- 173. There were only convalescents in the harness-room?—Yes.
- 174. What was the name of the nurse who ordered Colley's removal?—Sister Keith was in charge.

175. Where is she now?—At Heretaunga.

- 176. Sister Hannah is where?—At the nurses' residential home in Kensington Street.
- 177. And Nurse Farrom?-I do not know, but probably Nurse Hannah could tell you where she is.
- 178. Mr. Ferguson.] What have you to say about the food at Berhampore?—It was splendid; I never saw anything better, except at Kaiwarra.

 179. Had they their own cooking staff?—We had our own cooks.

180. There could be no ground for complaint?—No.

- 181. Neither as to quality nor quantity?—That is so; it was all good.
 - Dr. William Bertram Ochiltree Ferguson sworn and examined. (No. 31.)

1. The Chairman.] What is your rank?—Captain in the N.Z.M.C.

2. And your medical qualifications?—M.B., C.M.

3. Have you been connected with Trentham Camp?—Yes.

4. For how long?—Since the 20th May; and have remained there since.

5. What are your duties there?—When I went in I was in the Field Ambulance, and my duties were to do such work as orderly-officer for the day, sanitary officer, and any other duties that cropped up in the way of attending to the people who were ill in the different units.

6. Who was over you then?—The O.C. was Major McAra.

- 7. And up till a certain point, Dr. Purdy?—Yes; he was under Colonel Purdy.

 8. Then, after you ceased to be orderly what else did you do?—That would have really gone on—that was one's training for one's future work abroad, I take it—but with the epidemic and the onrush of disease things were altered, and I was given charge of the hospital for general diseases, to differentiate it from measles. I had charge of the hospital for all general diseases. The measles I had nothing to do with at all.
- 9. Where was the hospital for general diseases located?—Primarily it was located in three or four marquees; but after the epidemic got in full sway and the disease began to get going we had to go to the racecourse buildings, where we have been since.

10. Was the accommodation for the measles kept separate from the others?—Yes.

- 11. We heard this morning that all those who were sent on from the camp with influenza were put into the kiosk where the measles cases were: is that so?—No, absolutely not. That is absolutely a misstatement. I could explain it.
- 12. The witness said that about 85 per cent. of those who came in were suffering from influenza and colds?-Yes.
- 13. And the result was that the measles cases and colds were mixed in the kiosk?—That is not so. I had complete charge. Cases came into the kiosk diagnosed as influenza. They may have been there anything from four to five days or a week, and some of them would get measles. As soon as the measles developed and the diagnosis was certain they were immediately removed.
- 14. Dr. Martin.] Where were the measles cases put?—In different buildings—some in the jockeys' quarters, and at different places. All I had to do was to remove them out of my place,

and I sent them out.

15. There were no measles cases in the kiosk?—Absolutely none.

16. The Chairman.] What was the kiosk devoted to in your time?—Ninety per cent. of the cases were influenza.

- 17. You attended Private Badger —I did.
 18. I do not know whether you saw the statement that was given in evidence here on the subject?—I did.
- 19. He was in town, apparently, on the 22nd, and went into camp on the 22nd. Can you give us your statement with regard to the condition of things when he went in ?-Yes.

20. What date did you begin to occupy the kiosk ?-I am afraid I cannot speak as to that

from memory. It was before Badger was admitted.

- 21. Would it be about the middle of June?—Somewhere about the end of the second week in June.
- 22. Had the kiosk up to that time been fully provided with equipment?—That I must explain. It is impossible to answer that Yes or No. At that time there were people coming in.
- 23. When you went over to take possession of the kiosk was there any equipment?—No, sir. It was taken in an emergency to meet an emergency.

24. And then you had to put in the equipment as soon as practicable afterwards?—Yes, and to meet the onrush of people through the epidemic.

- 25. You might shortly state what was done to provide equipment immediately after you got into the building?—Of course, that was not quite in my department. I notified the administrative authorities that there were so-many patients requiring beds. They motor-cars and got the equipment there for us as soon as possible afterwards. They telephoned or used
- 26. Was there anything in the shape of delay in getting what was requisitioned for !-There was no undue delay.
- 27. As extra men kept coming in you had to get extra equipment?—Yes, extra equipment. 28. And had you got completely equipped for as many as the kiosk would provide for by the 22nd June?—We had always equipment for those in it, but as a big sick-parade turned up we had sometimes to send for things, which necessitated an hour or two's delay. What we