

Educational (1912) Department.

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DATED 29. 3. 12

[Despatch Abstract.]

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declining to intervene on behalf
of Captain Willmott in
the matter of the removal
of his children from the—

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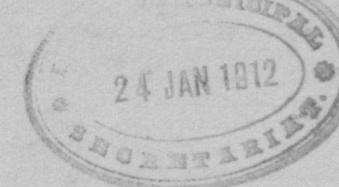
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Guindy, MADRAS.



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My dear Davidson,

I am desired to transfer the enclosed
from Captain E.H.B. Willmott for disposal.

Yours sincerely,

H. B. Willmott

The Hon'ble

Mr. L. Davidson, I.C.S.,

Secretary to Government,

Educational Department,

Fort St. George.

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No 7. Rue. des Capucins
Pondicherry

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17th January 1912

From

Captain. L. H. B. Williams
Retired

To

His Hon. Secretary

L. H. B. The Governor

Madras

Sir

Reference to your Memo No
2405. Of Madras 13th January 12. I
regret to hear that my appeal which
was posted to you Registered on the
15th November last, had not reached
you; I have the honor, therefore, of
forwarding another copy herewith
and to state, that my appeal is a
Personal complaint - Against the
Authorities of the Lawrence Asylum
as to their very arbitrary conduct; and
I would beg to invite your kind at-
tention to para 2 of minute XIII,
wherein the present course has
been suggested to me, by the highest

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Military Authorities in India - If
The Secretary to Government, Ed.
-ucational Dept. is the correct Office
will you kindly forward the corres-
-pondence to him, or, if His Excellen-
cy does not feel disposed to interfere
in the matter will you kindly
obtain for me His approval, to apply
to the Secretary of State for India for
redress, as the Lawrence Asylum
is a Public Institution receiving
large grants from Government.

Please the honor to be
Sir
Yours most obedient Servant
E. Willmott (Capt.)
Retired

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LAWRENCE ASYLUM,

LOVEDALE,

No. 4249.

21st February, 1911.

To

CAPTAIN E. WILLMOTT,

Poonamallee.

SIR,

I write to inform you that your two boys Eric
and Noel are badly infected with ringworm and are
not only doing no good here, but are, in the opinion
of the Resident Medical Officer, a standing danger to
other children in the school. I therefore write to
ask whether you are willing without further action
on my part to temporarily withdraw them until they
can get a clear bill of health from a commissioned
Medical Officer.

Yours truly,

(Sd.) W. M. CAMPBELL, COLONEL,

Acting Principal and Secretary.

II.

POONAMALLEE,

23rd February, 1911.

To

The Acting Principal and Secretary,

Lawrence Asylum,

Lovedale.

DEAR SIR,

Reference your letter of 21st instant to hand
to-day. I very much regret to hear that my two sons
are again in Hospital with ringworm, and you ask
me to temporarily withdraw them as the Resident
Medical Officer is of opinion that they are a source of
danger to other children. Now may I inform you

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that this fact was not considered 2 years ago when the school was reeking with the parasite of ringworm, when numbers of healthy children not only my own, were admitted and caught the infection and instead of the Medical Officer endeavouring to stamp out the disease he suggests it being spread in other stations, and so avoid care and attention. All I conclude from the tenor of your letter is that no trouble is desired by the authorities in the school. My boys, I regret to say, were 9 or 10 months or so in Hospital last year, and of course could not keep to their studies, of which I did not complain, and it was mostly on this account of their health and having just recovered from the attack of ringworm that I did not withdraw them from school for their holidays as I did in the previous year, when they were permitted to leave school with the disease which was apparent on arrival and had to be treated and returned cured, or a certificate would not be furnished them.

I am sure the parents and also the school authorities would be more than pleased if the Resident Medical Officer would do his duty and saw that the children were kept clean and not allowed to wallow in the filth and dirt. I regret very much, though I am reluctant to say so, that I was very surprised to see the dirty state of the boys of the school when I visited it early this month and it is hardly surprising to find such diseases among children where there are a large number. However before acceding to your wishes to remove the children from the school, I have consulted the commissioned medical officer at this station as to the advisability of bringing the boy's home. This officer himself personally examined the boys before rejoining school in February 1910, and granted a certificate. Surgeon Captain Carter R.A.M.C. also examined them scrupulously before they joined school in 1909 as at that time small-pox was prevalent in the vicinity, so it is evident the children contracted the disease at school, as they never had it at home. Now that they have been 2 years on and off suffering with the disease, the school should try and stamp it out and effect a cure instead of asking the parents to do so which is very unfair.

I am led to believe from the conversation with the Medical Officer here that the only permanent remedy is the application of the "X" Rays. Please let me know early what you now wish done as my daughter will leave Ooty probably on the 28th or 1st March, and who pays their fees backwards and forwards and cost of applying "X" Rays.

Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) E. WILLMOTT, CAPTAIN.

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NILGIRI DISTRICT.

LOVEDALE, P. O.

No. 139,

27th February 1911.

For,

The Principal and Secretary,
Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum,
Lovedale.

To

CAPTAIN E. WILLMOTT,
Rationalist List,
Poonamallee.

SIR,

In reply to your letter of the 23rd February, I write to inform you that I have enquired into the origin of the cases of ringworm and eczema amongst the boys here with particular reference to your children. I find that ten days after the return from the holidays last year of your son Noel viz. on the 24th February 1910, he was admitted into Hospital suffering from eczema, which he certainly did not contract here in ten days; and he has had it almost uninterruptedly ever since. He was discharged from Hospital for about six weeks in March and his re-admission was practically simultaneous with that of several other boys including his brother Eric which, to say the least of it, was a remarkable coincidence.

2. Your daughter Olive is reported to have had eczema on her head, near her neck below her hair, when she arrived here a couple of weeks ago; this was discovered when she was being bathed on her arrival and it has since spread somewhat and she is now in Hospital with it and must also be removed with her brothers. She could not have got it here at any rate, and how she got a medical certificate before coming here I do not know.

3. I saw Miss Willmott here yesterday and she promised to inform me, to-day or to-morrow, whether she is returning to Madras at once or not. If she does, the children will be sent with her. If not they will be sent alone unless you make other arrangements for them. I don't know who will pay their fares except yourself.

4. If, as it appears to be the case, the "X" Ray treatment is the only reliable one for those suffering as your children are, the sooner you get them within reach of this treatment, which is available at Madras, and not here, the better it will be for them, and I hope it will be altogether successful in their case.

5. Whether this be so or not, I presume, from the way in which you have thought fit to write about this Asylum, that you will have no wish to send them back here and in any case the Principal will have something to say about that. Had I known the whole circumstances of the case I should certainly not have gone out of my way to admit your daughter Olive as I did.

Yours faithfully,

(Sd.) W. M. CAMPBELL, COLONEL,
Acting Principal and Secretary.

IV.

Copy of Telegram of 27th February 1911, to the Principal, Lawrence Asylum, Lovedale.

Your 4249 must I withdraw boys temporarily.

V.

Copy of Telegram from Principal, Lawrence Asylum, Lovedale.

Your Telegram to-day. Your boys and girl must be withdrawn. Your girl was found to be suffering similarly on arrival here and is now hospital. Letter follows.—Principal.

VI.

Copy of Telegram to the Principal Lawrence Asylum Lovedale.

Your telegram kindly hand Children over tomorrow My daughter.

VII.

Wrote a letter (copy mislaid) to the Principal on 2nd July 1911 informing him of children's recovery, and their being free for over a month, and asking him when they should be returned and what documents would be required as they have not attended any school since leaving Lovedale and that their education is being lost.

VIII.

Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum,

Lovedale Nilgiris,

24th July 1911.

To

CAPTAIN E. WILLMOTT, (RETIRED),

No. 7, Rue-des-Capucins,

Pondicherry.

The Principal and Secretary begs to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 2nd instant and to say that your children's names have been registered in class VI. for readmission as according to our telegram and letter No. 4309 dated 27th February 1911, they were struck off the rolls of this institution.

2. Their case will be considered in their turn and due notice will be given if they are selected for admission.

3. As there are no vacancies at present and it will be some considerable time before there are any I would suggest your making arrangements to send them to some other school so that their education may not be neglected.

(Sd.) W. H. PADFIELD,

Principal and Secretary.

IX.

PONDICHERRY,

8th August 1911.

FROM

CAPTAIN E. H. B. WILLMOTT,

Retired Dy. Commy.,

late S. & T. Corps.

To

The Military Secretary

To His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,
The Army in India,
Simla.

SIR,

I have the honour to bring the following facts to your kind notice, and to request the matter may be laid before His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief Indian Army, for favour of His Excellency's orders.

1. Three of my sons Eric, Noel, and Charles were admitted into the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund with a clear bill of health, dated March 1909, furnished by Surgeon Captain Carter, R. A. M. C., St. Thomas Mount, who very carefully scrutinised them and in fact segregated them owing to small-pox having broken out close to my residence just as they were called into School.

2. During that year they contracted ringworm at the school, a disease they never had before, and when they came home to Poonamallee, for their holiday's in December 1909, they were found to be suffering with this disease, and Surgeon Major Hennessey, R. A. M. C., in charge of Poonamallee examined them and prescribed for their treatment. This officer again examined them before they rejoined school in February 1910 and found them cured, but granted a certificate to the effect that they had suffered from Ringworm contracted at the school (which certificate is with the school). No sooner had they rejoined school than the disease, I understand, broke out again, then followed measles, chicken-pox and mumps, all contracted at the school, owing to which and also (as I was informed) as they were not free from the Eczema, I did not again take them out for the holidays in 1910, as I hoped the rest and the bracing climate would have done them good.

3. In the early part of this year (21st February 1911), the acting Principal and Secretary wrote and asked me to temporarily withdraw my children which I naturally resented, on the grounds of there being a Resident Medical Officer, a matron, a staff of servants, and an elaborate newly constructed Contagious Disease Ward on the premises to cope with such diseases. However the matter was settled by my having to withdraw my three boys, together with my daughter who was admitted only that month (on a certificate furnished by Major Hennessey, R.A.M.C., Poonamallee.) This girl, I may say, stayed 4 days with me at Ooty and daily visited her brothers, and may have contracted the disease from them, and which appeared after admission, but never had it before.

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1. Owing to the children coming from a cold place, my wife feared their health in Poonmallee, and so removed to Bangalore a milder climate, and had them there attended to, where, I am sorry to say, they were contracting malarial, and under medical advice were brought here, and since arrival have greatly improved and are quite recovered. A month having passed without a recurrence or sign of Ringworm, I wrote and informed the Principal so, and asked him when they could rejoin, and he wrote saying that they were struck off the rolls of the Institution, have been re-registered and their case will be considered.

5. I beg to state that nowhere in the correspondence have I been informed of their names being struck off the rolls: consequently they have been kept at home under treatment attending no schools, and no clearance certificates either had been sent me to enable them attending other schools. I have been paying the authorised fees of Rs. 40 for three boys per mensem, and their schooling through sickness contracted, had been very much neglected, and now to insinuate that my children had taken the disease to school is preposterous, and from the tenor of the last letter from the Principal there is a tinge of doubt whether the children will be re-admitted. Under these circumstances, I beg that orders be issued for the children's re-admission at once into school, as the cost of refitting them with an outfit for a new school, as suggested by the Principal, the travelling expenses, and boarding fees will be beyond my means; they have quite outgrown their old clothing, and further there is no European English School here, and with my large family it is impossible to continually keep changing stations.

I have been informed that only my children, out of all the numbers that were effected, were sent out of school, and for what reason it is not understood. Yet at present, there are children in school suffering from the same disease.

Copies of correspondence are attached for favor of reference.

I have &c.,
(Sd.) E. WILLMOTT, CAPTAIN,
(Retired) Deputy: Commy.,
late S. & T. Corps,

P. S.—If enquiries be made it will be ascertained that the diseases mentioned above have been yearly occurrences for years past.

X.

{ Stamp of
Commander-in-Chief } SIMLA,
in India, } 18th August 1911.

DEAR SIR,

Your personal complaint dated 8th August 1911 has been transferred to the Adjutant General in India, for necessary action and any further correspondence on the subject should be addressed to that officer.

Yours truly,
(Sd.) W. C. BLACK,
CAPTAIN E. H. B. WILLMOTT.

XI.

No. 7, Rue-des-Capucins,
Pondicherry,
26th Sept. 1911.

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FROM

CAPTAIN E. H. B. WILLMOTT,
Deputy Commy. Retired,

TO

The Adjutant General,
in India,

SIR,

The Mily. Secretary to H. E. the C. in C. in India in reply to my personal complaint, (Min. IX.) wrote to say that it had been transferred to you for necessary action, and any further correspondence on the subject should be addressed to you. I have the honor therefore to enquire the action taken to enable my children rejoining school.

I have &c.,
(Sd.) E. WILLMOTT, CAPTAIN,
Deputy Commy. Retired,
late S. & T. Co p.

XII.

No. 7211/2 (A. G. 7.)
Army Head Quarters India,
Adjutant General's Division,
Simla, 6th October 1911.

FROM

The Adjutant General in India,

TO

CAPTAIN E. H. B. WILLMOTT,
7 Rue-des-Capucins, Pondicherry.

MEMORANDUM.

No. With reference to your letter
Date 16th Sept. noted in the margin the Adjutant
11. Subject Read- mission of your child- General is directed to state that
ren to the Ootacam the matter is still under consi-
Lawrence Asylum. deration.

(Sd.) CHARLES JOHNSON, COLONEL,
for Adjutant General in India.

XIII.

No. 7211/7 (A. G. 7.)
Army Head Quarters,
Adjutant General's Branch,
Simla 20/23 October, 1911.

FROM

The Adjutant General in India,

TO

CAPTAIN E. H. B. WILLMOTT,
7, Rue-des-Capucins,
Pondicherry.

SIR,

In reply to your letter dated 8th August 1911, regarding the circumstances under which your children were removed from the Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum, I am directed to say that as this institution is not under the Commander-in-chief's jurisdiction, His Excellency regrets his inability to interfere in the matter.

2. Your correct course would be to address your complaint to the Secretary of the Committee of Management of the school. Failing this an application to the Govt. of Madras is open to you.

I have &c., &c.,
(Sd.) A. A. BARRETT, MAJOR GENERAL,
Adjutant General in India,

XIV.

No. 7, Rue-des-Capucins,
Pondicherry,

November, 1911.

FROM

CAPTAIN E. H. B. WILLMOTT,

Dy., Commy., (Retired),

late Supply and Transport Corps.

To

The Military Secretary,

To His Excellency the Governor of Madras.

SIR

I have the honor to forward to you the accompanying correspondence with reference to my children being struck off the rolls of the Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum, and beg to invite your kind attention to minute IX. being the basis of my personal complaint, which was forwarded to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief in India.

2. That officer through his Adjutant General-in-India, though he recognises the complaint regrets his inability to interfere, as the school is not in his jurisdiction, and refers me to the secretary of the committee of management, failing him to address the Government of Madras.

3. As the Secretary, who is also the Principal, as will be seen by the correspondence, having arbitrarily disposed of the case; I now appeal to His Excellency the Governor of Madras for his intervention and directions in the matter, and for his information I beg to state, that, at the request of the Principal and Secretary (Vide minutes I, IV and V.), the children were withdrawn *temporarily*, and with much trouble, inconvenience and expense have been cured, during which period, the past nine months, they have attended no school; and now to be informed for the first time which is quite unreasonable, (in minute VIII) that they have been "struck off the rolls of the institution," (why?) and that "their case will be considered in their turn...if they are selected" leads one to doubt if ever they will be admitted, especially as the Principal and Secretary states that "there are no Vacancies at present and it will be some considerable time before there are any." This is no fault of the children, and at the time of calling, three of them may not be of the age for admission, who were in the first instance admitted into the school free and spotless of any disease.

4. The Principal and Secretary I beg to state is treating my children as new admissions, instead of them being treated as part and part of the institution, *on leave*, so that they may rejoin on production of a clear bill of health.

5. Should the children be ordered to be re-admitted, I request that they may be permitted to rejoin after the vacation in February, 1912.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

Wm. H. B. Willmott
CAPTAIN,
Dy., Commy., (Retired), late S. T. Corps,
Mad: Estbt,

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Educational Dept
(Cuo 245)

No. 2606. P 89

2606/59/12
Encl. 245-188.2.12
Referred to the Committee
of the Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum
for remarks.

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To
The Secy, Law. Dept.
8/1/12

3rd Regt No 659

1st Reminder

Resd 1. 3. 12
No 7 Res. des. Capitan

Pondicherry

29th February 1912

From

Captain E. H. B. Willmott

Retired

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras
Educational Deptt.



Sir

The Deputy Secretary to His Excellency
The Governor of Madras informed me
in his Memo No 2605 dt. 23rd January 1912
that my appeal, protesting the decision
of the Principal & Secretary of the Lawrence
Asylum School at Lonedale, regarding my
children, had been forwarded to you for
disposal. I have the honor to request
you will kindly inform me the result
of your inquiries and His Excellency's order
thereon.

2. My children have been 1 year today
without any schooling, and neither can
I have them admitted in any other school
without clearance certificates

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most obedient servant
Willmott Capt.

Retired Dy. Commr.

Endorsement No. 659-24

Referred to the Committee of the Ootacamund
Lawrence Asylum, for remarks, in continuation
of endorsement No. 245-1 dtd 8th February 1912.
(By order)

Wm. H. H. H.
Under Secretary.

Best TH
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Fort St George,
4th March 1912

PD. Re
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To, the Secretary, Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.

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To The Under Secretary to Govt.
Educational Dept.

Please see this office No.

4814 of the 20th instant in reply to
Your endorsement No. 245-1 dated 8th
February 1912.

W. B. Willmott
Principal Secretary
Lawrence, England

Cordale
20th March 1912

Reference to the Committee of the Education
Department, for the purpose of the
of endorsement No. 245-1 dated 8th February 1912.
(Approved)

(Class Secretary)

(Class Secretary)

The Under Secretary to Govt.
Educational Dept.

Please see this office No.

4814 of the 20th instant in reply to
Your endorsement No. 245-1 dated 8th
February 1912.

W. B. Willmott
Principal Secretary
Lawrence, England
Capt. W. B. Willmott (R. 1912) 20th March 1912

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From

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Ed DEPARTMENT,

To

Captain E. H. B. Willmott (Retired).
Pondicherry.

6/3/12

DATED FORT ST. GEORGE, 4. 3. 1912.

SIR,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter _____, dated
29th February 1912 and to state that the matter is under Correspondence
which will receive due attention

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4.3.12.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Yours most obedient Servant,
For Secy

Re
4.3.12.

Recd 12/4/12
+ the copy below.

16/ Fol C. no 914
Ryd 22-3-1912
POTACAMUND LAWRENCE ASYLUM.

LOVEDALE P. O.,

Nilgiri District, 20th March 1912.

26-4814

FROM

THE PRINCIPAL AND SECRETARY,

POTACAMUND LAWRENCE ASYLUM,

LOVEDALE,

To

The Under Secretary to Government,

Educational Department,

M A D R A S.



With reference to your endorsement No. 245-1, dated

8th February 1912, I am directed by the Committee to say

that the children of Captain Willmott have been struck off
the register of children awaiting admission to the Lawrence
Asylum.

2. I have the honour to submit herewith copy of
the Resolution of the Committee on the above mentioned
subject.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

[Signature]

Principal and Secretary.

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Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum. 13

LOVEDALE,
Nilgiri District, 20th March 1912.

From

The Principal and Secretary,

To

The Under Secretary to Government,

M A D R A S.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the undernoted Extract from the Proceedings of the Ootacamund Lawrence Asylum Committee at their meeting on the 15th instant.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

W. Woodhead
Principal and Secretary.



EXTRACT.

Item No. XV Laid on the table papers in connection with the removal of four children named Willmott from this Institution.

(Endorsement No. 245-1 of 8-2-1912 from Under Secretary to Government).

Resolution.

Resolved that the children of Capt. Willmott be struck off the register for the following reasons:-

(a) That the presence of the children is a danger to others as regards health.

(b) That having received no education for the last 15 months they would probably have to be superannuated.

(c) That the father having expressed himself so freely regarding the treatment of children in hospital, it would be undesirable to readmit them to the school.

(TRUE COPY.)

W. Woodhead
Principal and Secretary.

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Recd C. no 966
Dep 27-3-1912
For delivery
No 7 Recd. des. Capensis
26th March 1912

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Mr

From
Capt. E. H. B. Williams
Retired

To
The Secretary to the Govt. of Rhodesia
Directorial Dept.

Sir
With reference to your
No 659-1 of Fort St. George 21st March
1912. I have the honor to request the
favor of a reply to my appeal dated
17th January 1912 forwarded to you
by the Military Secretary to His
Excellency the Governor, and to
state that this question is long
pending, and in the meantime
my children are being neglected
in their schooling through no
fault of theirs; and I would deem
it a favor by the matter being
disposed of by His Excellency before
his departure from the Trans-
vaal.

I thank you for the
Sir

Yours most Obedt. Servt.

William H. Capt. Williams
Retired. Dep. Commr.

[E. & L.]
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NOTE FILE.

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Educational Department.

C.No. 245, from Captain Willmott, dated 17--1-1912.
C.No. 659, do. 29--1-1912.
C.No. 914, " the Poonamallee Lawrence Asylum 20--3-1912.
" 966, from Capt. Willmott 26.3-12.

Subject.

Removal of Captain Willmott's children
from the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund.

Captain Willmott's case is set out in his letter dated 8th August 1911 on pages 8 and 9 of current file, which was addressed to the Military Secretary to the Commander-in-Chief in India. He got admitted three of his boys into the Lawrence Asylum in March 1909. The boys returned to Poonamallee for the Christmas holidays in December 1909 when they were found to be suffering from ringworm. They were treated for the disease during the holidays, were cured. ~~They~~ re-joined the Asylum in February 1910, with a health certificate granted by Surgeon-Major Hennessey. Ten days after re-joining the Asylum, one of the boys had eczema, another a few weeks later; and both continued to suffer from it uninterruptedly for a long time. Captain Willmott did not remove his children for the Christmas holidays in December 1910 and they remained in the Asylum.

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2. In February 1911 the Principal of the Asylum informed Captain Willmott that two of his boys were badly infected with ringworm and ~~that~~ as in the opinion of the Resident Medical Officer they were a standing danger to the other children in the Asylum, requested him to temporarily withdraw them. Captain Willmott took ~~no notice~~ ^{offence} at the statement that his children were

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were a standing danger to the health of the other children, contended that his children caught the disease at the Asylum and spoke of the Resident Medical Officer in disparaging terms. Some correspondence ensued and resulted in Captain Willmott's withdrawing his children toward the end of February 1911.

3. In July 1911 Captain Willmott wrote to the Principal of the Lawrence Asylum saying that his children were free from the disease and asked him when they should be returned. The Principal replied that the names of his children had been struck off the rolls of the institution in February 1911, but stated that they had again been registered for re-admission; that their case would be considered in their turn and that due notice would be given if they were selected for admission. At the same time the Principal suggested that Captain Willmott should arrange to send his children to some other schools so that their education might not be neglected. Captain Willmott ~~then~~

appeals to Government against the action of the Principal in striking off the names of his children from the rolls. He points out that he was at first only asked to withdraw his children temporarily and that the subsequent change of attitude has put him to a good deal of inconvenience and has spoiled the education of his children.

4. The Committee of the Lawrence Asylum, to whom Captain Willmott's complaint was referred, has gone further and has had the names of the children of Captain Willmott struck off the register of children awaiting admission, thus rendering their future re-admission almost

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impossible. This decision is based on the following grounds:--

(i) that the presence of the children is a danger to others as regards health,

(ii) that having received no education for the last 15 months they would probably have to be superannuated, and

(iii) that the father having expressed himself so freely regarding the treatment of children in hospital, it would be undesirable to re-admit them to the school.

~~He~~ ^{He} submits for the information of Government a copy of ~~the~~ ^{its} resolution on the subject.
(is a hard one, but it)

5. The case does not appear to be one for the interference of Government; and Captain Willmott may be informed accordingly. A draft is submitted for approval.

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27.3.12 *27.3.12*

Draft altered.

The case comes under Rule 3 (*chap P.* *p. 6*).
The management of the asylum is vested in a committee under the presidency of the G.O.C. 9th Division, which is "directly responsible" to Gov^t for the administration ... and shall carry out all the orders of Gov^t relating thereto.

(*Malnut*)
2. Gov^t must not properly interfere on behalf of a parent - who permits himself to write as Captain Willmott did on the 23rd February (see p. 5 of cf.).
As for the "temporary" nature of the

[Please see Capt. Willmott's
letter - p. 15 of cf. - in which he
asks for early orders]

p-6 f.f.

with regard, that Col. Campbell looks
^{it} is something more than temporary
 is evident from para 5 of his letter
 of the 27th February 1911, a perusal of
 which is invited. This reached Captain
 Willmott in March at latest.
 3. Places cannot be kept waiting for
 candidates for admission, & to
 overrule the Committee in this case
 wd. - I have little doubt - result in
 a crop of resignations. Their view
 doubtless is that Captain Willmott
 cannot be trusted to send his children
 back clean & healthy.

L.D.
 27-3-12

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H.M.
 H.E. to Dr? (He writes today asks
 particularly that the case shd. be
 dealt with before H.E. left Madras).

I don't think Govt should interfere.
 It is too late now in any case to think of his
 children returning. ~~and~~ They would derive no
 benefit from the school now. This Capt
 Willmott is I think the man who was his
 only confidant of the Pioneer & spent his time
 in running down the station. He may give

more trouble, but it seems to me much
too late for you to interfere -
I approve of the draft.

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28. 11. 12

So do I.

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Young at once

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C.No. 245, from Captain Willmott, dated 17th January 1912.
C.No. 652, do. dated 29th January 1912.
C.No. 214, the Principal, Larnau, dated 20th March 1912.
n 966. Capt. Willmott " 26. 3 - 12

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With reference to his letter dated

17th January 1911 addressed to the

Military Secretary to His Excellency

the Governor, Captain Willmott will be

informed that the Government ^{are not} regret to

^{prepared} be unable to interfere ^{one} in the matter.

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on his behalf.

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To

Capt. Willmott. ✓

The Committee of the L.A. Ooty,
thro' the D.R.

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