

- Q. Did you say anything to keep him from going?
 A. I did not.
- Q. Had you not the means of knowing that Hinsley had been rejected officially?
 A. No, sir. I had the means of knowing it; I believed it; but I had no official notice.
- Q. Having the means of knowing, and having an official duty to discharge, did you feel it your duty to use those means to find out whether the rumor was correct or not?
 A. I did not, because I had not time to go and hunt the clerk up.
- Mr. Freamer*—Q. Had you no messenger in the vicinity of your office?
 A. I had not.
- Mr. Wallis*—When you want to see any of the officials of the city government, do you say you have to run about after them?
 A. I have no messenger; messages generally go through the police officers.
- Q. Have you not a janitor and secretary in your office?
 A. We have.
- Q. Will you tell the committee whether you were not satisfied in your own mind that Hinsley had been rejected, notwithstanding you had no official notice?
 A. I was.
- Q. And that before the polls were opened?
 A. Yes.
- Q. When did you give Mr. Hinsley his commission?
 A. In the morning.
- Q. About what hour?
 A. It was after the difficulty that had occurred at the polls.
- Q. Twelve o'clock?
 A. I don't think it was so late. I cannot speak positively of the hour. It was after ten and before twelve.
- Q. Hinsley told you he was going to the polls?
 A. He did.
- Q. Did you tell him not to go?
 A. I did not.
- Q. I understand you to say that you had great difficulty in getting a judge to act at the election?
 A. I found considerable difficulty.
- Q. Will you tell the committee whether you made any effort to get a judge?
 A. I did not.
- Q. You allowed Hinsley to go, after being satisfied in your own mind that he had been rejected by the council?