

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. That is a great discrepancy between the figures given to me. The figures given to me for Macleod were 3,063 square miles, to which should be added about 500 square miles, as I make it, for the addition; therefore the area would be 3,563 square miles. But the right hon. gentleman mentions an area some 700 miles less.

Mr. OLIVER. I think the figures of the leader of the opposition are those I procured from the department, and they are authoritative so far as we can get them.

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. Within the district of Macleod as it was described in the original draft, the population in 1901 was 3,403. The number of votes polled was 743, and the number of registered votes, according to my figures, was 975.

Mr. INGRAM. Can the right hon. gentleman give us the figures for sections 1, 2 and 3?

Mr. FITZPATRICK. I would refer the hon. gentleman to page 8007 of the 'Hansard,' where he will find all this information already given by the Prime Minister.

Section agreed to.

On schedule, section 5—electoral division of Pincher.

Mr. FITZPATRICK. I understand that the hon. member for Alberta (Mr. Herron) suggests that we should add the word 'Creek' after Pincher. If he will move that amendment we will adopt it.

Mr. HERRON. I move that the word 'Creek' be added to the word Pincher, so that the name of the electoral division be Pincher Creek.

Amendment agreed to.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. That means that we are to regard the area of Pincher as reduced from 2,180 to about 1,580 square miles?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. To fourteen townships.

Mr. FITZPATRICK. I understood that this change was made for the purpose of meeting the convenience of the settlers in that locality, and that practically it had been decided between the member for Alberta and the Minister of the Interior.

Section 5, as amended, agreed to.

On schedule, section 6—electoral district of Gleichen.

Mr. R. L. BORDEN. According to the statement I have this is 6,210 square miles?

Sir WILFRID LAURIER. The population, census 1901, 2,101; recorded votes, 785; registered vote, 1,286.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. I intend to move, when we are dealing with Rosebud, that

two townships be added to the northern limit, and if that be agreed to the boundary of Gleichen will have to be moved one township.

Mr. PETER TALBOT. That would interfere with Innisfail.

Mr. FITZPATRICK. You want to take two townships out of Innisfail?

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. Yes. The local authorities of the town of Olds complain that this schedule cuts the town in two and gives one-half to Innisfail and one-half to Rosebud. They have a local land office there and by shifting the present boundary of Rosebud to the north limit of township 34 it will include in Rosebud the local land office at Olds and obviate the difficulty of cutting the town in two.

Mr. FITZPATRICK. That would necessitate a change in Red Deer.

Mr. PETER TALBOT. It would make changes all the way up. That was the old line between Innisfail and one of the Calgary districts.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. The hon. gentleman has complained that the division by the local legislature was improper, but the difficulty that presents itself to-day was not evident in 1902, because Olds, as well as many other towns there, has gone ahead tremendously within the last few years. If these sections are allowed to stand I think I will be able to satisfy the Minister of the Interior that this change should be made.

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Gleichen, Rosebud, Innisfail and Red Deer will have to stand.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. I am not suggesting that anything should be added to Innisfail in lieu of these two townships. Innisfail will contain a larger area afterwards than some of the others.

Mr. PETER TALBOT. Innisfail is only three and a half townships wide for the greater portion of the way, while Rosebud is five townships wide.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. Innisfail has 6,228 square miles while Rosebud has only 3,708.

Mr. OLIVER. I have no objection to allowing the section to stand until I consult with my hon. friend, but I am afraid the local interests would hardly admit of the change he speaks of. The line between Rosebud and Innisfail is the dividing line during the life of the present territorial legislature, and our object was to interfere with old lines as little as possible. To shift the line two townships further north would disarrange the local conditions in Innisfail to the great dissatisfaction of the people of that constituency.

Mr. M. S. McCARTHY. I have a petition from the board of trade and from a num-