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No. 103. Read the following letter from the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Fort Saint George, 5th August 1870, No. 187:—

I have the honour to forward, for submission to Government, the accompanying letter from Deputy Inspector-General Balfour, in which he requests that five copies of the second edition of his "Statistics of Cholera" may be submitted to Government, with the view of their ultimate transmission to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India.

2. The copies of the book have been handed over to the Under Secretary, to the Government.

From Deputy Inspector-General E. G. BALFOUR, Madras Medical Department, to the Secretary to the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department, Madras, dated Madras, 28th July 1870.

I have the honour to submit, for the Inspector-General's acceptance, a copy of the second edition of the Statistics of Cholera.

2. When the first edition was ready, in manuscript, I had the honour of laying it before the Madras Medical Board for their consideration; and, on their favourable recommendation, Government printed it.

3. The second, like the first edition, only contains conclusions come to from the examination of figured statements; but even these might be questioned, and I did not wish to embarrass the Inspector-General or Government by asking them to be as it were parties to any statement the accuracy of which might be disputed. I observe, however, that the Government of India in 1869 published the voluminous writings on this subject of the Inspector-General and Sanitary Commissioner, though differing from each other; and, perhaps, in a matter of so much importance to this country, that is the better course, and I now think that I might have submitted the manuscript of the second as I did that of the first edition.

4. In 1849 I thought that I had established the fact that European Soldiers are more liable to be attacked by cholera than natives; and the further data in my possession affirm the correctness of that view. The *Madras Medical Journal*, however, holds a different opinion; and a month ago, on observing their remarks, I re-examined the point, with the result of re-affirming the conclusion come to in 1869 and now.

5. The Inspector-General will observe, at page 52, the result to which I was led by examining the camping out of regiments. In Northern India this question has been discussed, but the existing data do not justify the continuance of the practice.

6. In 1849, on Government printing the first edition of this work, the Honourable the Court of Directors expressed their approval of that having been done, and I was deputed by Government Notification, No. 3055, of 5th September 1856, to continue my inquiries into the causes of cholera. But the work that immediately thereafter for many years devolved on me, consequent on the demise of the Nawab of the Carnatic, did not admit of any independent inquiry being entered upon. In continuation, however, of the 1849 edition, and of the volume of 1856 on exempted localities, I beg to send five copies of the present edition, which I hope the Inspector-General will feel able to forward to Government for transmission to Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India.

No. 104. ORDER THEREON, 16th August 1870, No. 1036.

Ordered that a copy of Doctor Balfour's letter, together with five copies of the second edition of his "Statistics of Cholera," be forwarded to the Secretary of State for India.

(True Extract.)

Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Inspector-General of the Indian Medical Department.
Exd. J. Wright.

Directing that five copies of the second edition of Doctor Balfour's "Statistics of Cholera" be forwarded to the Home Government.

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THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF THE
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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL, INDIAN MEDICAL DEPARTMENT,

Fort Saint George, 5th August 1870.

The Inspector General, Indian Medical Department,

Fort Saint George,

The Chief Secretary to Government
Pub. Department.

I have the honor to forward for submission to Government the accompanying letter from Deputy Inspector General Balfour, in which he requests that 5 copies of the 2nd edition of his "Statistics of Cholera" may be submitted to Government, with the view of their ultimate transmission to the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India.

2. The copies of the books have been handed over to the Under Secretary to the Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours Most Obedt Servt.

W. Macleod

Inspector General
Indian Med. Dept.

By J. D. V. V.

On the 11th of Aug. 1871
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 W. G. W.

Thanks for Indian -

In the hope you Indian will help me 208

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The Hon. Secy. Ind. & Gen. Dept.

Dated Aug. 16.

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