

chart, she says, but cannot remember anything about two charts. Have you found her to suffer from loss of memory?—She is sometimes apt to forget things. She loses her head, to put it shortly.

Dr. COUGHTREY sworn and examined.

5907. *Mr. Chapman.*] Your name is?—Millen Coughtrey.

5908. What are your qualifications?—I am a Bachelor of Medicine and Master of Surgery of the University of Edinburgh.

5909. You were for some time Professor of Anatomy in the University of Otago?—Yes.

5910. And you are a registered medical practitioner for this colony?—Yes.

5911. Practising in Dunedin at present?—Yes.

5912. How long have you been in practice in Dunedin?—Since about Christmas, 1876. I really commenced practice in the first week of January, 1877.

5913. What is your official connection with the Dunedin Hospital?—I am a member of the Honorary Medical Staff, and Chairman of the medical staff for this year.

5914. And in that capacity you have been requested to attend this inquiry?—Yes.

5915. You have had some experience in and knowledge of hospitals in the Old Country, have you not?—Yes.

5916. Of what hospitals?—The Liverpool Royal Infirmary, the Northern Hospital and the Southern Hospital (both in Liverpool), the Manchester Royal Infirmary, the Leeds Royal Infirmary. I have seen the Blackburn Infirmary; I have also seen the London hospitals cursorily—more particularly one part of St. Thomas's, the Edinburgh Royal Infirmary, the Glasgow Royal Infirmary, and the Western Infirmary.

5917. *The Chairman.*] Do you mean the new or the old Edinburgh Infirmary?—The old one. I also visited the Chalmers Hospital—commonly known as Watson's—in Edinburgh.

5918. *Mr. Chapman.*] Have you seen any foreign hospitals?—Yes.

5919. Begin with America?—I have been in the Bellevue Hospital in New York.

5920. When?—I was there in 1869 and again in 1872. In 1869 I was there as a student. I also saw the Roosevelt Hospital in New York. I saw that hospital in the latter part of 1872. I also saw the Boston City Hospital.

5921. Do you know anything of the hospitals of the continent?—I have seen part of the Moabite and also part of the Friedrischen.

5922. And in France?—I have seen the Hôtel Dieu in Paris.

5923. Any others in Europe?—I do not recollect any more.

5924. What about Vienna?—I saw the Rudolph Steifnung.

5925. Any others?—I have seen the Jamsetjee Jeejeeboy Hospital in Bombay. I have also seen the Australian hospitals.

5926. Which of them have you seen?—The Melbourne Hospital, at the corner of Lonsdale and Elizabeth Streets. I have not visited the Alfred Hospital, but I have discussed it with an old friend of mine, who is one of the directors.

5927. You have not been inside of it?—No. I have only seen the outside of it.

5928. But you know something of it through having had discussions about it?—Yes.

5929. Have you seen any other Australian hospitals?—I have seen the old Sydney Hospital in Macquarrie Street.

5930. Do you know anything about the hospitals in this colony?—Yes. I have seen the Oamaru, Timaru, and Christchurch Hospitals.

5931. *The Chairman.*] When did you see the Christchurch Hospital?—Last year. I also saw the Auckland Hospital; but that was about sixteen years ago.

5932. What had you to do with the Dunedin Hospital before your present connection with it?—The first time that I had anything to do with the Dunedin Hospital was when I visited it partly at the instance of the University Council and partly at the instance of the Provincial Executive. I have a record of that visit, which, if I remember aright, was made in June, 1875. I have extracted it from page 253 of my private note-book.

5933. Was it from your report to the Provincial Executive?—It was accompanied by a private report, which I gave to Mr. Macandrew, on the accommodation of the Hospital.

5934. That, I understand, is the material on which you founded your report?—Yes. I suggested that the Hospital should be used for the purpose of affording medical education. The private report to Mr. Macandrew was made at his request.

5935. Had you anything further to do with the Hospital?—There was another report on the 5th July, 1875, drawn up by myself, and afterwards submitted to Dr. Hulme, who at that time was the only surgeon connected with the institution. Dr. Hulme was Provincial Surgeon. In that report, which was directed to "His Honor James Macandrew, Esquire," I dealt with the methods of utilising the institution for clinical teaching, and for throwing it open to the profession.

5936. Was your recommendation adopted?—Yes. Not exactly at that time, but later on. The whole of it was carried out with one exception.

5937. *The Chairman.*] Then the whole of the scheme which you suggested was carried out?—With the exception of the main thing that I had recommended to Dr. Hulme.

5938. What, do you mean that the whole plan was adopted with the exception of the main thing?—It was the main thing, as it happened. I suggested that the gentlemen who came on the honorary staff, partly for the purpose of giving clinical instruction and partly also as members of the medical staff, should receive from the Provincial Executive a fee of £100 per annum.

5939. Then your plan was adopted, with the exception of the part relating to the fees?—Yes. That was for giving clinical instruction to the Medical School. [Report handed in: Exhibit lvi.]

5940. How does this document bear on the present state of the Hospital?—It does not exactly bear on the present state of the Hospital; but it shows the scope I took, of it being used for the