

167. There was no continuity of treatment of the patients—they were given treatment by several medical men?—No, only the last week I was there; we always had the same doctor before that.

168. Pollard was seen by Captain McCaw, the night before by Dr. Steele, and by which doctor in the daytime?—Dr. Harrison was there every day.

169. And Major Elliott?—He came on Tuesday night, I remember.

170. These eight beds in the Berhampore Hospital: were they close together?—Fairly close together, but there was plenty of room between them.

171. *Mr. Ferguson.*] In regard to the orderlies, were they trained men?—They were Red Cross men, but I do not know whether they were trained. They had no nursing to do.

172. Were you satisfied with what they did do?—I made them do it. When I had orderlies who did not do the work properly I reported them and had them replaced. There were three men sent back to Trentham.

173. Therefore they were not altogether satisfactory?—Some of them.

174. The sergeant you had was quite satisfactory?—Yes; but he was not under me at all. He came to take charge of the patients outside. The orderlies were under me.

175. Still, anything you asked him to get done he got done for you?—Yes, outside.

176. *Mr. Salmond.*] Did you know what Colley died of?—No.

177. Did you ever have a talk with the doctors about it?—No; just privately with the nurses.

178. And from your experience did you suppose that Colley was suffering from pneumonia?—No, I do not think so. He was a man who was apparently quite well.

179. He was quite well up to the day before he died?—Yes, apparently.

180. Until then you regarded him as a convalescent case of measles?—Yes.

181. Had he any temperature, do you know?—No, he had no temperature, but he was feeling a chill.

182. Were you alarmed at his condition on that day?—He showed no symptoms at all. I watched him all that afternoon, and late in the afternoon his temperature went up to 103, and so I sent him to the hospital that evening.

183. Was he sent to the general hospital before the doctor had seen him?—Yes; those were my orders.

184. But in the other cases of Pollard and Fordham you kept them at Berhampore?—Yes, because we had so few cases then. We were able to look after them.

185. The reason you sent Colley to the hospital was that at that time there were some patients at Berhampore?—Yes.

186. How many were there?—A good number, because they were sleeping in the marquees.

187. If Colley had not been sent to the hospital where would he have slept that night?—In the ward.

188. There would have been room there for him?—Yes.

189. He would not have had to sleep in the marquee?—No.

190. You were alarmed, and you thought you had better send him to the hospital?—Yes.

191. Now, as to Pollard, I understand that he was seen by the doctor twice a day during the last few days: when did you first think his case was serious?—On the Tuesday.

192. He having come in on the Friday?—Yes.

193. Up to Tuesday how often had he been seen by the doctor?—He would be seen by the camp doctor every day. He saw every patient.

194. Up to that time had Pollard been seen by any other doctor?—I cannot remember.

195. His case was not regarded as serious until the Tuesday?—They might have thought it was serious.

196. Would another doctor in addition to Dr. Harrison come as a matter of course to the hospital?—No, not unless he was sent for.

197. Another doctor would not see Pollard unless he had been sent for?—No.

198. Did you send for another doctor to see Pollard?—I rang up Major Elliott on Tuesday night.

199. The hospital was then connected with the telephone?—Yes.

200. *The Chairman.*] It was put on about a fortnight after the hospital opened?—No; but some time before it was closed up.

201. *Mr. Salmond.*] You rang up Major Elliott, and he came and saw Pollard: did he think he was seriously ill?—Yes.

202. He told you so?—Yes.

203. Was there any talk about his removal to the hospital?—I do not know.

204. The next day (Wednesday) did you know whether Captain Harrison was there?—I was not on duty; but another Medical Officer came from the camp. I do not know all their names.

205. Did you know what doctor came the next day—Thursday?—The other nurse would know.

206. You never saw any other doctor but Drs. Elliott and Harrison?—There were also Drs. McCaw, Ferguson, and Steele.

207. There were those five doctors, and he was only ill on the Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and died on the Friday; there should not have been five doctors attending him?—There would be one at night, and another in the daytime.

*The Chairman:* Dr. Harrison is stationed at Trentham, and he went round the hospitals at Kaiwarra and Berhampore, and arranged that if any patient required special attention during his absence the nurse could ring up for a doctor. Major Elliott could not attend on the Thursday, and so he got Dr. Steele.

208. *Mr. Salmond.*] Are you of opinion that Pollard got proper medical attention during the whole of the time?—Yes.