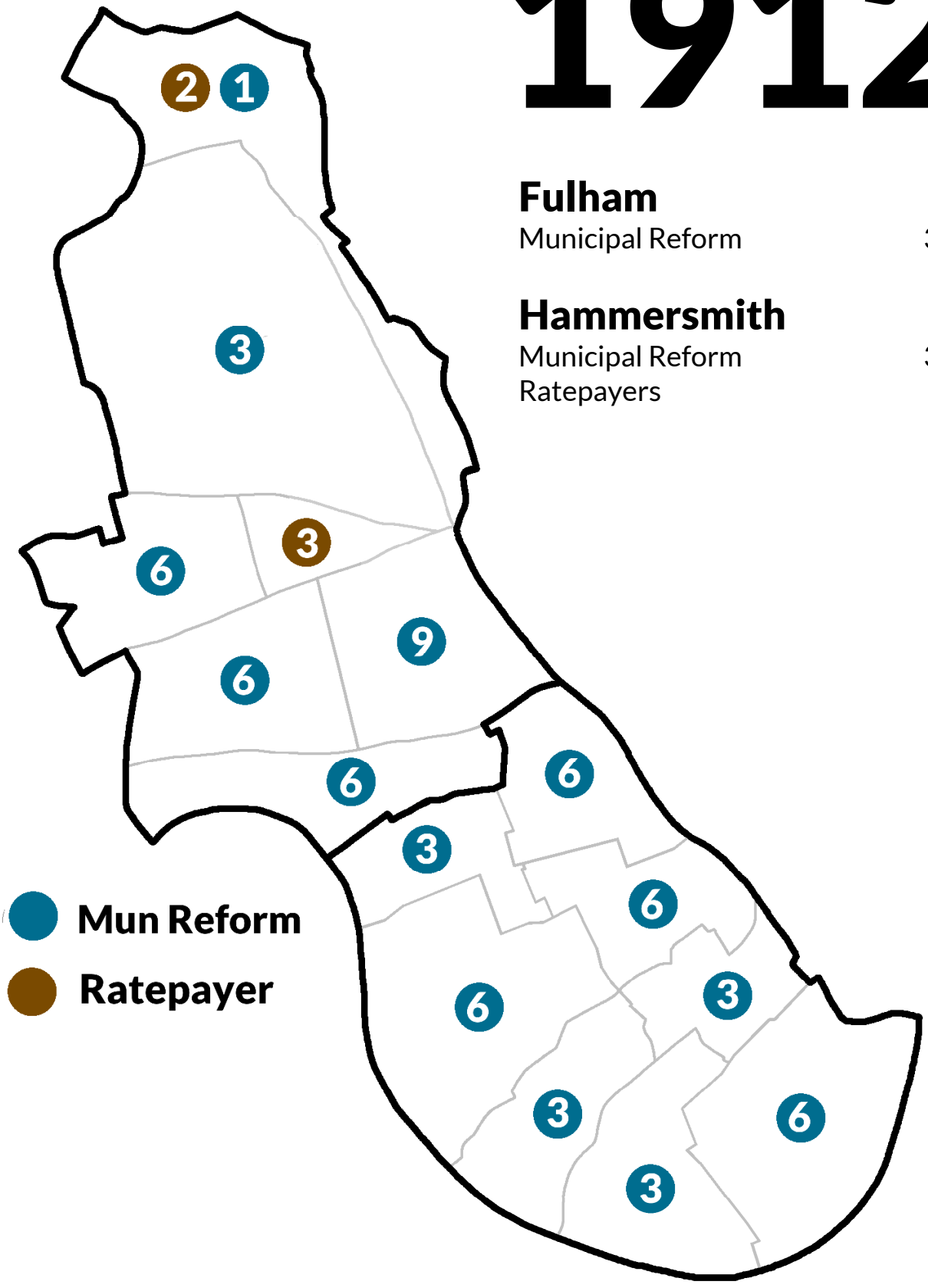
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Hammersmith Council

Sweeping Municipal Reform Victory

"The lookers-on see more of the game than the players."

If the plain truth underlying this old, but familiar maxim was ever convincingly demonstrated, it was in the Hammersmith Borough Council election, which for some weeks past has agitated the minds of electorate and candidates alike.

Yet with all the propaganda work which was carried on, the total of the poll recorded, viz 9,172, manifests on the part of a large number of the electors a sublime indifference as to who was returned to power, and such an apathy can only call for the most stringent criticism on the heads of those who have the power to record their vote, whatever party to which they may belong, but will not give the time or go to the trouble to visit the polling station for that purpose.

One hears in the course of a twelvemonth a continuity of grumbling, either with regard to the amount of the rates or some other subject which may at the time be occupying the attention of the residents of the borough and its representatives on the council, but when the time comes for the "grumblers" to express their opinions in the ballot box, one is faced by the deplorable fact that a larger percentage of them take very little active concern in matters municipal.

A great change has now come over the scene in the municipal drama. To some it comes as a surprise, but to others it is but an anticipated sequel to a prolonged campaign.

Six years ago the Hammersmith and Shepherd's Bush Ratepayers' Association sprang into being and they, putting forward candidates under a non-political ticket, scored numerous successes at the polls.

For six years they have "reigned in all their glory" in the council chamber, as three years ago the Conservative Association refrained from taking any active part in the local election, but dissatisfaction over the intimation made that the Ratepayers' Association intended to bring forward candidates at the County Council election, and other causes, led to their again coming into the arena this year, and the Municipal Reformers have succeeded in inflicting an almost complete rout upon their opponents. The composition of the Hammersmith Borough Council is, therefore, completely changed.

There were contests in all the wards between the representatives of the Municipal Reformers and the Ratepayers' Association were opposed only by two Labour nominees. In four wards, by reason of the activities of the Labour Committee, the fight was a triangular one, the Labour Party also contesting River, Grove and Ravenscourt, Wormholt and Starch Green wards.

Polling day (Friday) fortunately dawned beautifully fine, and the representatives of all parties were early astir. Activity centred at the various polling stations, a list of which were given in our last issue, and almost as soon as they were thrown open the early business-goers were seen to wend their way to them to record their votes prior to commencing their daily avocations.

Among the first to put in an appearance at the Wormholt ward polling station, Ellerslie Road School, was Sir William Bull MP.

The total poll at all the stations in the course of the morning, however, was not considerable, although it can be safely described as well up to the average, and, typical of all elections, it was not until the afternoon was waning that the officers in charge of the various stations were kept at all busy.

At midday, when our representative made a tour of the borough, the number of votes recorded was as follows:

St Peter's School: 280
Brook Green School: 335
Addison Gardens School: 290
Flora Gardens School: 228
St John's School: 360
Becklow Road School: 346
Westville Road School: 104
Ellerslie Road School: 321
St Stephen's School: 208
Kenmont Gardens School: 59
Latimer Road School: 95
St Paul's School: 236

Where the continuance of the fine weather facilitated to a good poll was in those wards where there are a large number of lady voters, and in the course of the afternoon a conspicuous feature of the business at several of the stations was found in the fact that a preponderance of the voters were ladies.

"The ladies are a terror to the canvassers" one gentleman was heard to remark in the presence of our representative, "because they are so undecided right up to the last moment", and not a great while later our representative witnessed a singular confirmation of the remark.

At the time he was paying his second visit to the polling stations, and was outside the Flora Gardens School when a lady, a prospective voter, came along. With every possible courtesy the rival representatives at the gates informed her the way into the station, at the same time handing to her their respective literature.

For a moment the would-be voter stood, apparently meditating as to what to do, although it was fully apparent that even before leaving home she had made up her mind as to who she would vote for. Then she remarked "I don't think I will" and made her way along Flora Gardens in the direction of Dalling Road. She returned a moment later and boldly entered the polling station to record her vote. Needless to say, she came out smiling and she had performed a duty of citizenship, which a good many men, to their shame, neglected.

The day, generally speaking, was not productive of any untoward excitement on the part of the burgesses as to how things were going with the municipal aspirants.

Even among the candidates themselves it is questionable whether they could have given any correct criterion as to whether the voting was progressing in their favour or not, for it was conspicuous that all worked hard right up to the time that the polling stations were closed, as though victory or defeat rested upon the last few votes which were recorded.

In some of the wards it is apparent now that this surmise was correct, particularly in that of the River ward, where Mr H.T. Johnson, who has always stood as an Independent, narrowly missed securing his seat on the council.

Between six and seven o'clock in the evening the polling figures at the various stations were as follows:

St Peter's School: 629
Brook Green School: 635
Addison Gardens School: 637
Flora Gardens School: 475
St John's School: 790
Becklow Road School: 690
Westville Road School: 234
Ellerslie Road School: 647
St Stephen's School: 432
Kenmont Gardens School: 120
Latimer Road School: 253
St Paul's School: 550

Although the poll of Latimer and College Park ward was comparatively small, it was probably the most enthusiastic ward in the borough. There was certainly the greatest show made in the College Park district. In quite a large number of the windows of the houses there were cards exposed, as also there were in the Latimer Road district.

In Wormholt ward the successful Municipal Reform candidates were Messrs Travers and Stamper and Lieutenant MacKinnon, who put up a strenuous figure, they defeating the three retiring councillors.

They had a splendid advantage in having a good number of workers and the use of a number of motor vehicles in bringing voters to the poll.

In Starch Green, the Labour men had a good deal of assistance, though not in the direction of vehicles, and the lady supporters of their cause

came and did duty outside the polling stations.

Assisting in this respect, particularly in the evening, was by no means an enviable task, for when the sun disappeared the cold became intense, while a slight mist crept up to make things even more uncongenial.

There is little doubt that all the workers were thoroughly glad when eight o'clock arrived, and the polling stations were closed down. Many people remained in the vicinity of the schools to see the ballot boxes removed to the Town Hall, while a goodly muster of people also assembled at the Town Hall to watch the proceedings.

Those outside dispersed as soon as the large entrance doors were closed, and the thoroughfare immediately assumed its normal aspect.

Had one not known, it would have been difficult even to have imagined that an election had taken place, and that the important duty of counting the votes was going on inside the Town Hall.

Many expected that the count would have been finished by eleven o'clock, and came down to hear it announced, but in this respect they found themselves disappointed. Those who were brave enough to face the cold weather - and a small knot of enthusiasts did - were kept waiting outside the Town Hall until past one o'clock in the morning before they were able to ascertain definitely in whose favour the poll had gone.

Counting of the votes

At the close of the poll at eight o'clock, the ballot boxes were conveyed to the Town Hall, where the counting of the votes was commenced at quarter to nine, under the direction of the Town Clerk, Mr Leslie Gordon, who officiated for the first time in the capacity of returning officer.

A large number of candidates, scrutineers and friends were admitted to watch the counting of votes. The result was anxiously awaited by a number of interested ratepayers in the corridor, and a small crowd outside the Town Hall.

After the counting had been going on for about a couple of hours the news leaked out that the Municipal Reformers had gained the victory and their supporters were naturally jubilant.

When our representatives were admitted to the large hall shortly before the declaration of the poll, it was easy to recognise who were the victors in the fight, and who the losers, from the happy-looking countenances of the successful candidates on the one hand, and the gloomy looks of the vanquished on the other. Some party feeling was shown by members of the opposite camps who got into conversation.

After announcing the figures, the Town Clerk said it might interest them to know that 9,172 electors had voted and 47 ballot papers were rejected as spoilt.

Vote of thanks to the Returning Officer

Councillor Pascall, mounting one of the counting tables, said it was with very great pleasure that he had to propose a vote of thanks to the returning officer, the Town Clerk, Mr Leslie Gordon, who was new to the office of Town Clerk, and very new he thought to the duties of returning officer. He felt they would agree that he had carried out his duties with fairness and impartiality, and thanks were due to him and his staff.

They had had a strenuous fight and the side which won would be responsible for their work on the council to no one but the ratepayers. [interruption].

He said they had had a strenuous fight, but he did not say they had had a fair fight. A voice shouted out "clique" and Mr T.C. Moore interjected a remark. Councillor Pascall said he quite agreed all he said was not to the point and he would conclude by proposing a vote of thanks to the returning officer and his staff.

The Mayor (Councillor F. Mayle) then mounted the table, and someone called for "three cheers for the Mayor" which were lustily complied with.

Councillor Mayle said he was leaving the room, but hearing what Councillor Pascall said was more or less bordering on a political speech, he came back.

He represented that small minority that would go to the Borough Council. He had fought a clean fight. He would put his record of 20 to 30 years before the ratepayers of Hammersmith.

He supported the vote of thanks to Mr Leslie Gordon and his assistants for what they had done with regard to that election, and the way it was brought to conclusion. There were no interests of the ratepayers those with him would study less than their opponents [cries of "old gang" and "turn your coats"].

Mr J. Westcott, in supporting the motion on behalf of the Labour candidates, addressed those present as "Comrades and citizens of Hammersmith" and said he had known Mr Gordon, the Town Clerk, ever since he had been in Hammersmith.

The Labour Party hit hard, but never below the belt [a voice: "Query"]. It might be a "query" but they did not intend to do so. They recognised that they had done better than they had before. They were within 60 or 70 votes of winning. The time would come when the men and women of Hammersmith would want some representation of labour on the Borough Council.

They were obliged to the Town Clerk for the way he had carried out that election and on behalf of the Labour candidates he supported the motion.

The Mayor put the motion, which was unanimously adopted amidst applause.

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Editorial

By their sweeping victory at the Hammersmith Borough Council election on Friday last, the Municipal Reformers have once more exemplified the truth of the well-known saying "Time brings its revenges".

In six out of the seven wards into which the borough is divided, the party which has now gained the ascendancy opposed candidates of the Hammersmith and Shepherd's Bush Ratepayers' Association.

St Stephen's ward was the only one the Municipal Reformers did not contest, the ward Conservative Association - at a meeting which was attended by several members of the Ratepayers' Association - having decided against bringing forward candidates.

The retiring councillors Mr. F. Mayle (the Mayor), Mr W.A. Gillies (who are Conservatives), and Mr A.R. Cracknell again stood under the banner of the Ratepayers' Association, their opponents being Messrs H.C. Palmer and A.E. Weeks, who were supported by the Labour Party. It will be seen by the voting that the old councillors had an easy victory.

In the River, Grove and Ravenscourt, Starch Green and Wormholt wards Labour candidates also sought municipal honours.

There were only two Independent candidates: Mr H.T. Johnson, who sought re-election in the River ward, and was defeated by only 14 votes; and Mr G. Farley, who was placed second on the list of unsuccessful candidates in the Grove ward.

All the Municipal Reform candidates were victorious in the River, Brook Green (where the Ratepayers' Association had only four candidates for nine vacancies), Grove, Starch Green and Wormholt wards.

The only other ward besides St Stephen's, where Ratepayers' Association candidates were successful, was the College Park and Latimer ward, where two Association nominees: Mr C. Moore, a councillor seeking re-election, and Mr G.P. Murfitt, a new member, were successful; also Mr T. Morris, another retiring councillor and a Municipal Reform candidate; he holding the record of being undefeated for the 19th time in seeking municipal honours.

The result of the polling is that 31 Municipal Reformers and five Rate-payers' Association candidates (three of whom are Conservatives) have been elected.

Though it was considered that the Municipal Reformers had a chance of securing a majority it was not anticipated that their success would be of such a sweeping character.

Members of the Ratepayers' Association, who fancied from their previous two victories that they were always going to carry the sway in municipal matters in the borough, must now be disillusioned.

In election contests it is well-known that the pendulum swings from one side to the other. A Ratepayers' Association, as we have before argued, can do good work in awakening interest amongst the inhabitants in municipal matters, provided it can be kept free from cliques.

Such a body, however, has no right to expect that all the electors will be ready to vote for all the candidates it may put forward, and it must not be surprised if other organisations claim the equal right to nominate candidates for municipal honours.

It has been apparent during the six years of its existence that there has been some dissatisfaction expressed in some quarters from time to time at the tactics adopted by the Ratepayers' Association, and by its own action it has no doubt invited opposition in the Borough Council election.

When it was intimated at the annual meeting that the Ratepayers' Association proposed to support candidates at the London County Council election next March, this was regarded by the Conservative Association as a distinct attack upon their position, and it was therefore decided to run lists of candidates for the Borough Council election.

This resolve created some amount of feeling, but no doubt it has led to greater interest being taken in the contest. The election has certainly shown one thing: and that is that the Ratepayers' Association is not such a powerful factor in the borough as some of its supporters seem to have imagined.

That a considerable amount of apathy is prevalent with regard to municipal affairs is also revealed by the number of electors who neglected to take the trouble of recording their votes, and so did not carry out the duties of citizenship.

Out of 19,280 who might have taken their part in the contest, only 9,172 went to the polling stations in the seven wards, the percentage of voters being 47.57.

In Hammersmith there are many persons who only make the borough a sleeping place, and do not interest themselves in municipal affairs or in the various institutions and organisations established for the benefit of the community.

Such persons deserve to be awakened to a sense of their responsibilities as citizens. Apart from Borough Council work, there is plenty of scope for the rendering of personal service.

There will certainly be expressed regret that the fortunes of war have led to the enforced retirement from municipal life of some old councillors who have devoted a good deal of attention to the carrying out of their duties in the past.

On the other hand, the effect of the infusion of new blood will be watched with interest. Borough councillors have important duties to perform affecting the health and welfare of the community.

They have to safeguard the interests of the inhabitants as a whole in adjudicating upon the problems which come before them from time to time, and to do their best to avoid unnecessary or wasteful expenditure.

With the present financial commitments of the borough and the heavy demands made by outside bodies we are afraid, whatever party may be in power on the Borough Council, that no great reductions may be expected in the rates for some years to come.

Still, by economical administration it may be possible to prevent any great increase being made in the call on taxpayers.

Tomorrow (Saturday) the new Borough Council meets for the first time to elect a Mayor, three Aldermen, and the members of the various committees.

We understand that Mr S.D. Leah ISO has been selected by the Municipal Reformers for nomination for the position of Mayor in succession to Councillor F. Mayle, who has proved himself an alert, active and worthy wearer of the red robe.

Mr Leah has represented Brook Green ward on the Borough Council for the past three years but did not seek re-election at the recent contest.

We hear that Councillors A. Atkinson, Dr Bevan and C. Johnson, who topped the polls in the River, Brook Green and Grove wards, have been selected for nomination as Aldermen, in place of Mr W.P. Hunter, Mr J.B. Mulholland and Major R. Smythies, whose period of office expires.

Should the three councillors be appointed, three vacancies for new members will be created in the wards they represent.

Fulham Borough

Baron's Court

1912 electorate %turnout		2,590	-
***Thomas A.Beckett**	**MR**	**Unop**	
Arthur G. Charleton	**MR**	**Unop**	
George A. Keen	**MR**	**Unop**	
John C. Nevile	**MR**	**Unop**	
Edward I. Thomas	**MR**	**Unop**	
***Job Walborn**	**MR**	**Unop**	
swing incalculable	Maj	-	

Hurlingham

1912 electorate %turnout		1,804	53.1	- 5.8
Herbert Dodimead	**MR**	**623**	**69.0**	**- 1.3**
***Thomas H.R. Evans**	**MR**	**622**	**68.9**	**+ 0.3**
John P. Mobbs	**MR**	**620**	**68.6**	**+ 0.7**
Alice Green	Prog	295	32.7	+ 0.4
John H. Palmer	Prog	289	32.0	- 0.3
Harry D. Speed	Prog	260	28.8	- 1.0
0.1% swing Prog to MR	Maj	328	36.3 ●	
		327	35.2 ●	
		325	34.9 ●	

Lillie

1912 electorate %turnout		3,970	45.4	- 3.7
***John Bavin**	**MR**	**1,136**	**64.0**	**+ 6.2**
***Harry Booth**	**MR**	**1,126**	**63.5**	**+ 6.4**
***Patrick Cronin**	**MR**	**1,123**	**63.3**	**+ 6.3**
Charles J. Hovell	**MR**	**1,105**	**62.3**	**+ 5.4**
***William J. Waldron**	**MR**	**1,089**	**61.4**	**+ 4.6**
Daniel Morgan	**MR**	**1,079**	**60.8**	**+ 5.5**
Arthur Appleby	Prog	662	37.3	+ 6.0
Henry B. Crabb	Prog	616	34.7	+ 3.5
John H. Greenwood	Prog	616	34.7	+ 4.1
Frederick G. Greenslade	Prog	605	34.1	+ 3.7
James Schofield	Prog	594	33.5	+ 6.0
John H. Pearce	Prog	564	31.8	+ 4.8
0.7% swing MR to Prog	Maj	474	26.7 ●	
		464	26.2 ●	
		461	26.0 ●	
		443	25.0 ●	
		427	24.1 ●	
		417	23.5 ●	

Margravine

1912 electorate %turnout		2,684	41.3	- 5.7
***Arthur Cook**	**MR**	**570**	**53.5**	**- 4.1**
George H. Franklin	**MR**	**566**	**53.1**	**- 3.8**
***Arthur Guttridge**	**MR**	**547**	**51.3**	**- 7.5**
John T,M. Farrier	Lab	273	25.6	- 18.8
George. Lilley	Lab	266	25.0	- 17.5
William J. Webb	Lab	259	24.3	- 17.6
Rees Davies	Prog	245	23.0	
Thomas P. Parker	Prog	237	22.2	
Arthur Priest Jr.	Prog	233	21.9	
8.0% swing Lab to MR	Maj	297	27.9 ●	
		293	27.5 ●	
		274	25.7 ●	

Munster

1912 electorate %turnout		6,719	44.2	- 7.1
***William R. Corbin**	**MR**	**1,493**	**50.1**	**+ 0.7**
***Joseph H. Meyer**	**MR**	**1,493**	**50.1**	**+ 1.6**
***Frederick Winfield**	**MR**	**1,466**	**49.2**	**+ 0.8**
***George A. Fleche**	**MR**	**1,436**	**48.2**	**- 0.2**
William G. Allen	**MR**	**1,410**	**47.3**	**- 0.9**
John Hunt	**MR**	**1,403**	**47.1**	**- 0.3**
Christopher W. Courteney	Prog	1,371	46.0	+ 3.8
Arthur R. Baxter	Prog	1,287	43.2	+ 1.8
Samuel S. Hitchcock	Prog	1,263	42.4	+ 4.2
George H. White	Prog	1,176	39.5	+ 3.5
Gavin Melville	Prog	1,158	38.9	+ 2.9
Walter J. Moores	Prog	1,113	37.4	+ 2.1
*William R. Bradban	Ind	393	13.2	
Henry Baxter Brown	Ind	208	7.0	
3.95% swing Prog to Mod	Maj	122	4.1 ●	
		122	4.1 ●	
		95	3.2 ●	
		65	2.2 ●	
		39	1.3 ●	
		32	1.1 ●	

Sands End

1912 electorate %turnout		4,667	51.9	- 2.4
***Henry G. Crew**	**MR**	**1,260**	**54.5**	**+ 0.3**
***James J. Edwards**	**MR**	**1,244**	**54.4**	**+ 0.7**
***Henry Norris**	**MR**	**1,203**	**52.6**	**- 1.0**
Walter E. Middleton	**MR**	**1,141**	**49.9**	**- 2.9**
Frederick J. Shaw	**MR**	**1,123**	**49.1**	**- 3.5**
Arthur Howell	**MR**	**1,104**	**48.3**	**- 4.0**
Alfred E. Baxter	Prog	1,022	44.7	- 6.9
John Bedwell	Prog	927	40.5	- 7.5
Charles A. Blake	Prog	887	38.8	- 8.6
Walter Pengelly	Prog	885	38.7	- 7.2
George J. Holmes	Prog	764	33.4	- 10.9
Thomas H. Speed	Prog	754	33.0	- 10.7
Thomas W.L. Oakey	Lab	289	12.6	
Wilson Coates	Lab	253	11.1	
Louis A. Hill	Lab	233	10.2	
Robert M. Gentry	Lab	231	10.1	
Caroline C. Townshend	Lab	208	9.1	
George R. Taylor	Lab	200	8.7	
3.45% swing Prog to MR	Maj	238	9.8 ●	
		222	9.7 ●	
		181	7.9 ●	
		119	5.2 ●	
		101	4.4 ●	
		82	3.6 ●	

Town

1912 electorate %turnout		2,748	43.1	- 3.6
***George F. Clark**	**MR**	**839**	**72.8**	**- 10.3**
***Edgar J. Sainsbury**	**MR**	**826**	**71.7**	**- 10.3**
***George W. Peachey**	**MR**	**819**	**71.1**	**- 9.9**
William J. Jones	Prog	326	28.3	
Louis E. Roberts	Prog	325	28.2	
Margaret Martin	Prog	321	27.9	
swing incalculable	Maj	513	44.5 ●	
		500	43.4 ●	
		493	42.8 ●	

GAIN 3

Walham

1912 electorate %turnout		2,134	45.6	- 7.5
James S. Lyon	**MR**	**495**	**52.3**	**+ 3.0**
Stephen Farley	**MR**	**493**	**52.1**	**+ 4.6**
Walter H. Gatrell	**MR**	**492**	**52.0**	**+ 7.1**
*William R. Sayer	Prog	482	50.9	- 5.0
William W.L. Whitlock	Prog	439	46.4	- 5.4
James Turney	Prog	438	46.3	- 4.1
4.9% swing Prog to MR	Maj	13	1.4 ●	
		11	1.2 ●	
		10	1.1 ●	

Hammersmith Borough

GAIN 9

Brook Green and St Matthew's

1912 electorate %turnout		3,683	46.0	-
***Richard Bevan**	**MR**	**1,143**	**73.8**	
Thomas Bendon	**MR**	**1,088**	**70.2**	
Joseph E. Woolerton	**MR**	**1,087**	**70.1**	
Oswald S. Hanson	**MR**	**1,064**	**68.7**	
Henry Foreman	**MR**	**980**	**63.2**	
Edwin T. Jones	**MR**	**966**	**62.3**	
Charles J. White	**MR**	**953**	**61.5**	
***Thomas A. Marsh**	**MR**	**952**	**61.4**	
Henry S. Watkins	**MR**	**916**	**59.1**	
William T. Jewell	Rate	577	37.2	
*Frederick A. Ratcliffe	Rate	562	36.3	
*Joseph G. Jones	Rate	534	34.5	
Francis H. Witts	Rate	459	29.6	
swing incalculable	Maj	566	36.6 ●	
		511	33.0 ●	
		510	32.9 ●	
		487	31.5 ●	
		403	26.0 ●	
		389	25.1 ●	
		376	24.3 ●	
		375	24.2 ●	
		339	21.9 ●	

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College Park and Latimer

1912 electorate %turnout		1,603	42.7	- 9.4
Charles Moore	**Rate**	**394**	**64.3**	**+21.7**
***Thomas Morris**	**MR**	**338**	**55.1**	
George P. Murfitt	**Rate**	**303**	**49.4**	**+16.4**
John R. Bedford	MR	283	46.2	
Frederick H. Rivers	MR	280	45.7	
Francis Houchin	Rate	241	39.3	+10.2
swing incalculable	Maj	111	20.1 ●	
		97	15.8 ●	
		20	3.2 ●	

River

GAIN 6

1912 electorate %turnout		2,829	50.2	- 0.3
Arthur Atkinson	**MR**	**708**	**41.8**	
Charles Pascall	**MR**	**694**	**41.0**	
***George W. Barker**	**MR**	**666**	**39.3**	
Walter J. Smith	**MR**	**665**	**39.3**	
***Joseph M. Levy**	**MR**	**657**	**38.8**	
William Sankey	**MR**	**645**	**38.1**	
*Henry T. Johnson	Ind	631	37.3	+ 1.4
Annie Cobden-Sanderson	Lab	534	31.5	+ 1.1
William South	Rate	390	23.0	+ 1.9
Arthur Burdett	Rate	371	21.9	+ 0.8
Francis C. Jarvis	Rate	330	19.5	+ 0.7
Thomas E. Honniball	Rate	326	19.2	
swing incalculable	Maj	77	4.5 ●	
		63	3.7 ●	
		35	2.0 ●	
		34	2.0 ●	
		26	1.5 ●	
		14	0.8 ●	

Starch Green

GAIN 6

1912 electorate %turnout		3,463	47.6	- 5.5
Ellis Davies	**MR**	**697**	**44.6**	
John Adams	**MR**	**657**	**42.0**	
William Branson	**MR**	**648**	**41.4**	
John Herbert	**MR**	**595**	**38.0**	
Francis P. Henning	**MR**	**583**	**37.3**	
Robert T. Saffell	**MR**	**571**	**36.5**	
*Thomas G. Hodgson	Rate	562	35.9	
John Westcott	Lab	511	32.7	
Alfred Bradley	Lab	502	32.1	
*Harry May	Rate	485	31.0	
John Lamb	Lab	475	30.4	
Francis L. Chester	Lab	475	30.4	
James P. Gardner	Lab	471	30.1	
Charles H. Shatwell	Lab	455	29.1	
*Thomas W. Davies	Rate	448	28.6	
Arthur Norris	Rate	426	27.2	
John N. Claydon	Rate	423	27.0	
John H. O'Brien	Rate	391	25.0	
swing inalculable	Maj	135	8.7 ●	
		95	6.1 ●	
		86	5.5 ●	
		33	2.1 ●	
		21	1.4 ●	
		9	0.6 ●	

St Stephen's

1912 electorate %turnout		1,320	45.1	+ 0.4
***Frank Mayle**	**Rate**	**492**	**74.8**	**+14.8**
***Arthur R. Cracknell**	**Rate**	**474**	**72.0**	**+17.5**
***William A. Gillies**	**Rate**	**474**	**72.0**	**+21.0**
Harry C. Palmer	Lab	186	28.3	
Alfred E. Weeks	Lab	170	25.8	
swing incalculable	Maj	306	46.5 ●	
		288	43.7 ●	
		288	43.7 ●	

The Grove and Ravenscourt

GAIN 6

1912 electorate %turnout		3,767	48.5	- 0.4
***Charles Johnson**	**MR**	**847**	**42.1**	
James Chamberlen	**MR**	**781**	**38.8**	
***Alfred Ebbs**	**MR**	**738**	**36.7**	
***Henry Wright**	**MR**	**730**	**36.3**	
Louis O. Glenister	**MR**	**710**	**35.3**	
Thomas H. Bacon	**MR**	**693**	**34.4**	
*Walter Tomes	Rate	539	26.8	- 7.9
George Farley	Ind	475	23.6	+ 3.7
Danzy S. Wilson	Rate	461	22.9	- 9.1
*James F. Fletcher	Rate	445	22.1	- 7.5
Albert Batstone	Lab	428	21.3	+ 6.4
Edward Morris	Lab	417	20.7	
Wellington H. Harding	Lab	388	19.3	
George H. Foster	Lab	349	17.3	
Roy F. Johnson	Rate	313	15.6	- 13.3
Walter Martin	Rate	305	15.2	- 8.5
Isaac J. Russell	Rate	290	14.4	- 9.3
swing incalculable	Maj	308	15.3 ●	
		242	12.0 ●	
		199	9.9 ●	
		191	9.5 ●	
		171	8.5 ●	
		154	7.6 ●	

Wormholt

GAIN 3

1912 electorate %turnout		2,493	48.5	+ 4.6
Gordon T.H. Stamper	**MR**	**632**	**54.7**	
Wilfred Travers	**MR**	**626**	**54.2**	
George D.H. Mackinnon	**MR**	**615**	**53.2**	
*Alfred Gillham	Rate	390	33.8	- 29.8
*John Cox	Rate	381	33.0	- 28.3
*John White	Rate	363	31.4	- 28.9
William Hopkinson	Lab	186	16.1	
Herbert James	Lab	150	13.0	
Martin Cody	Lab	122	10.6	
8.6% swing Mod to Prog	Maj	242	20.9 ●	
		236	20.4 ●	
		225	19.4 ●	

Summary of election results

Fulham	Date	Elec	%Poll	Mun Ref	Prog	Lab	Ind	ILP
Baron's Court	01.11.12	2,590	-	Unop				
	01.11.09	2,437	45.3	77.7	13.5			8.8
Hurlingham	01.11.12	1,804	53.1	68.8	31.2			
	01.11.09	1,728	58.9	68.9	31.1			
Lillie	01.11.12	3,970	45.4	62.6	37.4			
	01.11.09	3,713	49.1	56.8	30.2			13.0
Margravine	01.11.12	2,684	41.3	52.6	25.0	22.4		
	01.11.09	2,577	47.0	57.1		42.9		
Munster	01.11.12	6,719	44.2	48.7	41.2		10.1	
	01.11.09	6,304	51.3	48.3	38.2	13.4		
Sands End	01.11.12	4,667	51.9	51.5	38.2	10.3		
	01.11.09	4,490	54.3	53.2	46.8			
Town	01.11.12	2,748	43.1	71.9	28.1			
	01.11.09	2,435	46.7	82.0		18.0		
Walham	01.11.12	2,134	45.6	52.1	47.9			
	01.11.09	2,030	53.1	47.2	52.8			

* 1909 Labour vote share stated is for "Socialist"

Hammersmith	Date	Elec	%Poll	Mun Ref	Rate	Lab	Ind
Brook Green and St Matthew's	01.11.12	3,683	46.0	65.6	34.4		
	01.11.09	3,601	-		Unop		
College Park and Latimer	01.11.12	1,603	42.7	49.0	51.0		
	01.11.09	1,529	52.1		34.9		65.1
River	01.11.12	2,829	50.2	39.7	23.0		37.3
	01.11.09	2,727	50.5		35.7	16.8	46.1
St Stephen's	01.11.12	1,320	45.1	72.9		27.1	
	01.11.09	1,329	61.1		55.1		44.9
Starch Green	01.11.12	3,463	47.6	40.0	29.1	30.8	
	01.11.09	3,053	53.1		60.6	39.4	
The Grove and Ravenscourt	01.11.12	3,767	48.5	37.3	19.5	19.6	23.6
	01.11.09	3,481	48.9		24.8	14.9	56.3
Wormholt	01.11.12	2,493	48.5	54.0	32.7	13.2	
	01.11.09	2,216	43.9		61.8		38.2

Councillors' majorities

Fulham

1.	● Walter Gatrell	Walham	10	1.1
2.	● John Hunt	Munster	32	1.1
3.	● Stephen Farley	Walham	11	1.2
4.	● Joseph Meyer	Munster	39	1.3
5.	● James Lyon	Walham	13	1.4
6.	● George Fleche	Munster	65	2.2
7.	● Frederick Winfield	Munster	95	3.2
8.	● Arthur Howell	Sands End	82	3.6
9.	● Joseph Meyer	Munster	122	4.1
10.	● William Corbin	Munster	122	4.1
11.	● Frederick Shaw	Sands End	101	4.4
12.	● Walter Middleton	Sands End	119	5.2
13.	● Henry Norris	Sands End	181	7.9
14.	● James Edwards	Sands End	222	9.7
15.	● Henry Crew	Sands End	238	9.8
16.	● Daniel Morgan	Lillie	417	23.5
17.	● William Waldron	Lillie	427	24.1
18.	● Charles Hovell	Lillie	443	25.0
19.	● Arthur Gutrridge	Margravine	274	25.7
20.	● Patrick Cronin	Lillie	461	26.0
21.	● Harry Booth	Lillie	464	26.2
22.	● John Bavin	Lillie	474	26.7
23.	● George Franklin	Margravine	293	27.5
24.	● Arthur Cook	Margravine	297	27.9
25.	● John Mobbs	Hurlingham	325	34.9
26.	● Thomas Evans	Hurlingham	327	35.2
27.	● Herbert Dodimead	Hurlingham	328	36.3
28.	● George Peachey	Town	493	42.8
29.	● Edgar Sainsbury	Town	500	43.4
30.	● George Clark	Town	513	44.5
31.	● Thomas Beckett	Baron's Court	Unopposed	
32.	● Arthur Charleton	Baron's Court	Unopposed	
33.	● George Keen	Baron's Court	Unopposed	
34.	● John Neville	Baron's Court	Unopposed	
35.	● Edward Thomas	Baron's Court	Unopposed	
36.	● Job Walborn	Baron's Court	Unopposed	

Hammersmith

1.	● Robert Saffell	Starch Green	9	0.6
2.	● William Sankey	River	14	0.8
3.	● Francis Henning	Starch Green	21	1.4
4.	● Joseph Levy	River	26	1.5
5.	● William Smith	River	34	2.0
6.	● George Barker	River	35	2.0
7.	● John Herbert	Starch Green	33	2.1
8.	● George Murfitt	CP & Latimer	20	3.2
9.	● Charles Pascall	River	63	3.7
10.	● Arthur Atkinson	River	77	4.5
11.	● William Branson	Starch Green	86	5.5
12.	● John Adams	Starch Green	95	6.1
13.	● Thomas Bacon	The Grove	154	7.6
14.	● Louis Glenister	The Grove	171	8.5
15.	● Ellis Davies	Starch Green	135	8.7
16.	● Henry Wright	The Grove	191	9.5
17.	● Alfred Ebbs	The Grove	199	9.9
18.	● James Chamberlen	The Grove	242	12.0
19.	● Charles Johnson	The Grove	308	15.3
20.	● Thomas Morris	CP & Latimer	97	15.8
21.	● George Mackinnon	Wormholt	225	19.4
22.	Charles Moore	CP & Latimer	111	20.1
23.	● Wilfrid Travers	Wormholt	236	20.4
24.	● Gordon Stemper	Wormholt	242	20.9
25.	● Henry Watkins	Brook Green	339	21.9
26.	● Thomas Marsh	Brook Green	375	24.2
27.	● Charles White	Brook Green	376	24.3
28.	● Edwin Jones	Brook Green	389	25.1
29.	● Henry Foreman	Brook Green	403	26.0
30.	● Oswald Hanson	Brook Green	487	31.5
31.	● Joseph E. Woolerton	Brook Green	510	32.9
32.	● Thomas Bendon	Brook Green	511	33.0
33.	● Richard Bevan	Brook Green	566	36.6
34.	● William Gillies	St Stephen's	288	43.7
35.	● Arthur Cracknell	St Stephen's	288	43.7
36.	● Frank Mayle	St Stephen's	306	46.5

Breakdown of results: 1912

Shepherds Bush				Mun Ref	Rate	Lab	Ind	Total
1912	Electorate	8,879	Votes	1,667	1,838	883	0	4,388
	%Turnout	46.0	Votes%	38.0	41.9	20.1	0.0	100.0
	%Swing	incalculable	Councillors	10	5	0	0	15
			Candidates	12	15	11	0	38
1909	Electorate	8,127	Votes	0	2,571	765	1,116	3,687
	%Turnout	52.5	Votes%	0.0	57.7	17.2	25.1	100.0
			Councillors	0	13	0	2	15
			Candidates	0	15	6	9	30
			Change	-	- 15.8	+ 2.9	-	

College Park and Latimer, St Stephen's, Starch Green, Wormholt

Hammersmith				Mun Ref	Rate	Lab	Ind	Total
1912	Electorate	10,279	Votes	2,698	1,650	428	1,106	5,882
	%Turnout	48.2	Votes%	45.9	28.1	7.3	18.8	100.1
	%Swing	incalculable	Councillors	21	0	0	0	21
			Candidates	21	15	10	2	48
1909	Electorate	9,809	Votes	0	1,703	773	1,653	4,129
	%Turnout	49.7	Votes%	0.0	41.2	18.7	40.0	99.9
			Councillors	0	19	0	2	21
			Candidates	0	21	7	4	32
			Change	-	- 13.1	- 11.4	- 21.2	

Brook Green and St Matthew's, River, The Grove and Ravenscourt

North Fulham				Mun Ref	Prog	Lab	Ind	ILP	Total
1912	Electorate	15,963	Votes	3,199	2,278	273	393	0	6,143
	%Turnout	43.6	Votes%	52.1	37.1	4.4	6.4	0.0	100.0
	%Swing	6.45	Councillors	21	0	0	0	0	21
	MR to Prog		Candidates	21	15	3	2	0	44
1909	Electorate	15,031	Votes	4,203	2,057	1,069	0	348	7,677
	%Turnout	48.2	Votes%	54.7	26.8	13.9	0.0	4.5	99.9
			Councillors	21	0	0	0	0	21
			Candidates	21	16	9	0	2	47
			Change	- 2.6	+ 10.3	- 9.5	-	-	

Baron's Court, Lillie, Margravine, Munster

South Fulham				Mun Ref	Prog	Lab	Total
1912	Electorate	11,353	Votes	3,217	2,125	289	5,631
	%Turnout	48.4	Votes%	57.1	37.7	5.1	99.9
	%Swing	1.6	Councillors	15	0	0	15
	MR to Prog		Candidates	15	15	6	36
1909	Electorate	10,683	Votes	3,389	2,101	218	5,708
	%Turnout	53.3	Votes%	59.4	36.8	3.8	100.0
			Councillors	12	3	0	15
			Candidates	15	11	3	29
			Change	- 2.3	+ 0.9	+ 1.3	

Hurlingham, Sands End, Town, Walham

By-elections 1912-1919

Fulham Borough

Hurlingham

Tuesday 26 November 1912
Elevation to Alderman of Cllr Thomas Evans, Municipal Reform
No change

1912 electorate %turnout				
William S. Brooks	**MR**	**460**	**65.5**	**- 3.3**
William R. Sayer	Prog	243	34.5	+ 3.3
3.3% swing MR to Prog	Maj	217	31.0	

Margravine

Tuesday 26 November 1912
No change

1912 electorate %turnout				
Charles H. Cross	**MR**	**418**	**64.7**	**+12.1**
George Lilley	Prog	223	35.3	+10.3
0.9% swing Prog to MR	Maj	195	29.4	

Town

Tuesday 26 November 1912
No change

Charles F. Hawker	**MR**	**Unopposed**

Baron's Court

Wednesday 21 November 1917
No change

Arthur H. Burr	**MR**	**Unopposed**

Lillie

Wednesday 21 November 1917
No change

William Wilkinson	**MR**	**Unopposed**

Margravine

Tuesday 21 November 1917
No change

John Speed	**MR**	**Unopposed**

Munster

Tuesday 21 November 1917
No change

William Fowell	**MR**	**Unopposed**

Hammersmith Borough

Brook Green and St Matthew's

Monday 9 December 1912
Elevation to Alderman of Cllr Richard Bevan
No change

1912 electorate %turnout			28.8	
Edmond P.I. Coke	**MR**	**662**	**62.9**	**- 2.7**
Frederick A. Ratcliffe	Rate	391	37.1	+ 2.7
2.7% swing MR to Rate	Maj	271	25.8	

River

Monday 9 December 1912
Elevation to Alderman of Cllr Arthur Atkinson
No change

1912 electorate %turnout			16.4	
Henry T. Johnson	**Ind Con**	**296**	**65.1**	
George Farley	Ind Prog	91	20.0	
A. Burdett	Ind	68	14.9	
swing incalculable	Maj	205	45.1	

The Grove and Ravenscourt

Monday 9 December 1912
Elevation to Alderman of Cllr Charles Johnson
No change

1912 electorate %turnout			28.2	
A.F. Hunt	**MR**	**519**	**49.1**	**+11.8**
Walter A. Tomes	Rate	349	33.0	+13.5
Arthur Batstone	Lab	189	17.9	- 1.7
0.85% swing MR to Rate	Maj	170	16.1	