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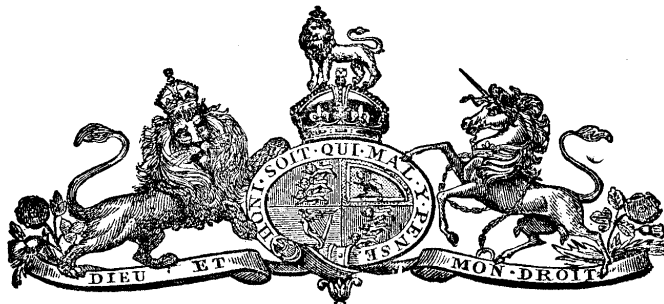
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(THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, 1943 TO 1947, AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY GENERAL ELECTION, 23rd NOVEMBER, 1946.)

TO THE HONOURABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY:

I HAVE the honour to submit the following report on the Parliamentary Elections above referred to, together with certain By-elections.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Important changes in the Legislative Council franchise, and in the boundaries of the electorates, were made in the Constitution Amendment Act, 1946. The Bill was examined by a Select Committee of the Legislative Council, and Electoral officials were called upon to give evidence before the Committee.

The Act, as it was finally passed, created the new Division of West Devon; the "occupancy qualification" was reduced from £30 per annum to £26 per annum; members of His Majesty's forces who served outside Tasmania in the second world war were given the right to vote; persons (in certain categories and previously disqualified from enrolment), who are required to occupy premises by reason of their duty, office, or employment, became entitled to enrolment; and periodical elections are now held on a Saturday instead of a Tuesday.

Another change was, in effect, that Legislative Council electors who were up to that time permitted to vote in any number of divisions (provided they held a qualification in each of those divisions) were restricted to a vote in one division only. The Department, therefore, called upon those electors who held multiple enrolments to name the one division for which they wished to retain their enrolment. It was found that 3071 electors were enrolled for two or more divisions; some 26 per cent failed to reply to the notice, and in these cases the Department had no alternative but to make arbitrary deletions from the rolls, thus conforming to the statutory requirement. Rolls are now in order, and duplicate entries have been removed.

Included in various statements tendered to the Select Committee was a table showing chronological changes in the number of members of the Council, with enrolment figures at different periods. This table has not previously been published and so it is included in this report (Appendix A).

Tables showing the enrolment strength of the Legislative Council Divisions, with enrolments divided into categories (owners; occupiers; R.S. personnel; and all other enrolments) have been prepared, and are included in this report (Appendix B). Some interesting figures are thus revealed, e.g., the rolls, when the statistics were completed, contained 37,101 owners; 15,335 occupiers; 3638 returned service personnel, and 745 others. These details have not hitherto been published.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL BOUNDARIES.

In the Act above referred to, the schedule defines new boundaries for the Legislative Council. It is not too much to say, as regards the electoral machinery, that no greater improvement has been brought about since the Council was constituted. Prior to 1946, the boundaries had been difficult

and in some cases impossible to follow; a Legislative Council Division comprised parts of a number of Municipalities; the work of Returning Officers was made extremely difficult; and the position was a source of irritation to the electors. All those disadvantages have been removed by the adoption of the new boundaries; Municipalities were conveniently grouped to provide a Legislative Council Division, and the position has been simplified much to the benefit of electors.

The Select Committee in the course of its enquiries decided that the North West Coast was entitled to send an additional member to the Council. This removed what had been regarded as an anomaly in representation, and the position was rectified by the creation of the West Devon Division. This was a step calculated to bring about a proper balance of representation, but it could not in the real sense of the term be described as "an increase in the number of Members of Parliament." The latter principle is far wider in its implication than the creation of a new electorate to meet a specific need, and so the two issues are fundamentally different.

The boundaries revision process imposed a formidable task upon the Department, and upon the Returning Officers. Hobart and Buckingham became four separate electorates (Buckingham, Newdegate, Hobart, and Queenborough); Launceston became Launceston and Cornwall; West Devon was created; seven new Rolls had to be prepared; and about 18,000 transfers had to be made from the old Rolls to the Rolls for the altered divisions. No elector who was already enrolled was called upon to lodge another claim card, but every elector was notified of his "new" division. Thanks to the diligence of the electoral staff, and to the assistance of the Returning Officers, these very considerable changes, carefully planned, were brought into effect without inconvenience, at a cost against the Electoral Votes of less than £300.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

In the absence of the Governor from the seat of Government, the House of Assembly was dissolved by the Deputy-Governor by a proclamation bearing date the 29th day of October, 1946, and issued in the following terms:—

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS His Excellency Sir THOMAS HUGH BINNEY, Knight Commander of the Most Honourable Order of the Bath, Companion of the Distinguished Service Order, Admiral on the Retired List of the Royal Navy, Governor in and over the State of Tasmania and its Dependencies, in the Commonwealth of Australia, is temporarily absent from the seat of Government of the said State: and whereas His Excellency, as such Governor as aforesaid, has by an instrument under the Public Seal of the said State bearing date the twenty-fifth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-six, appointed me, Sir JOHN DEMETRIUS MORRIS, to be his deputy during such absence as aforesaid: And whereas it is expedient that the House of Assembly of the Parliament of Tasmania should be dissolved: Now therefore I, Sir JOHN DEMETRIUS MORRIS, Knight Bachelor, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Tasmania, being and as the person appointed by the Governor to be his deputy as aforesaid in pursuance of the power and authority in that behalf vested in me by the Constitution Act, 1934, and of all other powers and authorities me thereunto enabling, do by this my proclamation dissolve the House of Assembly of the Parliament of Tasmania.

Given under my hand at Hobart in Tasmania aforesaid, this twenty-ninth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and forty-six.

JOHN D. MORRIS Deputy of the Governor.

By His Excellency's Command,

ROBERT COSGROVE, for Chief Secretary.

The following dates were fixed for the purposes of the Election:—

Issue of Writs	30th October, 1946;
Nominations	6th November, 1946;
Poll	23rd November, 1946.

All the writs were returned on 9th December, 1946, from which date the life of the Parliament commenced.

Nominations at this Election totalled 86 (Bass 17; Darwin 15; Denison 18; Franklin 18; and Wilmot 18), the figures for previous General Elections being:—

1928	72
1931	70
1934	77
1937	67
1941	63

The enrolment for the various divisions; the total number of votes polled; voting according to party strength; and other details will be found set out in various tables under Appendix E.

The right of a candidate to have his name included on the ballot-paper in a party group appears to have been, in contrast to the previous election, readily understood on this occasion. Candidates grouped themselves by notification to the Returning Officer, and for the first time Independents, in three of the five divisions, appeared on the ballot-paper as a group of candidates.

The electoral machinery laid down for House of Assembly Elections has been so improved during recent years that the administration is in a position to carry out smoothly plans for the election, the poll, and the declaration of the final results. The scrutinies on this occasion were completed in each division by the Friday following the poll, and this reflects credit on the Returning Officers and each scrutiny staff concerned, particularly in two divisions where a long and arduous count was involved.

There are no special features of the election to which it would be necessary to invite attention in this report.

I record appreciation of the services of the staff of the State Electoral Office, and the work of the Divisional Returning Officers of the Council and the Assembly merits commendation. The Deputy Statistician (Mr. H. J. Exley) was good enough to arrange for the compilation of the statistical tables appended to this report.

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Appendix A.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Constitution Bill, 1945.

The following statement, showing (as at the years set out in the first column) the number of Members of the Council; their tenure of office; and enrolment strength; is submitted for the information of members of the Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill:—

		Total Number of Electors.
1855	Original Constitution of the Council. Fifteen members elected for three years; five retiring in each year	
1859 (23 Vict. No. 43)	Membership still 15 members, but tenure of office became six years	
1871 (34 Vict. No. 42)	Increased to 16 members—tenure of office: six years	2,684
1886 (49 Vict. No. 8)	Increased to 18 members—tenure of office: six years; three retiring each year (as at present)	5,390
1898 (62 Vict. No. 67)	Increased to 19 members (no other change)	9,359
1900 (69 Vict. No. 5)	Reduced to 18 members—tenure of office and order of retirement unchanged. Qualifications substantially the same as to-day—but ex-service men have since 1920 been granted the franchise	9,228
1945		54,630

Boundaries were revised in 1908—(re-distribution of Legislative Council Seats Act—8 Edw. VII. No. 5) and again in 1909—(re-distribution of Legislative Council Seats Act—9 Edw. VII. No. 2).

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NOTE.—The foregoing observation "Qualifications substantially the same as to-day . . ." is no longer valid, because liberal additions to the Upper House franchise were made subsequently by the Constitution Act, 1946.

Appendix B.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ENROLMENT.

Number of electors (in various categories) enrolled up to 31st December, 1946.

	Owners.			Occupiers.			R.S. Personnel.			All other Enrolments.			
	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.	
1.—Buckingham .	2,364	1,148	431	1,579	495	105	600	169	1	170	7	8	15
Cornwall	4,285	1,281	1,099	2,380	1,177	488	1,665	185	3	188	34	18	52
Derwent	2,190	1,086	415	1,501	478	69	547	133	—	133	6	3	9
Gordon	1,298	787	271	1,058	139	9	148	89	—	89	2	1	3
Hobart	4,903	1,122	970	2,092	1,543	692	2,235	468	4	472	76	28	104
Huon	3,115	1,974	632	2,606	266	35	301	163	2	165	29	14	43
Launceston	2,355	581	411	1,022	777	343	1,120	159	1	160	35	18	53
Macquarie	2,201	1,121	567	1,688	247	35	282	181	1	182	48	1	49
Meander	2,947	1,742	408	2,150	440	39	479	302	4	306	10	2	12
Mersey	2,666	1,184	645	1,829	683	72	755	58	1	59	18	5	23
Monmouth	1,756	992	341	1,333	180	34	214	164	6	170	22	17	39
Newdegate ...	5,080	1,673	1,204	2,877	1,341	449	1,790	313	4	317	76	20	96
Pembroke	2,633	1,389	639	2,028	353	61	414	168	1	169	17	5	22
Queenborough	4,658	1,407	1,148	2,555	1,064	548	1,612	387	8	395	77	19	96
Russell	3,187	1,723	548	3,271	620	62	682	224	—	224	6	4	10
South Esk	2,482	1,528	516	2,044	280	45	325	98	1	99	12	2	14
Tamar	2,135	1,198	529	1,727	170	43	213	133	1	134	33	28	61
West Devon .	2,319	1,070	416	1,486	675	74	749	66	4	70	9	5	14
Westmorland	4,245	1,732	1,143	2,875	995	209	1,204	132	4	136	18	12	30
Totals...	56,819	24,738	12,963	37,101	11,923	3,412	15,335	3,592	46	3,638	535	210	745

Appendix C.

PART XI. OF THE ELECTORAL ACT, 1907.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF BASS.

(Death of Hon. T. H. Davies.)

Nominations due 25.9.42.

Count.	Quintal.	Welsh.	Hollingsworth.	Oldham.	Pitchford.	Davies.	Exhaust.	Loss.	Total Votes Counted.	Remarks.
1	...	...	...	...	...	3234	...	...	...	Davies excluded.
2	2120	728	156	92	25	—3234	108	5	3234	
Final	2120	728	156	92	25	—	108	5	3234	J. M. Quintal elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF WILMOT.

(Death of Mr. D. J. O'Keefe.)

Nominations due 5.8.43.

Count.	O'Keefe.	Foster.	Johnston.	Pike.	Taylor.	Exhaust.	Loss.	Total Votes Counted.	Remarks.
1	3194	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	O'Keefe excluded. Distribution of O'Keefe's Primaries.
2	—3152	107	63	2478	374	130	...	3194	
Final	42	107	63	2478	374	130	...	...	P. P. F. Pike elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF DARWIN.

(Resignation of Hon. T. D'Alton.)

Nominations due 24.4.44.

Count.	D'Alton.	Smith.	Booth.	Broad.	Exhaust.	Loss.	Total Votes Counted.	Remarks.
1	3616	...	...	...	...	...	...	D'Alton excluded.
2	—3616	3250	77	57	231	1	3616	
Final	—	3250	77	57	231	1	3616	M. A. Smith elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF BASS.
(Resignation of Mr. J. McDonald.)
Nominations due 26.4.45.

C. unt.	McDonald.	Welsh.	Hollingsworth	Oldham.	Pitchford.	Exhaust.	Loss.	Total Votes Counted.	Remarks.
1	3234	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	McDonald's Primaries distributed.
2	—2253	2077	41	35	14	86	...	2253	
Final	981	2077	41	35	14	86	...	...	A. H. Welsh elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF DENISON.
(Death of Hon. E. Dwyer-Gray.)
Nominations due 20.12.45.

Count.	Dwyer Gray.	Heerey.	Kelly.	McDougall.	Exhaust.	Loss.	Total Votes Counted.	Remarks.
1	3537 —1418	...	...	...	...	...	...	Distribution of Dwyer-Gray's Primaries.
2	2119 —1523	1053 1220	296 241	24 14	45 37	...	...		Dwyer-Gray's Preferences from Count 2.
Final	506	2282	537	38	82	2	...	F. X. Heerey elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF DENISON.
(Resignation of Mr. J. Soudy.)
Nominations due 24.4.46.

Count.	Harvey.	McDougall.	Smith.	Soudy.	Exhaust.	Loss.	Total Votes Counted.	Remarks.
1	...	...	...	3537	...	...	...	Soudy excluded. McDougall excluded. Distribution of McDougall's votes at count 81.
2	1418	899	1129	—3537	88	3	3537	
3	1418 349	899 —669	1129 293	...	88 27	3 ...	...
Final	1767	230	1422	...	115	3	...	R. J. R. Harvey elected.

(NOTE.—For this Appendix, the term "Nominations" means "Consents" due from eligible candidates.)

Appendix D.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS, 1943.
 DIVISIONS OF DERWENT, TAMAR, AND WESTMORLAND.

Issue of Writs	12th April, 1943
Nominations	20th April, 1943
Poll	4th May, 1943
Return of Writs	14th May, 1943

DIVISION OF DERWENT.

Electors enrolled, 2120. Electors who voted, 1552. Informal votes, 27. Percentage of electors who voted, 73.2 per cent. Absolute majority, 763. Retiring Member: Hon. R. O. Shoobridge.

Candidates.		Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
Laskey.	Shoobridge.			
651	874	1525	27	Hon. R. O. Shoobridge elected.

DIVISION OF TAMAR.

Electors enrolled, 2320. Electors who voted, 1847. Informal votes, 28. Percentage of electors who voted, 79.61 per cent. Absolute majority, 910. Retiring Member: Hon. A. T. Cutts.

Candidates.		Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
Cutts.	Oliver.			
1101	718	1819	28	Hon. A. T. Cutts elected.

DIVISION OF WESTMORLAND.

Electors enrolled, 3989. Electors who voted, 3336. Informal votes, 49. Percentage of electors who voted, 83.62 per cent. Absolute majority, 1644. Retiring Member: Hon. G. L. Flowers.

Count.	Candidates.			Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Flowers.	Green.	Harwood.			
1	2113	1000	174	3287	49	Hon. G. L. Flowers elected.

BY-ELECTION DIVISION OF MEANDER, 1943.

(Death of Hon. P. C. Best.)

Issue of Writ	20th May, 1943
Nomination	31st May, 1943
Poll	15th June, 1943
Return of Writ	28th June, 1943

Electors enrolled, 2254. Electors who voted, 1985. Informal votes, 19. Percentage of electors who voted, 88.06 per cent. Absolute majority, 984.

Count	Candidates.				Exhaust.	Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Cameron.	Fleming.	Lillico.	Lowry.				
1	193	593	977	203	...	1966	19	Cameron excluded.
2	—193	94	72	27	...	...	...
...	...	687	1049	230	...	1966	19	Hon. A. E. D. Lillico elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF HOBART, 1943.

(Resignation of Hon. J. F. Gaha.)

Issue of Writ 16th August, 1943

Nomination 26th August, 1943

Poll 14th September, 1943

Return of Writ 20th September, 1943

Electors enrolled, 7170. Electors who voted, 5457. Informal votes, 64. Percentage of electors who voted, 76·1 per cent. Absolute majority, 2697.

Count.	Candidates.				Exhaust.	Total.	Informal	Remarks.
	Cuthbert'n	Tyler.	Walch.	Waterw'th				
1	1329	2190	992	882	...	5393	...	Waterworth excluded.
2	381	153	348	—882	...	...	...
...	1710	2343	1340	...	...	5393	...	Walch excluded.
3	985	355	—1340	...	...	...	...
...	2695	2698	...	...	...	5393	...	Hon. A. J. Tyler elected.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF HOBART, 1943.

(Election of Hon. A. J. Tyler declared void on application to Court of Disputed Returns by Mr. J. E. Cuthbertson, 22.12.43.)

Issue of Writ 30th December, 1943

Nomination 10th January, 1944

Poll 22nd January, 1944

Return of Writ 28th January, 1944

Electors enrolled, 7443. Electors who voted, 5452. Informal votes, 129. Percentage of electors who voted, 73·25 per cent. Absolute majority, 2662.

Candidates.		Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
Tyler.	Wadsley.			
2817	2506	5323	109	Hon. A. J. Tyler elected.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS, 1944.

DIVISIONS OF BUCKINGHAM, MACQUARIE, AND SOUTH ESK.

Issue of Writs 5th April, 1944

Nominations 14th April, 1944

Poll 2nd May, 1944

Return of Writs 15th May, 1944

DIVISION OF BUCKINGHAM.

Electors enrolled, 7196. Electors who voted, 5894. Informal votes, 72. Percentage of electors who voted, 81.9 per cent. Absolute majority, 2912. Retiring Member: Hon. T. Murdoch.

Count.	Candidates.					Exhaust.	Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Harvey.	Hickey.	Murdoch.	Pierce.	Wedd.				
1	558	1126	1870	340	1928	...	5822	72	
2	61	31	107	-340	141	...	...	...	Pierce excluded.
...	619	1157	1977	...	2069	...	5822	...	
3	-619	121	312	...	186	...	...	...	Harvey excluded.
...	...	1278	2289	...	2255	...	...	...
4	...	-1278	466	...	776	36	...	...	Hickey excluded.
...	...	...	2755	...	3031	36	5822	...	Hon. W. G. Wedd elected.

DIVISION OF MACQUARIE.

Electors enrolled, 1744. Electors who voted, 1471. Informal votes, 20. Percentage of electors who voted, 84.34 per cent. Absolute majority, 726. Retiring Member: Hon. A. W. Bendall.

Count.	Candidates.			Exhaust.	Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Archer.	Bendall.	Robertson.				
1	538	337	576	...	1451	20	
2	215	-337	122	...	...	...	Bendall excluded,
...	753	--	698	...	1451	...	Hon. C. A. Archer elected.

DIVISION OF SOUTH ESK.

Hon. L. A. Procter returned unopposed.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS, 1945.

DIVISIONS OF CAMBRIDGE, HOBART, AND RUSSELL.

Issue of Writs	16th April, 1945
Nominations	24th April, 1945
Poll	8th May, 1945
Return of Writs	18th May, 1945

DIVISION OF CAMBRIDGE.

Electors enrolled, 1766. Electors who voted, 1464. Informal votes, 9. Percentage of electors who voted, 82.89 per cent. Absolute majority, 728. Retiring Member: Hon. J. Darling.

Count.	Candidates.			Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Darling.	Green.	Thompson.			
1	560	468	427	1455	9	Thompson excluded.
2	197	230	—427	...	...
...	757	638	—	1455	...	Hon. J. Darling elected.

DIVISION OF HOBART.

Electors enrolled, 7392. Electors who voted, 5509. Informal votes, 80. Percentage of electors who voted, 74.52 per cent. Absolute majority, 2715. Retiring Member: Hon. A. J. Tyler.

Count.	Candidates.			Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Crisp.	Loneragan.	Tyler.			
1	1310	2129	1990	5429	80	Crisp excluded.
2	—1310	1010	300	...	...
...	...	3139	2290	5429	...	Hon. D. G. Lonergan elected.

DIVISION OF RUSSELL.

Electors enrolled, 3869. Electors who voted, 2684. Informal votes, 31. Percentage of electors who voted, 69.37 per cent. Absolute majority, 1327. Retiring Member: Hon. A. B. Fenton.

Candidates.		Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
Fenton.	Ward.			
1865	788	2653	31	Hon. A. B. Fenton elect.

BY-ELECTION—DIVISION OF CAMBRIDGE, 1946.

(Death of Hon. J. Darling.)

Issue of Writ	29th January, 1946
Nomination	11th February, 1946
Poll	23rd February, 1946
Return of Writ	12th March, 1946

Electors enrolled, 1823. Electors who voted, 1470. Informal votes, 8. Percentage of electors who voted, 80.63 per cent. Absolute majority, 732.

Candidates.		Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
Green.	Thompson.			
733	729	1462	8	Hon. G. H. Green elected.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS, 1946.

DIVISIONS OF GORDON, HOBART, AND LAUNCESTON.

Issue of Writs 9th April, 1946
 Nominations 17th April, 1946
 Poll 7th May, 1946
 Return of Writs 21st May, 1946

DIVISION OF GORDON.

Hon. J. McDonald returned unopposed.

DIVISION OF HOBART.

Electors enrolled, 7781. Electors who voted, 5963. Informal votes, 101. Percentage of electors who voted, 76.63 per cent. Absolute majority, 2932. Retiring Member: Hon. C. J. Eady (deceased).

Count.	Candidates.				Exhaust.	Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Brooke.	Gray,	Lyons.	Soundy.				
1	348	1596	1928	1990	...	5862	101	
2	—348	230	39	79	...	...	...	Brooke excluded.
...	...	1826	1967	2069	...	5862	...	
3-4	...	—1826	944	882	...	...	...	Gray excluded.
...	...	...	2911	2951	...	5862	...	Hon. J. Soundy elected.

(NOTE.—The issue of the writ for this election, required upon the death of Hon. C. J. Eady, was postponed by a Proclamation issued by His Excellency the Governor pursuant to Section 187 of the Electoral Act, 1907, see Tasmanian Government Gazette dated 9th January, 1946, page 17.)

DIVISION OF LAUNCESTON.

Electors enrolled, 6192. Electors who voted, 4667. Informal votes, 108. Percentage of electors who voted, 75.36 per cent. Absolute majority, 2280. Retiring Member: Hon. A. J. McElwee.

Candidates.		Total.	Informal.	Remarks.
Green.	McElwee.			
2756	1803	4559	108	Hon. R. K. Green elected.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ELECTIONS, 1947.

Issue of Writ 10th April, 1947
 Nominations 21st April, 1947
 Poll (fixed by statute) 10th May, 1947
 Return of Writs 16th May, 1947

DIVISION OF MEANDER.

Electors enrolled, 2676. Electors who voted, 2275. Informal votes, 17. Percentage of electors who voted, 85.76 per cent. Absolute majority, 1130. Retiring Member: Hon. A. E. D. Lillico.

Candidates.			Total Votes Counted.	Informal.	Remarks.
Fleming.	Lillico.	Smith.			
785	1161	312	2258	17	Hon. A. E. D. Lillico elected.

DIVISION OF PEMBROKE.

Electors enrolled, 2557. Electors who voted, 2156. Informal votes, 25. Percentage of electors who voted, 84.31 per cent. Absolute majority, 1066. Retiring Member: Hon. A. C. Blacklow.

Count.	Candidates.				Total Votes Counted.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Blacklow.	Collidge.	Germaine.	Vernon.			
1	802	432	642	255	2131	25	
2	73	39	143	--255	...	...	Vernon excluded.
3-4	875 237	471 -471	785 234	...	2131 ...	...	Collidge excluded.
	1112	...	1019	...	2131	...	Hon. A. C. Blacklow elected.

DIVISION OF QUEENBOROUGH.

Electors enrolled, 4286. Electors who voted, 3211. Informal votes, 58. Percentage of electors who voted, 74.91 per cent. Absolute majority, 1577. Retiring Member: Hon. W. H. Strutt.

Count.	Candidates.		Total Votes Counted.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Lyons.	Strutt.			
	1435	1718	3153	58	Hon. W. H. Strutt elected.

DIVISION OF WEST DEVON.

Electors enrolled, 3026. Electors who voted, 2460. Informal votes, 28. Percentage of electors who voted, 81.29 per cent. Absolute majority, 1115. (New electorate.)

Count.	Candidates.									Exhaust.	Total Papers Counted.	Informal.	Remarks.
	Broad.	Cooney.	Haygarth.	Hilder.	Stebbins.	Tattersall.	Whitford.	Wright.	Yaxley.				
1	68	301	189	576	63	583	338	279	35	...	2432	28	
2	7	1	2	5	2	8	5	5	-35	...	...	...	Yaxley excluded
...	75	302	191	581	65	591	343	284	...	...	2432	...	
3	5	3	2	12	-65	28	3	12	...	...	...	...	Stebbins excluded
...	80	305	193	593	...	619	346	296	...	...	2432	...	
4	-80	17	7	28	...	2	4	3	...	...	...	...	Broad excluded
...	...	322	200	621	...	639	350	299	...	1	2432	...	
5	...	143	-200	18	...	16	13	6	...	4	...	...	Haygarth excluded
...	...	465	...	639	...	655	363	305	...	5	2432	...	
6	...	18	...	64	...	93	123	305	...	7	...	...	Wright excluded
...	...	483	...	703	...	748	486	...	...	12	2432	...	
7	...	-483	...	203	...	74	106	...	...	100	...	...	Cooney excluded
...	...	...	...	906	...	822	592	...	...	112	2432	...	
8	...	...	...	174	...	327	-592	...	...	91	...	...	Whitford excluded
...	...	...	...	1080	...	1149	...	...	...	203	2432	...	Hon. A. W. Tattersall elected

Appendix E.

STATISTICAL TABLES—GENERAL ELECTION, 23RD NOVEMBER, 1946
(WITH COMPARISONS WITH PREVIOUS ELECTIONS).TABLE 1.—*Electors, Voters, and Informal Votes—General Election, 23rd November, 1946.*

	Estimated Population, 31st Decem., 1946.	Electors on Roll.		Votes Recorded.		Informal Votes.		Valid Votes Recorded.
		Number.	Per 1000 of Population.	Number.	Percentage on Electors.	Number.	Percentage on Votes Recorded.	
Bass.....	50,340	29,836	593	27,134	90·9	2967	10·95	24,167
Darwin.....	56,060	32,976	588	29,698	90·1	2365	7·96	27,333
Denison.....	48,850	32,196	659	28,973	90·0	3191	11·01	25,782
Franklin.....	54,570	34,893	639	32,269	92·5	3382	10·48	28,887
Wilmot.....	43,680	27,855	638	25,600	91·9	2579	10·07	23,021
Total.....	253,500	157,756	622	143,674	91·1	14,484	10·08	129,190

TABLE 2.—*Comparative Summary—State General Elections Since 1928.*

	23rd Nov., 1946.	13th Dec., 1941.	20th Feb., 1937.	9th June, 1934.	9th May, 1931.	30th May, 1928.
Estimated Population	253,500	241,170	233,191	229,161	224,800	215,500
Electors on Roll—						
Male.....	73,420	69,058	66,223	63,841	59,024	55,058
Female.....	79,336	70,176	65,778	63,840	59,706	56,898
Total.....	157,756	139,234	132,001	127,681	118,730	111,956
Males—per cent. of total.....%	49·7	49·6	50·2	50·0	49·7	49·2
Electors per 1000 of population.....	622	577	566	557	528	519
Votes Recorded (including informal votes) —						
Male.....	71,414	61,480	62,880	60,623	56,674	46,769
Female.....	72,260	65,554	61,580	59,999	56,105	44,910
Total.....	143,674	127,034	124,460	120,622	112,779	91,679
Males—per cent. of total.....%	49·7	48·4	50·5	50·3	50·2	51·0
Voters—Percentage to Electors on Roll—						
Male.....%	91·0	89·1	94·8	95·0	96·0	84·94
Female.....%	91·1	93·4	93·6	94·0	94·0	78·94
Total.....%	91·1	91·2	94·3	94·5	95·0	81·90
Valid votes recorded.....	129,190	120,690	121,463	116,767	108,894	88,706
Informal Votes—						
Number.....	14,484	6344	2997	3855	3885	2973
Percentage to votes recorded.....%	10·08	4·99	2·41	3·19	3·45	3·24
Number of candidates.....	86	62	67	77	70	72
Number of deposits forfeited.....	17	9	13	14	16	12
Number of members elected at first count....	8	7	7	6	6	7
Total number of counts.....	713	320	349	616	437	452
Greatest number of counts for one division....	208	123	81	183	193	126

The census of 1933 showed the proportion of adults to be 530 per 1000 of the total population of Tasmania. At the recent election, the franchise was extended to certain classes of persons (minors) who had experienced war service. This is mainly responsible for the increase in the number of voters per 1000 of population to 622 in 1946.

The proportion of electors who voted fell on this occasion to 91·1 per cent, the figure at the previous election being 91·2 per cent.

The proportion of informal votes (10·08 per cent) was the highest recorded this century. Each division showed record percentages ranging from 11·01 per cent in Denison to 7·96 per cent in Darwin. This increase may be attributed to the fact that the names of candidates were shown in groups upon the ballot-paper, as distinct from the alphabetical listing of candidates' names.

The large number of candidates in each division also probably contributed to the very high proportion recorded.

The number of candidates (86) was the greatest number standing since 1912 and the number of independent candidates (16) was a record. The number of counts (713) was the highest in recent years, while the greatest number of counts in a division (Denison 208) was also the highest recorded for several elections.

Although males comprise a majority of population, male electors were slightly in a minority (49·7 per cent), and, as voters, they were also in a minority (49·7 per cent).

TABLE 3.—*Electors on Roll and Voters—Last Five General Elections.*

	Electors on Roll—Male.					Voters—Male.				
	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.
Bass.....	14,352	12,486	12,591	12,263	11,253	12,982	11,083	11,824	11,629	10,691
Darwin.....	17,494	15,708	14,465	13,941	13,195	15,674	13,872	13,732	13,189	12,690
Denison.....	14,774	12,786	11,956	11,331	10,533	13,340	11,311	11,277	10,726	10,055
Franklin.....	17,526	14,943	14,090	13,660	12,310	16,224	13,501	13,609	13,151	12,039
Wilmot.....	14,274	13,135	13,121	12,641	11,733	13,194	11,713	12,438	11,928	11,199
Total.....	78,420	69,058	66,223	63,841	59,024	71,414	61,480	62,880	60,623	56,674

	Electors on Roll—Female.					Voters—Female.				
	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.
Bass.....	15,484	13,982	13,521	13,292	12,438	14,152	13,036	12,666	12,541	11,738
Darwin.....	15,482	13,648	12,546	12,175	11,498	14,024	12,688	11,610	11,355	10,809
Denison.....	17,422	15,781	14,390	13,679	13,048	15,633	14,737	13,497	13,049	12,429
Franklin.....	17,367	14,480	13,440	13,074	11,970	16,045	13,613	12,776	12,281	11,137
Wilmot.....	13,581	12,285	11,881	11,620	10,752	12,406	11,480	11,031	10,773	9,992
Total.....	79,336	70,176	65,778	63,840	59,706	72,260	65,554	61,580	59,999	56,105

	Electors on Roll—Both Sexes.					Voters—Both Sexes.				
	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.
Bass.....	29,836	26,468	26,112	25,560	23,691	27,134	24,119	24,490	24,170	22,429
Darwin.....	32,976	29,356	27,011	26,116	24,693	29,698	26,560	25,342	24,544	23,499
Denison.....	32,196	28,567	26,346	25,010	23,581	28,973	26,048	24,774	23,775	22,484
Franklin.....	34,893	29,423	27,530	26,734	24,280	32,269	27,114	26,385	25,432	23,176
Wilmot.....	27,855	25,420	25,002	24,261	22,485	25,600	23,193	23,469	22,701	21,191
Total.....	157,756	139,234	132,001	127,681	118,730	143,674	127,034	124,460	120,622	112,779

TABLE 4.—*Percentage of Electors Voting at General Elections Since 1913.*

General Election.	Percentage of Electors Voting.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.
State, 23.1.1913.....	<i>n</i>	<i>n</i>	67.2
Federal, 31.5.1913.....	79.0	70.8	75.0
Federal, 5.9.1914.....	81.3	73.7	77.6
State, 25.3.1916.....	76.1	71.0	73.6
Federal, 5.5.1917.....	82.0	70.0	76.0
State, 31.5.1919.....	69.6	62.6	66.1
Federal, 31.12.1919.....	65.1	52.3	58.7
State, 10.6.1922.....	70.0	56.3	63.1
Federal, 16.12.1922.....	53.4	38.0	45.6
State, 3.6.1925.....	72.9	61.8	67.3
Federal, 14.11.1925.....	89.5	88.0	88.7
State, 30.5.1928.....	84.9	78.9	81.9
Federal, 12.10.1929.....	96.3	94.2	95.2
State, 9.5.1931.....	96.0	94.0	95.0
Federal, 19.12.1931.....	96.5	96.2	96.4
State, 9.6.1934.....	95.0	94.0	94.5
Federal, 15.9.1934.....	96.2	95.3	95.8
State, 20.2.1937.....	94.8	93.6	94.3
Federal, 23.10.1937.....	96.1	95.9	96.0
State, 21.9.1940.....	94.1	95.4	94.8
Federal, 13.12.1941.....	89.1	93.4	91.2
Federal, 21.8.1943.....	99.4	94.8	97.0
Referendum, 19.8.1944.....	99.3	94.7	97.0
Federal, 28.9.1943.....	95.0	92.5	93.7
State, 23.11.1946.....	91.0	91.1	91.1

The preceding table, giving the percentage of electors who exercised the franchise at all general elections, both State and Federal, since 1913, indicates roughly the rise and fall of political interest among the electors up to 1925. The proportion of voters, on the whole, increased greatly from earlier years to 1914, remained steady until 1917, then fell away until 1922, but showed some recovery in 1925. Both its rise and fall are much more pronounced in the case of women than of men. The proportions for the subsequent elections are dominated by compulsory voting, first in the Federal sphere and later in the State. The absence of many electors from the State on military service would largely account for the lower percentage of voters at the elections in 1940 and 1941.

REPRESENTATION OF PARTIES.

At the election of the 23rd November, 1946, 86 candidates were nominated. Of these, 40 were endorsed nominees of the Labour Party, 30 were nominated by the Liberal Party, and 16 described themselves as Independent.

The result was the return of 12 Liberals, 16 Labour, and 2 Independents.

The No. 1 votes were cast directly for the three groups in each of the five electoral divisions of the State as follows:—

TABLE 5.—Party Strength as Indicated by No. 1 Preferences, 1946.

	Labour.	Liberal.	Independent.	Total.
Bass	13,996	7711	2460	24,167
Darwin	13,522	13,025	786	27,333
Denison	11,667	4990	9125	25,782
Franklin	14,874	10,165	3848	28,887
Wilmot	11,784	8352	2885	23,021
Total	65,843	44,243	19,104	129,190

The method of election is briefly the "single transferable vote" system, and the law provides that a seat shall be allotted to each complete quota of votes in each division.

The quota in each division is ascertained by the following formula:—

$$\frac{\text{Number of valid ballot-papers}}{\text{Number to be elected} + 1} + 1 = \text{Quota.}$$

Any remainder is ignored.

For the election of a "House" of 30 members, there will therefore be 35 theoretical quotas, which, however, because of "exhaust" votes, will not become complete.

In reports of previous elections, an attempt was made to weigh the ultimate voting strength of the two main parties by allotting to each faction the votes received by the Independent candidates according to the party sympathies of their supporters as far as these could be ascertained. In the 1946 election, however, the large number of Independent candidates rendered this course difficult and uncertain, and so the Independents have been shown hereunder as a third group.

The following table shows for each division, and for the State as a whole, the number of first preference votes, the number of quotas, and the seats won by each party:—

TABLE 6.—Party Strength in Divisions as Indicated by No. 1 Preferences, 1946.

Division.	Labour.			Liberal.			Independent.		
	First Preferences.	No. of Quotas.	Seats Won.	First Preferences.	No. of Quotas.	Seats Won.	First Preferences.	No. of Quotas.	Seats Won.
Bass.....	13,996	4.05	4	7,711	2.23	2	2460	0.72	—
Darwin....	13,522	3.46	3	13,025	3.34	3	786	0.20	—
Denison ...	11,667	3.17	3	4,990	1.35	2	9125	2.48	1
Franklin ...	14,874	3.61	3	10,165	2.46	2	3848	0.93	1
Wilmot....	11,784	3.58	3	8,352	2.54	3	2885	0.88	—
Total ...	65,843	17.87	16	44,243	11.92	12	19,104	5.21	2

A standard of representation is furnished by the fact that the number of members for the State as a whole (30) is 14·3 per cent below the number of quotas (35). The number of quotas of votes allotted to the Labour Party throughout the State was 17·87, but the seats won were 10·5 per cent less (16), whereas the seats obtained by the Liberals (12) were 0·6 per cent above the quotas of first preference votes. Independent candidates polled 5·21 quotas for 2 seats or 61·61 per cent below the number of quotas. In other words, there were 1·87 quotas of Labour votes made up of unrepresented fractions of 16 members elected, Liberal votes were over-represented by 0·08 quotas for 12 members elected, while Independent candidates polled 3·21 quotas of unrepresented votes.

The disparity between the number of quotas and seats won was most pronounced in Denison where the successful Independent candidate polled 2·24 quotas for his seat, while with only 1·35 quotas the Nationalist group won 2 seats. This was due to the fact that the successful Independent's second preferences were predominantly non-Labour. Independent candidates in Bass and Wilmot received nearly 1 quota of votes but secured no seats.

The following table shows the party strength as indicated by the quotas of No. 1 preferences, and the seats actually won by Labour and non-Labour groups at each general election since 1928. Independent votes have been distributed as described elsewhere in the context, and the total for the State is the aggregate of the results for the five divisions.

TABLE 7.—Party Strength as Indicated by No. 1 Preferences, 1928-1946.

Division.	1928		1931*		1934		1937		1941		1946		
	Non-Labour.	Labour.	Non-Labour.	Labour.	Non-Labour.	Labour.	Non-Labour.	Labour.	Non-Labour.	Labour.	Nationalists.	Labour.	Independent.
Bass—													
Quotas.....	3·18	3·82	4·40	2·60	3·44	3·56	2·47	4·53	2·50	4·50	2·23	4·05	0·72
Seats won ...	3	3	4	2	3	3	2	4	2	4	2	4	0
Darwin—													
Quotas	3·73	3·27	4·52	2·48	4·04	2·96	2·96	4·04	2·90	4·10	3·34	3·46	0·20
Seats won ...	3	3	4	2	3	3	3	3	2	4	3	3	0
Denison—													
Quotas	3·07	3·93	4·00	3·00	2·80	3·59	2·59	4·41	2·20	4·80	1·35	3·17	2·48
Seats won ...	3	3	4	2	2*	2	2	4	2	4	2	3	1
Franklin—													
Quotas	3·95	3·05	4·02	2·27	2·86	3·63	2·90	4·10	2·38	4·62	2·46	3·61	0·93
Seats won ...	4	2	3*	2*	2*	3*	2	4	2	4	2	3	1
Wilmot—													
Quotas	3·36	3·64	4·54	2·46	3·99	3·01	3·01	3·99	3·02	3·98	2·54	3·58	0·88
Seats won ...	3	2	4	2	3	3*	3	3	2	4	4	3	0
All—													
Quotas	17·29	17·71	21·48	12·81	17·13	16·75	13·93	21·07	13·0	22·0	11·92	17·87	5·21
Seats won ...	16	14	19*	10*	13	15	12	18	10	20	12	16	2

* Omitting the votes for one Independent candidate who was elected.

Other examples of unequal representation occurred in Wilmot in 1941. The most striking case, in its effect on the representation of parties throughout the whole electorate of the State, was in 1922. In that year the non-Labour party had 4·19 unrepresented fractional quotas against Labour's 1·23. This distribution nearest to equality required that non-Labour should have one more member and Labour one less, though if two more members had gone to non-Labour and two less to Labour the disparity would not have been serious. In that year the non-Labour party lost by unrepresented fractions in every division, whereas the losses of the Labour party in some divisions were counterbalanced by gains in others. A similar inequality, though less serious, occurred in 1941 by larger fractional losses to the non-Labour party in most divisions.

The number of quotas shown in the immediately preceding tables for the State as a whole is the sum of the quotas for each division, which, of course, are not uniform. The following figures show the representation due to each party, based directly on the total number of first votes polled by each in the whole of the electorates or on the number of uniform quotas and the number of seats won.

*Strength of Parties on the Basis of No. 1 Preferences and Seats Won.
(The State as a Single Electorate.)*

	No. 1 Preferences.	Seats in Proportion.	Seats Won.
Labour	65,843	15.29	16
Liberal	44,243	10.27	12
Independent	19,104	4.44	2

The preferential system of voting therefore resulted in over-representation of both Labour and Liberal parties at the expense of Independent candidates, but gives a substantially correct representation when the second preferences of Independent candidates are allotted.

The results given in Table 7 show that except in 1928, there has been no case where the difference between the actual representation and the theoretically requisite representation has prejudiced the position of either party in Parliament.

A comparison between the number of seats due to parties, on the basis of No. 1 preferences and seats actually won, is given for all elections held under the present law in the following table:—

TABLE 8.—*Representation of Parties for the Whole State, 1916-1946.*
(Seats in Proportion of No. 1 Preferences, and Seats Actually Won.)

	Non-Labour.	Labour.		Non-Labour.	Labour.
1916..... { Proportionate share	15.46	14.54	1931..... { Proportionate share	18.39*	10.98
{ Actually won	16	14		{ Actually won	19	10
1919..... { Proportionate share	17.56	12.44	1934..... { Proportionate share	14.64	14.39
{ Actually won	17	13		{ Actually won	13	15
1922..... { Proportionate share	18.07	11.42*	1937..... { Proportionate share	11.94	18.06
{ Actually won	17	12		{ Actually won	12	18
1925..... { Proportionate share	14.42	15.58	1941..... { Proportionate share	11.11	18.89
{ Actually won	14	16		{ Actually won	10	20
1928..... { Proportionate share	14.85	15.15	1946..... { Proportionate share	†	15.29
{ Actually won	16	14		{ Actually won .....	...	16

* Omitting the votes for an Independent candidate.

† Liberal Proportionate share 10.27; Actually won 12.
Independent Proportionate share 4.44; Actually won 2.

GENERAL REMARKS.

The 1946 election was notable for the large number of candidates, 86; and particularly for the high proportion of Independents, 16 (18 per cent) of whom two were successful. In Denison, one Independent secured 2.24 quotas and attracted a very large number of first preferences which would normally have been divided between Liberals and Labour in the proportion of rather more than two to one. Another unusual feature was the defeat of 13 retiring members. Ten of the twenty Labour members of the previous Parliament were defeated, the four members in Darwin being replaced by new members.

The Labour party had one more member than was required for equitable proportional representation in 1922; was one member short in 1928; and again in 1931 and one in excess in 1934, 1941, and 1946.

A brief summary of the results of the 1946 election for each division is appended, together with what evidence is available of the party leanings of the supporters of the Independent candidates.

BASS.

There were 17 candidates of whom 8 were Labour, 6 Liberal, and 3 Independent. Labour candidates secured 4.05 quotas for 4 seats, Liberal 2.23 quotas for 2 seats, and Independent 0.72 quotas without securing a seat. Two Labour candidates were elected on first preferences, and the thirtieth count was made before the third candidate secured his quota. There was practically no cross voting between the two main parties. The votes of the first two Independents excluded went mainly to the remaining Independents, but those of the last one went predominantly to Liberal candidates. One hundred and forty counts were necessary to complete the election.

DARWIN.

Fifteen candidates, 8 Labour, 6 Liberal, and 1 Independent nominated in Darwin. Labour gained 3.46 quotas, Liberal 3.34, and Independent 0.20 quotas. Seventy-nine counts were required. One Labour candidate secured his quota on first preferences. On exclusion the votes of the Independent candidate favoured Liberal candidates. The preferential voting was on party lines.

DENISON.

Denison electors had the choice of 18 candidates, viz., 8 Labour, 6 Liberal, 2 grouped Independents, and 2 ungrouped Independents. Labour secured 3.17 quotas for 3 seats, Liberal 1.35 quotas for 2 seats, while all Independents secured 2.48 quotas and gained 1 seat. This election was notable for the exceptionally large number of votes secured by one Independent, viz., 8247 votes (2.24 quotas) which must be a record. His second preference votes were allocated as follows:—Liberal 44 per cent, Labour 19 per cent, Independents, grouped, 20 per cent, ungrouped, 17 per cent. This candidate and one Labour candidate were elected on the first preferences. Apart from the above case little cross voting occurred. The 208 counts necessary for finality in this Division were the highest for this election.

FRANKLIN.

Franklin Division also provided 18 candidates, viz., 8 Labour, 6 Liberal, and 4 ungrouped Independent. Labour won 3.61 quotas for 3 seats, Liberal 2.46 quotas for 2 seats, and Independents 0.93 quotas for 1 seat. One Labour and one Liberal member were elected on first preference votes. Voting was on party lines, the preferences of the Independent candidates being cast in favour of the other Independent candidates. One hundred and sixty-five counts were required to complete the election.

WILMOT.

The 18 candidates in Wilmot were grouped similarly to those in Denison. Labour with 3.58 quotas gained 3 seats, Liberal 2.54 quotas, 3 seats, and Independent 0.88 quotas, no seat. One candidate was elected on first preference votes. Little cross-voting occurred between the main parties.

ABSENT VOTES, POSTAL VOTES, AND SECTION 116A.

Under the provisions of Section 116A, 771 persons whose names were not on the roll claimed the right to vote, and filled in ballot-papers. Of these 598 were rejected because their claim to be on the roll could not be sustained. The remaining 173 were admitted to the scrutiny, and 19 of them rejected for informalities, leaving 154 valid votes under Section 116A.

The number of absent votes was 9706, but these included a number whose names were not, in fact, on the roll, and 850 were rejected on this account; a further 1018 were rejected for informalities, leaving 7838 valid absent votes.

Taking together the claims under Section 116A and attempts to vote under provisions for electors absent from their usual subdivisions, the number of votes disallowed owing to the voter not being on the roll or having no right to be on the roll was 1448, or about 14 per cent of the applicants. The number of these votes disallowed in previous years were:—1941, 2283; 1937, 1897; 1934, 1687; 1931, 2086; 1928, 1545; 1925, 1668; 1922, 1473. These disallowed votes are not counted either as votes recorded or as informal votes.

TABLE 9.—Votes under Section 116A and Absent Votes.

Division.	Votes under Section 116A.				Absent Votes.			
	Papers Received.			Admitted to Scrutiny.	Papers Received.			Admitted to Scrutiny.
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.	
Bass.....	91	60	151	44	890	777	1667	1485
Darwin.....	83	43	126	32	1062	902	1964	1839
Denison.....	55	38	93	46	1003	951	1954	1762
Franklin.....	107	77	184	32	1123	985	2108	1937
Wilmot.....	134	83	217	19	1109	904	2013	1833
Total	470	301	771	173	5187	4519	9706	8856

TABLE 10.—Valid Postal Votes in Parties.

Division.	Liberal.	Labour.	Independent.	Total.
Bass	283	569	93	945
Darwin	376	316	25	717
Denison	399	614	312	1325
Franklin	632	426	107	1165
Wilmot	250	323	112	685
Total	1940	2248	649	4837

Table 11.—Summary of Absent and Postal Voting.

	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.	1928.	1925.
Valid Absent Votes	8856	9253	8086	5989	5961 (a)	5604 (a)	5398 (a)
Valid Votes under Section 116A	173	290	353	367	388	318	353
Valid Postal Votes	4837	3435	2602	2270	2001	1154	501

(a) Voting outside subdivision in which enrolled.

INFORMAL BALLOT-PAPERS.

The proportion of informal ballot-papers to the total number of ballot-papers at the election of 1946 was higher, at 10·08 per cent, than in any year in this century.

A summary of the proportion of informal ballot-papers in each division at each general election since 1912 is as follows:—

TABLE 12.—Percentage of Informal Ballot-Papers, 1912-1946.

	Bass.	Darwin.	Denison.	Franklin.	Wilmot.	All Divisions.
1912	2·63	2·97	2·67	2·78	3·26	2·85
1913	2·49	3·07	3·35	3·17	2·39	2·91
1916	3·88	5·49	5·63	6·52	5·53	5·66*
1919	3·33	4·36	3·02	3·34	6·06	3·96*
1922	2·05	2·56	2·58	2·86	3·20	2·63
1925	1·82	2·51	2·12	2·25	2·40	2·22
1928	3·38	3·23	2·64	2·83	4·12	3·24
1931	3·10	3·27	3·45	3·05	2·87	3·44
1934	3·44	2·95	3·10	2·76	3·85	3·19
1937	2·33	2·60	2·00	2·26	2·88	2·41
1941	6·16	4·70	4·97	5·43	3·62	4·99
1946	10·95	7·96	11·01	10·48	10·07	10·08

* The proportions in these years were exaggerated by the inclusion of votes by persons who were not on the roll.

TABLE 13.—Elections held in Tasmania, 1903-1946—Informal Ballot-Papers.

General Elections.		Electors Contested.	Date of Election.	Total Number of Ballot-papers.	Number of Informal Papers.	Percentage of Informal Papers.	Method of Marking Paper.
Federal.	State.						
...	Assembly	31	2. 4. 1903	No. 23,261	No. 345	1.48	Striking out all names but one
Senate.....	...	1 (all)	16. 12. 1903	37,021	1441	3.89	× opposite three names
Representatives.....	...	5					
...	Assembly	27	16. 3. 1906	40,322	487	1.21	Striking out all names but one
Senate.....	...	1	12. 12. 1906	48,879	2192	4.48	× opposite three names
Representatives.....	...	4					
...	Assembly	5	30. 4. 1909	50,402	1442	2.86	× opposite one name
Senate.....	...	1	13. 4. 1910	57,609	1893	3.29	× opposite three names
Representatives.....	...	5					
Referendum (Leg. Powers).....	...	...	26. 4. 1911	58,020	673	1.16	× opposite name
...	Assembly	5	30. 4. 1912	76,052	2166	2.85	Preference 1, 2, 3
...	Assembly	5	23. 1. 1913	70,812	2035	2.87	Preference 1, 2, 3
Senate.....	...	1	31. 5. 1913	80,398	4927	6.13	× opposite three names
Representatives.....	...	5					
Senate (Dissolution)	...	1	5. 9. 1914	82,253	3871	4.71	× opposite six names
Representatives.....	...	4					
...	Assembly	5	25. 3. 1916	78,984	4348	5.51	× opposite name
Senate.....	...	1	5. 5. 1917	82,608	3075	3.72	× opposite three names
Representatives.....	...	4					
...	Assembly	5	31. 5. 1919	71,064	2757	3.88	× opposite name
Senate.....	...	1	13. 12. 1919	65,716	6364	9.68	Preference 1 to 7
Representatives.....	...	5					
...	Assembly	5	10. 6. 1922	69,752	1834	2.63	Preference 1, 2, 3
Senate.....	...	1	16. 12. 1922	51,220	4750	9.27	Preference 1 to 7
Representatives.....	...	5					
...	Assembly	5	3. 6. 1925	77,381	1714	2.22	Preference 1, 2, 3
Senate.....	...	1	14. 11. 1925	102,742	11,578	11.27	Preference 1 to 9
Representatives.....	...	5					
...	Assembly	5	30. 5. 1928	91,679	5027	4.89	Preference 1, 2, 3
Senate.....	...	1	17. 11. 1928	106,153	2973	3.24	Preference 1, 2, 3
Representatives.....	...	5					
Representatives.....	...	5	12. 10. 1929	110,927	16,694	15.73	Preference 1 to 6
...	Assembly	5	9. 5. 1931	112,779	6842	6.45	Preference 1, 2, 3
...	Assembly	5	9. 6. 1934	120,622	2064	1.56	Preference 1, 2, 3
...	Assembly	5	20. 2. 1937	124,460	3885	3.45	Preference 1, 2, 3
Representatives.....	...	5	19. 12. 1931	(a)	(a)	(a)	Preference 1, 2, 3
Senate.....	...	1					
Representatives.....	...	5	15. 9. 1934	123,801	4840	3.91	Preference 1, 2, 3 etc. for all candidates
Senate.....	...	1					
Representatives.....	...	5	23. 10. 1937	128,679	8613	2.81	Preference 1, 2, 3
Senate.....	...	1					
Representatives.....	...	5	21. 9. 1940	130,786	16,253	12.63	Preference 1, 2, 3 etc. for all candidates
Senate.....	...	1					
...	Assembly	5	13. 12. 1941	127,034	4102	3.13	Preference 1, 2, 3
Representatives.....	...	5	21. 8. 1943	139,116	17,067	13.05	Preference 1, 2, 3 etc. for all candidates
Senate.....	...	1					
Referendum.....	...	...	19. 8. 1944	139,411	6344	4.99	Preference 1, 2, 3 etc. for all candidates
Representatives.....	...	5	28. 9. 1946	144,879	4975	3.58	Preference 1, 2, 3 etc. for all candidates
Senate.....	...	1					
...	Assembly	5	23. 11. 1946	143,674	18,831	13.54	Preference 1, 2
...	Assembly	5	28. 9. 1946	144,879	3706	2.56	Preference 1, 2, 3 etc. for all candidates
Senate.....	...	1					
...	Assembly	5	23. 11. 1946	143,674	17,113	11.81	Preference 1, 2, 3

(a) Details are not available.

EXHAUSTED BALLOT-PAPERS.

TABLE 14.—Votes Lost by Exhaustion.

	1946.	1941.	1937.	1934.	1931.	1928.	1925.	1922.	1919.	1916.
Bass.....	817	1097	974	1364	114	278	485	1133	645	500
Darwin.....	1490	420	194	687	428	331	914	191	454	461
Denison.....	1175	575	1025	1344	412	321	224	400	392	763
Franklin.....	2058	915	323	859	463	466	918	592	389	725
Wilmot.....	1875	186	311	1096	1043	1152	518	291	366	451
Total.....	7415	3193	2827	5350	2460	2548	3059	2607	2246	2900
Percentage of Total Votes.....	5.16	2.6	2.3	4.6	2.3	2.9	4.0	3.8	3.3	3.9

The figures in the above table represent the number of votes which were discarded during the actual count because there was no further choice marked on them which could be made effective. These votes do not, in all cases, indicate unrepresented electors, because many of them had contributed to the election of successful candidates before they became exhausted.

TABLE 15.—Brief Sketch of the Development of the Elective Franchise for House of Assembly in Tasmania Since the Year 1870.

Year.	Adult Persons (Estimated).	Estimated Mean Population.	Elected Parliamentary Representatives.	Electoral Divisions.	Constituencies.			Electors Enrolled.			Lower Range of Electors' Qualification to Franchise in Possession of—
					One- Member.	Two- Member.	Six- Member.	No.	Per Cent. to—		
									Total Pop.	Adult Pop.	
1870...	48,210	100,038	30	30	30	...	...	11,171*	11.17	23.17	A.—Adult Males.
1871...	48,820	101,393	32	32	32	...	...	13,801*	13.61	28.27	Property value of £7
1872...	49,380	102,467	32	32	32	...	...	14,001*	13.67	28.35	Ditto
1881...	55,750	116,280	32	32	32	...	...	15,659*	13.47	28.09	Salary £80 annually
1891...	73,260	147,969	35	28	20	8	...	25,932*	17.53	35.40	Ditto
1901...	86,490	172,525	38	29	20	9	...	39,002*	22.61	45.09	Salary or wage £60
1902...	87,810	175,173	35	35	35	...	...	39,495*	22.55	44.92	Ditto
1906...	92,370	184,272	35	35	35	...	...	89,029	48.31	96.38	Manhood Suffrage
1908...	93,980	187,485	35	35	35	...	...	86,361	46.07	91.89	B.—Adult Suffrage
1909...	100,070	190,227	30	5	...	...	...	98,230	51.64	94.18	Ditto
1911...	99,960	190,120	30	5	...	...	...	102,326	53.82	102.40	Ditto
1912...	100,750	190,769	30	5	...	...	...	103,513	54.26	102.74	Ditto
1913...	103,050	194,361	30	5	...	...	...	105,292	55.24	102.17	Ditto
1916...	104,180	194,265	30	5	...	...	...	107,321	54.17	103.01	Ditto
1919...	111,190	204,959	30	5	...	...	...	107,541	52.47	96.72	Ditto
1922...	118,320	215,379	30	5	...	...	...	110,549	51.33	93.43	Ditto
1925...	120,360	215,552	30	5	...	...	...	114,901	53.30	95.46	Ditto
1928...	122,250	215,471	30	5	...	...	...	111,956	51.96	91.58	Ditto
1931...	129,600	224,811	30	5	...	...	...	118,730	52.81	91.61	Ditto
1934...	132,982	229,161	30	5	...	...	...	127,681	55.72	96.01	Ditto
1937...	135,321	233,191	30	5	...	...	...	132,001	56.60	97.55	Ditto
1941...	138,933	239,416	30	5	...	...	...	139,234	58.16	100.22	Ditto
1946...	145,800	251,264	30	5	...	...	...	157,756	62.78	108.20	Ditto

* Male only.

VOTING IN SUBDIVISIONS.

The following tables, 16 to 20 give for each division the number of first ordinary vote choices for each candidate in each subdivision, and in absent votes, votes under Section 116A, and postal votes. The number of electors on the roll, and electors who voted, by sexes, and the number of informal papers, are also given for the same subdivisions. The candidates are grouped in parties, and the total votes are given for the groups. Although the Independent candidates are grouped together, they need not necessarily be considered as a political party group.

TABLE 16.—PRIMARY VOTES (BY SUBDIVISIONS) DIVISION OF BASS.

Subdivision.	Electors.				PRIMARY VOTES.														Total.											
	Electors Enrolled.		Electors who Voted.		Group A—Liberal.							Group B—Labour.							Independent.			Total Valid	Informal.							
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Beattie.*	Bryce.	Hollingsworth.	Marrlott.*	Pitchford.	Thyne. (a)	Total Liberal.	Arkins.*	Carter.	Howroyd.*	Madden.*	McGee.	Quinlan.	Turnbull*.	Welsh. (a)			Total Labour.	Ockerby.	Pinkard.	Sullivan (a)	Total In-dependent.		
Flinders	271	216	487	212	157	369	49	4	65	24	1	1	144	8	2	25	46	3	28	41	23	176	4	7	..	11	381	38	369	
George Town	305	269	574	246	214	464	80	2	16	42	8	...	148	20	14	15	71	4	6	66	44	340	9	104	8	39	437	27	464	
Launceston, Central	1478	1855	3333	1163	1492	2655	55	88	133	223	71	411	2011	144	87	84	139	408	77	828	63	1336	144	280	32	280	2292	353	2645	
Launceston, East	2954	3775	6729	2411	2997	5408	192	301	295	636	170	43	667	110	110	216	724	128	77	828	54	2381	309	250	57	385	4917	561	5478	
Launceston, North	2711	2610	5321	2222	2375	4597	60	113	196	191	43	58	667	246	630	227	591	134	182	763	76	2849	150	178	32	449	3901	596	4497	
Launceston, West	2383	2756	5139	2004	2995	4299	121	219	250	333	100	172	1195	109	120	174	821	113	89	670	68	2159	243	174	32	449	3803	496	4399	
Lilydale	740	656	1396	636	527	1163	198	74	44	33	13	5	414	186	13	56	178	110	16	100	18	577	45	31	12	88	1079	74	1153	
Portland	404	371	775	349	302	651	169	8	47	33	13	5	215	34	2	143	86	5	14	52	2	338	18	17	7	42	585	56	641	
Ringsbroon	1085	950	2035	961	784	1745	241	21	70	47	83	12	474	119	3	494	169	8	26	183	13	1015	24	12	37	73	1562	183	1745	
Scottsdale	790	770	1560	653	597	1250	418	38	30	22	13	6	527	225	2	248	39	2	6	44	...	567	21	13	6	40	1134	116	1250	
St. Leonards	1231	1256	2487	1033	1047	2080	102	56	78	130	65	55	476	91	78	180	252	40	43	455	50	1149	89	84	31	204	1829	251	2080	
Absent Votes .....	...	...	...	793	692	1485	82	49	116	144	30	49	470	105	42	154	181	25	20	158	28	713	55	59	15	129	1312	173	1485
Votes under Sec. 116A .....	...	...	...	29	15	44	2	1	1	1	1	3	11	3	4	3	11	1	1	1	4	61	27	2	...	...	2	40	44
Postal Votes	296	688	984	52	46	51	72	25	37	283	23	57	53	189	7	17	162	61	569	61	2	31	1	93	945	89	984
Total	14,352	15,484	29,836	12,682	14,152	27,134	1767	1023	1892	1049	656	924	7711	1400	1161	2107	3757	578	570	3918	495	13,996	1174	982	304	2460	24,167	2967	27,134	

(a) Forfeited Deposit.

* Elected.

TABLE 17.—PRIMARY VOTES (BY SUBDIVISIONS) DIVISION OF DARWIN.

Subdivision.	Electors.				PRIMARY VOTES.														Votes.		Total.						
	Electors Enrolled.		Electors who Voted.		Group A—Labour.							Group B—Liberal.							Total Valid Votes.	Informal.							
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Aylet.*	Bramich.*	Bugg.	Kelly. (a)	Lacey.	Lane.	Reece.*	Smith.	Total Labour.	Acheson.	Chamberlain.*	Fidler.*				McFie.*	Roberts.	Williams.	Total Liberal.	Margetts.	Total Independent.
Circular Head	2157	1757	3914	1820	1458	3278	322	180	594	31	59	65	121	17	1389	969	533	109	157	73	21	1562	63	63	3014	264	3278
Devonport	2370	2420	4790	1965	1992	3957	293	54	21	50	205	468	363	166	1650	84	284	95	1213	109	149	1934	94	94	3678	279	3957
East Bay	3186	2967	6153	2697	2413	5019	1025	146	82	48	118	145	478	168	2213	115	210	1713	147	104	22	2312	55	85	6010	439	5019
Gormanston	197	150	347	169	115	284	16	2	23	..	..	6	176	4	1	4	1	1	6	4	3	19	..	..	344	40	284
Kentish	1415	1176	2591	1194	1003	2197	195	33	5	20	27	27	79	504	530	27	277	39	266	38	532	1179	63	63	2072	125	2197
King Island	600	412	1012	450	325	775	119	7	100	10	77	14	32	5	355	35	112	20	131	10	62	340	9	9	704	71	775
Leven	2108	2041	4149	1788	1656	3444	291	60	22	101	430	67	158	37	1166	98	1391	94	168	90	86	1927	118	118	3211	233	3444
Penguin	840	748	1588	683	615	1298	123	31	18	18	25	25	69	35	347	45	400	132	97	108	63	845	26	26	1218	80	1298
Queenstown	1485	1200	2685	1232	985	2217	45	25	18	13	8	33	1527	8	1677	43	46	58	60	16	36	259	29	29	1965	262	2217
Sarahan	190	155	345	145	110	255	41	6	2	2	1	11	130	9	202	12	5	8	4	3	1	33	1	1	236	19	255
Table Cape	1896	1685	3581	1579	1396	2975	407	465	90	18	32	57	117	38	1324	80	168	388	101	528	17	1282	229	229	2735	240	2975
Waratah	243	171	414	181	132	313	29	7	7	5	8	34	126	15	231	7	8	13	7	7	7	42	1	1	274	39	313
Zealand	807	600	1407	615	439	1074	135	15	10	27	59	73	492	63	507	11	53	56	27	3	3	153	3	3	963	111	1074
Absent Votes .....	...	...	...	992	847	1839	276	97	60	41	51	55	229	71	874	84	216	192	144	79	33	748	40	40	1632	177	1839
Votes under Sec. 116A .....	...	...	...	20	12	32	5	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	16	3	3	3	3	1	1	14	1	1	30	2	32
Postal Votes .....	...	...	...	235	506	741	86	23	37	14	26	21	84	25	316	46	103	90	90	34	13	376	25	25	717	24	741
Total	17,494	15,483	32,976	15,674	14,624	29,698	3368	1152	1070	421	1127	1104	1116	1164	13,522	1661	3510	3011	2591	1207	1042	13,025	786	786	27,333	2365	29,698

(a) Forfeited Deposit.

* Elected.

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TABLE 18.—PRIMARY VOTES (BY SUBDIVISIONS) DIVISION OF DENISON.

Subdivision.	Electors.				PRIMARY VOTES.															Votes.		Total.											
	Electors Enrolled.		Electors who Voted.		Group A.—Labour.							Group B.— —Indep.			Group C.—Liberal.					Ungrouped Independent.				Total Valid Votes.	Informal.								
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	McParlan.	Partridge.	Indep. (a)	Atkins.*	Harvey.	Hay.	Hearhorn.	Morrison.	(a)	Sturt.*	Total Liberal.	Gittus.	Townley.*	Total Un- grouped.	Informal.												
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	White.*	Total Labour.	Conroy.*	Culley.*	Heery.	Hickman. (a)	Kelly. (a)	Nolan.	Tyler.	White.*	Total	McParlan.	Partridge.	Indep. (a)	Atkins.*		Harvey.	Hay.	Hearhorn.	Morrison.	(a)	Sturt.*	Total Liberal.	Gittus.	Townley.*	Total Un- grouped.	Informal.
Hobart Central	1874	2002	3876	1497	1575	3072	516	94	95	44	102	197	182	353	1613	49	29	78	71	33	36	18	50	225	18	639	737	449	3672	449			
Hobart East	1108	1319	2427	853	543	1796	283	38	77	27	15	50	110	175	785	27	14	41	77	37	39	15	61	251	31	382	413	393	1796	393			
Hobart North	2948	3331	6279	2439	2756	5195	727	184	91	87	43	366	344	426	2258	69	21	93	153	69	104	59	177	676	19	1462	1481	4569	636	4185			
Hobart South	2353	3038	5391	1843	2365	4208	613	110	144	52	41	52	191	338	1544	76	24	169	203	113	174	72	231	969	39	1149	1188	3792	416	4208			
Hobart West	2137	2485	4622	1750	2025	3775	709	112	87	50	64	80	295	255	1662	51	34	85	111	53	113	58	124	329	10	1038	1038	3365	419	3775			
New Town	3118	3715	6833	2575	2935	5510	618	234	159	165	38	85	234	244	1777	74	58	132	246	131	187	116	354	1078	55	1989	2334	5911	469	5510			
Queenborough	1236	1532	2768	1001	1250	2251	287	45	89	23	13	25	108	92	682	50	23	72	81	73	101	72	84	165	520	12	751	763	2033	213	2251		
Absent Votes.....	900	862	1762	364	60	64	28	25	30	72	66	769	30	11	41	91	31	60	38	17	112	352	6	453	459	1561	201	1762		
Votes under Sec. 116A.....	21	25	46	7	1	2	1	...	2	5	5	23
Postal Votes.....	461	897	1358	203	59	27	15	122	9	50	129	614	30	10	40	133	56	39	55	42	56	389	5	207	272	1325	33	1358		
Total	14,774	17,422	32,196	13,310	15,638	28,973	4337	937	835	492	466	898	1591	2113	11,607	4	224	680	1165	580	870	701	483	1191	4939	198	8217	8445	25,782	3191	28,973		

(a) Forfeited Deposit.

* Elected.

TABLE 19.—PRIMARY VOTES (BY SUBDIVISIONS) DIVISION OF FRANKLIN.

Subdivision.	Elector.				PRIMARY VOTES.															Votes.		Total.										
	Enrolled.		who Voted.		Group A—Labour.							Group B—Liberal.							Group C—Independent.				Total Valid.	Internal.								
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Brooker,*	Brown, J.	Dicker.	Dwyer.*	Hand.	Hope.	McCarthy.	Nelson.*	Total.	Labour.	Brown, R.	Guthrie.	(a)	Green.	Jackson.*	Park.	Whitby.*				Total.	Liberal.	Parley.	(a)	Gray.*	Nothing.	(a)	Pearsall.	Total In- dependent.

Clarence	1564	1614	3178	1286	1356	2642	277	8	16	70	65	94	53	586	1149	88	79	3	3	138	10	427	921	921	16	166	15	118	316	2386	236	2622
Esperance	978	864	1842	831	728	1559	249	11	232	61	72	9	43	126	797	75	5	5	13	216	38	138	470	470	7	58	3	66	134	1401	156	1554
Glenorchy	945	917	1862	766	765	1531	606	17	9	36	56	20	12	52	870	60	13	24	58	41	151	368	368	24	106	11	37	172	1346	156	1500	
Huer	1433	1340	2773	1265	1190	2455	390	39	59	45	56	18	31	143	881	653	7	25	125	42	238	1172	1172	61	62	3	23	106	2106	286	2390	
Kingborough	1702	1632	3334	1468	1324	2792	465	18	137	255	71	57	18	108	1154	138	25	37	103	113	268	684	684	17	105	5	433	630	5238	584	5822	
Moomba	3595	3589	7184	3032	3068	6100	1645	237	87	258	148	527	146	460	3506	131	37	62	151	145	447	975	975	148	525	27	113	217	5258	732	6090	
Nelson	2549	3255	5804	2120	2520	4640	480	105	42	156	91	173	103	206	1350	182	55	65	817	317	1140	2076	2076	36	305	26	506	771	4187	413	4600	
New Norfolk	2059	1870	3929	1719	1560	3279	490	32	73	634	309	45	20	282	1864	109	121	455	34	228	869	22	123	10	51	206	2939	340	3279	379	3658	
Port Cygnet	868	762	1630	751	634	1376	153	12	31	297	179	15	21	57	765	112	22	26	73	21	136	374	374	5	49	5	31	88	1227	149	1376	
Richmond	525	436	961	455	376	825	123	4	21	19	282	6	6	2	441	13	28	22	55	39	102	230	230	4	15	26	20	65	748	77	825	
Sorell	622	569	1261	620	473	1093	214	7	0	34	37	48	14	75	435	33	81	30	57	80	187	468	468	6	30	2	42	80	983	116	1099	
Spring Bay	270	228	498	209	184	393	75	5	5	29	22	12	16	24	182	8	21	2	16	12	86	143	143	5	5	1	17	28	355	38	393	
Tasman	331	291	622	282	244	526	104	8	8	43	20	13	11	35	237	7	9	10	32	36	101	185	185	4	19	1	23	47	479	47	526	
Absent Votes .....	...	...	...	1029	908	1937	368	23	36	163	74	62	22	112	860	96	44	52	127	74	233	628	628	27	111	8	68	214	1700	237	1937
Votes under Sec. 116A .....	...	...	...	21	11	32	6	1	—	2	2	—	3	—	14	1	—	1	1	—	3	—	—	—	—	4	—	1	7	5	32
Postal Votes	380	844	1224	180	10	15	33	46	51	30	41	426	202	35	31	78	50	235	632	632	2	6	8	66	4	29	107	59	1224
Total	17,526	17,367	34,893	16,224	16,045	32,269	5802	532	758	2263	1360	1152	571	2236	14,874	1910	470	885	1554	1205	4141	10,165	10,165	333	2045	153	1315	3818	28,887	3382	32,269	

(a) Forfeited Deposit.

* Elected.

TABLE 20.—PRIMARY VOTES (BY SUBDIVISIONS) DIVISION OF WILMOT.

Subdivision.	Electors.			PRIMARY VOTES.														Votes.		Total.											
	Electors Enrolled.			Electors who Voted.			Group B.—Labour.							Group C.—Liberal.							Total Valid	Informal.									
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Group B.—Labour.			Group C.—Liberal.				Group C.—Liberal.			Total Un- grouped Independ.														
				Bartholomew (a)	Chamber- lain (a)	For. (group) Independ.	Burnell.	Cashion.	Fagan.*	McGarry. (a)	McShane. (a)	Pike.* (a)	Spurr.*	Taylor.	Total Labour.	Behune.*		Campbell.*	Lyne.		Napier. (a)	Perkins. (a)	Robertson.*	Total Liberal.	Bourke. (a)	Lee.	Total Un- grouped Independ.				
Bearnsfield	1248	1325	2573	1057	1093	2150	29	56	79	38	13	162	16	338	108	81	773	51	831	24	4	7	108	7	54	61	1914	205	2149		
Bothwell	435	338	773	343	274	617	13	3	16	23	284	71	3	6	14	8	388	46	35	25	6	8	2	136	1	10	11	351	66	617	
Brighton	933	793	1726	761	646	1407	53	15	68	33	46	191	6	228	8	63	640	121	256	46	13	6	19	12	49	61	1233	174	1407		
Campbell Town	828	731	1559	668	588	1256	19	16	35	49	12	330	8	25	139	58	745	49	66	160	20	5	21	320	6	44	50	1153	106	1256	
Deloraine	1647	1502	3149	1408	1262	2670	24	37	61	116	17	220	7	25	97	610	76	1162	88	302	61	10	41	458	960	8	201	209	2392	278	2670
Deloraine	2356	2481	4837	1970	2041	4011	66	165	231	114	28	208	41	38	1040	270	95	1824	184	591	182	34	23	358	1377	14	208	222	3654	357	4011
Evedale	903	812	1715	782	682	1464	11	2	13	113	6	246	13	31	111	152	196	918	21	57	28	202	3	46	357	9	24	38	1321	143	1464
Fingal	313	284	597	251	230	481	4	1	5	34	4	61	6	3	4	36	114	267	16	70	61	13	1	2	166	1	5	6	414	37	481
Glanorgan	937	721	1658	743	573	1318	24	8	32	47	381	211	7	17	14	38	73	838	171	77	16	17	5	5	294	6	26	32	1186	122	1318
Hamilton	1476	1177	2653	1258	1203	2467	18	12	30	410	28	125	26	15	45	327	48	1027	52	198	49	11	584	47	941	6	190	196	2194	273	2467
Larrobe	1154	1197	2351	972	983	1955	19	14	33	124	36	197	27	13	188	288	135	1068	57	159	92	13	114	451	6	278	284	1776	179	1955	
Longford	966	836	1792	779	642	1421	132	10	142	40	32	199	26	24	31	74	80	506	61	244	53	12	8	43	421	121	26	147	1216	205	1421
Oxshaws	1078	1064	2142	922	897	1819	21	18	39	60	5	113	8	31	58	176	84	535	43	275	27	11	18	227	4	465	469	1644	175	1819	
Westbury .....	...	...	...	1002	831	1833	63	18	81	90	64	164	18	47	153	202	77	815	91	290	89	24	33	95	582	18	107	125	1603	230	1833
Absent Votes .....	...	...	...	12	7	19	...	2	2	1	...	1	...	...	5	...	2	9	...	2	4	...	...	1	7	...	...	18	1	19	
Votes under Sec. 116A .....	...	...	...	266	447	713	...	...	19	36	20	68	...	...	8	...	55	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	90	...	28	713	
Postal Votes .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	13,489	12,631	26,120	13,194	12,406	25,600	605	381	886	1327	949	2630	228	528	2325	2576	1231	11,784	1693	3538	947	422	766	1583	8352	222	1777	1999	23,021	3579	25,600

* Elected. (a) Forfeited Deposit.

TABLE 25.—RESULT OF FINAL COUNT—DIVISION OF WILMOT.
Electors on Roll, 27,855; Valid Votes, 23,021; Quota, 3289; Informal Papers, 2579.

No. of Count.	CANDIDATES.																							Exhaust.	Loss by Frac-tions.	Total Valid Votes.	Remarks.
	Group "A" Independ.			Group "B" Labour.									Group "C" Liberal.							Ungrouped Independ.							
	Burbury.	Chamberlin.	Total Grouped Independents.	Burnell.	Cashion.	Fagan.	McQuitty.	McShane.	Pike.	Spurr.	Taylor.	Total Labour.	Bethune.	Campbell.	Lyne.	Napier.	Perkins.	Robertson.	Total Liberal.	Bourke.	Lee.	Total Un-grouped Indep.					
1 2	505 1	381 1	886 2	137 ...	949 ...	2620 1	228 ...	528 ...	2325 3	2576 1	1231 ...	11,784 5	1096 60	3538 -249	947 64	422 15	766 17	1583 54	8352 210	222 1	1777 24	1999 25	...	...	23,021 ...	Campbell elected. Campbell's surplus distri- buted T.V. 249/3538.
3-4	506 3	382 4	888 40	1327 12	949 2	2621 18	228 2	528 6	2328 5	2577 13	1236 5	11,789 63	1156 14	3289 ...	1011 12	437 1	783 ...	1637 8	8313 35	223 -228	1801 84	2024 84	...	...	23,021 ...	Bourke excluded.
5-6	542 1	386 2	928 3	1339 15	951 17	2639 57	230 -230	534 31	2333 44	2590 42	1236 14	11,852 220	1170 ...	3289 ...	1023 2	438 2	783 ...	1645 1	8348 5	...	1885 1	1885 1	...	...	23,021 ...	McQuitty excluded.
7-10	543 286	387 -388	931 286	1354 11	968 ...	2696 9	...	565 1	2377 7	2632 7	1250 1	11,842 36	1170 15	3289 ...	1025 8	440 4	783 3	1646 14	8353 44	...	1886 21	1886 21	...	...	23,021 ...	Chamberlin excluded.
11-15	829 4	...	829 4	1365 2	968 2	2705 6	...	566 2	2384 4	2639 5	1251 1	11,878 22	1185 132	3289 ...	1033 143	444 -444	786 47	1660 75	8397 397	...	1907 19	1907 19	...	...	23,021 ...	Napier excluded.
16-21	833 9	...	833 9	1367 37	970 52	2711 250	...	568 -508	2388 87	2644 62	1252 58	11,900 546	1317 5	3289 ...	1176 1	...	833 2	1735 2	8350 10	...	1926 2	1926 2	...	...	23,021 ...	McShane excluded.
22-28	842 3	...	842 3	1404 7	1022 2	2961 3	...	...	2475 5	2706 12	1310 1	11,878 30	1322 206	3289 ...	1177 299	...	835 -835	1737 206	8360 711	...	1928 77	1928 77	...	...	23,021 ...	Perkins excluded.
29-37	845 -845	...	845 ...	1411 181	1024 27	2964 57	...	...	2480 56	2718 44	1311 21	11,908 336	1528 130	3289 ...	1476 70	...	...	1943 59	8296 259	...	2005 200	2005 200	...	...	23,021 ...	Burbury excluded.
38-49	...	...	...	1542 313	1051 -1051	3021 397	...	...	2586 96	2762 134	1332 79	12,244 1019	1658 7	3289 ...	1546 5	...	...	2002 5	8495 17	...	2205 3	2205 3	...	...	23,021 ...	Cashion excluded.
50	...	...	...	1855 39	...	3418 -129	...	...	2632 32	2896 31	1411 20	12,212 122	1665 ...	3289 ...	1551 ...	...	...	2007 ...	8512 ...	...	2208 ...	2208 ...	...	...	23,021 ...	Fagan elected. Fagan's surplus distributed T.V. 129/397.
51-68	...	...	...	1894 261	...	3289 ...	...	...	2664 397	2927 704	1431 -1431	12,205 1362	1665 7	3289 ...	1551 5	...	...	2007 7	8512 19	...	2208 3	2208 3	...	...	23,021 ...	Taylor excluded.
69	...	...	...	2155 48	...	3289 ...	...	...	3061 277	3631 -342	...	12,136 325	1672 1	3289 ...	1556 ...	...	...	2014 ...	8531 1	...	2211 ...	2211 ...	...	...	23,021 ...	Spurr elected. Spurr's surplus distributed T.V. 342/704.
70	...	...	...	2203 44	...	3289 ...	...	...	3338 -49	3289 ...	...	12,119 44	1673 ...	3289 ...	1556 ...	...	...	2014 ...	8532 ...	...	2211 ...	2211 ...	...	...	23,021 ...	Pike elected. Pike's surplus distributed T.V. 49/570.
71-91	...	...	...	2247 14	...	3289 ...	...	...	3289 ...	3289 ...	...	12,114 14	1673 883	3239 -1556	...	...	...	2014 513	8532 1396	...	2211 85	2211 85	...	...	23,021 ...	Lyne excluded.
92-121	...	...	...	2261 -2106	...	3289 ...	...	...	3289 ...	3289 ...	...	12,128 ...	2556 351	3289 ...	...	...	...	2527 83	8372 384	...	2296 47	2296 47	...	...	23,021 ...	Burnell excluded
...	...	...	...	155	...	3289	...	...	3289	3289	...	10,022	2907	3289	...	...	...	2560	8756	...	2343	2343	...	...	23,021	Bethune and Robertson elected.

NOTE.—Burnell's exclusion not completed because his undistributed preferences could not affect Lee's position.

TABLE 23.—RESULT OF FINAL COUNT—DIVISION OF DENISON.
Electors on Roll 32,196; Valid Votes 25,782; Quota 3684; Informal Papers 3191.

No. of Count.	CANDIDATES.																				Exhaust.	Loss by Fractions.	Total Valid Votes.	Remarks.				
	Group "A" Labour.									Group "B" Independ.			Group "C" Liberal.						Ungrouped—Independ.									
	Cosgrove.	Culley.	Heerey.	Hickman.	Kelly.	Nolan.	Tyler.	White.	Total Labour.	McPartlan.	Partington.	Total Grouped Independents.	Atkins.	Harvey.	Hay.	Heathorn.	Morrison.	Strutt.	Total Liberal.	Gittus.					Townley.	Total Un-grouped Indep.		
1	4387	937	835	492	466	896	1591	2118	11,667	456	224	689	1165	580	870	701	483	1191	4990	198	8247	8445	...	...	25,782	Townley and Cosgrove elected.
2	...	256	99	74	28	70	152	190	872	572	348	918	403	173	308	341	191	583	1999	767	-4563	767	...	7	...	Townley's surplus distributed T.V. 4563/8247.		
...	4387	1187	934	586	494	906	1743	2312	12,539	1028	670	1598	1565	753	1178	1042	674	1774	6989	965	3684	4649	...	7	25,782	Cosgrove's surplus distributed T.V. 653/4337.		
...	3684	1510	1608	582	514	998	1817	2402	12,525	1029	570	1599	1570	753	1178	1042	674	1775	6992	966	3684	4650	...	16	25,782	Kelly excluded.		
...	...	142	78	30	-514	68	63	100	481	8	2	5	3	...	2	9	1	16	8	3	...	8	1	...	8	...		
...	3684	1052	1086	622	...	1066	1880	2502	12,492	1032	572	1604	1573	758	1180	1051	675	1776	7008	969	3684	4653	1	24	25,782	Partington excluded.		
...	...	10	6	4	...	4	8	8	40	437	-572	437	14	8	6	11	12	17	68	22	...	22	1	4	...	4	...	
...	3684	1062	1092	026	...	1070	1888	2510	12,532	1469	...	1469	1587	761	1186	1062	687	1798	7076	991	3684	4675	2	28	25,782	Hickman excluded.		
...	...	173	98	-626	...	94	112	100	577	9	...	9	6	...	1	3	2	5	17	4	...	4	13	6	...	6	...	
...	3684	1835	1190	...	...	1164	2000	2610	12,483	1478	...	1478	1593	761	1187	1065	689	1798	7093	995	3684	4679	16	34	25,782	Morrison excluded.
...	...	1	2	5	2	2	12	13	...	13	100	71	146	144	-689	188	649	6	...	6	2	7	...	7	...	
...	3684	1836	1192	...	...	1169	2002	2612	12,495	1491	...	1491	1693	832	1333	1209	...	1986	7053	1001	3684	4685	17	41	25,782	Harvey excluded.
...	1	3	1	5	4	225	-832	288	73	...	219	806	7	...	7	6	5	...	5	...	
...	3684	1886	1193	...	...	1169	2005	2613	12,500	1495	...	1495	1918	...	1621	1282	...	2205	7026	1008	3684	4692	23	46	25,782	Gittus excluded.
...	...	100	37	25	31	67	260	346	...	386	145	...	39	64	...	124	372	-1008	18	12	...	12	...	
...	3684	1936	1290	...	...	1194	2088	2680	12,780	1841	...	1841	2063	...	1660	1346	...	2329	7398	...	3684	3684	41	58	25,782	Nolan excluded.
...	...	320	217	-1194	307	285	1,129	15	...	15	8	...	3	4	...	5	20	14	16	...	16	...	
...	3684	2256	1447	...	...	...	2349	2965	12,695	1856	...	1856	2071	...	1668	1950	...	2334	7418	...	3684	3684	55	74	25,782	Heathorn excluded.
...	...	21	12	6	14	53	48	...	48	352	...	365	-1350	...	476	1193	38	18	...	18	...	
...	3684	2277	1459	...	...	...	2349	2979	12,748	1904	...	1904	2423	...	2028	...	...	2810	7261	...	3684	3684	93	92	25,782	Heerey excluded.
...	...	669	-1459	371	272	1381	23	...	23	13	...	3	20	36	42	27	...	27	...	
...	3684	2965	...	...	...	...	2720	3251	12,620	1927	...	1927	2436	...	2031	...	...	2830	7297	...	3684	3684	135	119	25,782	McPartlan excluded.
...	...	264	122	149	535	-1927	449	...	202	305	956	407	29	...	29	...	
...	3684	3239	...	...	...	...	2842	3400	13,155	...	...	...	2885	...	2233	...	...	3135	8253	...	3684	3684	542	148	25,782	Hay excluded.
...	...	88	34	74	191	820	...	-2233	707	1527	497	18	...	18	...	
...	3684	3312	...	...	...	...	2876	3474	13,346	...	...	...	3705	...	...	...	...	3842	7547	...	3684	3684	1039	166	25,782	Strutt & Atkins elected. Strutt's surplus distributed T.V. 158/315.
...	...	15	8	12	35	-158	121	2	...	2	...	
...	3684	3327	...	...	...	...	2884	3486	13,381	...	...	...	3705	...	...	...	...	...	7389	...	3684	3684	1160	168	25,782	Atkin's surplus distributed T.V. 21/22.
...	...	3	1	4	-21	15	2	...	2	...	
...	3684	3380	...	...	...	...	2884	3487	13,385	...	...	...	3684	...	...	...	...	...	7368	...	3684	3684	1175	170	25,782	White & Culley elected.

TABLE 24.—RESULT OF FINAL COUNT—DIVISION OF FRANKLIN.
Electors on Roll 34,893; Valid Votes 28,887; Quota 4127; Informal Papers 3382.

No. of Count.	CANDIDATES.																				Exhaust.	Loss by Fractions.	Total Valid Votes.	Remarks.		
	Group "A" Labour.									Group "B" Liberal.						Group "C" Independent.										
	Brooker.	Brown, John	Dicker.	Dwyer.	Hand.	Hope.	McKinley.	Neilson.	Total Labour.	Brown, Ronald	Gatehouse.	Geard.	Jackson.	Park.	Wright.	Total Liberal.	Farley.	Gray.	Nutting.	Pearsall.					Total Independent.	
1 2	5802 -1675	532 508	758 195	2203 398	1560 163	1152 153	571 78	2296 184	14,874 1619	1910 10	470 1	885 1	1554 7	1205 5	4141 ...	10,165 24	335 5	2045 12	153 ...	1815 7	3848 24	...	...	8	28,887 ...	Brooker and Wright elect. Brooker's surplus distributed T.V. 1675/5802.
...	4127	1040	893	2601	1723	1805	649	2480	14,818	1920	471	886	1561	1210	4141	10,189	340	2057	153	1822	3872	...	...	8	28,887	Wright's surplus distributed T.V. 14/4141.
...	4127	1040	893	2601	1723	1805	649	2480	14,818	1921	472	887	1564	1215	4127	10,186	340	2057	153	1822	3872	...	...	11	28,887	Nutting excluded.
...	4127	1044	894	2606	1731	1811	650	2484	14,847	1928	475	887	1566	1222	4127	10,205	348	2120	...	1356	3824	...	...	11	28,887	Farley excluded.
...	4127	1056	895	2012	1736	1817	654	2489	14,886	1934	477	889	1566	1226	4127	10,219	...	2369	...	1400	3769	...	...	18	28,887	Gatehouse excluded.
...	4127	1059	897	2614	1737	1817	655	2489	14,895	2041	...	1001	1652	1367	4127	10,188	...	2375	...	1413	3788	...	...	15	28,887	McKinley excluded.
...	4127	1138	944	2622	1788	1415	...	2618	14,847	2050	...	1003	1655	1373	4127	10,208	...	2394	...	1416	3810	...	...	19	28,887	Dicker excluded.
...	4127	1840	...	3157	1917	1480	...	2791	14,812	2051	...	1003	1664	1376	4127	10,221	...	2395	...	1424	3819	...	...	23	28,887	Geard excluded.
...	4127	1846	...	3186	1923	1484	...	2795	14,860	2316	...	...	2054	1635	4127	10,132	...	2405	...	1446	3851	...	...	25	28,887	Brown, (John) excluded.
...	4127	...	...	4075	2053	1597	...	2913	14,765	2331	...	...	2062	1641	4127	10,161	...	2417	...	1453	3870	...	...	36	28,887	Pearsall excluded
...	4127	...	...	4135	2076	1615	...	2927	14,880	2415	...	...	2197	1797	4127	10,536	...	3352	...	...	3352	...	...	38	28,887	Dwyer elected. Dwyer's surplus distributed T.V. 8/60.
...	4127	...	...	4127	2079	1615	...	2927	14,875	2415	...	...	2197	1797	4127	10,536	...	3352	...	...	3352	...	...	42	28,887	Hope excluded.
...	4127	...	...	4127	2839	...	...	3628	14,721	2427	...	...	2209	1814	4127	10,577	...	3384	...	...	3384	...	...	49	28,887	Park excluded.
...	4127	...	...	4127	2862	...	...	3649	14,765	2980	...	...	3257	...	4127	10,364	...	3467	...	...	3467	...	...	58	28,887	Hand excluded.
...	4127	...	...	4127	...	...	...	5038	13,292	3171	...	...	3309	...	4127	10,607	...	3576	...	...	3576	...	...	71	28,887	Neilson elected. Neilson's surplus distributed T.V. 911/1889.
...	4127	...	...	4127	...	...	...	4127	12,381	3311	...	...	3331	...	4127	10,769	...	3608	...	...	3608	...	...	71	28,887	Gray and Jackson elected

TABLE 22.—RESULT OF FINAL COUNT—DIVISION OF DARWIN.
Electors on Roll, 32,976; Valid Votes, 27,333; Quota, 3905; Informal Papers, 2365.

No. of Count.	CANDIDATES.																		Exhaust.	Loss by Frac-tions.	Total Valid Votes.	Remarks.
	Group "A" Labour.									Group "B" Liberal.							Independent.					
	Aylett.	Bramich.	Bugg.	Kelly.	Lacey.	Lane.	Reece.	Smith.	Total Labour.	Acheson.	Chamberlain.	Fidler.	McFie.	Roberts.	Williams.	Total Liberal.	Margetts.	Total Independ-ent.				
1	3368	1152	1070	421	1127	1104	4116	1164	13,522	1664	3510	3011	2591	1207	1042	13,025	786	786	...	...	27,333	Reece elected.
2	48	16	9	9	85	59	—211	28	204	...	1	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	..	6	...	Reece's surplus distributed T.V. 211/4116.
...	3416	1168	1079	430	1162	1163	3905	1192	18,515	1664	3511	3011	2591	1207	1042	13,026	786	786	...	6	27,333	Kelly excluded.
3-4	76	23	63	—430	95	95	...	55	407	..	12	2	2	...	1	17	4	4	...	2	..	...
...	3492	1191	1142	...	1257	1258	3905	1247	13,492	1664	3523	3013	2593	1207	1043	13,043	790	790	...	8	27,333	Margetts excluded.
5-6	55	52	10	...	11	9	...	10	147	74	168	104	113	116	66	641	—790	...	2	...	...	...
...	3547	1243	1152	...	1268	1267	3905	1257	18,639	1738	3691	3117	2706	1923	1109	13,684	...	...	2	8	27,333	Williams excluded.
7-9	7	6	...	...	2	1	...	8	24	59	274	181	359	261	—1109	1084	...	...	1	...	...	...
...	3554	1249	1152	...	1270	1268	3905	1265	13,663	1797	3965	3243	3065	1594	...	13,659	...	...	3	8	27,333	Chamberlain elected.
10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8	—60	15	26	9	...	58	...	...	...	2	...	Chamberlain's surplus distributed T.V. 60/274.
...	3554	1249	1152	...	1270	1208	3905	1265	13,663	1805	3905	3263	3091	1593	...	13,657	...	...	3	10	27,333	Bugg excluded.
11-16	347	424	—1152	...	169	121	...	57	1118	14	...	3	7	2	...	26	...	...	4	4	...	...
...	3901	1673	...	...	1439	1389	3905	1322	13,629	1819	3905	3266	3098	1595	...	13,683	...	...	7	14	27,333	Smith excluded.
17-25	442	220	...	...	212	392	...	—1322	1266	1	...	8	18	8	...	35	...	...	21	...	..	...
...	4343	1893	...	...	1651	1781	3905	...	13,573	1820	3905	3274	3116	1603	...	13,718	...	...	28	14	27,333	Aylett elected.
26	—438	251	...	...	69	93	...	...	413	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22	3	...	Aylett's surplus distributed T.V. 438/442.
...	3905	2144	...	...	1720	1874	3905	...	13,548	1820	3905	3274	3116	1603	...	13,718	...	...	50	17	27,333	Roberts excluded.
27-34	...	16	...	...	5	4	...	...	25	348	...	656	545	—1603	...	1549	...	...	28	1	..	...
...	3905	2160	...	...	1725	1878	3905	...	13,573	2168	3905	3930	3661	...	...	13,664	...	...	78	18	27,333	Fidler elected.
35	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	13	...	—25	10	...	...	23	...	...	...	2	...	Fidler's surplus distributed T.V. 25/60.
...	3905	2160	...	...	1725	1878	3905	...	13,573	2181	3905	3905	3671	...	...	13,662	...	...	78	20	27,333	Lacey excluded.
36-57	...	850	...	...	—1725	763	...	...	1613	10	...	...	13	...	...	23	...	...	82	7	..	...
...	3905	3010	...	...	...	2641	3905	...	13,461	2191	3905	3905	3684	...	...	13,685	...	...	160	27	27,333	Acheson excluded.
58-74	...	160	...	...	...	58	...	...	218	—2191	...	...	1534	...	...	1534	...	...	436	3	...	...
...	3905	3170	...	...	...	2699	3905	...	13,679	...	3905	3905	5218	...	...	13,028	...	...	596	30	27,333	McFie elected.
75	...	847	...	...	...	71	...	...	418	...	...	...	—1313	...	...	...	...	...	894	1	...	McFie's surplus distributed T.V. 1313/1534.
...	3905	3517	...	...	...	2770	3905	...	14,097	...	3905	3905	3905	...	...	11,715	...	...	1490	81	27,333	Bramich elected.

TABLE 21.—RESULT OF FINAL COUNT—DIVISION OF BASS.
Electors on Roll 29,836; Valid Votes 24,167; Quota 3453; Informal Papers 2967.

No. of Count.	CANDIDATES.																				Exhaust.	Loss by Fractions.	Total Valid Votes.	Remarks.	
	Group "A" Liberal.							Group "B" Labour.							Independent.										
	Beattie.	Brice.	Hollingsworth.	Marriott.	Pitchford.	Thyne.	Total Liberal.	Atkins.	Carter.	Howroyd.	Madden.	McGee.	Quintal.	Turnbull.	Welsh.	Total Labour.	Ockerby.	Pinkard.	Sullivan.	Total Indepen.					
1 2	1769 1	1023 2	1892 3	1949 6	656 2	924 3	7711 17	1400 55	1161 61	2107 160	3767 ..	578 57	570 48	3918 -465	495 44	13,996 425	1174 5	982 7	304 2	2460 14	9	24,167 ...	Turnbull & Madden elect. Turnbull's surplus distributed T.V. 466/3918
...	1768 1	1025 ...	1395 1	1955 2	658 ...	927 ...	7728 4	1455 21	1222 30	2267 137	3767 -314	635 65	618 29	3453 ...	539 14	13,956 296	1179 3	989 2	306 1	2474 6	9	24,167 ...	Madden's surplus distributed T.V. 314/3767
...	1769 14	1025 6	1395 6	1957 7	658 8	927 8	7732 46	1476 11	1252 10	2404 17	3453 ...	700 8	647 3	3453 ...	553 2	13,938 51	1182 38	991 167	307 -307	2480 205	17	24,167 ...	Sullivan excluded.
...	1768 2	1023 1	1402 1	1964 9	666 2	930 1	7778 16	1487 46	1262 52	2423 137	3453 ...	706 60	650 218	3453 ...	555 -555	13,989 513	1220 6	1158 12	...	2378 18	2	20	24,167 ...	Welsh excluded.	
...	1765 108	1084 60	1403 121	1970 207	666 -668	931 121	7794 617	1533 2	1314 4	2558 6	3453 ...	768 ...	868 3	3453 ...	...	13,947 15	1226 31	1170 3	...	2396 34	4	26	24,167 ...	Pitchford excluded.
...	1893 ...	1094 ...	1524 4	2180 4	...	1052 3	7743 11	1535 79	1316 134	2564 397	3453 ...	768 -768	871 166	3453 ...	...	13,962 716	1257 7	1173 12	...	2430 19	4	28	24,167 ...	McGee excluded.
...	1893 6	1094 1	1528 4	2184 7	...	1055 1	7754 19	1614 207	1452 203	2901 558	3453 ...	...	1087 -1037	3453 ...	...	13,910 968	1264 7	1185 12	...	2449 19	15	39	24,167 ...	Quintal excluded.
...	1899 ...	1095 ...	1522 ...	2191 ...	...	1056 ...	7773 ...	1821 ...	1655 5	3459 -6	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,841 5	1271 ...	1197 ...	...	2468 ...	34	51	24,167 ...	Howroyd elected. Howroyd's surplus distributed T.V. 6/74.
...	1899 169	1095 104	1522 161	2191 570	...	1056 -1056	7773 1004	1821 1	1660 4	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,840 5	1271 36	1197 7	...	2468 48	34	52	24,167 ...	Thyne excluded.
...	2068 287	1199 -1199	1698 399	2761 391	...	...	7721 1677	1822 4	1664 6	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,845 10	1307 85	1204 18	...	2511 108	36	54	24,167 ...	Brice excluded.
...	2355 68	...	2092 71	3152 132	...	...	7599 271	1826 166	1670 146	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,856 312	1392 564	1222 -1222	...	2614 661	43	56	24,167 ...	Pinkard excluded.
...	2423 24	...	2163 14	3284 21	...	...	7870 59	1999 1462	1816 -1816	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	14,167 1462	1953 82	...	...	1953 82	117	60	24,167 ...	Carter excluded.
...	2447 ...	...	2177 ...	3305 ...	...	...	7929 ...	3454 -1	...	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,813 ...	2035 ...	...	...	2035 ...	323	68	24,167 ...	Atkins surplus distributed T.V. 1/90.
...	2447 561	...	2177 697	3305 289	...	...	7929 1547	3453 ...	...	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,812 ...	2035 -2035	...	...	20 ...	323	68	24,167 ...	Ockerby excluded.
...	3008 46	...	2874 84	3594 -141	...	...	9476 130	3453 ...	...	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,812 ...	...	...	...	...	808	71	24,167 ...	Marriott elected. Marriott's surplus distributed T.V. 141/289.
...	3054 ...	...	2958 ...	3453 ...	...	...	9485 ...	3453 ...	...	3453 ...	3453 ...	...	...	3453 ...	...	13,812 ...	...	...	...	...	817	73	24,167 ...	Beattie elected.