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No. 227. Read the following letter from Mr. E. SMITH, Coonoor, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Coonoor, 14th June 1867.

I beg to apologize for intruding again on your valuable time, and request you will do me the favor to lay the following for the consideration of Government.

1st.—The Inspector General of Hospitals declines giving my remedy a trial, as it is a “secret one.” I beg to state that it can be no longer a secret, as I have offered to entrust it to any medical authorities who might be deputed to inquire into the matter, and who would respect my confidence.

2nd.—“That the disease is well understood by Medical Officers in India, and that the modern treatment of it, by known and approved means, is remarkably successful, as shown by the diminished death rate.”—Would it not be doing a good thing to endeavour still further to diminish the death rate, particularly as I purpose to show that the remedy contains no deleterious ingredient, and without any cost to Government?

2. I am aware that members of the medical profession have no confidence in secret remedies (but mine is not one), and to prove that I am really desirous of doing good, I have offered to make it known; the only stipulation I make is that my confidence be respected. I feel confident that, if the medical authorities will give the remedy a trial (I am in hopes they will), the result will prove the value of it by diminishing the death rate to a far greater extent than it is at present.

3. I have no hesitation in stating that, if I had fifty cases entrusted to me, I would hardly lose one; this I say from an experience of thirty years.

4. If simply making money was my *only* object, I could advertise it for sale, and attach all the testimonials I have as a guarantee of its value; but that is not my only object. I am aware, if the remedy is approved of by the medical authorities, it would be much more extensively used by the public, and consequently do more good.

5. In conclusion, I beg to state that, to give my medicine a fair and impartial trial, I must see it administered myself, regulate the diet, &c. If entrusted to other hands, who have no interest in it, it must suffer in reputation from being injudiciously administered, and the diet not properly regulated.

6. If the Inspector General will do me the favor to grant me an audience, I will endeavour to explain to him my views and treatment of the disease.

No. 228. ORDER THEREON, 26th June 1867, No. 736.

The Government see no reason to alter their decision, contained in the Order, dated 16th May 1867, on the subject of Mr. Smith's remedy for Dysentery.

(True Extract).

Acting Chief Secretary.

To Mr. E. Smith, Coonoor.

To the Inspector General, Medical Department.

Erd. J. H. Burns.

Public Department.

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Mr E. Smith M.C.
Secy of Med. Dept.

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