3. FORM OF DIRECTIONS FOR THE GUIDANCE OF THE VOTER IN VOTING, WHICH SHALL BE PRINTED IN CONSPICUOUS CHARACTERS AND PLACARDED OUTSIDE EVERY POLLING STATION AND IN EVERY COMPARTMENT OF A POLLING STATION.

The voter will go into one of the compartments, and, with the pencil provided there, mark his ballot paper by placing the figure 1 in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom he votes. He may also place the figures 2, 3, and so on, in accordance with the order of his choice or preference, in the square opposite the names of other candidates (that is to say):—

He must place 1 in the square space opposite the name of the candidate for whom he votes.

He may in addition place 2 in the square space opposite the name of the candidate who is his second choice, and 3 in the square space opposite the name of the candidate who is his third choice. *And so on.* Crosses must *not* be used.

If the voter does not place the figure 1 on his ballot paper, or places the figure 1 opposite more than one name, or places the figure 1 and some other figure opposite the same name, or places any mark on the paper by which he may afterwards be identified, his ballot paper will be invalid and will not be counted.

After marking the ballot paper, the voter will fold up the ballot paper so as to show the official mark on the back, and leaving the compartment will, without showing the front of the paper to any person, show the official mark on the back to the presiding officer, and then in the presence of the presiding officer put the paper into the ballot box and forthwith quit the polling station.

If the voter inadvertently spoils a ballot paper, he can return it to the officer, who will, if satisfied of such inadvertence, give him another paper.

If the voter takes the ballot paper out of the polling station or deposits in the ballot box any other paper than the one given him by the officer, he will be guilty of a misdemeanour, and be subject to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months, with or without hard labour.

*Note.*—These directions shall be illustrated by examples of valid ballot papers, such as the following:—

EXAMPLES OF BALLOT PAPERS VALIDLY MARKED.

A.

| Mark Order of Preference in Spaces below. | Names of Candidates. |
|---|---|
| 3 | BROWN (John Brown, of 52 Penn Street, Edinburgh, Labourer). |
| 4 | CAMPBELL (Rev. Jacob Campbell, B.D., of 1 Woodside Road, Edinburgh, Minister). |
| 2 | DUNN (Henry George Dunn, of 170 Anne Street, Edinburgh, Engineer). |
| 5 | HENDERSON (Mrs. Janet Henderson, of 5 Spencer Terrace, Edinburgh). |
| 1 | MACPHERSON (Charles William Macpherson, of 35 Bennett Street, Edinburgh, Grocer). |
| 6 | WALKER (Andrew Thomas Walker, of Park Crescent, Edinburgh, Bank Agent). |

B.

| Mark Order of Preference in Spaces below. | Names of Candidates. |
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| | BROWN (John Brown, of 52 Penn Street, Edinburgh, Labourer). |
| 1 | CAMPBELL (Rev. Jacob Campbell, B.D., of 1 Woodside Road, Edinburgh, Minister). |
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