

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. We have 1,159 as having voted; there is a difference of 9.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. You have added 10 townships to Medicine Hat.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Do you take the constituency of Medicine Hat as it was?

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. No, as it is. I have marked the polling subdivisions in each polling constituency and gone through the matter very carefully, and I want the right hon. gentleman to point out wherein my figures are incorrect, or else to admit that they are right. I am prepared to hand over any constituency carved up into polling subdivisions with the vote cast.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. According to our figures which I got from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery in a statement of 'the number of votes registered and polled on the 23rd of November, 1904, in the following proposed constituencies,' I find.

Medicine Hat, number on voters' lists, 1,624, polled, 1,159.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. In a return to this House, three months ago, we got the voters' lists. We have been through them and have checked them as accurately as we could, and even picked out the names on each voters' list which would be in another polling subdivision, west or east of a certain range, and I propose to put my figures on 'Hansard' and I wish to be shown wherein any of them are wrong. This work was done by others besides myself who will follow me.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. What are my hon. friend's figures for Medicine Hat?

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. On the list 1,650 and polled 1,168.

Mr. P. TALBOT. Do your figures include spoiled ballots?

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. Spoiled ballots would not come out of the list.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. There is a difference of nine votes.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. The difference is probably accounted for by the fact that you have added to the old constituency of Medicine Hat 40 townships.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. I had added nothing. I got these figures from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery and if they are wrong it is not my mistake.

Mr. OLIVER. It may be that in one case there have been counted only the votes that were counted and in the other case there may have been given the votes cast, including the spoiled ballots.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. There is a much larger discrepancy in the votes on the list from the figures given by the Prime Minister and the number as voted. If I am not

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trespassing on the patience of the House I shall call out the constituencies wherein we vary.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. I have no objection.

At six o'clock the committee took recess.

After Recess.

The committee resumed at eight o'clock.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. Before recess I was attempting to deal with the number of votes cast of the proposed local constituencies and the number of votes on the enumerators' lists. With regard to certain constituencies there is some difference between the figures submitted by the right hon. the First Minister and those submitted in the calculations made by hon. members on this side. I regret very much to have to trouble the House with these figures, but had this information been supplied us three weeks ago, as it should have been, I possibly then might have been able to point out where there was any error in the figures submitted by the First Minister or have been able to discover some discrepancy in our own calculations. But as a great deal of care was taken to find out the exact number of votes on the lists and the exact number polled, I propose to place upon 'Hansard' the result of these calculations:

No.	Constituencies.	Votes.	Names on the list.
1.	Medicine Hat.. . . .	1,168	1,650
2.	Cardston.. . . .	621	851
3.	Lethbridge.. . . .	858	1,236
4.	Macleod.. . . .	715	1,121
5.	Pincher.. . . .	1,147	1,678
6.	Gleichen.. . . .	774	1,260
7.	Calgary city.. . . .	2,184	2,632
8.	Rosebud.. . . .	749	1,189
9.	High River.. . . .	971	1,528
10.	Banff.. . . .	750	1,017
11.	Innisfail.. . . .	896	1,325
12.	Red Deer.. . . .	603	1,095
13.	Vermilion.. . . .	632	1,068
14.	Lacombe.. . . .	778	1,182
15.	Ponoka.. . . .	794	1,068
16.	Wetaskiwin.. . . .	834	1,416
17.	Leduc.. . . .	876	1,068
18.	Strathcona.. . . .	872	1,291
19.	Stony Plain.. . . .	584	748
20.	Edmonton.. . . .	1,340	1,639

I might say with regard to Edmonton that one of the polling divisions was missing in the list brought down as will be found in some of the other constituencies, but in that case we took a percentage of the total vote cast and allowed that much for the polling subdivision.

21.	Saskatchewan.. . . .	1,237	1,757
22.	Sturgeon.. . . .	717	1,098
23.	St. Albert.. . . .	740	960

A calculation, I believe, will be made which will practically show that the figures as given us by the First Minister will re-