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BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS.

The annual provincial report of births, marriages and deaths for the year ending 31st December, 1889, is to hand, and we glean the following interesting figures therefrom :

The total registrations made during the year amounted to 86,747, composed of 48,538 births, 14,880 marriages and 23,329 deaths. Compared with the registrations made during 1888 the births show an increase of 1585, the marriages an increase of 329, and the deaths a decrease of 405, making a total increase in 1889 of 1509. The proportion of the total registrations to every 1000 living was 40.3. In England there were 56.7 per 1000, in Scotland 45 per 1000, and in Michigan, a state similar in population to Ontario, 41.9 per 1000. The male births in the province numbered 24,737, the females 23,801, an excess of 936 male births, showing a proportion of 103.5 males to 100 females. March, usually the most prolific month in the year for births, has in 1889 receded to fourth position. There was a small increase in the number of twin births registered. Three cases of triplets were returned in 1889, the same number as in 1888. They occurred in the counties of Haldimand, Peterboro and York. Of the 48,539 children whose births were registered during the year 1889, 47,581, or 98 per cent., were legitimate, and 958, or 2 per cent., illegitimate.

The number of marriages registered during the year was 14,880, being a ratio of 6.9 per 1000 of the population, .2 above that of the previous year. Little change took place in the months choses for marrying, October, December and January being still the favorite months, especially December, which heads the list with 1753 weddings, nearly 12 per cent. of the whole number celebrated during the year. Comparatively few marriages took place in August, only 913, or 6 per cent. of the whole number returned during the year. The returns show that 42 persons were married at the age of 70 years and ever, forty bridegrooms and two brides. Only two brides were older than their bridegrooms, one was 82 years old and the bridegroom 62, the other was 70 years and the bridegroom 61. The united ages of the oldest couple married in 1889 was 148 years. The bridegroom was 81 and the bride 67. Four persons were married at 80 years of age and over, three males and one female. In contrast to these marriages of persons advanced in years the following youthful marriages were recorded : Nine girls of 14 years of age united themselves to youths under nineteen years, and thirty girls were married at 16 years of age. The youngest couple married was a girl of 14 years of age to a youth of 18 years. The greatest disparity of ages exhibited in any marriage was that of a man aged 79 years who married a maiden of the age of 15 years.

A very marked difference in the ratio of deaths to population appears in the different counties. In some it was very high, and in others very low ; for instance, in ten counties the ratio was from 12 to 20 per 1000, while in fourteen other counties it was only eight per 1000, and in the four counties of Bruce, Grey, Huron and Norfolk it was as low as seven per 1000. Brampton still retains the highest death rate of any town, 23.6 per 1000. The death rate in the cities and towns of Ontario does not differ to any great extent from the cities and towns of similar population in England, Ireland and the United States. The number of deaths registered of people over 100 years of age was 16, or five less than in 1888. The greatest age reported was that of Elizabeth Morgan, formerly a slave, who is said to have attained at the time of her death the great age of 116 years. The counties of Carleton, York, Wentworth and Frontenac return the highest death rate from consumption ; while Muskoka, Simcoe, Grey, Halton and Norfolk return the lowest. The occupation of gardener seems to have given those who followed it a long life. Their average life was 65 years, and 77 per cent. of them lived to be over 60 years. Laborers do not live as long as farmers or gardeners. In the mechanical class 26 different trades are given and the deaths of those engaged in them numbered 927. Of these 359, or 38 per cent., lived to be 60 years and over. Those who worked at the following trades lived the longest : Weavers, average age 63 years ; coopers, 61 years ; moulders, 58 years ; masons and carpenters, each 57 years. The following mechanics were the shortest lived : Factory operatives, average age 34 years ; brickmakers, 40 years ; plasterers, 41 years ; printers 42 years. Clergymen attained the greatest average age of professional men, their average age being 61.6 years. Only two occupations are given in the female class, domestic servants and milliners and dressmakers. The average length of life of domestic servants was 40 years, being 17 years more than that of milliners and dressmakers.

We have received a letter from Mr. W. J. Mitchell, secretary of the S. G. Conservative Association, explaining the reason why we, as well as many others, did not receive notification of the meeting lately held in Durham for the purpose of deciding the question as to whether it would be advisable to protest Dr. Landerkin's election. Mr. Mitchell very kindly shoulders all the blame. We never dreamed of blaming the secretary, nor do we yet imagine that his generosity should be rewarded by placing the onus upon his shoulders. The order for printing notices was placed in his hands on a Saturday, and as the meeting was called for the Thursday following it will be seen that the time of notification was extremely short—too short to notify one half the riding. And this is the cause of our quarrel. In order to show that everything was done on the square, and above the board, at least one week's notification should have been given. Mr. Mitchell apologizes for the association, after the manner of a gentleman, but he does not lessen the magnitude of the error in calling a meeting upon such short notice—a meeting which could only result in a very meagre attendance, and the deliberations of which could not by any means be accepted as the voice of the Conservative party at large.

The following statement gives the amounts payable to the several municipalities in this county on account of crown lands collections, subject to the "land improvement funds :"

Artemesia	$1,167.36
Bentinck	7.05
Collingwood	195.10
Derby	218.81
Egremont	20.24
Euphrasia	599.84
Glenelg	25.16
Holland	944.01
Melancthon	1,118.11
Osprey	2,178.66
Proton	5.59
St. Vincent	138.89
Sullivan	294.10
Sydenham	281.60

The Treasurer's Salary.

To the Editor of The Advance.

DEAR SIR,—With great reluctance I am forced to lay before the readers of The Advance a few facts relative to my position as Twp. treasurer, and as there seems to be a disposition in Dr. Christoe to unravel (?) this matter so as to enlighten the ratepayers of this township, I am constrained to ask : Whence all this fire and smoke ? What is it all about ? What crime has the treasurer committed ? Reference is made by the Dr. to bylaw 208, clause 5, passed in 1874, containing certain instructions to the treasurer as to amount retained in his hands and "providing a *surplus* of funds occur over and above *legal liabilities* the said surplus to be promptly deposited in *some* bank, subject to the order of this Council." Now, I would like to ask : 1st, who is to determine the *legal liabilities* of the township ? 2nd, *what* bank ? Bylaw says *some* bank. 3rd, how are the monies to get there ? Bylaw does not say. In the absence of such *specific* instruction I am advised that I did not act wisely in depositing at all, as in the event of a bank breaking in which the monies had been deposited Council could say we did not instruct you to deposit our monies *there*. But I did not quibble. I did deposit the monies in a chartered bank in Owen Sound which would only allow three per cent. for the use thereof. After some time I ascertained that I could procure 4 per cent. in another bank, which caused me at once to take the money out of the first bank and deposit in a new one, so as to get one per cent. more for the township. Was I instructed so to do? No, I was intent on *husbanding* the money placed under my care. As to the *authority* of Council to so oblige the treasurer to bank the money he cites sec. 250 of cap. 184, R. S. O. I give you now the section referred to as it stands in the statutes :

Every treasurer shall receive, and safely keep, all moneys belonging to the corporation, and shall pay out the same to such persons and in such manner as the laws of the province, and the lawful bylaws or resolutions of the council of the municipal corporation, whose officer he is, direct ; but no member of the council shall receive any money from such treasurer for any work performed or to be performed ; and the treasurer shall not be liable to any action for any monies paid by him in accordance with any bylaw or resolution passed by the council of the municipality of which he is the treasurer, unless where another disposition is expressly made of such monies by statute.

While it may have been right and proper to cause the money to be placed in a bank, yet I hold that there was no specific instructions, and if I did as bylaw directs—deposit all sums over $400 *promptly*—I should have *a trip or two* every week during the time the taxes were being collected every fall, and which I could have done under the bylaw, but instead thereof I have asked for merely what paid my R.R. ticket and bus fare—$2.25. Every cent asked for was paid out by me, and that for doing the business of the corporation. The Dr. says I have not looked for these expenses until within the last three years. Well, if I did not do so it was all the better for the township, as the amount paid—ten or twelve dollars yearly—came directly out of my own pocket or salary of $75, thereby reducing same to about $60 per year. If these monies had been expressed the aggregate account paid for so doing would have been much more than my trifling account.

Another crime I have been guilty of is that I do not meet the Council after 4 p.m. to pay them their monies and other orders passed. This I consider wholly unnecessary, as my *office books* and monies were within a few yards of the Town Hall, and I felt it to be a duty ? imposed upon me just to make me *dance* as expressed by a person interested. This is a requirement not asked for by anyother township in the county. In defence of this argument the treasurer of Osprey's name has been used, although the circumstances are not parallled. Osprey council meets at Maxwell, Feversham, Singhampton and McIntyre, eight sessions in the year. Whenever there is a large amount of money to be paid out Mr. Gamey, the treasurer, is informed thereof and usually attends the sessions, as each session is invariably a *considerable distance* from his office, but there is neither bylaw or motion to compel him so to do, but if there was a town hall, and the treasurer's office within a few yards of the same, Mr. Gamey would be found in his office.

Now as to *salary* I receive seventy-five dollars per annum, including postage account and all other expenses, save and except the small bills recently paid as to the com. on school monies. This amount is never considered by any council (excepting our our own) as part salary. This is money paid by the county treasurer for paying out the legislative grant and township equivalent to the school teachers, taking their receipts therefor ; making out statement for the county auditors, and for which duties towuship treasurers are paid 2½ per cent. on such monies paid out. I hoped to have a statement from the other treasurers in the county to show the ratepayers of this township whether I have been or am now placed on a par with them. This will appear in the course of a week or so. I have simply asked to be placed on a par with others in the same office, although there is not another township treasurer in the county of Grey having as much work to do. Now, the Dr. himself being the judge says : "The treasurer's financial position is sound and his books accurately kept," thus possessing the two essential features in every treasurer, and which has had a very full corroboration in the fact that in twenty five years past no inaccuracy has been found, and is a substantial answer to the provisions of statuary law and bylaws, etc., of the township. In conclusion allow me to say that I am prepared to do as much work and attend to every requirement of Council as any other township treasurer in the county of Grey, provided that my salary is equal to that of such treasurer.

J. W. ARMSTRONG.

The Treasurer's Salary.

To the Editor of The Advance.

DEAR SIR,—A correspondent signing himself "Fair Play" appears in your last issue, and as he does not attempt to refute my statements I conclude it wisdom on my part to say no more on the subject at present, or until it be denied. I also conclude that to correspond with anonymous writers on municipal questions is unwise, and therefore I utterly refuse in future to do so. What I did write was not of pleasure but in pure defence, not only of myself but also the council of which this same "*Fair Play*" *was one* It is not that he loves the treasurer a whit better than I do, but with one or two others—the treasurer included—he has *Christoe on the brain*. If Christoe could have seen in him ability to draft a bylaw, strike a rate, or comprehend principles with any degree of accuracy, such as would be expected of a reeve, and which are expected by the ratepayers, nothing of the kind would have been heard of. In all societies and combinations, a *traitor* is despicable beyond description ; a man to be present and be a consenting party to certain matters and decisions, and afterward, under a false signature, to insinuate innocency on his part, should be treated with the utmost contempt. I believe the very last act of my municipal life, through pressure from him I ignored my usual custom, and signed an order for work done, though just like the one he points out, has not appeared only in the auditor's report which is not published. I don't know a councillor who was sharper to pick the *bones* at the municipal *shambles* than he, and he learned it so soon and so aptly. If his *hirsute* appendages be *rouge* or anything else, let him come out under his proper signature, and I will discuss any question with him fairly and honorably. Let me add one word, that during my reeveship my motto has been to keep down expenses. No doubt in this I gave some offence. Acting on this principle I did herculean service for exceedingly small pay. My anxiety and responsibility for the paltry $25 mentioned, exceeded by far that of the treasurer for which he received $75. Yours,

W. S. CHRISTOE.

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Pork	5 00	5 00
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Hides	3 00	3 00
Sheepskins	0 50	1 00
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