

the former being made twenty-four, and the latter twenty-five—the capital returning two members.

The election law should be founded, with very little modification, upon the bill of the last session, as amended by the Council. In a general election, the nominations to take place universally on the same day. In case of a contest, the period of polling to be fixed, and confined to three days : sufficient polling places, with deputies under the returning officer, to be established in each district : no unregistered person to be permitted to vote.

All these objects may be easily attained, and with very little delay, by means of the Imperial Parliament. With the exception of the trifling limitation of the franchise, the proposed alterations may be considered rather as an extension than contraction of established rights. As far as human foresight can provide for the free and just exercise of the privilege of voting, it will be secured. If an irresistible influence can still be exercised in some places, it will at least be powerless in others.