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POLITICAL FRANCHISE

1886.

Franchise	Name of the Electoral Division	Number of Representatives	Number of Registered Electors at last Election
<p style="text-align: center;">I.</p> <p>Qualification to serve as Common Juror,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">viz :</p> <p>(1). The age of 21 years.</p> <p>(2). The income of £ 8 from immovable property or from mercantile firm,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>the payment of a rent of £ 4,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>independently of the said qualifications, competency to serve as a Juror.</p> <p>(3). Good character and reputation.</p> <p>(4). Competent knowledge of the English or Italian language.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">—</p> <p style="text-align: center;">II.</p> <p>The age of 21 years,</p> <p style="text-align: center;">and</p> <p>the payment of a rent of £ 6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">or</p> <p>the income of £ 6 from immovable property.</p>	<p>Division of Malta)</p> <p>Division of Gozo)</p>	<p>Eight</p> <p style="text-align: center;">viz.</p> <p>Seven for Malta and One for Gozo and Comino</p>	<p>For Malta 8,620</p> <p>For Gozo and Comino 1,842</p>

MODE OF ELECTION — *Vide* Ordinances No. VII of 1886 and No. I of 1887.

The electors of Members to sit in the Council of Government for Malta, are registered in one list, and the electors for the Member to serve therein for Gozo, are registered in another list. Both lists are revised annually and published in the Government Gazette in the month of February in each year. A Court of Revision holds sittings to receive claims, consider objections &c., which must be made within ten days from the date of the publication of the Electoral Lists. Amended Lists of the electors are then again published in the Gazette. Elections are conducted by five Election Commissioners appointed annually by the Head of the Government in the month of January of each year. Whenever an election is to be held, the Head of the Government notifies the fact to the Commissioners by a Writ, under his hand and the seal of the island, which is published in the Gazette. Certificates of the right of voting are delivered to the Electors; and, together with the publication of a report from the Commissioners that the certificates have been delivered, a Notice is published in the Gazette, of the time and place at which the Commissioners will be in attendance to receive claims of persons omitted

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Ordinary Duration of Sessions and Assemblies and Period of Meetings	By what Acts regulated	Number of Voters at last GENERAL Election	Date of last GENERAL Election	Remarks
<p>No Sessions can be extended beyond 5 years.</p> <p>The average period during which the meetings are from time to time held, in 6 months in each year.</p>	Letters patent dated May 11, 1849	Malta 2,466	Oct. 16, 1883	
	Proclamation dated June 27, 1849	Gozo and Comino 283		
	Letters patent dated September 24, 1856			
	Supplementary Letters patent dated April 17, 1857			<i>repealed by 22 Feb. 18</i>
	Letters patent dated July 30, 1857			
	Letters patent dated February 22, 1858			<i>rep. by 29. Apr. 70</i>
	Additional Instructions dated March 10, 1859			
	Order of the Queen in Council dated March 9, 1865			
	Supplementary Letters patent dated April 9, 1870			
	Letters patent dated June 25, 1878			
	Letters patent dated May 21, 1881			
	Letters patent dated March 2, 1883			
	Order of the Queen in Council dated July 9, 1883			

through error. A candidate for election to serve in the Council, is nominated in writing. The writing is subscribed by eight registered electors for Malta, in the case of a candidate for this island, and by four registered electors for Gozo and Comino, in the case of a candidate for these islands, and it is delivered to the Commissioners within seven days from the date of the publication of the said Notice. If, at the expiration of that term, no more candidates stand nominated than there are vacancies to be filled up, the Commissioners return their names to the Clerk of the Council who, on the next day, publishes such return in the Gazette. But if more candidates than there are vacancies stand nominated, the Commissioners publish the names of the candidates, and afterwards the Head of the Government appoints the day and places for the election, and appoints Trust Commissioners to mark votes in certain cases, and Assistant Commissioners to superintend the voting. Each elector on presenting his certificate at the appointed place, is provided by the Assistant Commissioner with a ticket showing the names and description of the candidates; secretly marks his vote on that ticket, folds it up so as to conceal his vote, and places it in an urn. As soon as the Commissioners receive all the election urns, the poll is taken in public sittings to be held by them in one of the halls of the Superior Courts.

At a General election for Malta each elector has the right of giving his vote to four candidates only.

Date	Description	Debit	Credit	Balance
Jan 1	Balance			100.00
Jan 5	Wages	50.00		50.00
Jan 10	Expenses	20.00		30.00
Jan 15	Income		100.00	130.00
Jan 20	Expenses	10.00		120.00
Jan 25	Income		50.00	170.00
Jan 30	Expenses	10.00		160.00
Feb 1	Balance			160.00
Feb 5	Wages	60.00		100.00
Feb 10	Expenses	30.00		70.00
Feb 15	Income		100.00	170.00
Feb 20	Expenses	10.00		160.00
Feb 25	Income		50.00	210.00
Feb 30	Expenses	10.00		200.00
Mar 1	Balance			200.00
Mar 5	Wages	70.00		130.00
Mar 10	Expenses	40.00		90.00
Mar 15	Income		100.00	190.00
Mar 20	Expenses	10.00		180.00
Mar 25	Income		50.00	230.00
Mar 30	Expenses	10.00		220.00
Apr 1	Balance			220.00
Apr 5	Wages	80.00		140.00
Apr 10	Expenses	50.00		90.00
Apr 15	Income		100.00	190.00
Apr 20	Expenses	10.00		180.00
Apr 25	Income		50.00	230.00
Apr 30	Expenses	10.00		220.00

Received of the Treasurer of the Board of Education
 the sum of \$200.00 for the year ending
 March 31, 1880.

J. H. [Name]