Canadian parliamentary biographies dataset codebook

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Variables

id: Unique identification number for each legislator
first_last: the legislator's first and last name
province: province of election
district: electoral district/constituency/riding
gender: legislator's gender
year_of_birth: legislator's year of birth
year_of_death: legislator's year of death
place_of_birth: location of legislator's birth
religion: legislator's religion
type: election type (general or byelection)
mmd: multi-member district (1=Yes, 0=No)
year: year in which the legislator was elected
candidate_votes: raw votes received by the candidate; begins in 1867
total_valid_votes: sum of total valid votes in the district; begins in 1867
candidate_percent: percent of votes received by candidate; begins in 1867
margin: legislator's margin of victory; begins in 1867
party: legislator's political party
minister_after_election: Whether the legislator was a minister (1) at least once following their election in the corresponding year
pre_relative: whether the legislator had a family member elected prior (1) to them or not (0)
post-relative: whether the legislator had a family member elected after (1) them or not (0)
family*name: the name of the related family member
family*link: the link of the related family member

     EXAMPLE: Honoré Mercier (first_last) → Honoré Mercier II (family1name) → father (family1link)
     Honoré Mercier is the father of Honoré Mercier II