Problem of the Week
Week # 12

I have just been in Menacia, where a President is elected annually.
“Our present President,” the Prime Minister told me, “was elected for the tenth time last year.”
“Oh, yes?” said I. “What is the method of election?”
“Why,” he said, “two candidates are put up, one from each party in the State. Then a certain number of electors meet – their number increasers as the population increases, up to a statutory limit – and decide between the two candidates.”
“The electors, I suppose, have one vote each?”
“No, each elector has as many votes as there are electors voting for his candidate.”
“I see no point in that,” said I. “It can’t affect the result.”
“Quite right. But it makes the majority seem more impressive.”
“And how big is the President’s majority?”
“Well, curiously enough, it’s been the same every time he’s stood.”
“Then the number of electors has not increased either?”
“Oh, yes, it has. It’s got bigger every year. It’s now very near indeed to the statutory limit of 275.”

_How many electors voted for the President when he was elected for the first time?_