

OTTAWA, July 27, 1949.

SPENCER M. SUTHERLAND, Esq.,
Returning Officer for Humboldt,
Humboldt, Sask.

DEAR SIR:—

I am sending you herewith copies of complaints received from Mr. L. F. Bence, Official Agent for Mr. Joseph W. Burton, who was a candidate at the last general election in your electoral district.

I should be pleased if you would send me a report on the complaints made by Mr. Bence.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) JULES CASTONGUAY,
Chief Electoral Officer.

OTTAWA, August 9, 1949.

L. F. BENICE, Esq.,
Official Agent for Mr. Joseph W. Burton,
Humboldt, Sask.

Re: Electoral District of Humboldt

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 6th ultimo enclosing four affidavits was duly received, but, owing to my absence from the office on account of illness, I did not have an opportunity to acknowledge the same until today.

The complaints that you make have been carefully noted and I propose to have the matter looked into at a later date. However, upon examining these complaints it has occurred to me that they do not appear to be of such character that would warrant the holding of an inquiry under subsection four of section seventy of The Dominion Elections Act, 1938.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) JULES CASTONGUAY,
Chief Electoral Officer.

HUMBOLDT, Sask., August 20, 1949.

Mr. JULES CASTONGUAY,
Chief Electoral Officer,
Ottawa, Ont.

Dear Sir:

I have given consideration to the two complaints referred to in your letter of the 27th ultimo.

The matter of time in use for the purposes of the election was in both the Proclamation and the Notice of Grant of a Poll simply described as "Standard Time," which I considered was in strict compliance with my instructions, although I think that the addition of the word "Mountain" so as to then show it as "Mountain Standard Time" would have been a good idea. Nevertheless, I was satisfied that all my election officials would be properly governed by "Standard Time."