

Testimony of Albert G. Wakefield.

By Mr. Baker.

Ques. During the 8 years of your official connection with the hospital were you well acquainted with Mr. Sampson the engineer. Ans. I became acquainted with him while I was there. I never visited the hospital without going once or more into the engine room.

Ques. Did you use to know Peter Haines. Ans. I used to see the same man about there frequently that is there now.

Ques. State your own observation of Mr. Sampson, what sort of a man was he in point of characteristics and treatment of those under him, especially Peter Haines.

Ans. He was a very quiet, very industrious man, always kept his work up in good order, and so much so that it was frequently talked between the trustees that we were getting fully our money's worth out of Sampson. I never saw anything to lead me to suppose that he was anything but a very humane man. I never saw any indications of temper, of hastiness or irritability; there was nothing to call it out when I was there. I thought he was one of the most valuable men that they had at the institution.