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No. 55. Read the following Memorandum from J. McKENNA, Esq., M. D., Superintending Surgeon Presidency in charge of Office of Director General, Medical Department; to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 9th June 1852, No. 108.

The Officer in charge of the Office of the Director General has the honor to forward the accompanying application from Assistant Surgeon VanSomeren, to be relieved of the charge of the Penitentiary, for the favorable consideration of Government, and begs to suggest that the duties be performed by Assistant Surgeon W. Aitken, M. D., Superintendent of the Lying-in Hospital, as that Officer's official duties will be by no means heavy.

From W. J. VANSOMEREN, Esq., M. D., Surgeon 1st Division; to the Superintending Surgeon Presidency, dated 3rd June 1852, No. 21.

1. With reference to the subject of the documents noted in the margin, I have the honor once more to address you, and again to request that my application to be relieved of the Medical charge of the Penitentiary, be submitted for the consideration and decision of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

2. The application is based upon the following grounds.

First — That the Penitentiary is out of my District.

Second — That I live in my District, and not out of it.

Third — That the appointment of Surgeon Partons to the charge of the Penitentiary by the Minutes of Consultation, dated 31st January 1852, was made with reference to him personally, and not to the position as Surgeon of the District.

Fourth — That the addition, in January 1852, of the Medical charge of the Penitentiary, beyond the limits of the District, to the duties of its Surgeon, was irreconcilable with the removal of certain examples duties, within this District, from this Officer to the Garrison Assistant Surgeon, in June 1851.

Fifth — That the Surgeon of this District has already a larger allotment of duties than any other Medical Officer in the Presidency.

Sixth — That the charge of the Penitentiary was formerly included within the pale of the Garrison Surgeon's duties, and should therefore be held by Surgeon Partons, the only Officer under whose Medical charge, on personal grounds, the Institution was placed in January 1852.

In conclusion, I beg to state that I comprehended myself as having to address you on this subject, as you were the Garrison Surgeon when the charge referred to was made, and I am aware that you appealed to the late Governor against the alienation of a part of your work, especially as that work, even with the Penitentiary was light.

No. 56 Orders passed, 17th June 1852, No. 563.

The Surgeon of the First District is relieved of the Medical charge of the Penitentiary, it will be known to be part of the duties of the Superintendent of the Lying-in Hospital.

(Signed) T. PICKOTT,
Chief Secretary.

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