

Testimony of William H. Allen, Sworn.

By W. Baker.

Ques. Your employment at the hospital. Ans. I am gardener; have the entire charge of the garden and flowers there.

Ques. State what use you make of the flowers and to what extent they are used. Ans. I cut the flowers generally and make them up into bouquets, and put them into the dining halls on the tables, ^{where the patients dine} and cut them loose and deliver them to the patients also; distribute them to the patients when there is an entertainment in the hall or something of that sort.

Ques. How many bouquets a day do you carry into the patients. Ans. I do not carry them in every day, do not have flowers to cut every day.

Ques. About how many on an average. Ans. As many as 8 bouquets a day, distributed among these various tables.

Ques. Do the patients seem to appreciate these at all, enjoy them. Ans. Always appears to.

Ques. What proportion of the flowers do you use for the officers or their families. Ans. It would be so small that I do not know as I could hardly estimate the proportion. I have no instructions for the officers to have any.