



**REPORT  
OF THE  
CHIEF ELECTORAL OFFICER  
OF  
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

**For the Provincial General Election April 23, 1979**



Charlottetown  
Prince Edward Island  
June 18, 1979

The Honourable Daniel Compton  
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly  
The Province of Prince Edward Island

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have the honour to submit the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer pursuant to Section 122 of the *Election Act*, R.S.P.E.I., 1974, Cap. E-1.

The undersigned was appointed the Chief Electoral Officer by Order in Council EC876/78 succeeding Mr. G. Lorne Monkley. It would be remiss of the undersigned if mention was not made to the contribution of Mr. Monkley to the conduct of elections in this Province. Mr. Monkley's term as Chief Electoral Officer was marked by efficiency and impartiality. His assistance during and before the April 23, 1979 election is gratefully acknowledged by the undersigned.

The Writ of Election was issued on March 27, 1979, with Polling Day set for April 23, 1979. During the election period problems were encountered and these problems should be addressed by the House Standing Committee on Electoral Reform and/or the Legislative Assembly. The more serious problems encountered are presented briefly here:

1. The time between the issuing of the Writ of Election and Polling Day should be extended and the *Election Act*, R.S.P.E.I., 1974, Cap. E-1 amended to provide for an enumeration before every general election.
2. The use of the Social Insurance Number in compiling the Official List of Electors is questionable and the legality of its use should be studied. Many electors refused to provide their Social Insurance Number and as a result, their names were not on the Official List of Electors.
3. The Province of Prince Edward Island should have its own ballot boxes. In this, and past elections, the Chief Electoral Officer has had to borrow ballot boxes from the Province of New Brunswick, (whose assistance and co-operation is gratefully acknowledged). It is possible that at some future election these ballot boxes may not be available, in which case a serious problem would arise.
4. Proxy voting caused by far the most serious problems during the election. It is recommended that proxy voting be eliminated, or in the alternative, limited in use to members of an elector's immediate family only being named as proxy voter. Soliciting proxy votes should be made an offence under the *Election Act*.

Certain other matters arose during the election which should be brought to the attention of the Legislative Assembly. Accordingly, Appendix "A" to this report contains reference to those matters above set forth together with other matters of concern to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur J. Currie  
Chief Electoral Officer



**GENERAL ELECTION**  
**April 23, 1979**  
**DECLARATION DAY RESULTS**  
**ASSEMBLYMEN**

Electoral District	Name of Candidate	Number Enumerated	Ballots Cast	% of Ballots Cast	Ballots Rejected	% Rejected	Votes Received	% Votes Received	Majority	
									Keough, Gerald J. (PC).....	2,496
PRINCE - First	*Perry, Russell (LIB) .....	6,664	5,691	85.4	144	2.5	3,051	53.6		53.6
Second	*Henderson, George R. (LIB) .....	3,069	2,630	85.7	81	3.0	1,478	56.2		407
	Matheson, James M. (PC).....						1,071			
Third	*Bernard, Leonce (LIB).....	3,163	3,021	95.5	71	2.3	1,884	62.4		778
	Doiron, Pierre Aubin (PC) .....						1,066	35.3		
Fourth	Harper, Allison M. (LIB) .....	8,617	6,806	79.0	168	2.5	2,643	38.8		882
	*MacDougall, William J. (PC) .....						3,525	51.8		
	Sark, Doreen (NDP).....						470	6.9		
Fifth	Grant, Jim (LIB) .....	5,513	4,140	75.1	103	2.5	1,155	27.9		1,727
	*McMahon, George R. (PC) .....						2,882	69.6		
		27,026	22,288	82.4	567	2.5	11,040	50.8		
							(LIB)	10,211	47.0	
							(NDP)	470	2.2	
								21,721	100.0	
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## DECLARATION DAY RESULTS

## ASSEMBLYMEN (continued)

<b>Electoral District</b>	<b>Name of Candidate</b>	<b>Number Enumerated</b>	<b>Ballots Cast</b>	<b>% of Ballots Cast</b>	<b>Ballots Rejected</b>	<b>% Rejected</b>	<b>Votes Received</b>	<b>% Votes Received</b>	<b>Majority</b>
QUEENS - First	Canfield, Jean (LIB)..... *Reid, Marion (PC) .....	3,342	2,905	87.0	63	2.2	1,330	45.8	182
Second	Ford, David (LIB)..... Horne, Fred (NDP) .....	6,546	5,609	85.0	61	1.0	2,312	41.1	52.0
	*Lank, Gordon (PC) .....						228	4.1	
Third	*Carver, Horace B. (PC)..... Connolly, Paul (LIB) .....	6,889	6,002	87.1	187	3.1	3,392	56.5	969
							2,423	40.4	
Fourth	Drake, Wm. Allison (LIB)..... *MacLean, Angus (PC) .....	2,857	2,573	90.1	46	1.8	1,054	41.0	419
Fifth	Brennan, Christopher John (NDP)..... Campbell, Carl Borden (DBP)..... *Lee, James M. (PC) .....	10,748	8,442	78.5	169	2.0	268	3.2	
							200	2.4	
	Waish, Art (LIB) .....						4,968	58.8	
Sixth	*Clark, Barry Roy (PC)..... Smallwood, Jack (LIB) .....	8,224	6,526	77.2	141	2.2	3,920	61.0	1,455
							2,465	38.3	
		38,606	32,057	83.0	667	2.0	18,273	58.2	
							(LIB)	12,421	
							(NDP)	496	1.6
							(DBP)	200	0.6
								31,390	100.0
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KINGS -	First	MacKenzie, Keith (PC) .....	3,101	2,686	86.6	87	3.2
		*Young, Ross (Johnnie) (LIB) .....					1,178 1,421
Second		Matheson, J. Claude (LIB) .....	2,032	1,863	91.7	41	2.2
		*Pratt, Roddy B. (PC) .....					818 1,004
Third		*Campbell, Bennett (LIB) .....	2,586	2,362	91.3	46	1.9
		Fraser, A. A. 'Joey' (PC) .....					1,195 1,121
Fourth		*Binns, Pat (PC) .....	3,041	2,720	89.4	78	2.9
		Harris, F. Wayne (LIB) .....					1,408 1,234
Fifth		*MacDonald, Arthur J. (LIB) .....	1,886	1,727	91.6	31	1.8
		MacDonald, Daryl (PC) .....					931 765
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			12,646	11,358	89.8	283	2.5 (PC) (LIB)
							5,476 5,599
							49.4 50.6
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Note: \*Elected

**DECLARATION DAY RESULTS**

**COUNCILLORS**

<b>Electoral District</b>		<b>Name of Candidate</b>	<b>Number Enumerated</b>	<b>Ballots Cast</b>	<b>% of Ballots Cast</b>	<b>Ballots Rejected</b>	<b>% Rejected</b>	<b>Votes Received</b>	<b>% Votes Received</b>	<b>Majority</b>
PRINCE -	First	*Campbell, Robert (LIB) .....	6,664	5,696	85.5	140	2.5	3,519	61.8	1,482
		Gamble, Alden Earl (PC) .....						2,037	35.8	
Second		Dewar, George (PC) .....	3,069	2,634	85.8	79	3.0	1,181	44.8	
		*Ellis, Allison (LIB) .....						1,374	52.2	193
Third		*Clark, Edward (LIB) .....	3,163	3,006	95.0	56	1.9	1,984	66.0	1,018
		Nicholson, John A. (PC) .....						966	32.1	
Fourth		*Chappell, Prowse (PC) .....	8,617	6,808	79.0	215	3.2	4,100	60.2	1,607
		McCarville, Gerald Augustine (LIB) .....						2,493	36.6	
Fifth		Campbell, Melville (LIB) .....	5,513	4,145	75.2	75	1.8	1,583	38.2	
		Murphy, Michael (NDP) .....						377	9.1	
		*Pope, Peter M. (PC) .....						2,110	50.9	527
			27,026	22,289	82.5	565	2.5	10,394	47.8	
								(LIB) 10,953	50.4	
								(NDP) 377	1.8	
								21,724	100.0	
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QUEENS -	First	*Bagnall, Leone (PC) .....	3,342	2,900	86.8	58	2.0	1,580	54.5	318
		Johnstone, Ralph W. (LIB) .....						1,262	43.5	
Second		Godfrey, Harold R. (LIB) .....	6,685	5,748	86.3	118	2.0	2,234	38.7	
		*MacPhail, Lloyd G. (PC) .....						3,396	58.8	1,159
Third		*Driscoll, Fred (PC) .....	6,889	5,987	86.9	190	3.2	3,285	54.9	
		Mitchell, Gerard (LIB) .....						2,512	42.0	773
Fourth		*Compton, Daniel James (PC) .....	2,857	2,565	89.8	40	1.6	1,524	59.4	
		Taylor, Waldo (LIB) .....						1,001	39.0	523
Fifth		*MacDonald, Wilfred (PC) .....	10,748	8,249	76.7	137	1.7	4,106	49.8	
		Proud, George (LIB) .....						3,694	44.8	412
Sixth		*Tersteeg, Hubert (NDP) .....						312	3.8	
		*Larkin, Jim (PC) .....	8,324	6,517	78.3	150	2.3	3,547	54.4	727
		Ready, Jack (Spy) (LIB) .....						2,820	43.3	
			38,845	31,966	82.2	693	2.2 (PC)	17,438	55.8	
							(LIB)	13,528	43.2	
							(NDP)	312	1.0	
								31,273	100.0	
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**DECLARATION DAY RESULTS**

**COUNCILLORS (continued)**

<b>Electoral District</b>		<b>Name of Candidate</b>	<b>Number Enumerated</b>	<b>Ballots Cast</b>	<b>% of Ballots Cast</b>	<b>Ballots Rejected</b>	<b>% Rejected</b>	<b>Votes Received</b>	<b>% Votes Received</b>	<b>Majority</b>
KINGS -	First	Fay, Jim (LIB)..... *Fogarty, Albert (PC).....	3,101	2,839	91.6	64	2.3	1,321 1,454	46.5 51.2	133
Second		McGuire, Brian E. (LIB)..... *Rossiter, Leo F. (PC) .....	2,032	1,864	91.7	26	1.4	800 1,038	42.9 55.7	238
Third		*Ings, A. E. "Bud" (LIB)..... MacLeod, Peter B. (PC) .....	2,586	2,355	91.5	38	1.6	1,173 1,144	49.5 48.4	29
Fourth		*Clements, Gilbert R (LIB)..... Williams, Johnnie (PC) .....	3,041	2,721	89.5	88	3.2	1,378 1,255	50.6 46.1	123
Fifth		*Johnston, Lowell S. (PC)..... MacLure, W. Hazen (LIB).....	1,886	1,726	91.5	32	1.9	898 796	52.0 46.1	102
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			12,646	11,505	91.0	248	2.2	(PC) (LIB)	5,789 5,468	51.4 48.6
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									11,257	100.0
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Note: \*Elected

**PROVINCE WIDE**

**ASSEMBLYMEN**

Number Enumerated	Ballots Cast	% Cast	Ballots Rejected	% Rejected	Votes Received PC	Votes Received LIB	Votes Received NDP	Votes Received Other	% Other	Votes Received %
<b>COUNCILLORS</b>										
78,517	65,703	83.0	1,517	2.3	34,789	53.0	28,231	43.0	966	1.5
<b>ELECTED</b>										
78,517	65,760	83.8	1,506	2.3	33,621	51.1	29,944	45.5	689	1.1
<b>Total</b>										
										32
P.C.....										21
Liberals.....										11
N.D.P.....										None
Other.....										None

## ELECTED MEMBERS

Assemblymen	Councillors	Party	Name	Party	Name
Bernard, Leonce .....	LIB	PC	Bagnall, Leone .....	PC	
Binns, Pat .....	PC	LIB	Campbell, Robert .....	PC	
Campbell, Bennett .....	LIB	PC	Chappell, Prowse .....	PC	
Carver, Horace B. ....	PC	LIB	Clark, Edward .....	LIB	
Clark, Barry Roy .....	PC	LIB	Clements, Gilbert R. ....	LIB	
Henderson, George R. ....	LIB	PC	Compton, Daniel James .....	PC	
Lank, Gordon .....	PC	PC	Driscoll, Fred .....	PC	
Lee, James M. ....	PC	LIB	Ellis, Allison .....	LIB	
MacDonald, Arthur J. ....	LIB	PC	Fogarty, Albert .....	PC	
MacDougall, William J. ....	PC	LIB	Ings, A.E. "Bud" .....	LIB	
MacLean, Angus .....	PC	PC	Johnston, Lowell S. ....	PC	
McMahon, George R. ....	PC	PC	Larkin, Jim .....	PC	
Perry, Russell .....	LIB	PC	MacDonald, Wilfred .....	PC	
Pratt, Roddy B. ....	PC	PC	MacPhail, Lloyd G. ....	PC	
Reid, Marion .....	PC	PC	Pope, Peter M. ....	PC	
Young, Ross (Johnnie) .....	LIB	PC	Rossiter, Leo F. ....	PC	

**1ST ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF PRINCE COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mrs. Jean Meggison**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Robert Campbell, LIB	Alden E. Gamble, PC		Gerald Keough, PC	Russell Perry, LIB				
1	Nail Pond .....	317	170	99		133	139				11 8
2A	Tignish East .....	202	129	61		80	108				2 4
2B	Tignish East .....	175	91	49		70	69				3 4
3A	Tignish West .....	258	157	78		109	127				7 5
3B	Tignish West .....	288	120	125		148	93				5 9
4	Peterville .....	220	129	54		67	115				6 7
5	Skinners Pond .....	318	170	91		119	147				7 7
6	Greenmount.....	327	186	71		111	147				11 11
7	St. Louis East .....	241	129	65		74	120				2 2
8A	St. Louis West .....	298	181	56		76	162				0 0
8B	St. Louis West .....	322	208	54		77	187				0 0
9	Kildare.....	288	143	100		123	122				8 6
10	Miminegash.....	202	93	67		74	84				5 5
11A	Alberton East.....	178	91	49		73	66				3 4
11B	Alberton East.....	191	78	72		84	65				5 6
12A	Alberton West.....	167	99	32		48	83				1 1
12B	Alberton West.....	217	103	65		80	89				7 6
12C	Maplewood Manor .....	40	27	7		10	25				2 1
13	Alberton .....	179	90	52		72	70				3 3
14A	Elmsdale.....	200	109	47		55	99				0 0
14B	Elmsdale.....	155	77	46		50	71				4 6
15	Brooklyn .....	217	106	72		80	98				0 0
16	Campbellton .....	163	79	44		52	69				12 12
17	Oyster Creek.....	283	139	92		99	132				5 5
18	Bloomfield .....	275	126	92		99	120				8 7
19	O'Leary North.....	215	103	66		75	94				4 4
20	O'Leary.....	302	128	120		122	123				14 14
21A	O'Leary South.....	207	88	84		92	79				3 4
21B	O'Leary South.....	219	96	87		93	88				2 3
	Advance Poll .....		74	40		51	60				0 0
	TOTALS .....	6664	3519	2037		2496	3051				140 144

**2ND ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF PRINCE COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mrs. James MacWilliams**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			George Dewar, PC	Allison Ellis, LIB		George R. Henderson, LIB	James M Matheson, PC				
C	A										
1	Cape Wolfe North .....	176	61	90		83	68			5	1
2	Cape Wolfe South .....	271	101	110		105	105			2	3
3	Hamilton Road West....	275	96	137		129	103			8	9
4	Hamilton Road East....	190	70	58		57	70			0	1
5	Brae .....	317	123	116		129	109			7	8
6	West Devon.....	147	70	58		61	67			2	2
7	Ellerslie W-Enmore .....	373	115	186		200	100			16	17
8	Conway.....	363	133	183		219	98			6	5
9	Ellerslie East.....	254	110	100		118	95			9	8
10	Lennox Island .....	106	36	45		43	39			4	3
11	Tyne Valley .....	351	138	159		195	98			7	11
12	Victoria West.....	246	103	92		97	95			13	13
	Advance Poll .....		25	40		42	24				
	<b>TOTALS .....</b>	<b>3069</b>	<b>1181</b>	<b>1374</b>	<b>1478</b>	<b>1071</b>				<b>79</b>	<b>81</b>

**3RD ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF PRINCE COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mrs. Joyce Hunter**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Edward Clark, LIB	John A. Nicholson, PC		Leonce Bernard, LIB	Pierre A. Doiron, PC				
1	St. Gilbert.....	183	91	45		93	43				1 1
2	Arlington .....	121	65	31		59	37				1 1
3	Cross River .....	206	118	42		109	51				3 3
4A	Wellington .....	193	123	57		124	58				4 2
4B	Wellington .....	182	112	40		105	48				4 3
5	Central Lot 16.....	277	178	51		146	78				5 10
6	Egmont Bay .....	222	140	38		143	36				3 2
7	Abrams Village .....	292	175	71		176	72				6 4
8	Cape Egmont .....	157	98	51		97	55				8 5
9	Mt. Carmel .....	259	146	72		140	78				6 6
10	St. Nicholas.....	108	47	43		42	47				1 0
11	Miscouche W.....	340	193	81		174	100				5 5
12	Miscouche E.....	280	151	67		147	72				7 6
13	Hamilton .....	245	109	86		99	94				4 4
14	Malpeque .....	254	124	83		119	86				3 5
15	Spring Valley.....	219	78	89		74	92				5 4
	Advance Poll .....		36	19		37	19				
	TOTALS .....	3163	1984	966		1884	1066				56 71

**4TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF PRINCE COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mrs. Kathy Montgomery**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Eectors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Provse Chappell, PC	Gerald A. McCarville, LIB		Allison M. Harper, LIB	William J. MacDougall, PC	Doreen Sark, NDP			
1A	Slemon Park .....	236	52	31		32	47	6	2	0	
1B	Slemon Park .....	220	58	38		36	54	7	1	0	
2	St. Eleanors SE .....	233	110	29		30	102	11	13	9	
3A	St. Eleanors S .....	292	146	74		79	130	7	4	8	
3B	St. Eleanors S .....	218	114	55		57	103	10	6	5	
4A	St. Eleanors NE .....	318	167	86		92	143	22	6	2	
4B	St. Eleanors NE .....	244	130	67		74	110	16	5	2	
5A	St. Eleanors W .....	255	133	61		73	109	16	7	4	
5B	St. Eleanors W .....	209	127	39		47	103	17	6	5	
6A	Sherbrooke .....	249	100	45		47	88	10	0	0	
6B	Sherbrooke .....	254	111	71		78	96	13	11	6	
7A	Travellers Rest .....	209	96	45		52	66	23	5	5	
7B	Travellers Rest .....	286	162	74		79	144	11	6	8	
8A	Wilmot.....	219	111	51		52	93	19	3	1	
8B	Wilmot.....	226	101	56		62	80	13	5	7	
9A	Kensington NW .....	183	94	63		58	86	12	4	5	
9B	Kensington NW .....	205	88	70		65	82	11	4	4	
10	Kensington-Margate....	300	124	102		103	113	14	10	6	
11	Kensington SE .....	181	89	59		55	80	12	4	5	
12	Kensington NE.....	268	97	102		97	90	11	12	13	
13	Kensington SW .....	274	134	87		83	113	26	1	0	
14	North Bedeque .....	337	167	75		84	149	12	11	8	
15	Freetown .....	310	147	80		82	136	15	15	9	
16A	Centerville W.....	165	88	35		48	64	9	1	3	
16B	Centerville W.....	189	81	57		67	62	10	3	2	
17	Centerville E.....	233	123	73		92	99	7	6	4	
18	Newton .....	228	105	85		87	94	10	10	9	
19A	Kinkora .....	193	99	60		58	87	21	13	6	
19B	Kinkora .....	226	92	80		76	85	13	9	7	
20	Searletown .....	203	85	76		87	61	11	4	6	
21	Albany .....	282	122	121		138	95	10	1	2	
22	Borden N.....	244	114	79		79	101	15	6	4	
23	Borden S .....	270	100	95		95	89	15	10	6	
24	Cape Traverse .....	247	115	79		83	100	10	0	1	
25	Tryon W.....	183	105	37		52	82	6	1	3	
26	Tryon E.....	228	122	94		100	107	12	7	4	
	Advance Poll .....		91	62		64	82	7	3	3	
	TOTALS .....	8617	4100	2492		2643	3525	470	215	168	

**5TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF PRINCE COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Roy J. Lidstone**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Melville Campbell LIB	Michael Murphy NDP	Peter M. Pope, PC	Jim Grant, LIB	George McMahon PC				
C	A										
1	Green Road .....	219	52	13	99	45	119				2 1
2	Water Street W.....	217	63	29	89	55	122				2 6
3	Park Street .....	269	78	25	96	62	136				4 5
4	Court House .....	173	42	7	59	39	69				1 1
5	Myrtle Street.....	306	71	34	119	52	169				4 4
6	Beaver Street W. ....	275	86	19	100	51	151				5 8
7	Poplar Street.....	255	74	15	96	53	132				2 0
8A	Highland Avenue .....	185	64	4	83	43	107				3 4
8B	Highland Avenue .....	161	46	14	65	38	85				0 2
9	Central Street .....	255	58	31	105	48	142				6 10
10	Pleasant Street.....	275	85	22	92	52	144				4 7
11	Coronation .....	210	52	15	76	27	117				2 1
12A	Centre North.....	269	57	5	91	43	113				4 1
12B	Centre North.....	295	68	9	92	53	115				2 3
12C	Summerset Manor .....	117	49	1	42	41	52				3 2
13A	Hillcrest NE .....	194	24	8	52	22	61				0 1
13B	Hillcrest NE .....	169	33	3	41	27	49				2 3
14A	Linden Avenue .....	191	56	6	78	34	108				4 2
14B	Linden Avenue .....	200	73	10	75	35	123				2 2
15	Rogers Avenue .....	330	85	14	138	53	181				2 5
16	Ottawa Street .....	160	54	10	76	37	96				3 10
17	Cambridge Street .....	237	83	23	69	56	117				7 9
18	Hanover Street .....	162	61	19	61	53	84				2 6
19	Kirk Street .....	179	46	20	61	36	91				3 3
20	Noonan Street .....	210	61	14	84	51	107				6 7
	Advance Poll .....		62	7	71	49	92				
	TOTALS .....	5513	1583	377	2110	1155	2882				75 103

**1ST ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF QUEENS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Fenton Mayne**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Leone Bagnall, PC	Ralph W. Johnstone LIB		Jean Canfield, LIB	Marion Reid, PC				
1	Long River.....	91	29	58		57	30			1	1
2	Irishtown .....	187	85	52		52	85			3	3
3	French River.....	181	97	58		55	98			3	3
4	Clinton.....	159	55	82		83	56			5	3
5	Clifton .....	160	72	74		73	71			4	6
6	North Granville .....	144	76	35		30	81			2	2
7	South Granville .....	120	49	52		58	47			3	1
8	Hope River.....	195	100	64		67	97			0	0
9	Hazel Grove .....	122	70	36		38	67			1	2
10	Stanchel .....	164	95	44		56	81			2	3
11	Springfield .....	247	110	98		107	101			4	4
12	Breadalbane .....	284	139	95		99	134			8	7
13	Westmoreland .....	100	39	41		41	36			1	4
14	Kelly's Cross .....	98	51	35		39	53			0	0
15	Crapaud.....	291	96	137		152	84			7	4
16	Victoria.....	231	106	80		87	98			5	6
17	South Melville.....	178	94	61		68	83			0	4
18	Emyvale .....	81	37	27		29	35			2	2
19	Green Road .....	104	42	45		43	44			0	0
20	Bonshaw.....	205	100	67		75	93			8	7
	Advance Poll .....		38	21		21	38				
	TOTALS .....	3342	1580	1262		1330	1512			58	63

**2ND ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF QUEENS COUNTY**

Returning Officer: Charles A. Frizzell

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Harold A. Godfrey, LIB	Lloyd MacPhail, PC		David Ford, LIB	Fred Horse, NDP	Gordon Lank PC			
			C	A							
1	Mayfield.....	218	93	81		93	4	77		7	7
2	New Glasgow .....	148	62	52		63	6	46		3	2
3	Hunter River.....	264	84	127		82	4	125		3	3
4	North Rustico S.....	309	112	156		121	5	143		2	1
5A	North Rustico N.....	222	62	133		70	2	120		2	5
5B	North Rustico N.....	148	49	68		54	4	57		3	5
6	South Rustico.....	179	55	87		56	2	83		2	3
7	Cymbria .....	140	45	60		50	3	54		4	2
8A	Wheatley River.....	186	70	68		66	3	69		4	4
8B	Wheatley River.....	149	30	106		25	9	104		2	2
9A	North Wiltshire.....	192	73	199		64	6	104		5	3
9B	North Wiltshire.....	198	54	101		64	9	89		10	3
10	Brookfield.....	319	82	178		83	14	164		9	8
11A	New Haven .....	234	101	107		105	17	86		3	2
11B	New Haven .....	274	96	129		100	10	116		7	6
12	Riverdale .....	182	70	83		72	3	80		2	0
13	Milton.....	307	102	149		111	2	137		3	4
14	North River West.....	260	92	125		111	7	101		2	0
15A	North River East.....	349	111	154		107	13	141		2	6
15B	North River East.....	333	94	156		103	8	140		8	7
16A	Cornwall North.....	257	93	123		90	13	112		2	3
16B	Cornwall North.....	298	108	156		106	22	136		6	6
17A	Cornwall SW .....	231	68	106		68	7	100		4	3
17B	Cornwall SW .....	206	92	86		93	9	78		4	2
18	Cornwall SE .....	257	78	126		79	10	116		5	4
19	Nine Mile Creek .....	222	71	131		73	18	114		10	7
20	Rocky Point.....	195	44	125		47	4	117		2	3
21	St. Catherines .....	269	93	137		103	9	118		1	1
	Advance Poll .....		50	87		53	5	81		2	0
	TOTALS .....	6546	2234	3396		2312	228	3008		118	61

**3RD ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF QUEENS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Eldon W. Glover**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates							
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	Number Ballots Rejected
			Fred Driscoll, PC	Gerard Mitchell, LIB		Horace Carver, PC	Peel Connolly LIB			
										C A
1A	Winsloe.....	226	82	86		90	81			7 4
1B	Winsloe.....	237	101	83		106	76			4 6
1C	Winsloe.....	224	89	92		92	91			5 3
2A	Brackley Point Road ...	193	98	57		101	55			3 2
2B	Brackley Point Road ...	216	117	60		126	49			8 10
3	Brackley Point.....	267	104	99		112	92			0 0
4A	Covehead.....	187	56	82		65	74			8 7
4B	Covehead.....	166	77	61		80	59			5 4
5	Pleasant Grove .....	144	68	43		70	40			4 4
6A	York.....	293	152	98		171	80			3 2
6B	York.....	308	148	91		156	86			5 5
7	Bedford.....	310	134	137		140	129			13 15
8	Corran Ban.....	225	75	115		81	117			6 8
9	Tracadie .....	243	76	134		82	126			10 12
10	Mount Stewart.....	287	129	106		133	103			11 11
11	Pisiquid.....	215	113	74		119	71			10 6
12	Watervale .....	186	63	84		63	85			9 9
13	Fort Augustus .....	187	97	62		95	64			1 1
14	Johnston River .....	327	176	86		179	84			19 19
15A	Mt. Herbert .....	168	86	56		88	54			2 2
15B	Mt. Herbert .....	143	154	55		145	64			6 6
16	Southport.....	324	145	90		149	91			5 4
17A	Rosebank.....	345	158	108		164	102			9 9
17B	Rosebank.....	370	188	138		194	129			10 9
17C	Rosebank.....	231	126	58		127	57			4 4
18A	Bunbury .....	310	137	107		137	107			9 9
18B	Bunbury .....	320	144	106		142	107			12 13
18C	Bunbury .....	237	106	82		100	87			2 3
	Advance Poll .....					85	63			
	TOTALS .....	6889	3285	2512		3392	2423			190 187

**4TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF QUEENS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mr. Joseph Edmonds**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Daniel Compton PC	Waldo Taylor, LIB		W. Allison Drake, LIB	Angus MacLean PC				
1A	Pownal.....	185	86	65		63	89				1 0
1B	Pownal.....	194	115	42		48	109				0 0
2	Pownal East.....	200	110	57		52	113				1 3
3	Avondale .....	158	72	55		61	73				0 8
4	Cherry Valley .....	246	105	106		119	90				9 11
5A	Vernon River .....	182	98	59		69	89				4 3
5B	Vernon River .....	175	91	53		62	82				2 2
6	Grandview North .....	147	90	40		43	85				1 3
7	Grandview South .....	83	49	18		17	50				2 2
8	Caledonia.....	68	42	17		13	47				2 1
9	Orwell Cove .....	146	91	45		52	83				2 0
10	Iona .....	93	41	28		28	41				2 2
11	Eldon.....	237	142	101		108	135				2 2
12	Point Prim.....	185	85	65		68	82				2 2
13	Belle River North.....	163	72	69		68	73				3 3
14	Belle River South.....	151	61	60		63	58				4 0
15	Wood Islands.....	244	122	89		88	122				3 4
	Advance Poll .....		52	32		32	52				0 0
	TOTALS .....	2857	1524	1001		1054	1473				40 46

**5TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF QUEENS COUNTY**

Returning Officer: Mrs. Elisabeth Mill

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	Number Ballots Rejected	
			Wilfred MacDonald PC	George Proud, LIB	Hubert Tersteeg NDP	Christopher J. Brennan NDP	Carl Borden Campbell DBP	James M. Lee, PC	Art Wash, LIB		C
											A
1A	Great George South ....	165	44	39	4	3	0	52	32	3	3
1B	Lennox Nursing Home....	24	5	4	0	0	2	4	3	0	0
2	Dorchester South.....	342	89	125	6	11	7	104	98	8	8
3A	Richmond South .....	179	44	53	4	3	3	51	46	0	0
3B	Richmond South .....	167	54	44	5	6	3	56	33	8	8
4	Grafton South .....	212	55	74	5	2	10	62	61	1	2
5	Fitzroy South .....	194	73	65	5	5	5	78	52	4	7
6	Fitzroy South .....	177	80	76	4	3	6	90	58	0	0
7	Gerald South.....	191	56	60	10	8	4	58	54	5	7
8A	Walthern.....	306	86	108	11	12	8	108	73	5	9
8B	Walthern (Sunset Lodge).....	29	8	17	0	1	4	8	11	0	1
9A	Allen South .....	183	72	57	4	6	3	79	45	3	3
9B	Allen South .....	226	78	67	5	3	5	97	45	7	7
10	University .....	77	28	16	7	3	2	34	11	1	2
11	Grafton East .....	281	99	119	2	4	3	112	97	7	11
12	King Square .....	240	77	81	8	14	1	85	67	6	5
13	Park .....	327	107	118	7	9	5	124	94	4	4
14	Orlebar West .....	163	68	65	3	2	4	83	48	2	1
15	Euston East .....	238	111	74	9	9	5	123	57	4	4
16	Birchwood .....	297	95	107	11	10	4	124	73	1	3
17	Esher West.....	226	71	89	5	4	4	83	70	0	0
18	Esher West.....	263	68	74	4	2	2	74	58	5	3
19	West Parkdale .....	262	109	94	14	8	9	122	77	3	4
20A	Parkdale North .....	221	75	78	15	7	5	103	51	0	2
20B	Parkdale North .....	219	76	94	12	7	3	107	66	2	1
21A	Sherwood South.....	266	92	63	6	4	5	101	50	0	1
21B	Sherwood South (Livingstone & McArthur Nursing Home).....	49	18	12	0	0	1	18	10	0	1
22A	Sherwood West .....	223	96	70	9	5	3	123	44	1	1
22B	Sherwood West .....	218	105	57	5	4	1	114	44	0	0
23A	Parkdale South .....	151	61	35	4	0	3	71	29	6	3
23B	Parkdale South .....	218	89	66	5	5	0	102	53	2	2
24A	Parkdale East .....	162	57	71	10	2	3	89	44	0	0
24B	Parkdale East .....	193	87	69	9	7	3	104	52	3	3
25A	Sherwood Centre.....	205	87	77	4	2	1	105	59	2	3
25B	Sherwood Centre.....	215	94	77	13	13	5	119	48	2	2
26A	Belvedere.....	173	61	63	4	5	1	73	46	4	7
26B	Belvedere.....	176	80	54	2	1	0	99	35	3	4
27	Kensington E.....	239	118	76	4	4	4	138	49	3	6
28A	Hillsboro W.....	169	103	76	3	3	2	115	56	0	0
28B	Hillsboro W.....	126	77	59	6	10	5	85	40	4	6
29A	Hillsboro E.....	279	119	81	7	5	4	136	57	5	9
29B	Hillsboro E.....	179	70	66	0	3	5	75	52	6	7
30	Royalty E .....	346	162	107	11	7	4	195	74	2	2
31A	Sherwood North Centre	222	83	63	6	6	2	94	49	0	3
31B	Sherwood North Centre	178	55	65	2	2	0	71	48	0	0
32A	Brackley Point East .....	193	79	68	1	1	4	96	47	1	1
32B	Brackley Point E.....	220	92	64	2	4	0	112	41	2	3
33	Pine North .....	317	124	135	14	4	13	160	94	1	3
34	Oak North.....	309	125	102	6	6	3	163	62	3	2
35A	Sherwood N .....	268	93	82	12	10	9	110	61	4	1
35B	Sherwood N .....	245	89	101	5	8	5	103	79	4	4
	Advance Poll .....		151	162	8	5	7	176	134		
	TOTALS .....	10748	4195	3819	312	268	200	4968	2837	137	169

**6TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF QUEENS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mrs. Viola Smallwood**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Jim Larkin, PC	Jack Ready, LIB		Barry P. Clark, PC	Jack Smallwood LIB				
			C	A							
1A	Dorchester.....	286	75	48		85	41				6 6
1B	Sacred Heart Home....	135	56	44		51	46				0 0
2	Waterfront.....	251	93	71		92	71				5 6
3	Richmond .....	229	91	76		96	71				4 4
4	Grafton .....	202	85	66		96	56				8 7
5	Fitzroy .....	99	37	38		44	32				4 3
6A	Kent.....	199	89	53		88	51				3 4
6B	Wood Nursing Home ..	10	3	13		7	9				0 1
7	Euston .....	207	90	57		97	50				4 4
8A	Upper Queen .....	224	86	85		93	79				10 9
8B	Upper Queen .....	182	72	55		78	50				0 3
9A	Kirkwood Drive.....	178	86	56		92	49				3 3
9B	Kirkwood Drive.....	165	90	46		93	44				6 5
10A	Spring Park .....	311	132	107		157	88				0 0
10B	Spring Park .....	324	146	119		163	102				5 5
11A	McGill Terrace .....	150	53	31		58	26				2 2
11B	Provincial Sanitorium ..	46	17	14		17	14				1 1
12A	Lansdowne Avenue.....	184	75	77		84	68				0 0
12B	Lansdowne Avenue.....	199	102	69		113	58				2 2
13A	Goodwill Avenue .....	203	81	74		105	49				4 5
13B	Goodwill Avenue .....	187	75	63		90	48				0 0
14A	Admiral Street.....	175	71	53		80	45				4 3
14B	Admiral Street.....	189	101	58		115	45				3 2
15A	North River Road.....	233	129	61		139	52				9 8
15B	North River Road.....	236	106	89		122	76				4 1
16A	Nassau Street .....	272	114	94		138	71				5 5
16B	Nassau Street .....	254	106	97		120	83				3 3
17A	Belvedere Avenue .....	279	73	89		89	75				6 4
17B	Belvedere Avenue .....	324	101	104		129	75				4 5
17C	Spring Park Court .....	124	49	58		45	61				5 6
18A	Seaview Drive.....	409	169	136		170	136				0 0
18B	Garden Gulf Home .....	94	23	29		22	30				3 3
19	Bayfield Street .....	195	89	84		96	78				8 7
20	Wendy Drive .....	259	99	80		103	78				9 7
21	Churchill Avenue .....	179	79	51		86	44				0 0
22	University .....	182	80	77		94	62				3 4
23A	West Royalty .....	237	99	50		116	37				7 3
23B	West Royalty .....	270	105	64		111	57				3 4
23C	Beach Grove.....	127	39	52		44	48				3 2
24	Trans Canada .....	315	155	87		165	77				4 4
	Advance Poll .....		126	145		137	133				
	TOTALS .....	8324	3547	2820		3920	2465				150 141

**1ST ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KINGS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: John E. Grant**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	Number Ballots Rejected	
			Jim Rey, LIB	Albert Fogarty, PC		Keith MacKenzie PC	Ross Young, LIB			C	A
1	Bothwell.....	306	105	162		142	126			2	3
2	North Lake.....	260	108	132		115	118			3	10
3	Priest Pond.....	99	61	30		26	65			1	1
4	Red Point.....	169	89	59		49	99			3	3
5A	Souris East.....	187	67	99		90	74			2	4
5B	Souris East.....	154	69	64		60	71			2	4
6	Souris .....	306	98	145		121	121			13	14
7A	Souris North.....	236	89	100		92	96			6	7
7B	Colville Manor .....	53	21	22		22	16			1	6
8	Souris River .....	306	116	112		103	124			9	10
9	Souris West.....	270	116	138		115	137			3	5
10	New Zealand .....	223	107	74		72	108			2	3
11	Rollo Bay Chapel.....	115	44	46		44	45			4	5
12	Head of Rollo Bay .....	213	96	92		87	73			5	3
13	Bay Fortune.....	204	69	92		87	73			5	6
	Advance Poll .....		66	87		78	75			5	3
	TOTALS .....	3101	1321	1454		1303	1421			64	87

**2ND ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KINGS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Aubrey Webster**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Brian E. McGuire, LIB	Leo Rositer, PC		J. Claude Matheson, LIB	Roddy B. Pratt, PC				
			C	A							
1	St. Andrews .....	165	68	62		69	60				4 5
2	Peakes .....	158	85	49		86	48				4 4
3	Bristol.....	180	51	120		46	126				3 2
4A	Morell.....	177	70	76		79	67				2 2
4B	Morell.....	176	85	78		89	74				1 1
5	Sinnott Road.....	194	85	82		85	80				6 8
6	Marie.....	269	65	174		76	160				6 9
7	Head of St. Peters .....	226	90	120		86	123				0 1
8	St. Peters East.....	181	68	99		68	93				0 6
9	Greenwich.....	163	50	80		52	75				0 3
10	Monticello.....	143	63	62		63	62				0 0
	Advance Poll .....		20	36		19	36				
	TOTALS .....	2032	800	1038		818	1004				26 41

**3RD ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KINGS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: William Rourke**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			A.E. Ings LIB	Peter B. MacLeod, PC		Bennett Campbell LIB	A.A. Fraser PC				
1	Baldwins Road .....	133	51	71		60	60			1	3
2	Victoria Cross .....	222	101	95		98	92			1	7
3	18 Mile Brook .....	146	63	56		72	47			1	1
4	Cardigan .....	196	98	76		106	67			2	3
5	Lorne Valley - Martinvale .....	209	89	93		104	80			6	6
6	Roseneath .....	281	120	120		138	103			5	4
7A	Montague East .....	236	103	102		94	111			3	3
7B	Montague East .....	222	96	114		88	125			9	6
8	Montague West .....	278	116	99		104	109			2	4
9	Montague N.W. ....	318	144	137		131	152			3	1
10	Dundas .....	225	108	82		113	76			5	5
11	Glenfanning .....	120	46	56		50	52			0	2
	Advance Poll .....		40	44		37	47			1	1
	TOTALS .....	2586	1175	1145		1195	1121			39	46

**4TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KINGS COUNTY**

**Returning Officer: Mrs. Vivian Beck**

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates							Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	
			Gilbert R. Clements LIB	Johanne Williams, PC		Pet Binus, PC	E. Wayne Harris, LIB			
1	Kilmuir .....	183	77	68		78	69			6 4
2	Montague S. ....	336	148	132		156	122			7 9
3	Lower Montague.....	304	138	117		147	108			8 8
4	Murray Harbour E .....	311	133	132		129	136			8 7
5A	Murray Harbour W .....	188	96	68		64	100			2 2
5B	Murray Harbour W .....	174	58	95		93	57			1 4
6	High Bank .....	148	76	49		57	70			7 5
7	Murray Harbour S .....	291	113	107		125	99			9 5
8	Murray Harbour N.....	274	121	114		129	105			5 6
9	Glen William .....	215	78	121		122	78			7 6
10	St. Mary's Road .....	237	105	82		106	87			14 8
11A	Montague S. ....	155	74	53		68	61			8 6
11B	Montague S. ....	191	104	71		82	91			4 6
11C	Riverview Manor .....	45	9	10		10	9			2 2
	Advance Poll .....		48	36		42	42			0 0
	TOTALS .....	3052	1378	1255		1408	1234			88 78

**5TH ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF KINGS COUNTY**

Returning Officer: Mrs. Rose Marie MacDonald

Number of Division	Name of Polling Division	Number of Names on Electors Lists	Ballots Cast for Candidates								Number Ballots Rejected
			C	C	C	A	A	A	A	A	
			Lowell S. Johnstone PC	W. Hazen MacLare LIB		Arthur J. MacDonald LIB	Daryl MacDonald PC				
C	A										
1A	Georgetown E .....	163	75	60	67	70					3 1
1B	Georgetown E .....	176	83	76	87	74					0 0
2	Georgetown W .....	232	123	79	96	104					2 4
3	Red House .....	156	75	64	79	59					4 5
4	Annandale .....	194	82	89	110	62					3 2
5	Woodville .....	182	62	100	112	49					1 1
6	Launching .....	102	40	55	59	36					4 4
7	Sturgeon .....	197	84	75	89	74					7 3
8	Gaspereaux.....	158	86	53	68	72					3 2
9	Murray Harbour No. ...	229	113	82	93	103					3 2
10	Cambridge .....	97	45	41	45	36					2 7
	Advance Poll .....		30	22	26	26					0 0
	TOTALS .....	1886	898	796	931	765					32 31

## **APPENDIX "A"**

Observations concerning the conduct of the General Election of April 23, 1979 and suggested amendments to the *Election Act* R.S.P.E.I., 1974, Cap. E-1.

### **OBJECTIVE**

To bring to the attention of the Legislative Assembly certain matters relating to the *Election Act* and the general election of April 23, 1979 and to suggest amendments to the *Election Act*, which amendments are designed to facilitate the more efficient conduct of an election.

#### **1. ENUMERATION**

The Writ of Election was issued on the evening of March 27, 1979 with Polling Day on April 23, 1979. Pursuant to Section 31 (2) of the *Election Act*, a general enumeration was not required. Section 31 (5) of the *Election Act* provides:

31 (5) When a writ of election is issued, any person who is eligible to vote may register as a voter or file "a change of information" card by obtaining the necessary forms and having them filed with the returning officer within the period of ten days following the date of issue of the writ of election.

The "necessary forms" were a yellow form Request for Registration and a green form Request for Change - Electors Information Card. These forms are attached as Appendix B and C respectively. The use of these forms caused confusion for all concerned in that the electors did not in many cases fill out the correct form and in some instances both forms were filled out. It should also be noted that the number of forms submitted was far in excess of what was anticipated, given the fact that an enumeration took place before the general election of April 24, 1978. As a result, the staff of the Chief Electoral Officer were hard pressed to complete the official list of electors in time for Polling Day.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Section 5 of the *Election Act* be amended to allow a sufficient time between the issuing of the Writ of Election and Polling Day for a general enumeration to take place before every general election.

#### **2. BALLOT BOXES**

The Province of Prince Edward Island does not own any ballot boxes. In this and past elections, the Chief Electoral Officer has had to make arrangements to borrow ballot boxes from the Province of New Brunswick. To date, the Chief Electoral Officer has encountered only minor difficulties with this arrangement. However, it does necessitate the rental of a truck and two members of the staff travelling to New Brunswick to pick up ballot boxes. This process usually takes two days. After the election, the same procedure takes place returning the ballot boxes. It is possible that at some future election the New Brunswick boxes would not be available in which case a serious problem would arise.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Province of Prince Edward Island appropriate money for the purchase of ballot boxes. These ballot boxes could be used in all provincial elections and in school trustee elections.

### **3. SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER**

The Social Insurance Number has been used in the past elections in compiling the Official List of Electors. There is no doubt that the Social Insurance Number is useful in that it facilitates computer programming and production of the list. However, there is a growing number of electors who feel this use of the Social Insurance Number is an invasion of privacy and refuse to give their number. It should be noted that the Social Insurance Number is not required to compile the list of electors for Federal Elections. During the past election, numerous phone calls and letters were received from irate electors who wished to have their names on the electors list but refused to give their Social Insurance Number.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the legality of using a persons Social Insurance Number for election purposes be studied and that the Election Act be amended to specifically require, or in clear and unambiguous terms abolish, the use of the social insurance number in compiling the official list of electors.

### **4. PROXY VOTING**

Proxy voting caused by far the most serious problem for the Chief Electoral Officer during the election. Allegations of misuse of proxies were made by political parties. Certain allegations were brought to the attention of the Department of Justice, while others were dealt with by the Chief Electoral Officer.

One of the many problems caused by proxies was caused by Section 35 (6) of the *Election Act*. Pursuant to Section 35 (6) an elector may cancel a proxy certificate by

- (1) requesting, in writing on a proxy certificate issued during an election in relation to him, that the certificate be cancelled; and
- (2) has the certificate returned to the returning officer who issued it ...

In a number of cases, the person in possession of the proxy certificate either lost or refused to deliver up the certificate to the elector for cancellation.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that

- (1) proxy voting be eliminated and a workable alternative found to enable those persons who are unable to attend at the poll on polling day due to illness or physical incapacity or while a student, to cast their vote or
- (2) Proxy voting be limited to proxy certificates being issued to members of an electors immediate family only.

Soliciting a proxy vote should be made an offence under the *Election Act*.

### **5. BALLOT PAPERS**

Although not a serious problem, a number of ballots were rejected because the elector has not placed an "X" in the proper space on the ballot paper.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the design of the ballot paper as set out in Form 26 be amended and in its place a ballot paper similar to that set out below be substituted therefore.

**BALLOT SAMPLE**

<p><b>INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTE</b></p> <p>Vote by making a cross X within the circle to the right of the candidate's name of your choice.</p>	<p><b>Bill BROWN</b> (Political Affiliation) Farmer</p>
	<p><b>Jane HAMON</b> (Political Affiliation) Lawyer</p>
	<p><b>Joseph O'NEIL</b> (Political Affiliation) Printer</p>
	<p><b>Alice SMITH</b> (Political Affiliation) Teacher</p>

## **6. PERSONS IN MANORS VOTING BY PROXY**

Section 35 of the *Election Act* makes provision for proxy voting. Section 73 of the *Election Act* makes provision for voting in a sanatorium, a home for the aged, a chronic hospital or similar institution ..... In the aforementioned institutions, the ballot box may be taken by the Deputy Returning Officer to the beds of patients. The *Election Act*, however, does not prevent a person in a home for the aged or similar institution from voting by proxy. This leads to the strange situation whereby even though those persons in homes for the aged or similar institutions have the ballot box brought to their bedside, they may still vote by proxy.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Section 73 of the *Election Act* be amended to prohibit persons in those institutions set out in Section 73 from voting by proxy.

## **7. ADVANCE POLL - COUNTING BALLOTS**

Section 89 of the *Election Act* requires that the counting of ballots cast at the Advance Poll be carried out by a Provincial Court Judge. There are at present three provincial court judges and during the last election, one provincial court judge was absent from the province on polling day. Fortunately, Chief Justice J. P. Nicholson agreed to designate a Supreme Court Justice to perform the function of a Provincial Court Judge under Section 89 after being requested to do so by the Chief Electoral Officer.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Section 89 of the *Election Act* be amended to include the words "or a Justice of the Supreme Court designated by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court" after the words "Provincial Court Judge".

**REQUEST FOR REGISTRATION**

TO: Returning Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Electoral District \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_  
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NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
(*Surname*) \_\_\_\_\_ (*Given Names*) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_  
(*Postal Code*) \_\_\_\_\_

SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

OCCUPATION \_\_\_\_\_  
Male   
Female

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am:

- (a) a Canadian Citizen;
- (b) 18 years of age, or will attain that age on or before Ordinary Polling Day;
- (c) ordinarily resident, within the meaning of Section 22 or 23 of the Election Act,
  - (i) in the Province for the twelve months immediately preceding the date of the Writ, and
  - (ii) residing in:

Electoral District \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Polling Division No. \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above information is correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(*Date*)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(*Signature*)

**APPENDIX "C"**

**REQUEST FOR CHANGE - ELECTOR'S INFORMATION CARD**

TO: Returning Officer \_\_\_\_\_  
Electoral District \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_  
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NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Surname)* \_\_\_\_\_ *(Given Names)* \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ *(Postal Code)* \_\_\_\_\_

Social Insurance Number: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

My name appears on the List of Electors in:

Electoral District \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_  
Polling Division No. \_\_\_\_\_

On the date the Writ of Election, I resided in:

Electoral District \_\_\_\_\_  
County \_\_\_\_\_  
Polling Division No. \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the above information is correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Date)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*(Signature)*



