RETURN

To an Address presented to His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, requesting him to cause to be sent down to the House a copy of the report or ballot paper account made by each Provincial Returning Officer in the year 1890, to the Registrar of the Supreme Court, under section 125 of the "Election Regulation Act," and amendment.

By Command.

JNO. ROBSON,

Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
6th April, 1891.

SUPREME COURT, B. C., 3rd April, 1891.

A. Campbell Reddie, Esq.,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

SIR,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 31st March last, in reference to a resolution of the Legislative Assembly requesting copies of the ballot paper accounts sent by the Provincial Returning Officers to the Registrar of the Supreme Court during the year 1890, under section 125 of the "Election Regulation Act" and amendment.

Also to enclose herewith copies of the ballot paper accounts which accompanied the return to the writs of election from the Returning Officers of the following Electoral Districts :—

Lillooet, East Kootenay, New Westminster City, Victoria City, Westminster District, Esquimalt, Cariboo, Cowichan, Victoria District, Cassiar, Comox and Yale.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) JAMES C. PREVOST,
Registrar.

GOVERNMENT OFFICE,
Clinton, B. C., June 16th, 1890.

SIR,—In compliance with the requirements of sections 118 and 125 of the "Election Regulation Act," I have the honour to report :—

1st. That at the final count of the votes given for the candidates for election for the Lillooet Electoral District I rejected one ballot paper as (3) marked by which voter could be identified. Rejection not objected to.

2nd. That, upon completion of the counting, I duly verified the ballot paper accounts given by each presiding officer, as directed by section 125 of the said Act, and found the said accounts correct in all the details.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) F. SOUES,
Returning Officer.

J. C. Prevost, Esq.,
Registrar Supreme Court, Victoria.

DONALD, B. C., June 25th, 1890.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose the writ, with return, declaring James Baker, of Cranbrook, farmer, District of East Kootenay, duly elected.

The following is the statement of poll :—

	BAKER.	LAW.	
Cranbrook	12	....	
Fort Steele	21	2	
Windermere	2	14	1 rejected for Law.
Field	7	9	
Beaver	2	9	
Rogers' Pass	33	9	1 rejected.
Golden	23	61	
Donald	45	37	2 rejected ; 1 blank ; 1 signed by voter.
	145	141	

I received 600 ballot papers, for which I account as follows, viz. :—

Votes polled	286
Rejected votes	4
Ballot papers unused and sealed in ballot boxes	310
	600

I will forward to you, by express, a box containing all the election papers and the ballot boxes, and the contents, required by law to be enclosed.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) S. REDGRAVE,
Returning Officer for East Kootenay.

Chas. Jas. Prevost, Esq.,
Registrar Supreme Court, Victoria, B. C.

NEW WESTMINSTER CITY ELECTION, JUNE 13TH, 1890.

Ballot Account.

Votes polled for J. C. Brown	530
Votes polled for Thos. Cunningham	321
Spoilt ballots	9
	860

Correct.

(Signed) ADOLPHUS PEELE,
Returning Officer.

NEW WESTMINSTER CITY ELECTION, JUNE 13TH, 1890.

Rejected Ballot Paper Account.

Want of official mark	0
Voting for more candidates than one	0
Writing or mark by which voter can be identified	4
Unmarked or void from uncertainty	1
Other mistakes	4
	9

(Signed) ADOLPHUS PEELE,
Returning Officer.

STATEMENT OF DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICER. (Section 2, sub-section 4, "Election Regulation Amendment Act, 1889.")

Ballot Paper Account, dated June 13th, 1890.

I, James E. McMillan, Returning Officer at the Polling place in the Victoria City Electoral District, hereby state that the number of ballot papers entrusted to me was , and the same are accounted for as follows :—

Ballot papers used	2,080
Ballot papers unused	2,120
Ballot papers spoilt	13
Ballot papers tendered (*i. e.*, refused)	3
Ballot papers rejected	24

(Signed) JAS. E. MCMILLAN,
Returning Officer.

AMENDED BALLOT PAPER ACCOUNT, DATED JUNE 13TH, 1890.

I, James E. McMillan, Returning Officer at the Polling place in the Victoria City Electoral District, hereby state that the number of ballot papers entrusted to me was 3,841, and the same are accounted for as follows :—

Ballot papers used		2,104
,, unused		1,503
,, spoilt		13
		3,620
Tendered ballot papers	3	
,, ,, unused	218	
		221
Total		3,841

(Signed) JAS. E. MCMILLAN,
Returning Officer.

Amended Ballot Paper account, deposited 18th July, 1890.
HARVEY COMBE, *D. R.*

WESTMINSTER ELECTORAL DISTRICT—GENERAL ELECTION, JUNE 1890.

Statement showing number of votes given to each candidate :—

Henderson, John Calvin	349
Herring, Arthur M.	81
Kirkland, John	420
Kitchen, Thomas E.	503
Punch, James	484
Robson, John	506
Sinclair, Marshall	62
Sword, Colin Buchanan	461

(Signed) C. WARWICK,
Returning Officer.

Registrar Supreme Court, Victoria, B. C.

WESTMINSTER ELECTORAL DISTRICT—GENERAL ELECTION, JUNE 13TH, 1890.

Number of ballot papers rejected and not counted, as under :—

2. Voting for more candidates than entitled to	1
3. Writing or marks by which voter could be identified	14
4. Unmarked or void for uncertainty	2
Total	17

(Signed) C. WARWICK,
Returning Officer.

Registrar Supreme Court, Victoria, B. C.

JUNE 14TH—FINAL COUNT OF VOTES AT SCHOOL HOUSE, ESQUIMALT.

	Esquim'lt School.	Parson's Bridge.	Victoria West.	M'tchosin	Sooke.	
Helgesen	24	17	23	18	7	89
Higgins	31	27	68	9	20	155
Pooley	26	30	57	14	20	157
Spoiled ballots	2	1	..	..	..	3
Rejected ballots	1	5	..	1	..	7

I hereby declare the above to be true and correct result of the votes polled, spoiled or rejected at the final count for the District of Esquimalt.

(Signed) JNO. J. AUSTIN,
Returning Officer.

RICHFIELD, 20th June, 1890.

To the Registrar Supreme Court, Victoria.

SIR,—I have the honour, in accordance with section 122 of the "Election Regulation Act," to make return of the writ of the election for the Cariboo District, with the form thereto attached, showing the persons elected.

The ballot boxes and contents will be forwarded to your address by next week's express.

I may, however, say that the election has been carried out without any informality,—not a ballot paper rejected and but one destroyed.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) JNO. BOWRON,
Returning Officer.

"ELECTION REGULATION AMENDMENT ACT, 1889."

To the Registrar of the Supreme Court,
Victoria, B. C.

SIR,—I have the honour to report that the following is a list of the ballot papers rejected and not counted by me at the election for the Cowichan Electoral District, held on the 13th day of June, 1890, and that the same were rejected under the several heads hereinafter specified.

(1.) Want of official mark.
(2.) Voting for more candidates than entitled to.
(3.) Writing or mark by which voter could be identified.
(4.) Unmarked or void for uncertainty, 6.
(5.) Being dissimilar to those officially supplied.

Dated 14th day of June, 1890.

(Signed) H. O. WELLBURN,
Returning Officer.

"ELECTION REGULATION ACT."

Certificate of Returning Officer (to be attached to Writ) Section 123.

I do hereby certify that, in obedience to the annexed Writ of Election to me directed, I have caused an election to take place within the Victoria Electoral District, and that the electors of the said district have chosen David McEwen Eberts, Esq., and George William Anderson, Esq., to represent the said district in the Legislative Assembly.

I also beg to report that I have rejected five ballot papers as being unmarked or void for uncertainty.

Dated this thirteenth day of June, 1890.

(Signed) THORNTON FELL,
Returning Officer,
Victoria Electoral District.

BALLOT PAPER ACCOUNT.

Dated 30th September, 1890.

I, Napoleon Fitzstubbs, Returning Officer at Essington polling place, in the Cassiar Electoral District, hereby state that the number of ballot papers entrusted to me was 197, and the same are accounted for as follows :—

Ballot papers used	80
Ballot papers unused	116
Ballot papers spoilt	1
Ballot papers tendered and refused	

(Signture of Returning Officer.) N. FITZSTUBBS.

COMOX, June 14th, 1890.

SIR,—I have the honour to enclose herewith the Election Writ for Comox Electoral District.

I beg to inform you that the total number of votes polled was 192, 4 of which were rejected, leaving 188 good ballots, of which 115 were cast for Hunter and 73 for McPhee, giving Mr. Hunter a majority of 42.

I report, further, that in verifying the ballot paper accounts sent by the deputies, I found such accounts to be correct, to wit:—

Denman Island Division.

Ballot papers supplied	100	
„ used		33
„ rejected		1
„ unused		66
		100

Union Mines Division.

[In this case the officer has counted in the unused ballots, the 5 coloured "Tendered ballot papers," making 105 supplied and 80 unused.]

Ballots supplied	105	
„ used		25
„ unused		80
„ rejected		..
		105

Comox Polling Division.

Ballots supplied	200	
„ used		130
„ rejected		3
„ spoiled and not polled		1
„ unused		66
		200

Rejected Ballot Account. [*Sub-section (2) of section 16, "Amendment of 1889."*]

1	None.
2	None.
3	3
4	1
5	None.
Cancelled by Returning Officer	1
Total	5

The ballot boxes, with contents complete, I forward in care of the purser of the steamer Isabel.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) W. B. ANDERSON.
Returning Officer,
Comox Electoral District.

The Registrar of the Supreme Court, Victoria.

Name of Polling Station.	Name of Candidate and Number of Votes cast for each.					Rejected Ballot Papers.					Ballot papers unused.
	Irvine, Archibald.	Martin, George Bohun.	Semlin, Charles A.	Vernon, F. G.	Wardle, James.	1. Want of Official Mark.	2. Voting for more candidates than entitled to.	3. Writing or mark by which voter could be identified.	4. Unmarked, or void for uncertainty.	5. Being dissimilar to those officially supplied.	
Maria Slough	2	1	6	8	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9
Hope	8	6	15	10	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19
Yale	1	16	9	14	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19
North Bend	4	8	6	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14
Lytton	6	21	12	17	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
Spence's Bridge	3	7	4	9	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10
Ashcroft	22	28	38	20	6	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	45
Savona	12	7	16	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
Kamloops	40	120	79	118	82	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	166
North Thompson	3	7	7	4	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	9
Duck's	2	11	8	7	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Shuswap	.....	12	5	5	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Grand Prairie	1	15	9	14	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
Tappin's Siding	1	5	3	4	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
Salmon Arm	.....	14	4	16	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Sicamous	5	10	6	11	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Enderby	1	20	7	26	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
Lansdowne	25	20	33	45	22	.....	.....	...	2	.....	56
Okanagan Lake	4	7	9	13	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
Vernon	9	40	23	50	30	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	56
Okanagan Mission	23	7	22	20	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	33
Kruger's	4	2	5	4	6	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	7
Penticton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	None.
Keremeos	2	4	4	9	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11
Rock Creek	6	1	.....	1	5	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	10
Camp McKinney	5	3	5	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Kettle River	3	8	4	8	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15
Granite Creek	14	5	11	4	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
Coutlie's, Nicola	19	17	17	25	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	37
Nicola Lake	8	7	9	7	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12
Quilchena, Nicola	7	7	7	8	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13
Stump Lake	16	9	13	9	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	23
	256	445	396	496	351	.....	.....	2	8	.....	751

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