

practically, I could not go there without its being known as soon as I got insight of the hospital. I kept on separate keys.

Ques. Whenever you were in the hospital everything was accessible to you. Ans. If I wished to go to any room, or any ward, I had permission at any time.

Ques. State whether during your term of service, appointments to the place of attendants or other places were made for political reasons and on political qualifications. Ans. I never knew of any such case, never heard it talked, never suspected it.

Ques. Did the trustees ever look to that as one of the requisites or inquire into it at all with reference to appointments. Ans. I never did.

Ques. Did you ever know of the superintendent inquiring the politics of an attendant as to whether he would appoint him or not. Ans. I never did. I suppose from what I learned after the present treasurer was appointed that he belonged to the opposite side to myself in politics; I made no inquiry. The appointment of the trustees might have been influenced in that way, but when they appointed I do not think they had that in mind at all.

Ques. State so far as you could judge with reference to the care exercised by the superintendent in the appointment