

I then undertook to show him that it could not seem reasonable that it would be practicable. As I understood him then, he thought his views might be some what peculiar, but he knew them to be shared by some other people.

Q. What was stated to you by him at any time in reference to the stopping of this investigation if Dr. Barlow could be removed? A. I heard Dr. Butler allude to some thing in that way in the Hotel North; I don't think I could repeat the words he used. I think he didn't speak very clearly at that time on that point.

Q. My question covers all topics ~~in~~ which he spoke of it? A. We have had other conversations at different times, and I don't know whether I am obliged to answer all questions that may be asked me here or not.

The Chairman: I think that is the duty of the witness.
Dr. Butler: I am not particular whether he answers it or not. Capt. Lakin and I have talked a great deal together. We have talked matters in strict confidence. That may be of no account here.

The Chairman: Not at all.