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G.O., No. 126

Dated 23rd Jan. 1896.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

BRIGADE-SURGEON-LIEUTENANT- COLONEL PLENKINSOP.

Communicating to the Surgeon-General a letter from the Government of India pointing out an apparent misunderstanding in regard to the promotion of---to the rank of Surgeon-Colonel.

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Promotions. Medical Officers.

It is requested that the above heading, with number and date of this communication, may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on the subject.

No. 101-A.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Fort William, the 8th January 1896.

To

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
MADRAS.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 1026, dated the 16th December 1895, forwarding a letter from Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel F. H. Blenkinsop, bringing to notice that the date of his promotion to the rank of Surgeon-Colonel has not been entered in the Indian Army List and requesting that the necessary steps may be taken to have it notified as the information is required by the Pay Department.

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3. Under the circumstances, the attention of the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Madras, will be invited to Madras Command Order, No. 5, dated 5th April 1895, with a view to the same being corrected and Dr. Blenkinsop appointed to officiate as Principal Medical Officer of the Rangoon district. When this is carried out, the temporary rank of Surgeon-Colonel, with effect from the date on which he joined his appointment, *viz.*, 9th April 1895, will be conferred on that officer in the *Gazette of India* in accordance with article 45, India Army Regulations, Vol. I, Part I.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. P. Bingham
Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Copy forwarded to—

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Madras, for needful action.

The Controller of Military Accounts, Madras Command.

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Communicated to the
Surgeon General.

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Surgeon General (A)

Note.

Brigade Surgeon Lieutenant
Colonel Blinkinsop should ^{apparently} have
the temporary rank of Surgeon Colonel
with effect from the ^{3rd} June 1894
vide Principal Medical Officer's
note in 80. 1025-6 Pub.
16-12-95

This will be for the
Lieutenant to point out.

J.D.B.
18/1/96

From

Genl of India.
Military Dept.

No 101A
8.1.96.

Recd 15.1.96.

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Re: the promotion of
Dr Blinkinsop to the rank of
Surgeon Col and his appointment
as Principal Medical Officer
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NOTE FOR THE ~~UNDER SECRETARY~~ ^{chief asstt.}

A copy of the Madras Command Order No 5 of 5 April 1895 is not available. Memo has been sent to the asstt. adjutant general Madras district.

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