

I further declare that the Return for the Township of *Morrison*, being also one of the polling places or divisions mentioned in the said Proclamation, has not been duly made to me. That I have examined *Henry N. Anderson*, the Deputy Returning Officer of that polling division, upon oath, and that his statement in writing, signed by him and sworn before me, is hereto annexed, and I declare that the poll book for *Morrison* aforesaid has been lost and cannot be found, and that the said *Henry N. Anderson* either omitted to appoint a Poll Clerk duly, or if he appointed a Poll Clerk the person so appointed did not officiate at the said polling place or division, and I am therefore unable to comply with the provisions of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, chapter sixth, section sixty-eight and of sub-section two of the said section, that requires that in case of the loss of a poll book the Deputy Returning Officer and Poll Clerk shall be examined on oath or affirmation, which examination shall be taken down in writing, and be subscribed by such Deputy Returning Officer and Poll Clerk, and annexed to the Return in lieu of such poll book. And I further declare that in the poll book for the polling division of *Parry Sound*, I find after the first two entries the remaining entries are made in a different handwriting, and on enquiry I find the cause to be that *John Wilson*, the person appointed by the Deputy Returning Officer to act as Poll Clerk at that place was found to be incompetent to discharge his duties, and that the Deputy Returning Officer forthwith called upon one *Foley* to act as Poll Clerk in lieu of said *Wilson*, and that the said *Foley* did so act without being sworn, as required by law; and that notwithstanding these facts the said poll book has been returned to me with the oath of the said *Wilson*, but without the oath of the said *Foley* who kept the said poll book throughout the said polling, with the exception of the time occupied in recording the first two votes.

And I further declare that upon the state of facts above set forth, I am unable to make a Return of the said Election in compliance with the provisions of the law in that behalf.

As witness my hand and seal this fourteenth day of September, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-two.

(Signed,) RICHARD JAMES BELL, [L.S.]  
Returning Officer.

True Copy.

(Signed,) EDOUARD J. LANGEVIN,  
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,  
*Canada*.

EVIDENCE OF HENRY N. ANDERSON, DEPUTY RETURNING OFFICER OF TOWNSHIP OF MORRISON, IN THE ELECTORAL DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF MUSKOKA.

(Endorsed.)  
Evidence and papers in matter of poll book for Township of Morrison. Election, 1872, for House of Commons.

*Henry N. Anderson*, of the Township of *Morrison*, in the District of *Muskoka*, yeoman, being examined upon oath, saith as follows:—I was appointed, under commission, Deputy Returning Officer for said Township during this late election. Took his oath of office, and acted as Deputy Returning Officer and Poll Clerk myself on the polling day. I had appointed a Poll Clerk, but he did not come in time, and I thought I could do the work myself. I then proceeded and took all votes that offered on the Voters' List of 1871. I closed the poll at the proper time. I signed the foot of each page and made the oaths required before *John Scott*, J. P. I came to *Bracebridge* on the 26th August with the book, to return it to the Returning Officer. I think it was stolen from me that day, as I have made diligent search for it, and caused inquiry to be made without any result. I saw the Returning Officer that day, but not till after I had lost the said poll book; and as I could not show it, I went for the purpose of looking for it. At the close of the poll on the said polling day, the whole