

12·26 per thousand. In the North-west Territories the birth rate was 24·98 per thousand and the death rate 7·32 per thousand.

Manitoba is the banner province, having the second largest birth rate and the second lowest death rate, the result being that the prairie province has the largest excess of births over deaths.

1639. The next table shows the proportion of illegitimate births to every 100 children born :—

ILLEGITIMACY IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

COUNTRIES.	Illegitimate Births to every 100 Children Born.	COUNTRIES.	Illegitimate Births to every 100 Children Born.
Austria.....	14·7	Spain.....	5·5
Bavaria.....	13·9	England.....	4·7
Saxony.....	12·7	Switzerland.....	4·6
Sweden.....	10·2	New South Wales.....	4·6
Denmark.....	9·6	Victoria.....	4·6
German Empire.....	9·3	Western Australia.....	4·2
Belgium.....	8·7	Queensland.....	4·1
Hungary.....	8·4	Tasmania.....	3·9
Scotland.....	8·2	Holland.....	3·2
Norway.....	8·1	Russia.....	3·1
France.....	8·1	Ireland.....	2·8
Prussia.....	8·1	New Zealand.....	2·8
Italy.....	6·8	South Australia.....	2·5
Portugal.....	5·6	Greece.....	1·6

1640. The following table gives the number of children to a marriage in the undermentioned countries. The figures in most cases are for a series of years:—

NUMBER OF CHILDREN TO A MARRIAGE IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES.

COUNTRIES.	Children to each Marriage.	COUNTRIES.	Children to each Marriage.
Ireland.....	5·46	Scotland.....	4·43
New Zealand.....	5·21	Holland.....	4·34
Western Australia.....	4·82	Victoria.....	4·20
Tasmania.....	4·74	Belgium.....	4·21
New South Wales.....	4·72	England.....	4·16
South Australia.....	4·72	Sweden.....	4·01
Queensland.....	4·60	Denmark.....	3·55
Italy.....	4·56	France.....	2·98