

39. Who came after you?—Sister Faram, and then Sister Keith.

40. *The Chairman.*] His temperature went up, it was said, on the Tuesday?—His temperature went up high.

41. Were you on duty during Tuesday?—Yes; I would go on about 4 o'clock.

42. *Mr. Salmond.*] Do you remember the occasion you were first on night duty—when the change was made, and why?—Yes; it was on account of Pollard the first night.

43. Did you ever have any conversation with Dr. Harrison about Pollard's dangerous condition?—I do not remember.

44. Or with Nurse Keith?—We may have talked about it.

45. Who told you to sit up all night with Pollard?—We thought it was better for us to sit up than the orderly in charge.

46. You must have had some conversation about his condition?—Yes, I suppose we had. Before that we told the orderlies to call us if they were afraid of anything.

47. For any case?—Yes; the boys used to come in with their noses bleeding and they had to be plugged.

48. Do you remember during that week that other doctors were coming in the evening?—Yes, and they came through the daytime, too.

49. Do you remember the doctors coming to see Pollard?—I was not on duty. I do not know whether it was to see Pollard in particular.

50. Did you ever ring up a doctor to come and see Pollard?—Yes; I think Sister Keith did. I do not know whether it was to come and see Pollard; it was later on in the week, I fancy.

51. Do you remember Dr. Steele coming to see Pollard?—No; I would not know him if he did come.

52. Do you know anything about a telegram having been sent to Pollard's relatives?—I think Sister Keith sent one, and Captain Harrison sent one. He left us saying he would send one to the effect that he was ill.

53. What was the usual course in the hospital about that sort of thing: had you any instructions about informing relatives?—No; we did not have any bad patients in there except those two cases. In the others we always had permission to send them to the Wellington Hospital.

54. Do you think Pollard got proper medical attention, enough visits and enough care?—Yes, I think so.

55. You were quite satisfied?—Yes.

56. And proper nursing?—Yes.

57. And do you think it was a proper place to keep Pollard in, or should he have been sent to the hospital?—I do not know. He got every bit as good treatment as he would have got at the Wellington Hospital.

58. Was it an uncomfortable place for a sick man to be living in?—No. The doctor gave Fordham the option of going to the Wellington Hospital, but he refused. That was on the Thursday, and Fordham said he did not want to go—that he was quite comfortable where he was. He asked me afterwards if he had done wrong.

59. You sometimes did send patients to the Wellington Hospital?—Yes; we sent them on if they got a rise of temperature.

60. *The Chairman.*] That was at the time you had a large number there?—No, all along.

61. *Mr. Salmond.*] If that was so why did you not send Pollard?—I do not know.

62. Or Fordham?—Pollard was very weak from the time he came in, and Fordham would not go. Pollard was never out of his bed.

63. You remember Pollard's relatives coming to the hospital?—Yes.

64. Did they make any complaint?—Yes; the brother wanted to have him removed. He went and saw Captain Harrison, but I do not know what agreement they came to.

65. Did Pollard's brother say in your presence that he wanted him removed?—Yes.

66. Why?—Because, I suppose, he was not satisfied with the place, or did not think he was being well looked after.

67. He did not say he was dissatisfied with the nursing?—He did not say so.

68. It was the place he objected to?—Yes.

69. Do you remember a consultation in which Dr. Herbert was present?—No.

70. You remember Pollard dying?—I was there.

71. Was any complaint made then that he was not properly treated—about his feet being cold?—Yes; his sister said his feet were cold. I rang up the place where his brother was staying, but I could not get connected about half past 4 or 5 in the morning, and when Sister Keith came on I told her of the position, and I rang up again. This time the man said there was a Pollard there. I told the brother that Pollard was very bad, and he said he thought he had better wait as his people were coming up from Christchurch, and he would chance it.

72. And then they arrived that morning?—Yes.

73. Did they complain when they got there that Pollard's feet were cold?—I do not know; I was not attending.

74. Were you the nurse who had looked after Pollard that night?—Yes.

75. Did Nurse Keith tell you afterwards or then that they had complained of his feet being cold?—Yes; she told me afterwards.

76. What did you say?—I do not know that I said anything. When his people arrived he was quite conscious. I saw the motor-car coming, and he made a rally at the thought of his father coming.

77. Was he able to recognize his parents?—Yes; he brightened up and seemed quite cheerful after they arrived.