

Included in the anti-slavery collection of [the Foote papers](#) is a list called, “Canvass of Anti Slavery votes.” It is in **Foote’s** handwriting and consists of an alphabetical list of the towns (also known as townships) within Chautauqua County. Next to each town, the number of anti-slavery votes cast in the years 1840, 1842, and 1843 appear in their respective columns.

In the following transcription, a column has been added to show the population figure for each respective town at the time of the 1840 census. It should be noted that the first three columns most likely include legal voters only, i.e. most likely white, male, property owners. The fourth column would have included both voters and non-voters, i.e. men, women, and children.

<u>Town Name</u>	<u>1840</u>	<u>1842</u>	<u>1843</u>	<u>Total Population</u>
Arkwright	1	----	26	1,418
Busti	4	17	28	1,894
Carroll	----	1	3	1,649
Charlotte	----	2	3	1,428
Chautauque	----	----	----	2,980
Cherry Creek	----	----	2	1,141
Clymer	----	----	3	909
Ellery	----	----	----	2,242
Ellicott	2	5	16	2,571
Ellington	1	1	----	1,725
French Creek	----	----	----	621
Gerry	----	----	----	1,288
Hanover	3	5	12	3,998
Harmony	----	----	1	3,340
Mina	----	----	----	871
Poland	----	1	----	1,087
Pomfret	3	24	28	4,566
Portland	1	16	39	2,136
Ripley	----	----	2	2,197
Sheridan	----	----	3	1,883
Sherman	----	----	4	1,099
Stockton	----	1	1	2,078
Villanova	1	----	6	1,655
Westfield	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>3,199</u>
	20	77	195	47,975