

Q. Who told you? A. Sprinthall was the man who told me, and I do not know who told him to tell me.

Q. When was that? A. That was just before the election came off.

Q. How long before the election? A. I suppose about two or three weeks.

Q. Sprinthall invited you there? A. He told me to come around to Hadley's office, that there was going to be a meeting about canvassing the wards.

Q. What did you say to Sprinthall? A. I told him I could not go.

Q. And did you go? A. No.

Q. Were you invited a second time to attend? A. I think I was.

Q. Who by? I think it was by the same man.

Q. You know. Who was it invited you to attend? A. I would not swear that.

Q. Was that Charles Hadley? A. No.

Q. Was Charles Hadley present? A. No, Charles Hadley was not present that I remember of.

Q. Will you say on your oath that Charles Hadley was not present? A. Well, I will now swear that he was not present.

Q. You will now swear that Charles Hadley was not present? A. Well, that is hard to tell.

Q. Will you swear Hadley was not present when you were invited to attend these meetings? A. I will not.

Q. Did you attend the second occasion? A. No.

Q. What excuse did you give? A. The excuse I gave was that I would not be around. I told them I had something else to do that night.

Q. And are you sure these invitations were to attend at Mr. Hadley's office? The first was, you told me? A. Yes.

Q. And so was the second? A. I believe it was.

Q. Just give me Sprinthall's name in full? A. William Sprinthall.

Q. He is working where? A. Coulthart & Neilson's.

Q. Did you attend any meeting? A. Yes.

Q. Where was the meeting held that you attended? A. I was up two or three times over the printing office, and I was into the place opposite the Opera House on King Street.

Q. Was that before or after you were asked to go to Hadley's office? A. It was before. That was just about the same time, within a few days.

Q. Did you see young Hadley there? A. I saw young Hadley in there.

Q. Where? A. In the committee rooms down opposite the Opera House.

Q. Doing what? A. He was just sitting around talking about the election.

Q. What were you doing there? A. I just went in to look around.

Q. You saw young Hadley there; was it at night or during the day you were there? A. I was there during the day, and I was there at night. I think I was there twice during the day.

Q. What were you there during the day for? A. I was not working, and I was just down street and I went in.

Q. What were you doing there? A. Sitting around and hearing people talk.

Q. Were you asked to look after any votes? A. No.

Q. I suppose they had the ordinary books there, the voters' lists? A. Yes.

Q. Were they going over the voters' lists when you were there? A. Yes.

Q. Who was going over them? A. Some of the inside scrutineers.

Q. Who were the inside scrutineers? A. Well, I saw Duncan McNaughton going over lists.

Q. Who do you call an inside scrutineer? A. The man inside that represents the Reform party and sees no votes are cast but what should be cast, I suppose.

Q. Were they appointed the night you were there? How did you know Duncan McNaughton was an inside scrutineer? A. I heard he was going to be.

Q. Was he appointed the night that you were there? A. I do not know that he was.