

previously transferred and that then being transferred in language not by any means identical, and not having the same legal effect. It is almost superfluous to say that the boundary line between adjoining lands should be described by like language in both entries of ownership, and should, consequently, be similarly described in the documents on which the entries are founded. It seems extraordinary that the office should have considerable difficulty in impressing this almost self-evident principle upon conveyancers, but the fact is as stated. Where an applicant for a search cannot give the number of the parcel, an additional twenty cents is charged.

In October I made my annual inspection of the local offices. In North Bay there had been a misapprehension by the local master in respect of the proper practice where certificates were not applied for, and this caused him to leave some registrations incomplete. In the office at Port Arthur I found a considerable number of registrations had not been completed. In both offices the arrears were made up without delay, and in Port Arthur arrangements have been made with a view of preventing the recurrence of an incident of this kind. In the other offices, namely, at Bracebridge, where Mr. J. E. Lount is Local Master; at Parry Sound, where Mr. P. McCurry is Local Master; and at Sault Ste. Marie, where Hon. Walter McCrea is Local Master, I found the work well up and carefully done.

[Then follows a table showing the business of these offices during the year, and also since the Act came into operation in these districts, namely, 1st Jan., 1888.]

I presume it is not expected that many lands will be brought under the Act in these new districts for some years, other than the lands newly patented, the object of its introduction in the districts being chiefly to prevent the evils of the old system attaching to lands which are only now being patented by the Crown.

The amount to the credit of the Assurance Fund on 31st December, 1891, was \$15,132.90. Of this, \$1,371.06 is for lands in the districts. The remainder, \$13,761.84, is in respect of lands in the County of York and City of Toronto.

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Legal Scrap Book.

BARRISTERS AND SOLICITORS.

The fusion of the two branches of the profession has become an accomplished fact in Melbourne, Australia, where, notwithstanding that a Bar association was formed to oppose it, the "pro-fusionists" carried the day. In England a determined effort is now being made to accomplish the same end, and the Solicitor-General is counted among the strongest advocates of the change, in which he is ably supported by the *Times*. It is, therefore, more than possible that in the very near future the mother country will be found following the lead of her colonies in this matter, as she has done in many others.

LIABILITY OF CLUB COMMITTEES.

Athletic and other clubs will be interested in a case noted in the *English Law Journal* for May 7. In 1888 a printer tendered for certain printing to the