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Chitrali Prisoners —

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., Nos. 42, 43, Political, dated 16th January 1897.

Abstract.—Requesting the sanction of the Government of India to the grant of an allowance of Rs. 50 per mensem to the Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, for attendance on the Chitralis.

Read—also the following papers:—

From Captain H. DALY, Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 6th May 1897, No. 1165-F.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 43, Political, dated the 16th January 1897, requesting sanction to the grant of a monthly allowance of Rs. 50 to the Civil Surgeon of Ootacamund for medical attendance on the Chitralis who are detained there under surveillance.

2. The Government of India recognise the obligation of providing proper medical attendance for these Chitralis; but before orders are passed, I am to invite an opinion as to whether such attendance could not be adequately rendered by a subordinate medical officer, and whether the extra allowance, if any, to be granted for the duty might not be substantially less than Rs. 50 a month.

Endt. No. 1044.

Referred to the Surgeon-General for favour of report, with reference to his letter, No. 549, dated 4th December 1896.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

13th May 1897.

From J. H. A. TREMENHEERE, Esq., Acting Collector and District Magistrate, Nilgiris, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Accountant-General), dated Ootacamund, 27th May 1897, R.C. No. 298-A.

Rupees 15-5-3 and Rs. 4 were paid from the Treasury in March 1897, the former as pay to the priest employed during the Ramzan festival, and the latter as conveyance allowance, under article 1185 of the Civil Service Regulations, to the hospital assistant who attended the Chitralis when sick. The Accountant-General, in his result statement for March 1897, refuses to admit the former charge as unusual without Government sanction, and disallows the latter on the ground that the article quoted does not apply to medical subordinates in charge of hospitals and dispensaries. The hospital assistant in question is not in independent charge of any hospital or dispensary, but is attached to the Police hospital in Ootacamund, which is under the charge of one or the other of the medical officers in Ootacamund.

2. * * * *

3. I have the honour, under the above circumstances, to request that the Government will be pleased to authorize the Accountant-General to withdraw his objections and admit the charges and to empower me to transfer allotments from item to item if such transfer is necessary.

No. I.A.C.G.—199-C.

Forwarded to Government, with the following remarks:—

(1) The charge incurred on account of the priest employed during Ramzan festival being unusual, and also not having been provided for under one or the other of the items of charges given in G.O., Nos. 748 and 749, Political, dated 27th October 1896, or in the orders subsequent thereto, requires the sanction of Government.

(2) The hospital assistant's journeys having been in the neighbourhood of his head-quarters, *i.e.*, within five miles, no travelling allowance is admissible to him for those journeys as decided by the Government of India in their order, No. 2730-Ex., Financial, dated 8th June 1895.

3. * * * * *

Fort St. George,
10th June 1897.

(Signed) F. C. HARRISON,
Offg. Accountant-General.

From the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, dated 11th June 1897, No. T.-2—97.

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, c.b., f.r.c.p.i., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 26th June 1897, No. T.-2—131.

In continuation of my letter, No. T.-2—97, dated the 11th June 1897, I have the honour to forward, for the sanction of Government, the accompanying bill for Rs. 80 (eighty) received from Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel H. D. Cook for the favour visits he paid to the Chitral Chiefs, Ootacamund.

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, c.b., f.r.c.p.i., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 3rd July 1897, No. T.-2—160.

In returning the letter from the Government of India, referred to me for report with your endorsement, No. 1044, dated 13th May 1897, I have the honour to state that, in my opinion, the duty of attending the Chitral Chiefs should not be delegated to a subordinate medical officer, as they are not likely to confide in, or be guided by, his advice.

2. I consider it very necessary that they should be under the constant observation of a highly trained and experienced medical officer, whose opinion and advice would be likely to have much weight with them in regard to their hygienic surroundings and the general means of keeping themselves in a good state of health. Such would not be the case if an officer of lower rank were deputed to be in attendance on them. Moreover, much tact and patience is necessary in dealing with this class of patients and in persuading them to have recourse to scientific treatment at an early stage of disease. In my opinion only a commissioned medical officer can be equal to such responsibilities.

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, c.b., f.r.c.p.i., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 22nd July 1897, No. T.-2—237.

With reference to your memorandum, No. 1467, Political, dated the 13th July 1897, I have the honour to invite your attention to my letter, No. 549, dated 4th December 1896, in which I submitted my views on this point, these views being accepted in G.O., No. 42, Political, dated 16th January 1897. My suggestion was that the Civil Surgeon of Ootacamund should be granted a monthly allowance of Rs. 50 for attendance on the Chitralis.

ENCLOSURE.

From Surgeon-Major C. M. THOMPSON, M.B., Civil Surgeon, to the Secretary to the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, dated Ootacamund, 27th June 1897, No. 264.

I cannot agree with the opinion of Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel H. D. Cook that the duty of attending the Chitral Chiefs might be delegated to the Civil Apothecary, Saint Bartholomew's Hospital, who occupies the position of a Resident Medical Officer in this institution, and whose services may be at any moment required for the patients in it.

Further, I am of opinion that these political prisoners should have the benefit of the regular attendance and advice of a commissioned medical officer. It must be borne in mind that they are at present living under very different conditions to what they were accustomed to in their own country and when in full enjoyment of their personal liberty.

The conditions under which they are at present living, no matter how much their personal comfort may be provided for, cannot fail to be irksome and dispiriting, conditions of mind, which are very likely to be sooner or later associated with impairment of bodily health.

I consider it therefore very necessary that they should be under the constant observation of a highly trained and experienced medical officer, who would be able to detect the very earliest signs of impairment of health, and whose opinion and advice would be more likely to have weight with them in regard to their hygienic surroundings, and the general means of keeping themselves in a good state of health, than would be the case if an officer of lower rank were deputed to be in attendance on them.

All medical officers, who have had anything to do with the medical treatment of high class natives of this country, are aware of how much tact and patience is necessary in dealing with them, and how difficult it is to persuade them to have recourse to scientific treatment at an early stage of disease and how much more prone they are to follow the advice of a commissioned medical officer than one of lower rank.

I do not wish to imply that the present Apothecary, Mr. Kelly, would not be quite equal to the duty of professional attendance on these gentlemen for the more common and simple ailments, but I think that he has enough work to do in attending the patients in the hospital, and that, for the reasons I have given above, it is advisable that, as long as the Chitral Chiefs remain in Ootacamund, they should be under the constant observation of the Civil Surgeon as they would be more likely to confide in, and be guided by, his advice than in the case of a medical officer of lower rank.

From the Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, dated 7th August 1897, 2289-F.

ORDER—No. 573, Political, dated 27th August 1897.

The Government agrees with the views expressed by the Surgeon-General and Surgeon-Major C. M. Thompson as regards medical attendance upon the Chitralis at Ootacamund, and the Government of India will be so informed and requested to sanction an allowance of Rs. 50 *per mensem* to the Civil Surgeon of Ootacamund.

2. Payment of the bill, amounting to Rs. 80 (eighty), from Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel H. D. Cook, forwarded with the Surgeon-General's letter, No. 131, dated 26th June 1897, is sanctioned.

3. The Accountant-General will be authorized to admit the charge (Rs. 15-5-3) on account of the priest employed for the Chitralis during the Ramzan festival and the Collector of the Nilgiris will be authorized to incur future similar charges.

4. The hospital assistant who attended the Chitralis will be granted a fee of Rs. 4 for his visit.

[Here enter letter, No. 574, Political, dated 27th August 1897.]

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.
" Accountant-General.
" Collector of the Nilgiris.

Exd. W. D'Moss.

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Letter, No. 574, 27th August 1897.

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Letter—from

The CHIEF SECRETARY to the GOVERNMENT of FORT ST. GEORGE,

To

The SECRETARY to the GOVERNMENT of INDIA, Foreign Department.

Sir,

I am directed to reply to Captain Daly's letter, No. 1165-F., dated 6th May 1897, in which the opinion of this Government was requested as to whether medical attendance on the Chitralis, who are detained at Ootacamund under surveillance, could not be adequately rendered by a subordinate medical officer, and whether the extra allowance, if any, to be granted for this duty might not be substantially less than Rs. 50 per mensem.

2. I am to state that the only subordinate to whom the duty referred to above could be entrusted is the civil apothecary attached to St. Bartholomew's Hospital at Ootacamund. This subordinate, however, occupies the position of Resident Medical Officer in that institution and his services must be available at all times for patients in the hospital. The Surgeon-General has pointed out that the conditions under which the Chitralis are at present living cannot fail to be irksome and dispiriting; these are likely to be sooner or later associated with impairment of bodily health; that a highly trained and experienced medical officer would be able to detect the very earliest signs of falling off in health; that his advice would be more likely to have weight with the Chitralis than that of an officer of lower rank; that considerable tact and patience is necessary in dealing with the high class of natives to which these detenus belong and great difficulty is experienced in persuading them to have recourse to scientific treatment at an early stage of disease; and that the present apothecary, although quite equal to the duty of professional attendance on the Chitralis for common and simple ailments, has enough work on his hands in seeing to the patients in the hospital. For these reasons the Surgeon-General considers, and His Excellency the Governor in Council accepts his view, that the Chitralis should have the benefit of the regular attendance and advice of a commissioned medical officer.

3. As regards the allowance to be granted, I am to state that, for the reasons given in my letter, No. 43, Political, dated 16th January 1897, the amount formerly proposed (Rs. 50) is not, in the opinion of this Government, excessive.

4. I am accordingly to request sanction to this allowance with effect from 1st June 1897, the date upon which the present Civil Surgeon took charge of his appointment at Ootacamund. The late Civil Surgeon has, I am to add, been granted a fee of Rs. 20 for each of four visits paid to the Chitralis, and the hospital assistant, who attended them on one occasion, has similarly been granted a fee of Rs. 4.

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

Chief Secretary.

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CURRENT No. 627

Pol. 574 d/27/8/97

From The Govt. of India
Foreign Dept.

No. 1165 Fr

3d

~~Order~~ Encl. No. 1044 d/13th May 1897.

Referred to the Surgeon-General for favour of report with reference to his letter No. 549 d/4th December 1896

Chief Secretary

Cwd
13.5.97

Dated 6th May 1897
Received } 12th "
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SUBJECT.

Requesting to be informed whether medical aid to Chitralis could not be adequately rendered at a less sum than Rs 50

TO BE RETURNED WITH REPLY.

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
12 JUN 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Written to M.O. for the G. of I. resolution quoted in the A.G's endorsement.

Cms 15/6/97

DUl
15.6.97

The S.G. has replied re the med. attendance
Submit this paper with that

Cms
5/7/97

Subd.
DUl
7.7.97

Order

From

The Collector & District Magistrate
Nilgiris

RC No. 298A/97

Dated 27th May 1897

Received

Registered

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SUBJECT.

Requesting that Accountant General may be authorized to withdraw certain objections in connection with certain charges on account of Chitralis.

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Nilgiri

RC No. 298 A / 97

Collector & District Magistrate's Office
Ootacamund 27th May 1897

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From
J. H. A. Tremenheere Esq:
ag Collector & Dt Magistrate
Nilgiris

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Stone House Hill

thro'
The Accountant General
Fort St George

ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
1 MAY 97
MADRAS

Sir,

not to be folded

Rs 15. 5. 3 & 4. 0. 0 were paid from the Treasury in March 1897, the former as pay to the Priest employed during the Ramzan festival, and the latter as conveyance allowance, under article 1185 of Civil Service Regulations, to the Hospital Assistant, who attended the Chitralis when sick. The Accountant General in his result state-ment for March 1897 refuses to admit the former charge as unusual without Government sanction, and disallows the latter on the ground that the article quoted does not apply to Medical Subordinates in charge of Hos-pitals & Dispensaries. The Hospital Assistant in question is not in independent charge of any Hospital or Dispensary, but is attached to the

Police

Police Hospital in Ootacamund, which is under the charge of one or the other of the Medical Officers in Ootacamund.

2 - Furthermore the Accountant General wants the Treasury to quote the authority under which the limit fixed in G. O. 784 Financial dated 17 November 1896 on account of carriage hire & pocket money &c Kerosine oil, soap &c contingencies was exceeded. The Government has already been informed that these excesses along with others were met in the last year from savings under other items (vide this Office No. 298 A dated 3d April 1897). Q The Accountant General was also informed of these facts & pointed out that all these charges being debitable to the same detailed head in the Treasury accounts, transfer of allotments from one item to another would be unnecessary, and he has neither withdrawn his objections nor has he passed his final orders as to the nature of the authority he requires.

Dmt/ pmt

Go 289-90 G / 30.4.97

3. I have the honor, under the above circumstances, to request that the Government will be pleased to authorize the Accountant General to withdraw his objections and admit the charges and to empower me to transfer allotments from item to item if such transfer is necessary.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant

For Collector & Dt. Magistrate

No IACG
199-C

Fort St. George,
Accountant General's Office,
10th June 1897.

Forwarded to Government with the following remarks:-

Q 1. The charge incurred on account of the Priest employed during Ramzan Festival being unusual, and also not having been provided for under one or the other of the items of charges given in Government Order No: 748 & 749 Political dated 27 October 1896, or in the orders subsequent thereto, requires the sanction of Government.

2. The Hospital Assistant's journeys having been in the neighbourhood of his Head Quarters i.e. within 5 miles, no travelling allowance is admissible to him for those journeys as decided by the Government of India in their order No: 2730 Ex dated 8 June 1895 Financial.

B 3. The charges referred to in para 2 of the Collector's letter have since been admitted under Government Order Nos. 289 & 290 Political dated 30 April 97 and the fact also intimated to the Collector.

[illegible]

J. Harrison

Offg. Accountant General

To
The Chief Secretary to Government,
Political Department.

Political (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 747

P.O. G.O.s 573-4 Pol dt 27-8-97

K

Mem 15.6.97

To note for Arrears List, treat this current as ~~in addition to~~ portion of those outstanding

Ref

Bring up again on 25th June if no reply before then

~~Order~~ Subd.

Cms
13/6/97

Ad
25.6.97

done Mem 25.6.97

K Send S. G. another reminder

Cms
26/6/97

CHIEF SECRETARY
12 JUN. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

From

Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe,
F.R.C.P.I.,
Surgeon-General with the Government
of Madras

No. 72/97

Dated 11th June 1897.

Received 12-6-97

Registered 12-6-97

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SUBJECT.

Stating that Reference No. 1044 dated 14th May 1897 regarding Medical aid to Chitralis will be replied to as soon as a reply is received on the subject from the Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund who has been addressed regarding the same.

Ref
6.25 pm

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OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

No. 72/97

Ootacamund ~~Madras~~, the 11th June 1897.

CURRENT No 747

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,
SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Political DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Post Card Rmdr. With reference to your Reminder Memorandum dated 5th June 1897, I have the honor to state that Reference No. 1044 dated 14th May 1897 regarding Medical aid to Chitralis will be replied to as soon as a reply is received on the subject from the Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, who has been addressed regarding the same.

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

C Sibthorpe

Co

Surgeon-Major-General,
Surgeon-General with the Government
of Madras.

G.O. 573-4 / 27/8/97 Poll.

Political (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 797.

CS

Await the S of S's reply to India's reference (flag A) ?

Cm 29.6.97.

28/6/97

CHIEF SECRETARY
27. JUN. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

From

Surgeon-Major-Genl: C. Sibthorpe F.R.C.P.I.
Surgeon-General with the Govt: of Madras.

No. 72/131

Dated 26th June 1897.

Received 27-6-97

Registered 28-6-97.

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Order

SUBJECT.

Forwarding for sanction a bill of Rs: 80 from Surgeon Lt. Col: H. D. Cook, on account of the four visits paid to the Chitral Chiefs of Ootacamund.

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Madras. June 17. 1897

To Her Majesty's Government

Madras

1897 February	1st 2nd 5th				
March	8th	To 4 Visits paid to the Chilal Chief, Ootacamund by request of the Deputy Collector, Ootacamund, @ 20/- per visit	80	—	—
		Total	80	"	"

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ONE ANNA 17-6-97

Surg: Lt. Col.

II

[11] Refn. &c. No. 2211

Office of Surgeon-General with the
Government of Madras,
Madras, 20th May 1897.

~~FORWARDED to~~

Referred for favor of report with reference to the previous Correspondence on the Subject ending with this Office No 1313 dated 13th March 1897.

2. Return requested.

(By order)

M.B.
Surgeon- Captain
Ag Secy Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras.

To
The Civil Surgeon
Ootacamund.

III

To

The Secretary to the Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras

Returned as requested with the report

M. B
Surgn. Lt. Col
Civil Surgn.

24 May 97
Ootacamund

Referred for favour of report with reference to the previous correspondence on the subject ending with this Office No 1313 dated 13th March 189[illegible].

2. [illegible]

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No 2730-Ex.
Government of India.
Finance and Commerce Department
Simla, the 8th June 1895.

Dmil Sumt

To

The Accountant General, Madras.

Sir,

In reply to your letter, No 1364, dated the 24th May last, I am directed to say that you are right in holding that Article 185 of the Civil Service Regulations does not apply to the case of medical subordinates in charge of hospitals and dispensaries who, on the outbreak of an epidemic, are required to visit localities situated within a radius of five miles from their head-quarters, with the view of taking measures to prevent the further spread of the disease. I am to say however that the allowance drawn in the case reported in paragraph 3 of your letter, need not now be recovered.

2. The papers received with your letter are herewith returned.

I have &c
(sd) R. Nathan
Offg Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

(True copy)

J. B. Brown
Chief Superintendent.

JM

1.7.0.1895

Political (1897) Department.

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Order

From Surgeon-Major-Genl:
C. Sibthorpe C.B., F.R.C.P.
Surgeon-General with
the Govt: of Madra

No. 72/160

Dated 3rd July 1897.

Received 3rd } 7-97
Registered 5th }

CHIEF SECRETARY
3. JUL. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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SUBJECT.

Pointing out his undesirabili
of delegating a subordinate
medical officer to attend
the Chitral Chiefs.

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CHIEF SECRETARY
23. JUL. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Order

From
Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe
C.B., F.R.C.S.I.
Surgeon-General with the Govt:
of Madras.

No. 72/237

Dated 22d July 1897.
Received
Registered } 23rd July 1897.
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SUBJECT.

Stating that, as already accepted in G.O. No: 42, Political dated the 16th January 1897, the Civil Surgeon of Ootacamund should be granted a monthly allowance of Rs: 50 for attendance on the Chitralis.

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Civil Surgeon's office
No 214 Ootacamund 28 May 97.

For Press
Send print - H. Cook's
letter [illegible]
Dr. [illegible]

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL
30 MAY. 1897
WITH GOVT OF MADRAS.

From.
Surgeon Lt col H. D. Cook. M. B
Civil Surgeon.

To.
The Secretary to the Surgeon-
General
with the Govt. of Madras
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence on the Subject ending with your office No 1313 dated 13th March 97 and Minute No II dated 20th May, I have the honour to suggest that for the future, the Civil apothecary attached to St. Bartholomew's Hospital might be delegated the duties of looking after the Chitral chiefs for ordinary cases of sickness; but if any of the party are able to come to Ootacamund (St. Bartholomew's Hospital) they should come [illegible] medicine,

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the latter being procured at the local chemists.

2. The Civil apothecary should only go to the residence of the Chitral chiefs, in cases when they can't leave their residence.

I think, however, he should in any case visit the residence of the Chitral chiefs once a week, and a book should be kept for the entry of his visits, by the Inspector in charge. For this duty, the Civil apothecary should be allowed Rs 25 per mensem. During the very temporary absence of the Civil apothecary, there is always the Hospital assistant, attached to the Police Hospital, to attend to any serious case coming into the Hospital.

3. In serious cases of illness in connection with the Chitral chiefs, the Civil Surgeon would of course have to be called in, and for his visits (3½ miles distant) I think he should be [illegible] Rs 20/ for each visits. but this would only be in serious cases.

4. I take the opportunity of asking you as I am about to leave the Station immediately, how I am to be paid for 4 visits rendered to them the year?, and to request orders being passed as to the amount I should receive for the above four visits.

I have the honour to be
Sir,
your most obedt. Servt.
M.B.
Surgeon Maj.
Civil Surgeon.

No. 40.

G.I.C.

Current No. 2245/3 of 1897 //

Ref. on Ct No. 1883/3 of 97

To
Surgeon-Major C. M. Thomson, M.B.
Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund.

Referred for favour of very early remarks on Surgeon Lt. Col: Cook's proposal.

2. Please state if the nature of the hospital duties will permit the Civil Apothecary doing this work.

3. Return requested.

(By order)

R H Elliot. M.B.

Ct Ag. Secy. Surgeon-Captain,
Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras.

Madras,
10th June 1897

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL WITH GOVT OF MADRAS.
28 JUN. 1897

III. 26/26 6 97

To,

The Secretary to the Surgeon-General
with the Govt. of Madras
Madras.

I cannot agree with the opinion of Surgeon Lt col H. D. Cook [illegible] the duty of attending the

Rs 20/

Poll (1897) Dept.

CURRENT NO. 1021

No. 2289-F

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

Foreign Department.

Simla, the 7th August 1897.

CHIEF SECRETARY
13 AUG. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

C.P.O. 677 Poll
W.O.S.

To
The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Fort St George.

SIR,

I am directed to invite attention to the communication marginally noted, and to request the favour of an early reply.

No. 1165-F dated the 6th May 1897
Subject. Medical attendance for the Chitralis under detention at Ootacamund.

I have the honour to be,
SIR,
Your most obedient Servant,

H. S. Barnes

Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

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Memorandum. No. 1467
13.7.97.

With reference to para 2 of his letter No. J2/160 dated the 3^rd. Instant the Surgeon General is requested to be so good as to report whether as he considers a Comm^d. Medical officer should attend the Chitralis, he is in favour of a monthly payment or of a fee per visit ~~to the Comd. medical officer~~ and also to state his opinion as to the amount of remuneration ~~that should be paid to him~~ in either Case, together with the reasons for the same.

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To

The Surgeon Genl. (Madras

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C.Nos.627, 747,750, 797 and 829 + 917

H.E. the Governor here

FOR ORDERS

Resubmitted to H.E. the Governor with reference to the Hon'ble Members' notes on para 4 of these notes where a consolidated allowance to the Civil Surgeon of Rs 50 p.m. is suggested

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A In letter No.45, d/ 16th Jany. 1897, the sanction of the Govt. of India was, on the recommendation of the Surgeon Genl., requested to the grant of an allowance of Rs.50 per mensem to the Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, for medical attendance on the Chitralis under surveillance on the Nilgiris. It was represented that the residence of the Chitralis was at some distance from Ootacamund and that the Civil Surgeon had already heavy duties ~~at~~ to perform and, as a precedent in support of the request, the case of the allowance of Rs.100 per mensem granted to Dr: Franfoot for attendance on Ex-King Theebaw and his household in 1886 was quoted.

2. The Govt. of India replied to this letter in C.No.627. While recognizing the obligation of providing proper medical attendance for the Chitralis, the opinion of the Madras Govt. was invited as to whether such attendance could not be adequately rendered by a subordinate medical officer, and whether the extra allowanc

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if any, to be granted for the duty might not be substantially less than Rs.50 per mensem. This letter was referred to the Surgeon Genl. for report and his reply is contained in C.No.829. The Surgeon Genl. forwards two letters , one from Surgeon Lt:-Col. H.D.Cook and the other from Surgeon-Major C.M.Thompson. Dr: Cook was of opinion that the duty of medical attendance on the Chitralis might be delegated to the Civil Apothecary attached to St: Bartholomew's Hospital for ordinary cases of sickness, but that if any of the party were able to come to Ootacamund, they should attend at St: Bartholomew's Hospital for advice and medicine, the Civil Apothecary only going to their residence in cases where they could not come to Ootacamund. Dr: Cook ~~was~~ considered further ~~of opinion~~ that the Civil Apothecary should visit the residence of the Chiefs once a week and that a book should be maintained for the entry of his visits by the Police Inspector in charge. He suggested that the Civil Apothecary should be granted an allowance of Rs.25 per mensem and was of opinion that during the very temporary absence of the Civil Apothecary, the Hospital Asst. attached to the Police Hospital could attend to any serious case coming into the Hospital. In serious cases of illnesses with the Chitralis, the Civil Surgeon should, Dr: Cook considered, be called in, and for each of these visits he should be allowed a fee of Rs.20.

Dr.Thomson cannot agree with Dr: Cook that the medical charge of the Chitralis might be delegated to the Civil Apothecary attached to ~~the~~ St: Bartholomew's Hospital. This officer, he points out, occupies the position of a Resident Medical Officer in the institution and his services may be required at any moment for patients in the hospital. Dr: Thompson considers, moreover, that the Chitralis should have the benefit of the regular attendance and advice of a Commissioned Medical Officer, on the grounds that the conditions under which they are at present living cannot fail to be irksome and dispiriting, conditions of mind which are very likely to be sooner or later associated with impairment of bodily health; that a highly trained and experienced medical officer would be able to detect the very earliest signs of impairment of health; that the opinion and advice of such a medical officer would be more likely to have weight with the political detenus than ~~that~~ those of an officer of lower rank; that considerable tact and patience is necessary in dealing with the high class of natives to which these Chitralis belong and ~~considerable~~ great difficulty is experienced in persuading them to have recourse to scientific treatment at an early stage of disease; and that the present apothecary, although quite equ attendance on the Chitralis for common and simple ailments, has enough work to do in attending to the patients in the hospital.

The Surgeon Genl endorses Dr: Thompson's views but does not state any opinion as to the allowance to be granted. Apparently he holds that the Rs.50 originally proposed should be adhered to.

3. C.No.797 contains a bill amounting to Rs.80 from Dr: Cook for four visits which he paid to the Chitralis this year. Orders are solicited as to the reply to be made to the Govt. of India and as to the disposal of Dr: Cook's bill.× It would appear from the latter that the Civil Surgeon has had to visit the Chitralis on four occasions only during the present year and that he values his own services at Rs.80 instead of Rs.500× which he would have been paid had the Govt. of India sanctioned the ~~origi~~nal proposal for an allowance of Rs.50 per mensem.

4. C.No.750 contains a reference from the Collector of the Nilgiris in regard to certain charges in connection with the Chitralis which have been disallowed by the Acct. Genl. The first of these is one for Rs.15-5-3 being the pay to the priest employed during the Ramzan festival, which the Acct. Genl. has refused to admit as unusual without Govt's sanction. The Acct. Genl. in his -97, points

× 6 pay Rs 50 a month & have done with it: [illegible]

I agree. It will be difficult to say who might send for him

I will not object A.S.H. 21.8.97

I think there is force in the statements and arguments of the Surg. Genl. & Dr. Thompson, and if there is no Medical Subordinate who could be properly employed, I should accept them. ~~If the~~ A fee of Rs. 20 a visit, — a visit to the Civil Surgeon — to be + paid once a month and whenever sent for, should suffice.

A.S.H. 31.7.97

This is so vide C. No. 917 which contains the S.G.'s reply to a ref: made to him on the point

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The S.G. has seen India letter so it is to be inferred as he still adheres to the figures originally stated by him (Rs 50 p. m.) that he considers this inadequate remuneration. He however gives no reasons in reply to what is said by India

As to this, I suggest ~~that~~ it will be less trouble ×

× Submitted that it may be paid it is reasonable enough

Dr. Cook's bill must be paid.

Note 20: 50 × 12 = 600.

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Sub. that the bill is for 1897 only — six months — Jany to June of this year — were taken as a fair comparison. Dr Cook may have visited the Chitralis more and probably never thought of charging as he hoped for a monthly allowance.

I don't think this is ~~[illegible]~~ no doubt he would have sent in a bill had there been any

Chitralis arrived 10 Sept 1896 & [illegible] and Dr Cook's bill [illegible] not go beyond [illegible] 1897?

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out that the charge on account of the priest was not provided for under the items given in G.O.Nos.748/9 Poll., d/ 27-10-96. It is submitted that the charge may be admitted and that the Collector of the Nilgiris may be authorized to incur future similar charges.

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It seems a fair one

Yes. It should be paid. A.S.H.

5 The second item to which the Acct. Genl. has objected is one for Rs.4 representing the conveyance allowance paid under art:1185 of the C.S.R. to the Hospital Asst. attached to the Police Hospital at Ootacamund for attendance on the Chitralis when sick. As regards this, the Acct. Genl quotes letter No.2750 Ex., d/ 8th June 1895 from the Govt. of India in which it was stated that this article did not apply to the case of medical officers in charge of hospitals and dispensaries who on the outbreak of an epidemic are required to visit localities situated within a radius of five miles from their headquarters. The best way as regards this point will, it is submitted be to ~~suggest [illegible]~~ grant the Hospital Asst. a fee ~~[illegible]~~ for his visit.

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Yes. A.S.H. 31.7.97

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Read again G.O.Nos.42/3 Poll., d/ 16-1-97 (P)

" also C.Nos. 747 & 1,021 ---------- Q

H.E. The Governor

(+) on marks " C.Nos. 627, 750 (+) & 917 --------A

" " C.No.797 ------ A without enclosure

" " C.No.829 ------------ A

(Don't print Dr: Cook's report)

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India has sent reminder

ORDER W. 573 of 27 augt 97

P.S.

A.S.H. 26.8.97

The Govt. agrees with the views expressed by the Surgeon Genl. and Surgeon-Major C.M.Thompson as regards medical attendance upon the Chitralis at Ootacamund and the Govt. of India will be so informed and requested to sanction an allowance of Rs.50 per mensem to the Civil Surgeon of Ootacamund ~~in connection therewith~~.

2. Payment of the bill amounting to Rs (80) eighty from Surgeon Lt:-Col H.D.Cook forwarded with the Surgeon General's letter No.131, d/ 26th June 1897, is sanctioned.

3. The Acct. Genl. will be authorized to admit the charge (Rs.15-5-3) ~~being the pay to~~ on account of the priest employed for the Chitralis during the Ramzan festival and the Collector of the Nilgiris will be authorized to incur future similar charges.

4. The Hospital Asst. who attended the Chitralis

To
The S.G. 3
" Acct. Genl. 4
" Collector of the Nilgiris. 8

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LETTER No. 574 d/ 27 Augt 97

Despd. [illegible] 8/9/97
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To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Foreign Dept:

Sir,

I am directed to reply to Capt: Daly's letter No. 1165 F, d/ 6th May 1897, in which the opinion of this Govt. was requested as to whether medical attendance on the Chitralis who are detained at Ootacamund under surveillance could not be adequately rendered by a subordinate medical officer and whether the extra allowance, if any, to be granted for this duty might ~~not~~ be substantially less than Rs. 50 per mensem.

C. No. 927.

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2. [redacted] I am to state that the only/subordinate to whom the/above ~~duty~~ could be entrusted is the Civil Apothecary attached to St. Bartholomew's Hospital at Ootacamund. This ~~officer~~ subordinate, however, occupies the position of ~~a~~ Resident Medical Officer in that institution and his services must be available at ~~any~~ all [redacted] times for patients in the Hospital. The S.G. has pointed out that the conditions under which the Chitralis are at present living cannot fail to be irksome and dispiriting. ~~Under such~~ these ~~conditions~~ [redacted] ~~ra~~ are likely to be sooner or later associated with impairment of bodily health; that a highly trained and expert's [illegible] officer would be able

/duty referred to above

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~~impairment~~ in ~~of~~ health; that his ~~the opinion and~~ advice ~~of such a medical officer~~ would be more likely to have weight with the Chitralis than [redacted] that of an officer of lower rank; that considerable tact and patience is necessary in dealing with the high class of natives to which these ~~Chitralis~~ detenus belong and great difficulty is experienced in persuading them to have recourse to scientific treatment at an early stage of disease; and that the present apothecary, although quite equal to the duty of professional attendance on the Chitralis for common and simple ailments, has enough work on his hands in ~~attending~~ seeing to the patients in the hospital. For these reasons the S.G. considers, and H.E. the Governor in Council accepts his view, that the Chitralis should have the benefit of the regular attendance and advice of a commissioned medical officer.

3. As regards the allowance to be granted, I am to state that for the reasons given in my letter No.43 Poll., d/ 16th Jan. 1897, the amount formerly proposed (Rs 50) is not in the opinion of this Govt. excessive.

4. I am accordingly to request sanction to this allowance with effect from the 1st June 97, the date upon which the present Civil Surgeon, Ootacamund, took charge of his appointment at [illegible]. The late Civil Surgeon has, I am to add, been granted a fee of Rs.20 for each of four visits paid to the Chitralis and the Hospital Asst. who attended them on one occasion has similarly been

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