Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, and 14, in the 4th and 6th concessions; and lots Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11 and 14, in the 5th con. in Block 5 and 6; and lots Nos. 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7, in the 7th, 9th and 11th concessions; and lots Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, & 7, in the 8th, 10th and 12th concessions, in blocks Nos. 9 and 13.

For a number of years there was much trouble and difficulty occasioned with respect to the position of the said lots, in consequence of the very imperfect manner in which they had been surveyed. In answer to the prayer of a very numerous signed petition, the Legislature, in 1835, passed an Act (15 William IV., Chap. 26), whereby George Rykert, David Gilson, and John Bailey, were appointed commissioners, “Whose duty it shall be, within three months after the 1st of June next, to proceed to the said township of Norwich, and personally to examine,” &c. &c., and “shall correct and continue, or alter, annul, and disallow, any and all or part or parts of

the said survey of the said tract of land, so surveyed, or intended to be surveyed," &c. &c.

There is a female in the township upwards of 100 years of age. What a change there is in the township since she was 70 years old!

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### W H E A T .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	20,480	bushels.
1848,	4,304 acres, and	62,208	bushels, being $14\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1850,	5,047 " " "	72,859	" " $14\frac{1}{4}$ " "
1852,	5,628 " " "	103,449	" " $18\frac{1}{4}$ " "

### O A T S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	21,589	bushels.
1848,	1,772 acres, and	56,131	bushels, being 31 bushels per acre.
1850,	2,321 " " "	64,954	" " $27\frac{1}{2}$ " "
1852,	2,625 " " "	81,261	" " $30\frac{1}{4}$ " "

### P E A S .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	9,506	bushels.
1850,	1,055 acres, and	15,597	bushels, being $14\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1852,	990 " " "	20,512	" " $20\frac{1}{4}$ " "

### B A R L E Y .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	885	bushels.
1848,	180 acres and	3,836	bushels, being $21\frac{1}{4}$ bushels per acre.
1850,	185 " " "	3,121	" " $16\frac{1}{2}$ " "
1852,	162 " " "	3,886	" " 24 " "

### R Y E .

1842,	no return of acres,	278	bushels, being — bushels per acre.
1848,	85 acres and	831	" " $9\frac{1}{2}$ " "
1850,	23 " " "	200	" " 8 " "
1852,	23 " " "	273	" " $9\frac{1}{4}$ " "

## INDIAN CORN.

1842, 695 acres, and	18,267 bushels, being	26 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1850, 656 " "	13,377 " "	20 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "
1852, 1,120 " "	28,663 " "	25 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "

## BUCKWHEAT.

1842, no return of acres,	1,125 bushels, being	— bushels per acre.
1848, 66 acres, and	1,481 " "	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ " "
1850, no return made,	1,992 " "	— " "
1852, 193 acres, and	3,895 " "	20 " "

## POTATOES.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, no return of acres,	28,605 bushels.	
1848, 169 acres, and	18,477 bushels, being	109 $\frac{1}{2}$ bushels per acre.
1850, 168 " "	15,890 " "	94 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "
1852, 246 " "	5,455 " "	22 " "

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantity:—

1842, 5,397 sheep and	11,848lb, being	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ lb per sheep.
1848, 9,591 " "	24,625lb, " "	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb " "
1850, 8,073 " "	25,017lb, " "	3 lb " "
1852, 7,346 " "	20,815lb, " "	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lb " "

## HORSES.

1830, 201;\* 1842, 532; 1848, 1,370; 1850, 1,553; 1852, 1,788.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1830, 1,188; 1842, 4,166; 1848, 4,946; 1850, 4,946; 1852, 5,325.

## MILCH COWS.

1830, 592; 1840, 1,188; 1848, ----; 1850, ----; 1852, 2,258.

## HOGS.

1842, 3,264; 1848, 4,401; 1850, 3,549; 1852, 5,054.

## HAY.

1850, 3,623 tons; 1852, 4,732 tons.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842, 64,777lb; 1848, 68,223lb; 1850, 89,837lb; 1852, 56,203lb.

\* Three years old and upwards.

## FULLED CLOTH.

1842, 3,515 yards; 1848, 3,855 yards; 1852, 2,928 yards.

## FLANNEL.

1842, 6,421 yds.; 1848, 11,187 yds.; 1850, 14,922 yds.; 1852, 10,794 yds.

## TOWNSHIP OF NORWICH COUNCIL.

1850.

Garry V. Delong, Reeve.

John Griffin, Michael Stover, Truman Willecox, Asa Durkee.

Assessors: James Cromwell, Jesse Cornell, William Jacob.

Collector: Abraham Swartout.

Moses Mott, Clerk and Treasurer.

1851.

Truman Willecox, Reeve.

Asa Durkee, Michael Stover, John Griffin, Benjamin Holmes.

Assessors: James McLees, Samuel James.

Collector: Abraham Swartout.

Moses Mott, Clerk and Treasurer.

1852.

Asa Durkee, Reeve.

Michael Stover, John Griffin, Benjamin Holmes, Sydney J. Wright.

Assessor: James McLees.

Collector: Abraham Swartout.

Moses Mott, Clerk and Treasurer.

# LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &C.,

Of the Township of Norwich,

SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BROCK.

Years.	Tawn clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				L	s	d	L	s	d
1840	Seth Weston, jun	John G. Lossee	Johnston Lossee	33,214	2	0	311	7	0
1841	Seth Weston, jun	Solomon Lossing	James McLees	37,381	9	6	353	8	9
1842	Ephraim Cook	Lewis Mott	James McLees	37,270	4	6	502	14	1
1843	Ephraim Cook	John Treffry	Jeremiah Lossee	40,303	3	6	571	13	6
1844	Ephraim Cook	John Griffin	John Griffin	43,540	9	6	462	11	9
1845	Moses Mott	John Griffin	John Griffin	46,711	0	0	385	7	6
1846	Moses Mott	John McRee	James McLees	51,501	9	3	557	7	4
1847	Moses Mott	John G. Lossee	James McLees	51,150	1	6	399	14	0
1848	Moses Mott	Sam. Bing	James McLees	57,255	15	0	613	3	3
1849	Moses Mott	John Griffin	James McLees	61,865	14	3	625	2	5
1850	Moses Mott	James Cronin	James Swartout	65,752	17	6	6205	12	9
1851	Moses Mott	James McLees	John Swartout	6246,811	0	0	6331	7	0
1852	Moses Mott	James McLees	John Swartout	6241,303	2	6	6309	4	10

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years.	Municipal School Grant	Legislative School Grant	Amount Raised by Rate Bill.	Total Am't Paid to Teachers.	Children between 5 and 16		No. Sch'ls. Sec'd.	No. Sch'ls. Operat.	Average Months Taught.
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1844	119 11 10	119 11 10	96 11 6	322 7 3	791	287	22	22	6
1845	135 19 8	112 10 3	122 7 8	350 13 3	899	211	22	20	7 1/2
1846	135 2 2	111 3 0	296 15 11	175 6 2	733	312	23	19	6 1/2
1847	133 7 0	112 3 1	63 2 6	182 16 1	700	310	23	23	6 1/2
1848	107 3 7	97 14 1	357 12 9	570 16 1	1,027	345	23	23	7 1/2
1849	133 13 1	102 9 0	499 17 9	721 10 9	1,172	253	21	24	7 1/2
1850	100 17 8	100 17 8	313 1 5	189 9 10	1,152	212	23	22	7 1/2
1851	130 9 10	100 5 6	180 2 3	557 11 8	1,262	417	21	23	9
1852	113 18 0	103 13 9	—	—	c 1,172	c 326	—	—	—

a County Rate only.

b Valued under New Assessment Act.

c Census return.

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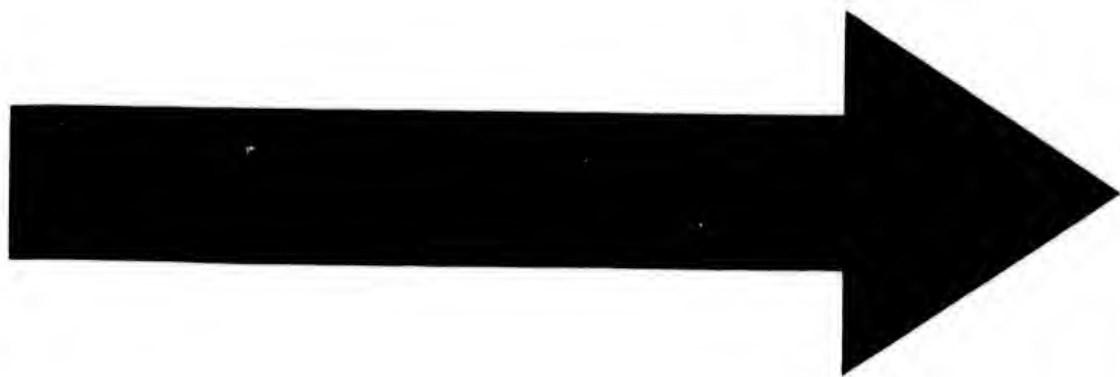
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Population,	609	1,215	2,119	4,483	a	5,236	1,522
Occupied,	16 160	31,097	42,458	62,118	57,720	59,248	30,822
Cultivated,	2 620	4 522	10,684	20,684	a	25 08	7,118
Non-Resident,	a	a	a	a	11,118	9,890	a
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Personal,	a	a	a	a	1,27,08	1,28,605	a
Real,	a	a	a	a	1,269,150	1,201,425	a
Total,	£9,550	£18,800	£33,211	£65,753	a 1,245,811	c 1,211,309	£26,967
Framed, 1 storey,	25	43	92	a	a	43	55
Brk & Stone,	—	1	1	a	a	29	—
F. B. & S. 2 1/2	1	3	12	a	a	22	5
Taxes levied,	£72 10	£121 5	£311 7	b 1,240 2 11	b 1,331 7 0	b 1,300 4 10	£355 2
Milch Cows,	304	592	1,138	a	a	2,258	969

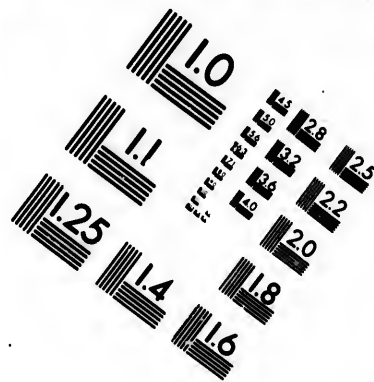
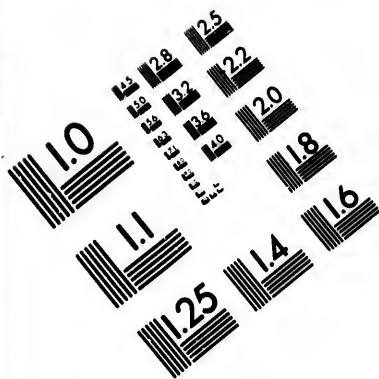
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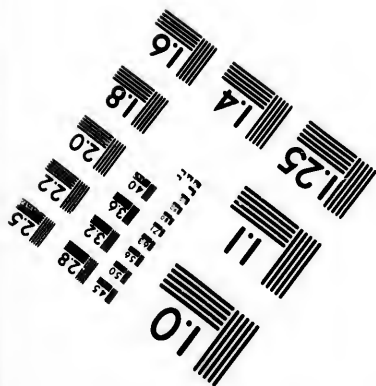
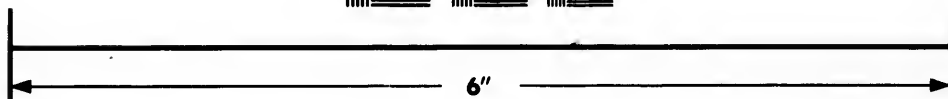
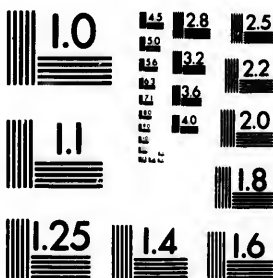
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## TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD.

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THE township of Blandford is bounded on the east by the township of Blenheim (county of Oxford,) on the north by the township of Wilmot (county of Waterloo); on the south by the township of East Oxford (county of Oxford); and divided therefrom by the *Governor's Road*, which is planked; and on the west by the township of East Zorra (county of Oxford), and divided therefrom mostly by the *river Thames*.

The township is described in *Smith's Gazetteer* (1846), as follows :—  
 "The timber is principally pine. In the south of the township are several ponds and small lakes, varying in size, from 50 to 200 acres, and surrounded by swamps." *Smith's Canada* (1851) describes it as a "Small well watered, well settled township. The timber a mixture of hardwood and pine." This last description we endorse; but, while we admit that it is a "*small*" township, we feel bound, in justice to it to state, that the township of West and North Oxfords are *smaller*.

The township was attached to East Oxford till 1836, in which year the first township meeting was held,—Rev. Adam Vansittart occupied the chair. W. H. Landon was appointed assessor; L. T. Thorp, collector; and Wm. Lapenotiere, township clerk.

In the first territorial division of Upper Canada (made by Proclamation on July 16th, 1792, by Governor Simcoe) the territory which *afterwards* formed the township of Blandford, formed a part of the West Riding of York, and was described by the first Surveyor General, as follows:—"A township the most westerly in the West Riding of York county, lies northward of Dundas Street, opposite to Oxford, and is washed by the river *la Tranche*," (Thames.)

By the Act 38 Geo. III., chapter 5 (1798), the township of Blandford was attached to the county of Oxford.

A part of the township was surveyed by Mr. Augustus Jones in 1793, a part by Mr. — Law in 1797, a part by Andrew Miller in 1824, a part by Mahlon Burwell in 1832, and a part ("park lots") by Mr. Peter Carroll in 1834.

The first lots in the township granted by the Crown, was on the 15th November, 1828. They were granted to Abraham A. R. Nellies, for what services we have not been able to ascertain. The following lots were so granted:—

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The first lot sold by the Government was the east half lot, No. 25, 1st concession, which was on January 19th, 1832: the purchaser, Mr. Thomas Rowland, and the price, 12s. 6d. per acre.

In 1820, 20,000 acres of the lands of the township were appropriated for the endowment of a College, together with 126,828 acres in other parts of the Province.

According to the return made by the Crown Land Office, the township contains 29,200 acres, including that portion of the town of Woodstock which lies north of the Governor's Road (or Dundas Street), which embraces about 730 acres; and, according to the assessors' return, 29,710 acres, without any portion of the town of Woodstock.

The only mill in the township is a saw-mill, worth £250, capable of cutting 200,000 feet per annum.

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#### W H E A T.\*

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, . . . . .	no return of acres,	3,562 bushels.				
1848, . . . . .	1,204 acres, and	18,187	“	being 15 bushels per acre.		
1850, . . . . .	1,161	“	“	17,912	“	“
1852, † . . . . .	1,758	“	“	35,525	“	“
					20	“

#### O A T S.\*

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, . . . . .	no return of acres,	5,274 bushels.				
1848, . . . . .	520 acres, and	14,376	“	being 27½ bushels per acre.		
1850, . . . . .	716	“	“	18,729	“	“
1852, † . . . . .	840	“	“	26,792	“	“
					31½	“

#### P E A S.\*

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, . . . . .	no return of acres,	603 bushels.				
1850, . . . . .	220 acres, and	4,101	“	being 18½ bushels per acre.		
1852, † . . . . .	379	“	“	7,078	“	“
					18½	“

#### B A R L E Y.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842, . . . . .	no return of acres,	640 bushels.				
1848, . . . . .	68 acres, and	1,203	“	being 17½ bushels per acre.		
1850, . . . . .	79	“	“	1,168	“	“
1852, . . . . .	32	“	“	666	“	“
					20½	“

\* One gentleman (a large farmer,) positively refused to give in a return of his grain, consequently a few hundred bushels should be added to these amounts.

† Woodstock was detached in 1867.

## R Y E.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....	no return of acres, 74 bushels.				
1850,.....	28 acres, and	265	"	being 9½ bushels per acre.	
1852,*....	21 " " "	343	"	" 16½ " "	

## I N D I A N C O R N.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....	no return of acres, 119 bushels.				
1848,.....	30 acres, and	795	"	being 26½ bushels per acre.	
1850,.....	21 acres, and	504	"	" 24 " "	
1852,*....	44 acres, and	954	"	" 21½ " "	

## B U C K W H E A T.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....	no return of acres, 43 bushels.				
1848,.....	30 acres, and	444	"	being 14½ bushels per acre.	
1850,.....	no return of acres, 209	"	"	" " "	
1852,*....	25 acres, and	231	"	" 9 " "	

## P O T A T O E S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....	no return of acres 5,063 bushels.				
1848,.....	58 acres, and	6,832	"	being 117½ bushels per acre.	
1850,.....	89 " " "	11,058	"	" 124 " "	
1852,*....	94 " " "	6,835	"	" 72½ " "	

## S H E E P &amp; W O O L.

The following will show the number and quantities:—

1842,.....	559 sheep, and 1,761 lbs. wool			being 3 lbs. per sheep.	
1848,.....	1,629 " " "	3,719	"	" 2½ " "	
1850,.....	1,594 " " "	4,181	"	" 2½ " "	
1852,*....	2,142 " " "	5,707	"	" 2½ " "	

## H O R S E S.

1842,.....	112.	1848,.....	246.
1850,.....	291.	1852,*....	298.

## N E A T C A T T L E.

1842,.....	468.	1848,.....	1,159.
1850,.....	1,387.	1852,*....	1,401.

\* Woodstock was detached in 1851.

## MILCH COWS.

1840,.....	188.	1848,.....	—	1850,.....	—
1852,*.....					488.

## HOGS.

1842,.....	404.	1848,.....	1,019.
1850,.....	954.	1852,*.....	1,409.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842,.....	5,890 lbs.	1848,.....	14,546 lbs.
1850,.....	18,935 "	1852,*.....	10,861 "

## HAY.

1850,.....	726 tons.	1852,*.....	1,555 tons.
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## FULLED CLOTH.

1842.....	205 yds.	1848,.....	77 yds.	1852,*.....	497 yds.
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## FLANNEL.

1842,.....	280 yds.	1850,.....	1,842 yds.
1848,.....	1,802 "	1852,*.....	1,848 "

## TOWNSHIP OF BLANDFORD COUNCIL.

1850.

John Barwick, Reeve.

John Galaspey, G. W. Whitehead, George Alexander, John Mc F. Wilson.

Assessor—Thomas J. Clark.

Collector—George Edgar.

Leboo F. Sharp, Clerk, and H. C. Barwick, Treasurer.

1851.

John Barwick, Reeve.

George Alexander, John G. Vansittart, Henry Vansittart, Thos. F. Mitchell.

Assessors—John Davidson, William Hewitt, Benjamin Ellison.

Collector—John Fairburn.

Leboo F. Sharp, Clerk. H. C. Barwick, Treasurer.

\* Woodstock was detached in 1861.

1852.

John Barwick, Reeve.

J. G. Vansittart, Henry Vansittart, John Fairburn, James Merchant.

Assessors—John Davidson, William Hewitt, Benjamin Ellison.

Collector—Thomas F. Mitchell.

Leboo F. Sharp, Clerk. H. C. Barwick, Treasurer.



## LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &c., OF BLANDFORD,

*Since the formation of the District of Brock.*

Years.	Town Clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assesses Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1840	L. F. Sharp	Mich. Overhott	William Clark	8,886	8	0	83	5	10
1841	L. F. Sharp	Elijah Nellies	Elijah Nellies	9,628	16	0	90	9	5
1842	L. F. Sharp	Mich. Overhott	William Clark	10,661	15	6	44	10	5
1843	L. F. Sharp	John Stevens	William Clark	10,574	4	0	128	12	9
1844	L. F. Sharp	John Stevens	William Clark	12,169	4	4	114	6	6
1845	L. F. Sharp	Joseph Taylor	William Clark	12,711	8	8	101	14	2
1846	R.H. Burtch	Mich. Overhott	William Clark	15,261	0	6	147	16	7
1847	L. F. Sharp	Ab'm Sudworth	William Clark	15,645	17	0	99	7	9
1848	L. F. Sharp	Mich. Overhott	William Clark	18,869	14	10	242	7	6
1849	L. F. Sharp	Mich. Overhott	William Clark	19,201	9	6	213	13	8
1850	L. F. Sharp	Thos. J. Clark	George Edgar	23,669	7	0	74	0	0
1851	L. F. Sharp	John Davidson	John Fairburn	52,685	0	0	77	2	4
1852	L. F. Sharp	John Davidson	Thos. F. Mitchell	56,414	0	0	75	0	4

### SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years	Municipal School Grant	Legislative School Grant	Amount Raised by Rate Bill.	Total Amount Paid To Teachers.	Children between 5 and 16.		No. Sch'l Sections.	No. Sch's Operation.	Average Months Taught.
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1844	30 6 5	30 6 5	60 17 6	81 14 1	77	191	6	3	9
1845	36 13 2	29 16 9	35 15 9	62 11 3	244	198	5	4	9½
1846	31 18 3	29 9 6	11 4 5	76 12 9	128	351	8	8	6½
1847	35 7 4	44 13 2	129 14 0	177 16 3	251	254	6	6	6
1848	51 6 0	45 5 11	135 10 6	229 2 5	295	303	6	5	7
1849	64 2 5	49 2 6	198 3 2	300 2 2	207	487	7	6	10½
1850	17 4 8	45 0 2	25 6 11	73 6 5	204	137	7	5	8
1851	27 11 1	25 1 0	15 17 0	68 9 1	208	172	4	4	—
1852	29 7 0	26 15 9	—	—	a 281	a 121	—	—	—

a By Census Return.      b County Rate only.      c According to New Assessment Act.  
d A portion of Township detached to form the town of Woodstock.

### BLANDFORD'S "RUIN AND DECAY."

	BLANDFORD, AND PART OF WOODSTOCK.			BLANDFORD ALONE.	
	1840	1848	1850	1851	1852
Population, . . .	327	1,851	1,203	a	1,356
Occupied, . . .	9,718	16,926	20,223	22,766	23,632
Cultivated, . . .	1,819	5,330	5,902	a	7,240
Non-resident, . . .	a	a	a	6,805	6,078
Non-resident, Personal, . . .	a	a	a	L4,835	L4,375
Real, . . .	a	a	a	L5,258	L5,682
Total, . . .	L6,082	L18,869	L23,669	c L52,680	c L56,414
Framed, 1 storey, . . .	15	a	a	a	24
Br'k & stone, 1 story	—	a	a	a	5
F., B. & S. 2 storeys	2	a	a	a	2
Taxes levied, . . .	L56 11 0	L242 6 6	L86 9 6	b L77 2 4	L75 0 4
Carriages, . . .	a	a	a	a	13
Milch Cows, . . .	181	a	a	a	488

a No return.      b County Tax only.      c Valued under the new Act.

## TOWNSHIP OF BLENHEIM.

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THE township of Blenheim is one of the three largest in the county of Oxford. It is bounded on the west by the townships of North and South Dumfries [county Brant]; on the east by the township of Blandford [county Oxford]; on the south by the township of Burford [county Brant], from which it is divided by the Governor's Road, now "planked;" and on the north by the township of Wilmot [county Waterloo.]

By the Crown Land Office return, Blenheim contains 66,400 acres, being 200 more than any other township in the county; but by the assessors' return (67,200 acres), the township of Norwich (69,138 acres), has 1,938 acres more than it.

The whole township is good land and well timbered, and the best watered of any township in the county, principally by Horner's creek and Smith's creek, both of which flow through the township in the most tortuous course imaginable, as if desirous of accommodating as many of its inhabitants as possible. The latter runs through no less than 64 lots. Notwithstanding, this township was the first one settled in the county. It has been for the last twenty years far behind Norwich in general improvements and advancements; but, within the last few years, it has made very rapid progress; so much so, that it is close on the heels of its rival—Norwich—and bids fair soon to be far ahead. By the census of this year, Blenheim\* returns 50,340 bushels of wheat, and 6,372 bushels of oats, more than any other township, and the greatest number of bushels per acre—21 $\frac{3}{4}$  bushels. Also, the greatest quantity of potatoes—25,227 bush. Also, the largest quantity of rye—1,509 bushels.

The first male white child that was born in the township was in 1804, and the first female white child in June, 1801. The former now resides in the township, and the latter but a few miles from it.

The first territorial division of the Province was made, by Proclamation, July 16th, 1792, by Governor Simcoe, in which division the township of Blenheim formed a part of the West Riding of the county of York, and was described as follows:—"Blenheim lies to the northward of Dundas Street, opposite Burford."

By the Act 38 Geo. III., chapter 5 (1798), the township of Blenheim was attached to the county of Oxford when it was first formed.

The first part of the township was surveyed by Mr. Augustus Jones in the year 1793, a part by — Riddell in the year 1795, and a part by — Stegman in the year 1798.

\* On Page — it is, by mistake, stated, that "Norwich last year raised the greatest quantity—102,449 bushels," whereas it should have been, Blenheim—162,769 bushels.

The following lots were granted, gratuitously, in the township up to the year 1800:—

	July 18, 1797.	6th con.,	lots 23 and 24,...	400 acres
	" "	"	7th " S. $\frac{1}{2}$ , lot 24,.....	100 "
	" "	"	8th " lots 23 and 24.....	400 "
Rev. Thomas Raddish,..	Dec. 31, 1798.	5th "	N. $\frac{1}{2}$ , lot 24,.....	100 "
	" "	"	6th " lots 1, 2, 3, 12, 13, and 14,.....	1,200 "
	" "	"	7th " lots 1, 2, 5, 6, 12, 13 and 14,.....	1,400 "
	" "	"	8th " lots 1 and 2,.....	400 "
John Powell,..	Jan'y 8, 1798.	3rd "	lots 17, 18, 19 & 20,	800 "
	" "	"	4th " lots 6, 7, 8, 18 & 19,	1000 "
A. C. Willmot,	Dec. 1, 1798.	3rd "	lot 5.....	200 "
	" "	"	4th " lots 23 and 24....	400 "
Bell McLean,...	Aug. 13, 1799.	3rd "	lots 14, 15, and 16,	600 "
Hen. A. McLean,	Aug. 13, 1799.	2nd "	lots 18 and 19....	400 "

The first lot sold by the *Government* was the 10th lot, 14th concession, on the 28th day of August, 1833, to William Warduc, at 15s. per acre.

The first saw and grist mill that was built in the county was in this township. They were erected by the late Thomas Horner, Esq.

There are now five saw mills in the township, unitedly worth £1,150, and capable of sawing 1,800,000 feet of lumber per annum. There are also two grist mills, valued at £1,250, and capable of grinding 36,000 bushels of wheat per annum.

We had prepared a somewhat lengthy account of the early settlement and progress of this most interesting township, but have been obliged to suppress it, with much other matter, in consequence of the length this (intended) *little* work has already swelled to.

#### W H E A T .

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,	no return of acres,	20,114 bushels.
1848,	4,261 acres, and	64,109 bushels, being 15 bushels per acre.
1850,	5,644 " " "	98,163 " " " 17 $\frac{1}{4}$ " "
1852,	7,037 " " "	153,789 " " " 21 $\frac{3}{4}$ " "

## O A T S .

The following will show the quantities raised :—

1842,	no return of acres,	19,793	bushels.			
1848,	2,084 acres, and	49,793	bushels, being	23½	bushels per acre.	
1850,	2,758 “ “	75,913	“ “	27½	“ “	
1852,	2,672 “ “	87,633	“ “	32½	“ “	

## P E A S .

The following will show the quantities raised :—

1842,	no return of acres,	4,247	bushels.			
1848,	no census taken of them.					
1850,	953 acres, and	16,819	bushels, being	17½	bushels per acre.	
1852,	912 “ “	14,810	“ “	16	“ “	

## B A R L E Y .

The following will show the quantities raised :—

1842,	no return of acres,	1,205	bushels.			
1848,	133 acres and	2,687	bushels, being	21	bushels per acre.	
1850,	184 “ “	3,172	“ “	20	“ “	
1852,	78 “ “	1,662	“ “	21½	“ “	

## R Y E .

1842,	no return of acres,	1,134	bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.	
1848,	100 acres and	1,494	“ “	15	“ “	
1850,	395 “ “	5,206	“ “	13	“ “	
1852,	106 “ “	1,509	“ “	14½	“ “	

## I N D I A N C O R N .

1842,	no return of acres,	1,134	bushels.			
1848,	242 acres, and	6,271	“ “	being	26	bushels per acre.
1850,	398 “ “	6,306	“ “	“	16	“ “
1852,	473 “ “	6,567	“ “	“	14	“ “

## B U C K W H E A T .

1842,	no return of acres,	372	bushels, being	—	bushels per acre.	
1848,	104 acres, and	1,930	“ “	18½	“ “	
1850,	no return made,	2,855	“ “	—	“ “	
1852,	132 acres, and	1,868	“ “	14	“ “	

## P O T A T O E S .

The following will show the quantities raised :—

1842,	no return of acres,	17,328	bushels.			
1848,	123 acres, and	10,809	bushels, being	87	bushels per acre.	
1850,	777 “ “	26,261	“ “	149½	“ “	
1852,	302 “ “	25,227	“ “	83½	“ “	

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantity:—

1842,	1,969	sheep	and	3,308	lb,	being	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	lb	per	sheep.
1848,	5,150	"	"	13,175	lb,	"	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	lb	"	"
1850,	5,323	"	"	15,533	lb,	"	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	lb	"	"
1852,	6,438	"	"	18,004	lb,	"	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	lb	"	"

## HORSES.

1830, 62;\* 1842, 253; 1848, 717; 1850, 954; 1852, 1,156.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1830, 498;† 1842, 1,189; 1848, 2,830; 1850, 4,224; 1852, 1,158.

## MILCH COWS.

1830, 245; 1840, 528; 1848, ....; 1850, ....; 1852, 1,585.

## HOGS.

1842, 1,491; 1848, 3,993; 1850, 3,363; 1852, 3,024.

## HAY.

1850, 2,454 tons; 1852, 3,447 tons.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842, 32,188 lb; 1848, 39,122 lb; 1850, 47,343 lb; 1852, 31,832 lb.

## FULLED CLOTH.

1842, 1,263 yards; 1848, 3,200 yards; 1852, 2,337 yards.

## FLANNEL.

1842, 2,376 yds.; 1848, 7,476 yds.; 1850, 7,786 yds.; 1852, 7,544 yds.

## BLENHEIM COUNCIL.

## TOWNSHIP COUNCIL.

1850.

William Dixon,..... Reeve.

J. N. Williamson, J. Kilburn, J. Motherall, J. Kennedy.

Assessors, .. Edward Bouchier, Thomas Workman, and Samuel Turomos.

Collector, ..... Joshua Barnett.

G. H. Laycock, ..... Clerk and Treasurer.

\* Three years old and upwards.

† Two years old and upwards.

1851.

John Jackson,..... Reeve.

J. N. Williamson, John Thompson, Peter Bricker.

Assessors,..... Jeremiah Cownah and Jerad Kilbourn.

Collector,..... Joshua Barnett.

J. H. Laycock,..... Clerk and Treasurer.

1852.

John Jackson,..... Reeve.

John Fleming, George Perry, John G. Linsey, Thomas Cowan.

Assessors,..... Jeremiah Cownah and Jerad Kilbourn.

Collector,..... — Rouse.

J. H. Laycock,..... Clerk and Treasurer.

# LIST OF THE TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, &C., OF BLENHEIM,

SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BROCK.

Years.	Town clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
1840	J. H. Laycock	.....	.....	20,184	16	0	180	0	6
1841	J. H. Laycock	J. H. Laycock	Thomas Grinton	20,870	2	6	196	14	11
1842	J. H. Laycock	J. H. Laycock	Thomas Grinton	21,804	13	0	330	0	10
1843	J. H. Laycock	George F. Hill	Warren Snow	26,704	12	0	557	11	2
1844	J. H. Laycock	J. H. Laycock	Moses Johnson	32,376	2	10	287	1	4
1845	J. H. Laycock	J. H. Laycock	Moses Johnson	31,009	0	0	301	10	7
1846	J. H. Laycock	J. H. Laycock	George F. Hill	39,289	0	0	422	14	3
1847	J. H. Laycock	J. H. Laycock	George F. Hill	42,905	13	0	313	1	7
1848	J. H. Laycock	Benjamin Horner	George F. Hill	47,948	10	4	534	1	3
1849	J. H. Laycock	George F. Hill	George F. Hill	48,404	15	0	517	19	9
1850	J. H. Laycock	Edward Boucher	Joshua Barnett	52,327	0	3	663	12	8
1851	J. H. Laycock	Jeremiah Cowmah	Joshua Barnett	62,611	1	6	615	12	11
1852	J. H. Laycock	Jeremiah Cowmah	— Rouse	620,750	10	0	620	15	10

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years.	Municipal School Grant.			Legislative School Grant.			Amount Raised by Rate Bill.		Total Am't Paid to Teachers.		Children between 5 and 10.		No. School Sections.	No. Sch'ls Operatn.	Average Months Taught.		
	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.	Taught.	Not Taught.						
1841	62	15	5	62	15	5	57	0	4	101	0	2	392	291	12	0	54
1845	65	1	7	77	15	8	200	16	10	368	12	5	563	328	21	15	—
1846	82	18	0	70	10	0	178	8	10	332	1	1	421	610	21	18	—
1847	92	8	0	90	0	0	116	10	9	417	0	7	736	189	23	22	6
1848	103	10	11	87	3	6	230	10	4	431	13	6	688	404	19	17	74
1849	112	11	0	86	15	0	286	10	4	487	19	7	907	312	20	19	8
1850	81	0	8	81	9	8	209	8	5	404	17	7	815	712	19	10	74
1851	122	8	10	110	11	0	70	13	5	319	1	3	761	306	19	14	—
1852	107	10	0	93	17	2	—	—	—	c 876	—	—	c 661	—	—	—	—

a County Rate only.      b Valued under New Assessment Act.      c Census return.

## BLENHEIM'S "RUIN AND DECAY."

	1820	1830	1840	1850	1851	1852	Entire Co 1820
Population,	317	498	1,707	4,323	a	4,095	1,522
Occupied,	3,940	11,636	28,470	51,158	50,458	59,417	30,222
Cultivated,	920	2,004	5,052	17,148	a	26,693	7,148
Non-Resident,	a	a	a	a	0,542	7,753	a
Personal,	a	a	a	a	1,935 1/2	18,021	a
Real,	a	a	a	a	121,674	130,500	a
Total,	£3,720	L8,280	L20,184	L52,327	c L231,644	c L230,750	L26,967
Framed, 1 story,	6	20	72	a	a	108	5
Brk & Stone, "	—	—	—	a	a	4	—
F. D. & S. 2 "	—	3	5	a	a	8	55
Taxes levied,	£22 10	L54 12	L189 9	b L101 2 5	b L315 12 11	6L293 15 10	L235 2
Milch Cows,	111	245	528	a	a	1,585	980

a No return.      b County Rate only.      c Valued under the New Act.

## TOWNSHIP OF EAST NISSOURI.

The township of East Nissouri is bounded on the east by the township of West Zorra (county of Oxford); on the east by the township of West Nissouri (county of Middlesex); on the south by the township of North Oxford (county of Oxford); and on the north, by the townships of Blanchard and Downie (county of Perth). It is a township of most excellent land, and very heavily timbered with hard wood.

We have not been able to ascertain when the first township meeting was held, but we have found, after much searching, the original minutes, &c., of a meeting held on the 7th January, 1821, at the house of Mr. James Howard. The warrant was issued by Peter Teeple and Thomas Horner, Esquires, addressed to A. Lewis, constable. James O'Brien, was elected clerk; James O'Brien and John Uran, assessors; and John Stephens, collector. It was then moved by Mr. E. Withers, sen., seconded by James O'Brien, and resolved, "That the next town meeting be held at the house of Mr. James Howard, 13th lot, 6th concession, on the 1st Monday in January, 1822.

We have also in our possession the Assessment Roll for 1822, signed by Jared Vining, one of the Assessors, a copy of which we give below, as far as lands, horses, oxen, and cows, are concerned:—

Names.	Uncultivated Land.		Horses.		Oxen.	Cows.	Names.	Uncultivated Land.		Horses.		Oxen.	Cows.
	Cleared.	Uncleared.	Horses.	Oxen.				Cleared.	Uncleared.	Horses.	Oxen.		
Francis Bowers	200	..	..	2	3	Thos. Bailey	95	5	..	2	2		
Clanson Burgess	197	3	..	..	3	John Farley	97	3	..	..	1		
John Uran	194	6	..	2	2	James O'Brien	195	5	..	..	3		
George Coleman	100	..	..	2	..	Donald McDonald	100	..	..	..	..		
Robt. Smith	200	..	..	2	1	John Hosman	100	..	..	2	1		
Wm. Smith	200	..	..	1	1	Joseph Allwood	100	..	..	..	1		
Joseph Wheaton	100	..	..	1	2	Samuel Shilock	200	..	1	..	2		
Robt. Dean	100	..	..	..	..	Richard Caiten	50	..	1	..	2		
John Cuningham	100	..	..	..	..	John Stephens	175	15	..	2	2		
Wm. Uran	100	..	..	..	..	James Agar	198	2	..	..	1		
Joshua Hall	97	3	..	2	1	Peter Enor	48	2	1	..	1		
Geo. Logan	100	..	..	..	1	Charles Moore	97	3	..	2	2		
Robt. Logan	100	..	..	..	1	Hugh Davis	194	4	..	..	..		
Solomon Vining	100	..	..	2	2	Jared Vining	136	..	..	..	..		
Daniel Comstock	200	..	..	2	..	James Haywood	200	..	1	..	3		
Calvin Perkins	100	..	..	..	1	Charles Bovard	194	6	..	..	..		
John Saithere	270	03	..	3	1	Fresmon Burdick	50	..	1	2	3		



Names.	Uncultivated Land.	Cleared.	Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.	Names.	Uncultivated Land.	Cleared.	Horses.	Oxen.	Cows.
Joseph Day.....	94	6	..	2	2	David Ramage.....	200	..	..	..	..
Joel Cross.....	97	3	..	..	2	Colin McNee.....	98	2	..	..	..
Robt. Gracon.....	91	1	..	..	1	Wm. McNee.....	100	..	..	..	..
Eben. Titus.....	94	6	..	2	2	John Cowun.....	100	..	..	..	..
Samuel Titus.....	100	..	..	2	..	Francis Kellsall...	98	2	..	2	1
Joseph Brown.....	100	..	..	..	..	Wm. Shaw.....	200	..	..	..	..
Eben. Whithers.....	98	2	..	..	3	Sarah Cameron.....	200	..	..	..	..
Wm. Whithers...	100	..	..	2	..	Asholl Lewis.....	100	..	..	2	1
Robt. Cameron....	200	..	..	..	2						

The first territorial division of the Province was made in July 16, 1792, at which time the township of Nissouri was not known. We first find it alluded to by the Act 2 Geo. IV., chapter 3 (1821), by which Act it is, together with the township of Zorra, added to the county of Oxford. Previous to that period the *whole* of the townships of Nissouri, Zorra, and the townships of West and North Oxfords, were assessed together, their united population being at that period 719 souls; they now have a population of 14,914 souls.

The *whole* township was surveyed by Mr. Shubal Parke in 1820.

On the 6th day of July, 1820, the east halves of the following lots (the first in the township) were granted to Mr. Thaddeus Davis; and on the 7th of the same month, the west halves of the same lots, viz:—

Con. 8....	Lots 21 and 28.	Con. 9.....	Lots 28 and 26.
" 10....	" 14.	" 11.....	" 7 and 17.
" 12....	" 11, 19, 21, & 34.	" 13.....	" 26.
" 14....	" 8.		

By the Act 14 and 15 Victoria, chapter 5 (1851), it is enacted, "That *East Nissouri* shall include and consist of that part of the present township of Nissouri which lies eastward of the line dividing the 7th concession thereof from the 8th."

The first lot *sold* in the township of *East Nissouri* by the Government, was the 2nd lot in the 11th concession. It was sold to John Campbell, on July 17, 1834, at 16s. 10d. per acre.

According to the returns made by the Crown Land Office, there are 46,400 acres in the township; and, by the assessors' 45,841 acres.

There is a small village called *Thamesford*, situated on a small branch of the *Thames*, which flows through the south-west corner of the township.

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## W H E A T.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	9,553	bushels.			
1848,....	2,637 acres, and	31,813	“	being	12	bushels per acre.
1850,*....	4,323 “ “	36,580	“	“	8½	“ “
1852,....	2,000 “ “	25,663	“	“	12½	“ “

## O A T S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	25,252	bushels.			
1848,....	1,976 acres, and	44,185	“	being	22½	bushels per acre.
1850,*....	2,291 “ “	50,321	“	“	22½	“ “
1852,....	1,634 “ “	40,178	“	“	24½	“ “

## P E A S.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	5,087	bushels.			
1850,*....	996 acres, and	11,195	“	being	11½	bushels per acre.
1852,....	155 “ “	6,437	“	“	41½	“ “

## B A R L E Y.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	469	bushels.			
1848,....	50 acres, and	1,510	“	being	30	bushels per acre.
1850,*....	41 “ “	656	“	“	16	“ “
1852,....	133 “ “	2,668	“	“	20	“ “

## R Y E.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	3	bushels.			
1848,....	15 acres, and	160	“	being	10½	bushels per acre.
1850,*....	2 “ “	16	“	“	8	“ “
1852,....	1 “ “	10	“	“	10	“ “

## I N D I A N C O R N.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,....	no return of acres,	1,076	bushels.			
1848,....	34 acres, and	784	“	being	23	bushels per acre.
1850,*....	69 “ “	1,277	“	“	18½	“ “
1852,....	60 “ “	1,190	“	“	19½	“ “

\* The whole of Nissouri before it was divided.

## BUCKWHEAT.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....	no return of acres,	241 bushels.				
1848,.....	26 acres, and	550	“	being 21 bushels per acre.		
1850,*.....	no return of acres,	791	“	“	“	“
1852,.....	30 acres, and	421	“	“	14	“

## POTATOES.

The following will show the quantities raised:—

1842,.....	no return of acres	21,827 bushels.				
1848,.....	209 acres, and	15,417	“	being 73½ bushels per acre.		
1850,*.....	197 “ “	17,949	“	“ 73½	“	“
1852,.....	103 “ “	4,193	“	“ 91	“	“

## SHEEP &amp; WOOL.

The following will show the number and quantities:—

1842,.....	2,024 sheep, and	4,137 lbs. wool.
1848,.....	5,361 “ “	13,130 “ “
1850,*.....	5,405 “ “	22,851 “ “
1852,.....	2,911 “ “	7,279 “ “

## HORSES.

1830,.....	48.†	1842,.....	166.
1848,.....	449.	1850,*.....	475.
1852,.....			475.

## NEAT CATTLE.

1830,.....	488.†	1842,.....	2,440.
1848,.....	3,727.	1850,*.....	3,781.
1852,.....			2,552.

## MILCH COWS.

1830,.....	239.	1840,.....	466.
1850,*.....		1852,.....	759.

## HOGS.

1842,.....	1,483.	1848,.....	3,025.
1850,*.....	2,190.	1852,.....	2,571.

\* The whole of Missouri before it was divided.

† Three years old and upwards.

‡ Two years old and upwards.

## MAPLE SUGAR.

1842,.....	45,358 lbs.	1848,.....	59,309 lbs.
1850,*.....	88,205 "	1852,.....	29,512 "

## HAY.

1850,*.....	1,886 tons.	1852,.....	842 tons.
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## FULLED CLOTH.

1842,.....	1,282 yds.	1848,*.....	3,218 yds.
1852,.....			1,182 "

## FLANNEL.

1842,.....	2,864 yds.	1848,.....	7,763 yds.
1850,*.....	11,517 "	1852,.....	4,100 "

## EAST NISSOURI COUNCIL.

## TOWNSHIP COUNCIL.

1850.

Jerad Vining, Reeve.

D. Horsman, J. Baily, J. Man, P. Gregory.

Assessor: \_\_\_\_\_

Collector: \_\_\_\_\_

John Tay, Clerk; Solomon Vining, Treasurer.

1851.

John Scatcherd, Reeve.

W. H. Gregory, John Man, Donald McDonald, D. Horsman.

Assessor: F. F. Cogswell.

Collector: Hugh Frazer.

Foster Scatcherd, Clerk; Solomon Vining, Treasurer.

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1852.

Donald McDonald, Reeve.

D. Horsman, John McIntosh, William Swazue, William Sutherland.

Assessor: F. F. Cogswell.

Collector: Roderick McDonald.

Roderick McDonald, Clerk; John Tay, Treasurer.

# LIST OF TOWNSHIP OFFICERS, & C., OF EAST NISSOURI,

*Since the formation of the District of Brock.*

Years.	Town Clerks.	Assessors.	Collectors.	Total Assessed Value.			Total Taxes Levied.		
				£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
d1840	J. Johnston	*	*	12,738	4	0	119	8	4
d1841	J. Johnston	J. Johnston	Ben. Swazue	14,159	0	0	133	10	10
d1842	J. Johnston	Thos. Bailey	Ben. Swazue	16,114	8	0	256	12	10
d1843	J. Johnston	F. Scatcherd	Adam Bailey	16,409	4	0	253	4	4
d1844	J. Johnston	F. Bowers	Adam Bailey				209	1	10
d1845	Sol. Vining	F. Bowers	Adam Bailey	20,060	16	0	221	6	6
d1846	Sol. Vining	F. Bowers	Adam Bailey	22,666	8	4	339	19	6
d1847	Sol. Vining	W. Vining	F. Bowers, jun.	25,639	10	0	296	15	0
d1848	John Tay	Angus Shaw	F. Bowers	29,243	15	4	370	15	1
d1849	John Tay	*	*	28,579	6	0	356	14	10
d1850	John Tay	*	*	34,041	19	0	4106	10	0
d1851	F. Scatcherd	F. F. Cogswell	Hugh Frazer	d159,781	6	0	b223	8	8
1852	R. McDonald	F. F. Cogswell	R. McDonald	c 75,487	0	0	b107	3	2

## SCHOOL STATISTICS.

Years	Municipal School Grant.			Legislative School Grant.			Amount Raised by Rate Bill.			Total Amount Paid To Teachers.			Children between 5 and 16.		No. Sch'l Sections.	No. Sch's Operation.	Average Months Taught.	
	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	£	s	d	Taught.	Not Taught.				
d'44	67	17	6	67	16	8				119	14	5	468	246	12	10	6	
d'45	91	8	2	81	4	2	97	15	10	216	9	5	486	463	16	14	5½	
d'46	94	4	6	80	4	3	100	11	2	348	12	0	408	376	20	18	6½	
d'47	96	4	3	93	11	7	117	11	1	272	8	8	530	462	18	18	7	
d'48	82	6	5	72	9	0	134	5	2	296	9	7	518	438	16	16	7½	
d'49	82	4	9	63	0	0	204	3	5	391	9	2	584	362	16	16	8½	
d'50	76	16	6	76	16	6	96	13	10	292	2	1	594	820	18	16	8	
d'51	84	9	4	102	19	6	169	8	6	356	17	4	728	412	18	15	—	
1852	46	1	0	41	18	4				a 297			a 357					

\* We could not find out the names of these Officers.

a By Census Return.

b County Rate only.

c According to New Assessment Act.

d The whole township before divided.

## EAST NISSOURI'S "RUIN AND DECAY."

	Missouri until divided—Jan 1st, 1852.					E. Nissouri.
	1820	1830	1840	1850	1851	1852
Population, . . .	97	488	1,085	3,378	a	2,118
Occupied, . . .	6,784	15,692	25,368	29,042	a	31,863
Cultivated, . . .	708	1,608	4,12	10,114	a	8,050
Non-resident, . . .	a	a	a	a	a	13,978
Non-resident, . . .	a	a	a	a	a	L11,663
Personal, . . .	a	a	a	a	a	L7,286
Real, . . .	a	a	a	a	a	L56,538
Total, . . .	L3,395	L6,486	L12,738	L34,042	c L159,781	c L75,487
Framed, 1 storey, . . .	2	5	9	a	a	45
Br'k & stone, 1 storey	—	—	—	a	a	—
F., B. & S. 2 storeys	—	—	—	a	a	2
Taxes levied, . . .	L19 16	L42 17	L119 8	dL124 8	5dL223 8	8d L107 3

a No return.

b County Tax only.

c Valued under the new Act.

d County and Lunatic Asylum Tax only.

& C.,

Total Taxes  
Levied,

£	s.	d.
10	8	4
33	10	10
56	12	10
53	4	4
09	1	10
21	6	6
39	19	6
96	15	0
70	15	1
56	14	10
06	10	0
23	8	8
07	3	2

Average  
Months  
Taught.

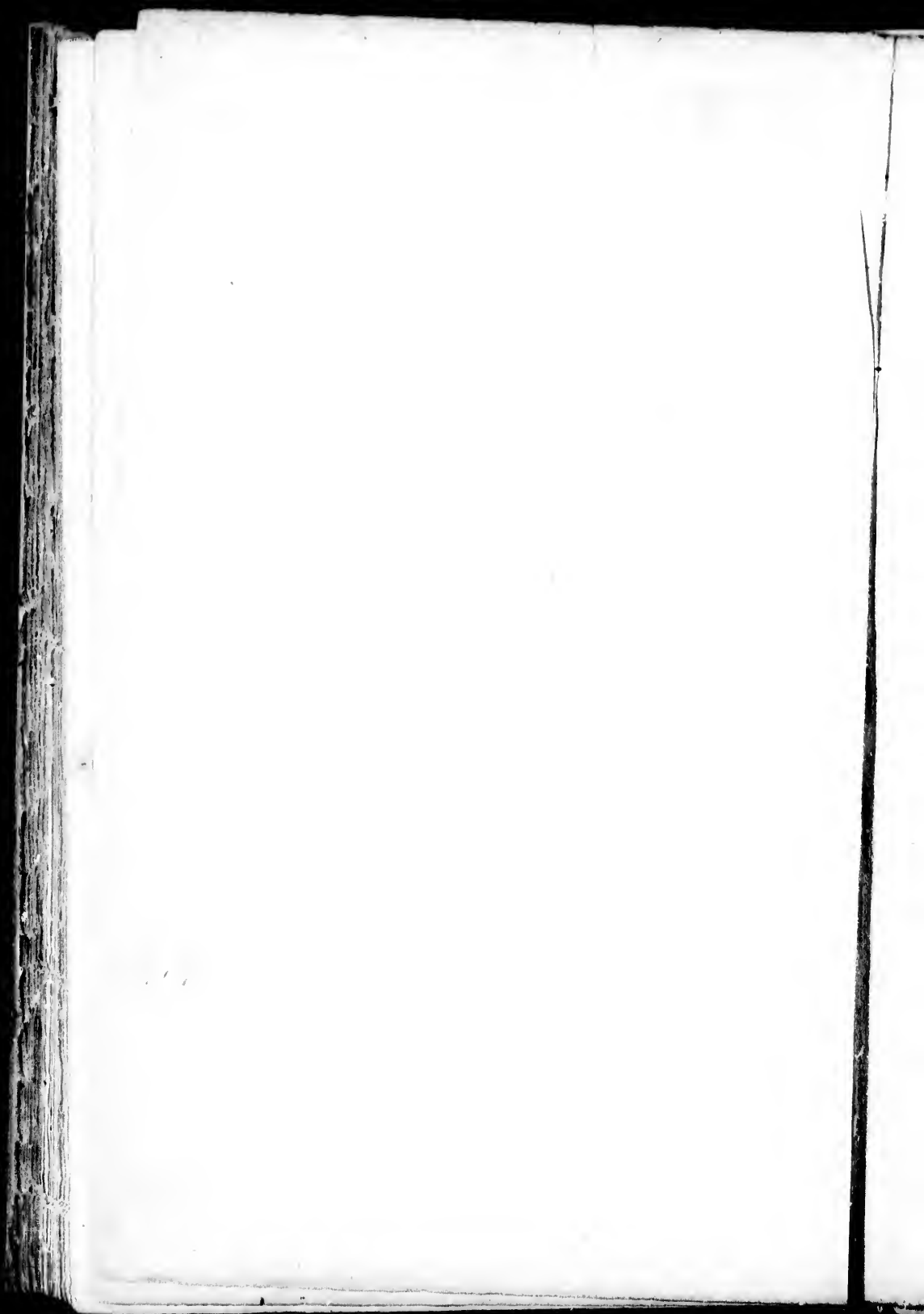
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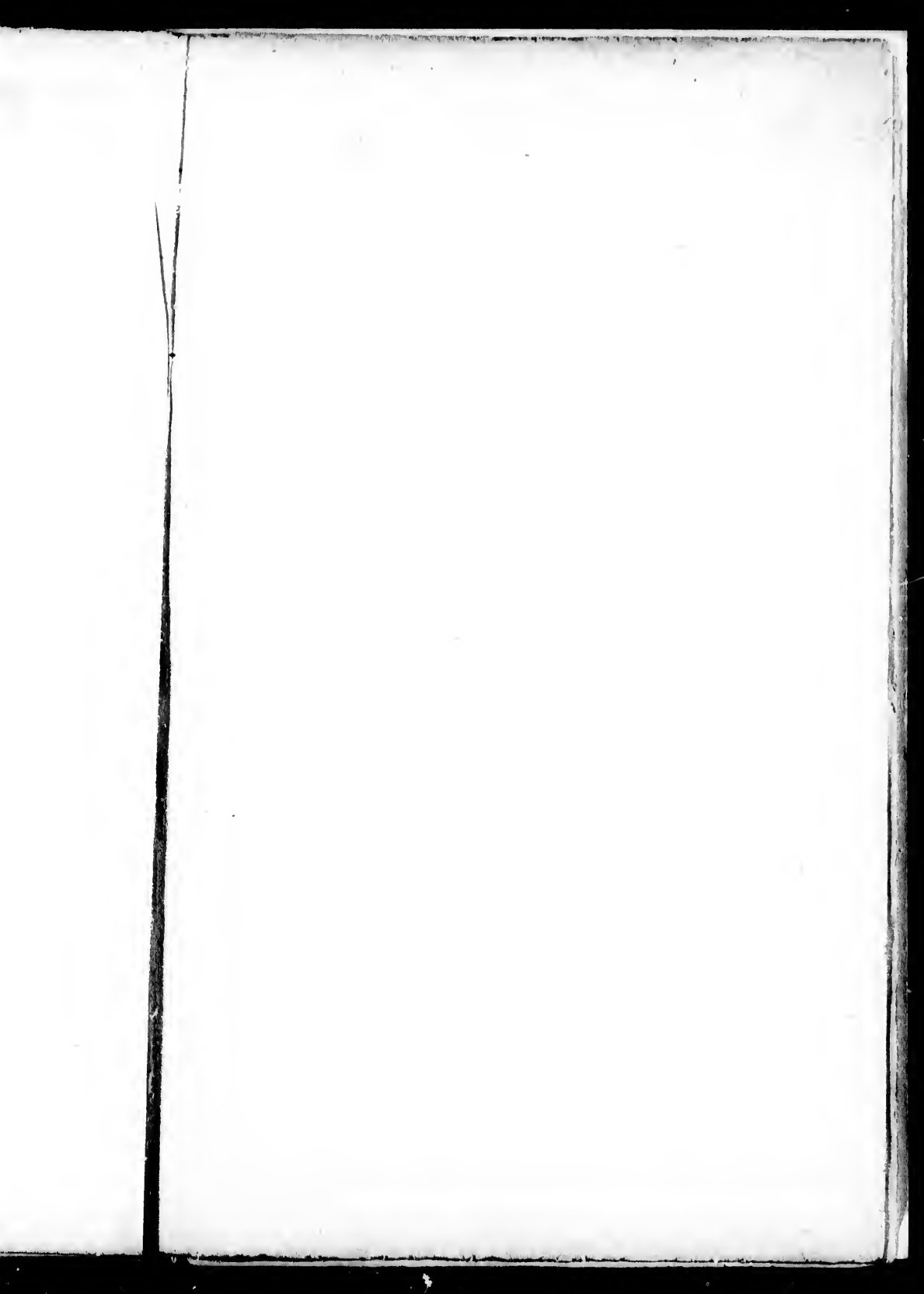
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**T. S. SHENSTON,**

AGENT FOR THE COLONIAL

# Life Assurance

**COMPANY.**

CAPITAL—£500,000.

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**T. S. SHENSTON,**

AGENT FOR THE

# Western Assurance Company.

CAPITAL—£100,000.

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**T. S. SHENSTON,**

AGENT FOR THE

# PHENIX FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

The extent of this Company's business in Great Britain *alone*, may be estimated by reference to the following Memorandum of Duties, paid to the Imperial Government (by English Companies that have Agencies in Canada) for the year 1850:—

PHENIX Company, .....	£120,410	0	0	Sterling.
Globe do. ....	32,896	0	0	"
Liverpool and London, .....	22,305	0	0	"
Royal, of London and Liverpool, .....	13,373	0	0	"
Equitable, .....	309	12	0	"

BY THE ENUMERATORS.

1852.)

*Explanations:*

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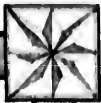
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NORTH

County of Waterloo.  
Wilnot



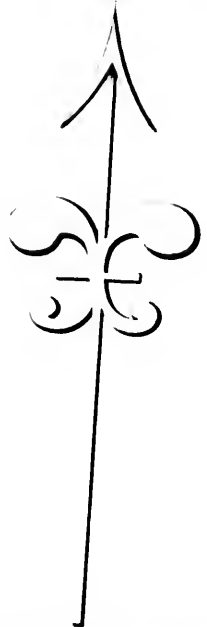
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EAST

WEST

West Viscount

Great Western Rail Road  
River Thames



NORTH  
I  
II  
III  
IV

South Berkshire

County of Elyin  
Matachide

Bampton

St. Thomas Road

SOUTH



EAST

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*County of Norfolk*

Scale - 630 Chains to an Inch -

SOUTH

