

line before the Parliamentary Committee in Ottawa, stated definitely that the returning officer, in case of an overlapping division, only performed his duty when crossing off the names with a thin red line.

The question was put to Mr. Knott by the Chairman of the Committee, Hon. Mr. Aylesworth, Minister of Justice, as to where the limits of the registration district described in the King's Printer list, do not coincide with the limits of the polling division described in the proclamation, what is the returning officer to do in preparing the list which he must send to each deputy returning officer?

"A. The only reasonable thing he could do, to my mind, is to similarly erase the names from the printer's list supplied to him by the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

"Q. Acting on his own knowledge?"

"A. Acting on his own knowledge."

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With the passing of the bill prepared by the Minister of Justice, the imperfect lists of the past will be impossible in the future, and consequently the unpleasant duty of correcting them by crossing off the names that should not be on, will be avoided; and the thin red line, for which the Conservative Government of Manitoba is largely responsible, will never be heard of again.



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