TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

REGISTRAR OF BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES

OF THE PROVINCE OF

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ABSTRACT OF 1899.

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REPORT.

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REGISTRAR-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
January 15th, 1900.

To His Honour THOMAS R. MCINNES, *Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of British Columbia:*

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR:

In accordance with the provisions of the Statute in that behalf, I have the honour to submit the Twenty-seventh Annual Report of the Registration of Births, Deaths, and Marriages in this Province, the period covered being the year ended 31st December, 1899.

The returns show the registration of 1,755 Births, 1,415 Deaths, and 872 Marriages for the year 1899, against 2,038 Births, 1,340 Deaths, and 965 Marriages for the year 1898.

BIRTHS.

Districts.	Males.	Females.	No. where both name and sex are omitted.	Total.
No. 1.—Victoria, &c.	190	172	.....	362
No. 2.—Nanaimo, &c.	142	144	.....	286
No. 3.—New Westminster, &c.	106	104	.....	210
No. 4.—Yale, &c. No. 5.—Clinton, &c. No. 6.—Lillooet, &c. No. 7.—Cariboo, &c. No. 11.—Kamloops, &c.	77	77	.....	154
Nos. 8, 9, and 15.—Kootenay, &c.	104	94	.....	198
No. 10.—Cassiar, &c.	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 12.—Vancouver, &c.	259	215	.....	474
No. 13.—Comox, &c.	27	24	.....	51
No. 14.—Chilliwhack, &c.	8	12	.....	20
Totals	913	842	.....	1,755

The following table will show the increase or decrease (as the case may be) in the different districts between the number of Births registered in the years ended 31st December, 1898, and 31st December, 1899 :—

Districts.	Number registered in 1898.	Number registered in 1899.	Increase.	Decrease.
No. 1.—Victoria, &c	384	362	.....	22
No. 2.—Nanaimo, &c	380	286	.....	94
No. 3.—New Westminster, &c	284	210	.....	74
No. 4.—Yale, &c. No. 5.—Clinton, &c. No. 6.—Lillooet, &c No. 7.—Cariboo, &c No. 11.—Kamloops, &c.	222	154	.....	68
Nos. 8. 9, and 15.—Kootenay, &c	191	198	7	.....
No. 10.—Cassiar, &c	.....	.....	.....	.....
No. 12.—Vancouver, &c.	479	474	.....	5
No. 13.—Comox, &c.	63	51	.....	12
No. 14.—Chilliwhack, &c.	35	20	.....	15
Totals	2,038	1,755	7	290
Total Increase	.....	.....	.....	7
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	283

MARRIAGES.

The following is a summary of the Marriages registered during the twelve months ended 31st December, 1899 :—

Districts.	Where Bride and Bridegroom are of the same Religious Denomination.						Other Denominations.	Where Bride and Bridegroom are of different Religious Denominations.	No denomination given.	Total.
	Episcopalian.	Presbyterian.	Methodist.	Roman Catholic.	Baptist.	Lutheran.				
No. 1.—Victoria, &c	56	17	33	15	3	1	8	100	2	235
No. 2.—Nanaimo, &c	9	8	9	5	2	4	1	31	....	69
No. 3.—New Westminster, &c	10	21	9	17	4	2	2	40	....	105
No. 4.—Yale, &c. No. 5.—Clinton, &c No. 6.—Lillooet, &c No. 7.—Cariboo, &c No. 11.—Kamloops, &c	11	7	4	8	....	4	....	28	1	63
Nos. 8, 9, and 15.—Kootenay, &c	15	18	16	16	2	7	1	55	....	130
No. 10.—Cassiar, &c	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	2
No. 12.—Vancouver, &c	48	43	40	6	10	4	15	84	2	252
No. 13.—Comox, &c	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1	7
No. 14.—Chilliwhack, &c	2	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	....	9
	153	117	115	67	21	22	27	344	6	872

The following table will show the increase or decrease (as the case may be) in the different districts between the number of Marriages registered in the years ended 31st December, 1898, and 31st December, 1899 :—

Districts.	Number registered in 1898.	Number registered in 1899.	Increase.	Decrease.
No. 1.—Victoria, &c.	219	235	16	.....
No. 2.—Nanaimo, &c.	80	69	.....	11
No. 3.—New Westminster, &c.	89	105	16	.....
No. 4.—Yale, &c. No. 5.—Clinton, &c. No. 6.—Lillooet, &c. No. 7.—Cariboo, &c. No. 11.—Kamloops, &c.	99	63	.....	36
Nos. 8, 9, and 15.—Kootenay, &c.	254	130	.....	124
No. 10.—Cassiar, &c.	1	2	1	.....
No. 12.—Vancouver, &c.	199	252	53	.....
No. 13.—Comox, &c.	10	7	.....	3
No. 14.—Chilliwhack, &c.	14	9	.....	5
Totals	965	872	86	179
Total Increase	.....	.....	.....	86
Decrease	.....	.....	.....	93

DEATHS.

Analysis of Deaths registered according to age and sex during the year ended 31st December, 1899 :—

Districts.	1 Under 3 years.	2 3 and under 10.	3 10 and under 21.	4 21 and under 40.	5 40 and under 60.	6 60 and under 70.	7 70 and under 80.	8 80 and under 90.	9 90 and upwards.	10 Age not given.	11 No. of Males.	12 No. of Females.	13 Sex not given.	14 Total.
No. 1.—Victoria, &c.	48	10	20	70	57	22	35	11	....	6	178	100	1	279
No. 2.—Nanaimo, &c.	57	10	11	23	26	10	6	1	....	....	95	49	.. .	144
No. 3.—New Westminster, &c.	23	8	13	28	44	20	13	3	....	5	104	53	....	157
No. 4.—Yale, &c. No. 5.—Clinton, &c. No. 6.—Lillooet, &c. No. 7.—Cariboo, &c. No. 11.—Kamloops, &c.	23	4	3	41	33	13	13	3	2	7	115	26	1	142
Nos. 8, 9, and 15.—Kootenay, &c.	76	9	9	109	55	7	1	1	....	6	211	61	1	273
No. 10.—Cassiar, &c.	....	....	....	6	8	2	1	....	....	4	17	4	....	21
No. 12.—Vancouver, &c.	74	15	21	88	84	27	10	6	1	27	243	109	1	353
No. 13.—Comox, &c.	5	6	1	6	5	3	3	...	....	3	22	10	....	32
No. 14.—Chilliwhack, &c.	....	1	....	3	4	3	2	1	....	....	11	3	....	14
Totals	306	63	78	374	316	107	84	26	3	58	996	415	4	1415

The following table will show the increase or decrease (as the case may be) in the different districts between the number of Deaths registered in the years ended 31st December, 1898, and 31st December, 1899:—

Districts.	Number registered in 1898.	Number registered in 1899.	Increase.	Decrease.
No. 1.—Victoria, &c.	357	279	.....	78
No. 2.—Nanaimo, &c.	119	144	25	.....
No. 3.—New Westminster, &c.	130	157	27	.....
No. 4.—Yale, &c. No. 5.—Clinton, &c. No. 6.—Lillooet, &c. No. 7.—Cariboo, &c. No. 11.—Kamloops, &c.	106	142	36	.....
Nos. 8, 9, and 15.—Kootenay, &c.	284	273	.....	11
No. 10.—Cassiar, &c.	1	21	20	.....
No. 12.—Vancouver, &c.	298	353	55	.....
No. 13.—Comox, &c.	38	32	.....	6
No. 14.—Chilliwhack, &c.	7	14	7	.....
Totals	1340	1415	170	95
Total Decrease	.....	.....	95	
Increase	.....	.....	75	

ABSTRACT OF CAUSES OF DEATH (BY CLASSES).

Class I.	Zymotic Diseases.	136
Class II.	Constitutional	159
Class III.	Local	704
Class IV	Developmental	190
Class V	Violent Deaths	160
	Ill-defined	52
	Total	1401

Class.	Order.	By Class and Order.	No.	Total.
I.	1	Miasmatic	128	
	2	Enthetic	2	
	3	Dietic	6	
	4	Parasitic	.....	
		Total Zymotic	.....	136
II.	1	Diathetic	42	
	2	Tubercular	117	
		Total Constitutional	.....	159
III.	1	Diseases of the Nervous System	102	
	2	Organs of Circulation	156	
	3	Respiratory Organs	221	
	4	Digestive Organs	139	
	5	Urinary Organs	60	
	6	Organs of Generation	1	
	7	Organs of Locomotion	2	
	8	Integumentary System	23	
		Total Local	.....	704
		Carried forward	.....	999

Class.	Order.	By Class and Order.	No.	Total.
		Brought forward		999
IV.	1	Development Diseases of Children	152	
	2	Development Diseases of Adults	15	
	3	Development Diseases of Old People	15	
	4	Diseases of Nutrition	8	
		Total Developmental		190
V.	1	Accidents and Negligence	142	
	2	Homicide	2	
	3	Suicide	15	
	4	Execution	1	
		Total Violent Deaths		160
		Ill-defined		52
		Total Causes Given		1,401
		Not certified	72	
		BY CLASS, ORDER AND PARTICULAR DISEASE.		
I.	1.	Enteric Fever	3	
		Whooping Cough	5	
		Typhoid Fever	56	
		Cholera Infantum	21	
		Diphtheria	10	
		Diarrhœa	8	
		Croup	7	
		Scarlet Fever	1	
		Dysentery	5	
		Rheumatic Fever	1	
		Malarial Fever	1	
		Cholera Morbus	—	
		Measles	4	
		Erysipelas	6	
		Total Miasmatic		128
	2.	Syphilis	2	
		Total Enthetic		2
	3.	Alcoholism	6	
		Total Dietic		6
	4.	Parasitic	—	
		Total Parasitic		—
II.	1.	Abscess	3	
		Cancer	24	
		Dropsy	7	
		Tumor	8	
		Gout	—	
		Total Diathetic		42
	2.	Meningitis	21	
		Phthisis	48	
		Tuberculosis	37	
		Marasmus	—	
		Tubercular Meningitis	11	
		Total Tubercular		117
		Carried forward		295

Class.	Order.	By Class, Order and Particular Disease.	No.	Total.
		Brought forward		295
	1.	Hydrocephalus	2	
		Hemiplegia	2	
		Paralysis	12	
		Paralysis of Insane	6	
		Neuritis	—	
		Apoplexy	15	
		Cerebral Meningitis	10	
		Cerebral Hemorrhage	21	
		Concussion of Brain	—	
		Brain Fever	1	
		Cerebral Softening	4	
		Epilepsy	—	
		Inflammation of Brain	3	
		Spinal Meningitis	14	
		Cerebral Embolus	4	
		Sarcoma of Brain	4	
		Neurasthenia	1	
		Spinal Complaint	3	
		Total Diseases of Nervous System		102
	2.	Uræmia	13	
		Heart Disease	63	
		Heart Failure	32	
		Rheumatism of Heart	2	
		Rupture of Heart	2	
		Aneurism of Heart	6	
		Fatty Degeneration of Heart	5	
		Valvular Disease of Heart	18	
		Pericarditis	4	
		Syncope	5	
		Endocarditis	6	
III.		Total Organs of Circulation		156
	3.	Influenza	2	
		Goitre	1	
		Pneumonia	131	
		Bronchitis	19	
		Consumption	34	
		La Grippe	7	
		Pulmonary Embolism	2	
		Inflammation of the Lungs	3	
		Congestion of the Lungs	4	
		Pulmonary Hemorrhage	3	
		Cancer of Æsophagus	—	
		Cancer of Larynx	—	
		Pleurisy	4	
		Laringitis	5	
		Emphysema of the Lungs	1	
		Asthma	5	
		Total Respiratory Organs		221
	4.	Peritonitis	28	
		Dyspepsia	2	
		Enteritis	26	
		Gastritis	6	
		Colitis	10	
		Inflammation of Bowels	10	
		Cystitis	5	
		Jaundice	1	
		Anæmia	1	
		Appendicitis	8	
		Hemorrhage of Stomach	1	
		Cirrhosis of Liver	7	
		Carried forward	105	774

Class.	Order.	By Class, Order and Particular Disease.	No.	Total.
		Brought forward	105	774
III.		Cancer of Liver	7	
		Obstruction of Intestines	3	
		Perforation of Intestines	1	
		Rupture of Intestines	1	
		Strangulated Hernia	1	
		Cancer of the Stomach	10	
		Ulcer of the Stomach	1	
		Disease of Liver	5	
		Hemorrhage	3	
		Indigestion	2	
		Total Digestive Organs	.....	139
	5.	Acute Bright's Disease	30	
		Diabetes	5	
		Nephritis	14	
		Disease of Kidney	7	
		Ulceration of Bladder	—	
		Inflammation of Prostate Gland	1	
		Obstruction of Gallduct	—	
		Pyoncephrosis	1	
		Pyelitis	2	
		Total Urinary Organs	.....	60
	6.	Organs of Generation	1	
		Total Organs of Generation	.....	1
	7.	Hip Disease	2	
		Total Organs of Locomotion	.....	2
	8.	Gangrene	7	
		Septicaemia	9	
		Phlegmasia Dolens	—	
		Acute Epiphysitis	—	
		Empyema	1	
		Pyæmia	6	
		Total Integumentary System	.....	23
IV.	1.	Asthenia	2	
		Inanition	10	
		Stillborn	25	
		Premature Birth	28	
		Infantile Diseases	32	
		Convulsions	34	
		Scurvy	2	
		Marasmus	19	
		Total Developmental Diseases of Children	.....	152
	2.	Chronic Insanity	1	
		Exhaustion	4	
		Childbirth	10	
		Total Developmental Diseases of Adults	.....	15
	3.	Old Age	15	
		Total Developmental Diseases of Old People	.....	15
	4.	General Debility	8	
		Total Diseases of Nutrition	.....	8
		Carried forward	.....	1189

Class.	Order.	By Class, Order and Particular Disease.	No.	Total.
		Brought forward		1189
V.	1.	Found Drowned	18	
		Accidentally Drowned	25	
		Accidentally Shot	2	
		Accidentally Killed	27	
		Accidentally Killed on Railway	6	
		Accidentally Killed in Mine	10	
		Accidentally Killed by Car	2	
		Killed by Train on C. P. R	2	
		Bullet Wound through the Head	1	
		Exposure	1	
		Wound of Artery	1	
		Crushed by Saw-log	2	
		Poisoned by Opium	1	
		Poisoned by Methylated Spirits	1	
		Poison	2	
		Shock from a Burn	4	
		Shock after Operation	3	
		Shock after Injuries	4	
		Gun-shot Wound (self-inflicted)	2	
		Powder Explosion	8	
		Injuries from Fall	2	
		Fall of Tree	4	
		Scalded	2	
		Fracture of Neck	1	
		Fracture of Skull	9	
		Fracture of Pelvis	1	
		Suffocation by Illuminating Gas	1	
		Total Accidents and Negligence		142
	2.	Murder		2
	3.	Suicide		15
	4.	Execution		1
		Ill defined		52
		Total causes given		1401

All of which is respectfully submitted.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

C. A. SEMLIN,

Provincial Secretary.

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