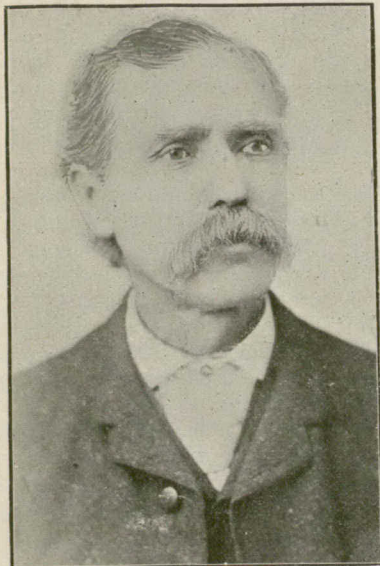


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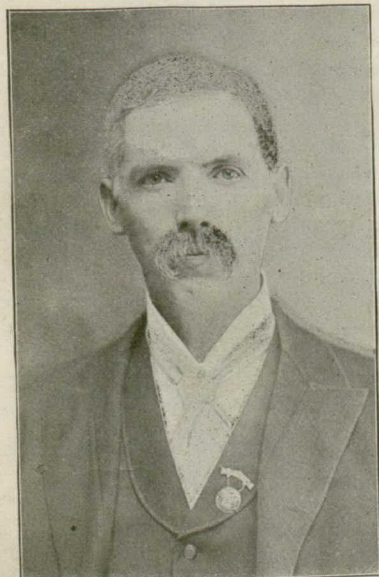
## Clerk Township of Pittsburg.

Mr. Belwa was born in 1842, in Barriefield, Pittsburg township, county of Frontenac. At the age of 15, he lost a



MR. CHAS. BELWA.

leg as the result of a shooting accident. He was educated at the Kingston schools, and engaged in teaching for a short time, and afterwards as a watch repairer, and piano and organ tuner. He was appointed clerk of the township of Pittsburg in 1866, and held office until 1897 when he resigned on account of ill health, but was



MR. H. L. JOHNSTON.

re-appointed in January 1898. Mr. Belwa is a necessary part of the municipal machinery of his township; he is painstaking and thorough in the discharge of his duties, and is said to be one of the

most efficient clerks of the rural municipalities of the Province.

## Clerk Village of Thamesville.

Mr. Johnston was born at Croton, Ontario, in 1850. He was assessor for the township of Camden for ten years, and was appointed clerk of the village of Thamesville in 1893. In addition to his municipal office, he is now carrying on the business of conveyancer, insurance agent, etc. His father, the late Colonel Johnston, of Croton, took an active part in the Rebellion of 1837 and 1838.

## Clerk Town of Paris.

Mr. Dadson was born in 1835, in the town of Cranbrook, county of Kent, England. He came to Toronto in 1849, and for a number of years worked at the case in a printing office. He afterwards



MR. S. DADSON.

obtained a first class certificate from the Normal School, and was engaged in teaching for over 21 years, 6 of these being in the Paris public school. He was appointed clerk of the town in 1881.

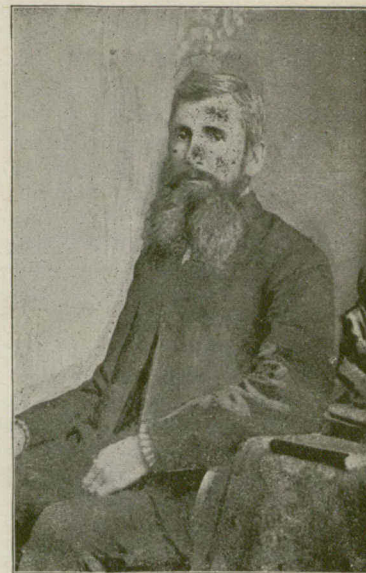
## Clerk Township of Grattan.

Mr. Gorman was born in the county of Lanark 1839. His parents afterwards removed to Admaston, county of Renfrew, then a wilderness without municipal or school organization. He was educated in a private school and afterwards learned blacksmithing and the axe making, which he carried on extensively together with farming for a number of years. He has held the positions of auditor, assessor and councillor, and was appointed clerk of the township of Grattan, and village of

Eganville in 1890, but resigned his village office in the following year.

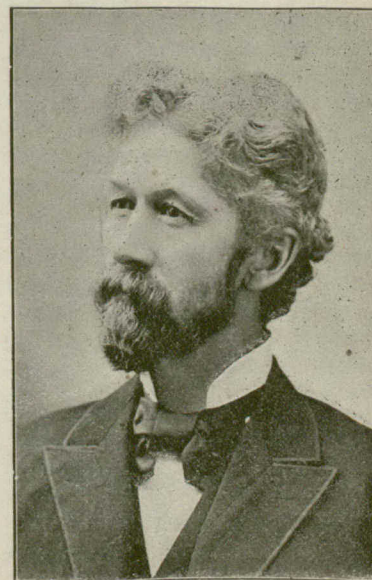
## Clerk County of Huron.

Mr. Lane is a native of Bidderford, Devonshire, England, where he was born in 1853. He came to this country with his parents and settled in Scarboro, county of York in 1861. Afterwards



MR. WM. GORMAN.

removing to the township of Ashfield, Huron county. He received a fair education in the public school and Goderich High School, and was engaged in farming for some years. He was appointed to his present position in 1891, and for eight years previously he had been clerk of the township of Ashfield.



MR. W. LANE.

"Asphyxiation by mud." So the coroner's jury said Miss Alice Grace, of Chanute, Kan., met her death when she wandered away in the night and was later found dead in the highway.