

*By Mr. McDowall, Complainant :*

Q.—Do you not remember looking over it, and saying, "I think so," and the candidate saying, "Well, it is wrong," and you saying, "How do you know?" and the candidate referring you to the black-board? A.—I have a recollection of a candidate referring to the board. That was what brought it to my notice.

Q.—And you recollect nothing else? A.—It did not occur in that way.

*By Dr. Hodgins, Chairman :*

Q.—Could you give any information on that point? A.—I could. I recollect asking a candidate how he or she was getting on.

Q.—What was the reply? A.—I could not give you a distinct answer. A reply was given which led me to say that I thought the answer was right. I was then referred to the black-board, but I cannot say whether it was to prove that it was right or not.

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Q.—Your attention was called to it in that way? A.—Yes.

Q.—This was while the examination was going on? A.—Yes.

Q.—Can you say whether it was an Arithmetic or a Natural Philosophy question you were asked about? A.—I cannot.

Q.—Don't you think the time you were asked that question and the time your attention was called to the black-board were different times? A.—I could not swear whether it was the same time or different times.

*By Dr. Hodgins, Chairman :*

Q.—You could not tell what was on the black-board? A.—I could not. I have a very indistinct recollection of it, and would not have noticed it at all if my attention had not been called to it. I did not look through the question the candidate showed me, and did not give an opinion that it was right or wrong.

Q.—What was the answer she gave you to what you said?—A.—I could not state that.

Q.—You know she made an answer? A.—I did not know whether the candidate answered directly or not.

Q.—You must have looked at the black-board when your attention was called to it. Can you give us no evidence as to what it was that you saw there? Were they answers? A.—The candidate told me so.

Q.—But you did not look at them sufficiently to know they were?

A.—Not sufficiently to be positive. Possibly I could immediately after, but I cannot recollect at the present moment.

*By Mr. Slack, Commissioner :*

Q.—Didn't you compare one answer of the question with the other on the board? A.—I did not. I did not examine the question with a view to ascertaining anything as to its correctness at all.

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Q.—Didn't you and Mr. Martin have a conversation out in the hall as to the irregularity of these answers written on the board?

A.—I cannot remember having had a conversation of that description.

Q.—Had you no conversation with him on the subject that day?

A.—I could not swear.

Q.—Did not the person you spoke to in the room say to you that she had failed entirely? A.—She stated that she had not been successful.

Q.—Who was it? A.—Miss Eliza Living. I have no recollection who it was called my attention to the board, but I have a distinct recollection of Miss Living speaking to me about being unable to succeed in Arithmetic.

Q.—Was that during the examination? A.—I would not swear that it was.

Q.—That same day have you any recollection of going into the room and seeing candidates writing during the noon hour? A.—I have a recollection of candidates writing after twelve, but as to the time I could not swear.

Q.—Was it between twelve and one? A.—Yes, nearer twelve than one.

Q.—Had you been to lunch with Mr. Martin and returned? A.—I could not say.

Q.—Have you no recollection of seeing the candidates writing after dinner? A.—No.

Q.—You did after twelve? A.—Yes.

Q.—How long was it after twelve; half an hour? A.—I think not.

Q.—Did Mr. Martin not call your attention to the clock? A.—I could not swear that he did.

Q.—Have you no recollection of having a conversation in the hall with him at that time? A.—I have not. I have a general recollection of speaking to him on the subject.

Q.—Have you no recollection of talking with him that day or the next about candidates having their time extended? A.—I have no distinct recollection.

*By Dr. Hodgins, Chairman :*

Q.—You saw persons writing after twelve o'clock? A.—Yes, a short time after twelve by the ordinary time, but I cannot say whether it was the correct time.

Q.—What do you call a short time? A.—I should call between five and ten minutes.

Q.—Had you any reason for going in? A.—I had been in. I spoke frequently with the examiners during the examination.

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Q.—Then you appeared in the school-house somewhere in the neighbourhood of twelve o'clock? A.—Yes.

Q.—Where did you come from? A.—I had been there the greater part of the forenoon.

Q.—And you have no distinct recollection when you went home? A.—I have not.

Q.—Did you and Mr. Martin go home to lunch together? A.—I could not swear we did.

Q.—You know that the time was extended during the Arithmetic examination, but you cannot state how long? A.—I know it was extended, but I cannot say how long.

Q.—Do you not remember that after going home to dinner with Mr. Martin and coming back about fifteen minutes to one, you saw candidates writing? A.—I have no recollection of seeing candidates writing after dinner.

Q.—You have no recollection of having gone back after dinner? A.—I have not. I went so often I could not be positive as to this occasion.

Q.—Have you any recollection one evening, as the candidates were leaving the room, Mr. Martin, Mr. Borthwick and some ladies being present, of one of the ladies expressing a desire to know what would be on the Physiology paper the next day, and Mr. Borthwick making an answer? A.—I have a recollection of the candidates in a jesting way saying to some one, I cannot say who, "What will we have to-morrow?" as they frequently do, without expecting to get information.

Q.—Was the reference not made to the Physiology paper? A.—I cannot swear positively that I heard any of the candidates say what would be on the Physiology paper.

Q.—Do you remember the Inspector answering any of these questions? A.—I have no distinct recollection of Mr. Borthwick answering any of those questions.

Q.—Have you no recollection of his using the expression, "Count your teeth?" A.—I have no recollection of Mr. Borthwick using those words.

Q.—Did you hear anything about counting your teeth? A.—Yes, but I cannot swear about what time or what person said it.

Q.—And you don't know who said it? A.—I have no recollection that it was given as information. I recollect some of the candidates speaking about it afterwards.

*By Dr. Hodgins, Chairman :*

Q.—Was there any other examiner present? A.—I could not say who was present. I think it was in the hall, but I cannot swear that Mr. Borthwick was there.

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Q.—Have you any distinct recollection of seeing Mr. Rathwell in the room when you saw the answers in Natural Philosophy on the board? A.—I don't swear that it was Natural Philosophy.

Q.—Well, when you saw the answers on the board, whatever they were, was Mr. Rathwell in the room? A.—He may have been in the room.

Q.—Have you no distinct recollection of seeing him in the room? A.—He may have passed through the room.

*By Dr. Hodgins, Chairman :*

Q.—Did you see him pass through the room? A.—I cannot say positively. I merely passed through the room myself.

*By Mr. Gibb (Counsel for Mr. Borthwick) :*

Q.—The word "extend" was used. I suppose you have no knowledge whether the time was extended on that occasion or not? A.—I have not.

Q.—Do you know of your own knowledge whether any arrangement was made that they should have a longer time? A.—I have no personal knowledge.

Q.—Do you know whether the persons you saw there were working or not? A.—I do not. I did not look to see that they were working.

Q.—Your testimony just amounts to this, that after twelve o'clock you saw some candidates in the room, but you do not know what they were doing? A.—It amounts to that.

*By Dr. Hodgins, Chairman :*

Q.—Were they writing? A.—I do not know. They were in their seats.

*By Mr. Le Sueur, Commissioner :*

Q.—Did they look like people working? A.—Yes. If I used