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connection with the Hospital in the manner selected by the Managers, may be to my professional standing and prospects I trust you will be able at the next meeting to make plain the reasons which have compelled my inefficiency as an officer during my holding of the position of surgeon.

I cannot but think that it has been an error to allow a usage to prevail, by which for twelve years, I have been compelled to take a term which it has been physically impossible for me to fill, and which thus resulted in great hardship to me during all that time, and now is the cause of my being subjected to great indignity.

No one of my colleagues, excepting Dr Packard, has ever been able to afford me any relief, and the Managers have allowed them to adhere to a precedent, which has deprived me of much of the advantage of my term of service, and has now resulted so disastrously for me. A similar precedent, so far as I know, has never existed in any other Hospital, by which one surgeon could be compelled by his colleagues to suffer in such manner, for such a length of time.

I now regret that I did not years since appeal to the Board for protection from such unjust usage, even at the risk of incurring the displeasure of those with whom I was associated.

Whether I am elected or not, I think that the Managers should take steps to prevent a recurrence