

## EDWARD FOX

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Edward Fox was born in 1833, in Castlepollard, in the County of Longford, Ireland, where his father conducted a school known as Fox's Academy.

His mother's name, before her marriage, was Doyne and she was of English descent.



Mr. Fox came to Canada in 1852 and for some time was in the service of the Government at Quebec. Subsequently he came to Toronto and was appointed to the staff of the Commissioner of Crown Lands, as Surveyor and Draughtsman on 28th September, 1857, which position Mr. Fox held until 1885, when he was appointed as Clerk of Patents, in the same Department. He resigned his position on 30th June, 1887, and died on 7th June, 1888, in his 56th year.

After coming to Toronto, he married Mary Paterson, a daughter of John Paterson of that City. The family consisted of four boys and one girl, the latter, Mrs. A.

G. Fonesca, is still residing in Toronto. One son, Arthur, served in France during the Great War and died in Christie Street Hospital, Toronto.

Mr. Fox had two brothers and two sisters, but he was the only member of the family to come to Canada. Mrs. Fox died in 1913.

While Mr. Fox was engaged in the Crown Lands Department, he did some work in the field in respect to timber limits and other work, which was required for the Department. He was a Draughtsman of great ability, as some of his maps still on record, indicate. He was appointed a Land Surveyor for Ontario on the 4th October, 1854.