

Quebec	12,400
New Brunswick	2,700
Prince Edward Island	2,700
Manitoba	2,700
British Columbia	2,700
North-West Territories	2,700
Canada	12,400

Neither the *Mail* nor any of its party has ever proposed to abolish the office of Lieut. Governor of Ontario. If there are too many such offices, it is to the smaller Provinces its operations should be addressed.

But how stands the account as regards Ontario and the alleged disproportionate number of Executive Councillors?

At Ottawa just now in order to keep up the thirteen ministers, the *Mail's* friends in power are dividing the Public Works Department and so will create an office for the Minister who, by the union of the Receiver General's Department with the Finance Department might, perhaps, be dispensed with.

Why does not the *Mail* protest against two Ministers at Ottawa being employed to do what hitherto has been accomplished by one?

The *Mail* takes 1877, as its year of reference. Well, in 1877, Quebec (under Conservative rule) had

one Executive Councillor for every 170,916 of population.

Nova Scotia had one Executive Councillor for every 42,000 "

New Brunswick had one Executive Councillor for every 38,009 "

Prince Edward Island had one Executive Councillor for every 16,000 "

Manitoba had one Executive Councillor for every 8 to 6,000 "

British Columbia had one Executive Councillor for every 4,000 "

While Ontario with vastly greater interests had only one Executive Councillor for every

270,000 "

HOW IS THAT FOR ONTARIO UNDER THE NOW AT ADMINISTRATION !!!

TOO MANY LEGISLATORS.

From the "*Mail*" Opposition Campaign Sheet, March 26th, 1879.

We have 600 representatives, the Executive Council included, viz:

House of Commons	200
Senate	27
Ontario Assembly	27
Quebec Assembly	27
Quebec Legislative Council	27
Nova Scotia Assembly	19
Nova Scotia Legislative Council	19
New Brunswick Assembly	19
New Brunswick Legislative Council	19
P. E. Island Legislative Council	7
Manitoba Assembly	27
British Columbia Assembly	27

This is one representative for every 6,000 souls, or one for every 600 votes, reckoning every tenth person a voter.

1879.

If the Opposition wanted to cut down the number of members, why did not they make a motion to that effect? When they did not, what right has the *Mail* to raise that issue at all?

However, let us see how in this matter Ontario stands as compared with other Provinces:

In 1877, (the year the *Mail* editors Quebec (under Conservative rule) had one

Legislator for every 12,400 of population.

Nova Scotia had one for every 42,000 "

New Brunswick had one for every 38,009 "

Prince Edward Island had one for every 16,000 "

Manitoba had about one for every 8 to 6,000 "

British Columbia had about one for every 4,000 "

While Ontario with her great interests had only one for every 18,400 of population.

HOW IS THAT FOR ONTARIO UNDER THE NOW AT ADMINISTRATION !!!

COST OF LEGISLATION.

From the "*Mail*" Opposition Campaign Sheet, March 26th, 1879.

The cost of Legislation, i.e. indemnities to members, salaries of the Speakers, clerks, &c., is as follows:

Quebec	12,400
Nova Scotia	42,000
New Brunswick	38,009
Other Provinces	16,000

Here is another row of figures that will settle where "the cheap places" is this respect:—

In 1877, Dominion Legislation cost the people of Canada 17 cents per head.

In 1877, Quebec Legislation cost the people of Quebec 14 cents per head.

In 1877, the average cost of Legislation in the other Provinces was 10 cents per head.

In 1877, the cost of Legislation to the people of Ontario was only 7 cents per head.

and is now, by the reduction of the indemnity, less than seven cents per head.

HOW IS THAT FOR ONTARIO UNDER THE NOW AT ADMINISTRATION !!!

COST OF ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE.

The *Mail* complains of the cost of the Administration of Justice in 1877, and gives the following as the figures:—

For Ontario..... 630,000.

For Quebec..... 400,000.

In this connection, comparisons with small Provinces would be of little value.

The *Mail* is good enough, however, to invite the statement by its comparison, that the Administration of Justice in Quebec, in 1877 (under Tory rule) cost the people..... 84 cents per head.

WHILE IN ONTARIO IT ONLY COST THE PEOPLE..... 17 CENTS PER HEAD.

HOW IS THAT FOR ONTARIO UNDER THE NOW AT ADMINISTRATION !!!