

attentive to business, observing office hours with as much regularity as he did fifty years ago.

He married Elsie Fairchild, of Charlotteville, in 1818; they have had a family of twelve children, eight of them yet living. One of the deceased, Walter, grew up and left a family; a daughter also died leaving nine children; Thomas W., the eldest son, is a Provincial land surveyor, living in Simcoe; Aquila (who has been a member of the Legislature), and Christopher Legh are deputies under their father; Lewis F. lives in Connecticut; Harriet is the wife of Morris Smith, of Vittoria; and Margaret P., Rebecca A., and Sarah A. are living at home.

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JAMES TROW, M.P.,

STRAFORD.

JAMES TROW, who represents the South Riding of Perth, in the Dominion Parliament, was born in Newtown, Montgomeryshire, North Wales, December 16, 1825. His parents, Thomas and Elizabeth Trow, were natives of the same county. He was educated in the common schools of Welchpool, in his native country; came to Upper Canada in 1841, and followed the profession of school teacher for ten or fifteen years, in the Township of North-Easthope, County of Perth, and Blenheim, County of Oxford. He is now a Conveyancer, Broker, &c.

Mr. Trow was first, Assessor, and then Clerk, of the Township of North-Easthope for a long time, and has been Reeve of North-Easthope for nineteen consecutive years, being elected every time by acclamation. He has recently left that township, and resides in the Town of Stratford; yet, being a non-resident, he was elected for the twentieth year for the Banner Old Township of North-Easthope, and continues to represent them in the County Council. He has been Warden of Perth.

Mr. Trow is President of the Crown Mutual Fire Insurance Company; Vice-President of the British Mortgage Loan Company, and of the Perth Mutual Insurance Company, and Director of the Ontario Mutual Life Insurance Company of Waterloo.

He sat for South Perth, in the Ontario Assembly, from 1867 to 1871, when he was defeated; was first returned to the House of Commons at the general election in 1872, and was re-elected in 1873 and 1878, representing the same constituency in the Local and Dominion legislative bodies, and being an industrious and faithful worker. While a member of the Local Assembly, he caused several amendments of municipal, assessment, and jury laws, his long experience in different township offices, giving him an insight into the actual wants of the people in such matters. In the House of Commons he has drafted several bills, one or two