

Q. No. (Reads):—

I am not stating what I do not know to be an absolute fact. It is not hearsay, it is not guesswork. I got that possibly from the highest source in Canada on immigration affairs. These permits were sold, and the bars were let down and people were allowed to flow in who were not ordinarily eligible for our immigration.

That is what you call a suggestion?—A. Yes, that might be termed a suggestion.

Q. All right, that is your idea of it. Why did you go out of your way in the letter to mention to Mr. Forke the fact that his conversation was not confidential; who had suggested that it was confidential?—A. No one.

Q. Why did you take the trouble to put a whole paragraph in saying that it was not confidential?—A. I don't know. I had no particular reason for it, I just did it that way.

Q. You just inserted that without any reason at all?—A. Yes, certainly.

Q. May I suggest that perhaps your conscience was troubling you a little and that you realized that it was a confidential conversation, and that you wrote this letter to square yourself?—A. In this regard my conscience has never worried me.

Q. Get back to the point; was it not the fact that your conscience was troubling you about the fact that you had spilled a personal and private conversation, and that you were trying to square yourself?—A. It was not troubling me, nor was I trying to square myself.

Q. Will you give me an answer to the question; why did you go to the trouble of writing a whole paragraph to demonstrate that this conversation was not a confidential conversation?—A. I can give you no reason other than I have given.

The CHAIRMAN: Any further questions?

*By Hon. Mr. Edwards:*

Q. When you had the conversation with Mr. Forke, did he intimate at that time in any way, shape or form that you were to regard what had passed as confidential?—A. No, sir.

*By Mr. Boys:*

Q I was not here, Mr. Coldwell, but I heard the statement of what you said, in which you mentioned Dr. Manion's name. Had you any right to mention Dr. Manion's name?—A. If you will look at the record you will see that I was asked, who was the Minister of Immigration before Mr. Forke? I did not positively know, but I think in a more or less questioning manner I suggested Dr. Manion's name. I am sorry I did that.

Q. After having considered the matter, do you say that Dr. Manion's name was mentioned in the conversation?—A. I made it clear yesterday that Dr. Manion's name was not mentioned by Mr. Forke.

*By Hon. Mr. Ralston:*

Q. And so stated it yesterday?—A. Yes.

*By Mr. Fansher (Last Mountain):*

Q. You simply designated him as his predecessor?—A. Yes, I was asked the question.

*By Hon. Mr. Ralston:*

Q. Have you found out who his predecessor was?—A. I have not even looked into it.

Q. And you do not know?—A. I do not know.

[Mr. M. J. Coldwell.]