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[Despatch Abstract.]

THE LADY WENLOCK NURSING INSTITUTE.

Communicating to the Surgeon-General a letter from the Government of India stating that a reference has been made to the Secretary of State regarding the appointment of an Assistant Matron Superintendent to the General Hospital, Madras, and forwarding, with remarks, to the Government of India a proposition statement for-----.

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ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S REPORT.

No. $\frac{A. D. S.}{293}$

The entries in the column of "Present Scale" have been compared with the Registers of this office, and are correct with the exception of the items altered in red ink.

The Establishment is new.

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Fort Saint George,
30 July 1895.

(Signed) A. J. Pitt.
Asstt. Accountant-General.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

DEPARTMENT.

No.

Fort Saint George,
The 189 .

Secretary to the Government
of Fort St. George.

(Confidential)

Case of C. N. 439
May 1895

To

Department,

Signature (Signed) W. Price M.D.
(Officer's Designation) Brigade Surgeon Lieutenant Senior Medical

FOR ORDERS.

The arguments discussed, be-
sides those mentioned, seem to me
to be as follows:—

Whatever may be the case in
Calcutta or Bombay, or elsewhere,
other agencies are there that of Govt.
for the establishment of nursing in-
stitutes.

So long as there is no such insti-
tute, either people, both in Madras
& in the Mofussil, large numbers,
if not most, of the families of Govt. servants, must either
run avoidable & considerable
risks in cases of sickness, or must
be attended by trained nurses sent
out from the only place where
they are to be got, viz., the Govt.
Hospital. Unless extra hands are
kept up for this purpose, i.e., unless
a regular nursing institute is main-
tained, nurses cannot as a rule
be sent out from the Govt. Hospital
without injury to the patients in
that establishment.

The combination of working of the
superior classes of nurses who
alone will be admitted on the
strength of the nursing insti-
tute & of the more ordinary &
(in the case of Govt. nurses) less
efficiently trained nurses on
the staff of the Govt. Hospital, will
raise the tone of the whole nursing
staff & will be distinctly beneficial

The Govt. of India intimates
that a reference has been made to the
Secy. of State regarding the appoint-
ment of an Asst. Matron Supt. for the
General Hospital, Madras.

In regard to the Lady Wenlock
Nursing Institute and the proposed
training school for nurses, the Govt.
of India requests that no financial res-
ponsibility in connection therewith
may be undertaken without its sanction
and ^{calls for} ~~approval~~ for full particulars of
the grounds on which it is considered
that such an institution should be
established or regulated by Govt. ~~the~~ A
proposition statement is also asked
for. In this connection, attention is
invited to the following extract from
page 4 of the Committee's report which
is stitched with G.O. No. 46 Pub., d./
20th January 1894:—

"The Committee desire to point out
" that the establishment of a Nursing
" Institute can be readily carried out
" in connection with the enlarged
" staff of nurses under the proposed
" scheme"

"The Committee very strongly support
"this as it will add both to the
"efficiency and economy of the conjoint
"hospital".

On the 24th Decr. 1895 H.E.

the Governor noted as follows:-

"Mrs. Nisbet has been working up a
"Nurses Training School and I think
"some steps should be taken to affi-
"liate it to the General Hospital,
"and that Govt. should support it,
"but the Surgeon General should be
"asked to report on the matter first".

Paragraph 2 of G.O.No.46 Pub.,
d./ 20th Jany. 1894, is as follows:-

"The Surgeon General will be re-
"quested to report on the subject
"of a Nursing Institute which is
"referred to at page 4 of the Com-
"mittee's remarks. It is understood
"that a Nursing Training School is
"being managed by Mrs. Nisbet and it
"might be advantageous to affiliate
"it to the Nursing Establishment at
"the General Hospital."

In G.O.No.256 Pub., d./ 18th
April 1894, sanction was accorded to the
four nurses belonging to the Institute
being given accommodation in the General
Hospital as a temporary measure from the
1st April 1894.

Proposals for the affiliation
of the Institute with the General Hos-
pital Nursing staff are contained in the
opening paragraph of the Surgeon General's
letter No.82 recorded in G.O.No.459 Pub.
d./ 31st May 1895. The Hon'ble Member's
note

G.O. 25
13.1.94

FOR ORDERS.

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. H. W. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. J. GROSE.

*all classes of patients
both in & out of the hospital!*
*besides maintaining a few
nurses home on the staff of the
Medical College Hosp. (1) and
Campbell Hosp. (4), the Surgeon
Genl. grants the Mayo Hosp. Rs
34000 p.a. of which some message
from nurses and gives Rs 37500
to the Calcutta Female Nurses' Institution
of Rs 4000 to Lady Canning's Home for
training nurses [Budget of 1895-96, included
under the head of Miscellaneous - Sanitation
for charitable purposes] - Apparently
in Calcutta the Genl. finds it better to
subsidize the expenditure of these large
burs - much more, I think, than
we propose to spend to provide agency
here we haven't the agency & must
listen to the work ourselves or have
if anyone.*

*In Bombay they send me
Rs 1260 nursing in different Press
4850 hospitals, the same mentioned
360 in the margin, and also
7800 grant Rs 5728 for nursing
1800 purposes up country [Budget
3816 of 1895-96] besides which
720 there may be other grants
2160 which I haven't been able to trace.
22776 But total is 56 Rs 30384 (see
margin of G.O. 439 31.5.95, serial letter) but
then there should be a large reserve on account
of the payments for the employment of*

*As the said in receipt was
notice of India when the
proposition about is submitted.*

*W
21 Dec*

*JG
18/12/95*

note on the subject will be found at
page 8 of the yellow paper stitched
with the G.O. last quoted, and the
orders of Govt. thereon are embodied
in the first three paragraphs of that
G.O. It will be observed from para 1
that the proposals were definitely
sanctioned and a proposition statement
was called for. The Govt. of India has
however now intimated that its sanc-
tion is necessary.

In reply to its telegram of
the 1st July last to the effect that
the whole scheme dealt with in G.O.No.
459 would require the Secy. of State's
sanction, letter No.557, d./ 6th July
1895, to which attention is invited,
was despatched.

The proposals for the esta-
blishment of a Training School are con-
tained in para 6 et seq of the Surgeon
General's letter last quoted and are
dealt with in para 15 of G.O. No.459
which is based on the concluding para
of H.E. the Governor's note of the 19th
April. The subject was ~~however~~ *further* dealt
with in G.O.No.668, d./ 6th August '95,
and rules for the Training School were
approved in G.O.No. 859, d./ 9-10-95.

Rules for the Nursing Institute
have been approved in G.O.No.1005, d./
11-12-95, which is now in the press and
has not yet issued.

The proposition statement for
the Nursing Institute was received in
July last with G.No.2457, and has since
then been lying over under the Hon'ble
Member's orders for the letter which
has

has now been received from the Govt. of India, viz. C.No. 4117.

Orders are requested as to the arguments to be put forward in the reply to India. The strong points appear to be that there is every probability of the Institute being self supporting, if not actually remunerative, and that the services of its nurses will always be fully utilized either in the General Hospital or on payment. The benefit to officials ^{and then} scattered all over the Presy. of having a supply of trained nurses ready in cases of necessity is another point in favour of the Institute.

In the concluding para of the current, India remarks that the Socy. of State has been informed that the proposal to increase the pay of the Matron Supt., General Hospital, will be further considered by it on receipt of the proposition statement from this Govt.

From C.No. 4119 in the file it will be seen that the Nursing Institute has not yet been opened for want of sanction to the proposition statement and to the rules.

The G.O. appears to be inclined to be obstructive in this matter.

J.D.B.

13.12.5.

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14/12/55

NURSING INSTITUTE.

(FOR ORDERS)

H. M. and wife

Note for the Hon. Mr. Bliss. C. 9. 9.

C. with wife & ~~the children~~ below, perhaps, as the objection of India are directed against the Nursing Institute, the best plan will be to confine our reply to that point & say nothing as to the cost of the general nursing arrangements here in the place. If so, Rs. 4.15 would come out & would be replaced by Rs. 4.15 bringing out the quite insignificant cost of the proposal.

M
17/1/96

M.

The draft has been revised and is submitted for approval.

J.D.B.
20/1/96

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20/1/96

I think this will do now - but let H.E. see before dispatch - He is much interested in the matter & may have some suggestion to make.

H.E. the Governor

1 on 125	5	100	=	125	-	100	=	25	-	0
1 on 75	5	100	=	75	-	100	=	25	-	0
2 on 55			=	110	-	0	=	110	-	0
2 on 15			=	30	-	0	=	30	-	0

The figure "Rs. 30,384" was inadvertently inserted in the draft instead of "Rs. 3840". There is a slight error in the pencil calculation on the margin of p. 439. The total should apparently be 3840 instead of 3720 and the grand total 30,504 instead of 30,384.

Rs. 30,504 would be the cost of the total nursing cost attached to the General Hospital but to complete the cost of nursing at the Institutions at the Presy town to enable a fair comparison to be drawn with the figures given in the draft for Calcutta and Bombay the following should be added:-

Rs.
Dying - i. Hosp. 6,798
(reorganised nurs. - i. staff)

This makes a total
of 37,302 against
27,886 in Bombay.
as far as can be traced.

JDB

16/1/96

I took the figure which was
was against the long one
the total cost of all
the nursing institute. I made
this note and did not check his
figure. I ought to have checked what
followed to a large number of it.

I repeat the over-sight

I submit that if the money expended by
the Govt of Bengal & Bombay ^{on staff & nursing} to the
conducted under the total should
cost here should be shown & added
to the figure for the institute
alone.

16.1.96.

Nursing Institute

Hon. Secy. Bliss. C. G. V.



No. 7468
Encl.

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.J.

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras,

To

THE Honorable the Chief Secretary
to Government
Public Department.

SIR,

In accordance with
para 1 of G.O. No 439 Public dated
the 31st May 1895, I have the honor
to forward herewith a proposition
Statement in duplicate for the
sanction of Government.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. Sibthorpe

Surgn.-Major-Genl.,

Surgeon-General with the Govt. of Madras,

CURRENT No.

Public (1895) DEPARTMENT.

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENL. C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras,

To

No. 8/468
ENCLOSURE.

Dated 22nd July 1895.

Received 1/8

and 2/8

Encls. 1

No.

SUBJECT.

Forwarding a proposition statement in duplicate for the sanction of Government.

Put go. no 557 on 6-7-95
439 on 31-5-95

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It is not apparent from their tel. in go. 557 whether India expected this est. to be included in the p.s. referred to in p.s. of letter 440 of 31.5.95. Para 1 of go. 439 calls for this separate p.s. wh. the S.G. has submitted. Will only cause further delay to return it for inclusion in the general p.s.

7.8.95.

18/8/95

Should keep this, I think, at least until India replies to go. 557 - It will be left to me to send all the proper letters on together

BN
15/8/95

CURRENT No. 4119

OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras, 7th December 1895.

No. 547

Encl.

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

I have the honor to solicit that Government may be pleased to pass early orders on my letters noted in the margin as the Lady Wenlock Nursing Institute cannot be opened until they are received.

468 dated 22 July 1895 submitting proposition statement called for in para 1 of S.O. No. 439 Public dated 31st May 1895 and No. 400 dated 20 September 1895 submitting revised draft of rules called for in para 2 of S.O. No. 439 Public dated 31st May 1895

if go. no 1002 Pub. 2, 11-12-95 going to Press

11/12/95

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

C. Sibthorpe

Surgeon-Major

Surgeon-General

with the Govt. of Madras.

the Government
May 1892
after no 1409
in the
Secretary of State for
has been made to the
Statement not

2. It is observed that with the contemplated reorganization of the staff of the General Hospital, Madras, it is proposed to combine the establishment of a nursing institution and training school for nurses. I am to state that no financial responsibility in connection with the latter proposal should be undertaken without the sanction of the Government of India, and I am to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, full particulars may be forwarded, with the proposition statement at present awaited, of the grounds on which it is considered that such an institution should be established or regulated by Government.

3. I am also to state that, in recommending the appointment of an Assistant Matron Superintendent, the Government of India have informed the Secretary of State that the proposal for an increase of pay to the Matron Superintendent will be further considered by them on receipt of the Proposition Statement.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedt. Servant,

C. D. M.

Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

C.D.

with enclos.

I think the case is well put, and it does not occur to me to add anything.

*W
23 Jan*

Public Dept.

LETTER *No. 134 d/28 Jan 96*

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,

Home Dept. (Medical)

*with PS of 11-10-1000/9592
d/28/1/96*

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Hill's letter No. 869 d/ 2nd Decr. 1895 and ^{as requested in} ~~with reference~~ ² to paragraph thereof to forward a proposition statement for the Lady Wenlock Nursing Institute to ^{which is a part of} ~~be connected~~ with the General Hospital, Madras.

2. ^{with regard to} ~~In connection with~~ the proposed institute I am to state that a Committee which was appointed ~~to~~ by the Surgeon-General in 1893 to report on the structural changes ^{requisite which would} ~~in the existing~~ ^{be necessary to the Station Hospital in order to} ~~ing buildings to adapt them~~ ^{it} for the accommodation of the General and Women and Children's Hospitals and ~~also the~~ ^{that he requires in establishments which} ~~increases that would be rendered neces-~~ ^{would be requisite} ~~sary in the various establishments on~~ ^{of these two institutions} the amalgamation, remarked as follows:-

"The Committee desire to point out

"that the establishment of a Nursing

"Institute can be readily carried

"out in connection with the enlarged

"staff of nurses under the proposed

"scheme."

At that time Mrs. Nisbet, who as Miss

Scott had been Matron Supt. of the

General

who on marriage

General Hospital but resigned her appointment on her marriage, had started a ^{for Nurses} Nurses Training School with beneficial results and ^{as} owing to the death of her husband and a vacancy having occurred, ^{she} Mrs. Nisbet was about to resume her former ^{work at the General Hospital} duty as Matron Supdt. The Govt. considered the opportunity a favourable one for establishing a Nurses Training School ~~or Institute as it was subsequently called~~ in connection with the General Hospital. The S.G. was accordingly directed to report on the matter. The further action taken is set forth in G.O. No. 439, d/ 31st May 1895., a copy of which was forwarded with my letter No. 440 of the same date.

3. In compliance with the request contained in paragraph 2 of the letter now under reply, I am to ^{say} state that the S.G. has been directed not to take any steps ^{for} opening the Nursing Institute, until further orders. ^{when} Without considering the advisability of inaugurating the Institute this Govt was mainly influenced by the fact that there was ^{some} and ^{is} every probability of its being self supporting if not actually remunerative and that the services of all the nurses attached to it would always be fully utilized either in the General Hospital or with out-patients on payment.

The benefit to officials and others ^{in all parts of} scattered all over the Presy. of being able to obtain the services of a trained nurse in cases of sickness is a point ^{which} deserves consideration. Whatever may be the case in Calcutta or Bombay, there

Note

It is not now possible to obtain the services of nurses from the General Hospital for out-patients. I am now in the habit of sending which has been the case in the past and does not seem to have been the case before.

*J. H. K.
10/10/95*

4. I am directed to invite particular attention to the facts that the total cost of the proposed Institute would be only

nurses on	55 = 110	Rs. 320 per annum
45 = 135		
30 = 30		
1 clerk on	30 = 30	10 annas or Rs. 38 4/0
	320	per annum

and that this Govt has good reasons to believe that this amount will be fully met if not actually exceeded by the fees paid for the services of the nurses.

there is in this Presy. no other agency than that of Govt. for the establishment of a Nursing Institute. So long as there is none, ~~either~~ people, both in Madras and in the mofussil, large numbers, if not most, of whom are Govt servants or the families of Govt. servants, must either run avoidable and considerable risks in cases of sickness, or must be nursed by trained nurses sent out from ^{the only place where} ^{the only reliable source from which} they are to be obtained, viz., the General Hospital, Madras. Unless extra hands are maintained for this purpose, nurses cannot be ^{shared} sent out from the General Hospital without injury to the in-patients under treatment there. In the opinion of this Govt. the combination of the work of the selected nurses (who alone will be admitted on the strength of the Nursing Institute) and of the more ordinary and, in the case of pupil nurses, ^{less} ~~most~~ efficiently trained nurses hands on the staff of the General Hospital will raise the tone of the whole nursing establishment and will be distinctly beneficial to all classes of patients both in and out of that ^{institution} hospital.

~~4. I am directed to invite the attention to the fact that besides maintaining a few nurses on the staff of the Medical College and Campbell hospitals, the Govt. of Bengal makes an annual grant to the Mayo hospital of Rs. 54,000, of which some portion presumably is expended on nurses and also gives~~

gives Rs. 37,500 to the ~~Salut & Female~~
Nurses Institution and Rs. 4800 to Lady
Canning's Home for teaching nurses.
The Govt. of Bengal is fortunate in
having responsible agencies to which to
entrust the expenditure of these large
sums, but in Madras no such agency exists
~~or can be created~~
and unless the Govt. takes the matter
into its own hands, affairs will continue
to be in their present ^{unsatisfactory} state.
5. It appears from the ~~last~~ ^{current} Budget
Estimates that the Govt. of Bombay ex-
~~pend~~ ^{pend} on nursing in the different Presy.
Hospitals a sum of Rs. 22,766 per annum
~~beside making~~ ^{beside making} a grant of Rs. 5,120 for
nursing purposes upcountry. The total
expenditure involved by the creation
of the Nursing Institute ^{to be attached} to the General
Hospital, Madras, would amount to Rs. 30,384
per annum; but, as already pointed out,
the Govt. has good reason to believe
that this amount will be fully met, if
not actually exceeded, by the the fees
~~paid for the services of its nurses.~~

S. M. I am to add that the question of
the Institute was very carefully con-
sidered by the Govt. in consultation
with the S.G. before its establishment
was decided on. ^{and} I am to express the
hope ~~of~~ ^{now advanced} that in view of the reasons ~~mentioned~~
the Govt. of India will ^{be able to} convey its early
approval ~~to~~ ^{of} the scheme. A copy of the rules
of the Institute recently approved by
Govt. in G.O. No. 1003, d/ 11th Decr.
1895, accompanies this letter. They
have not yet been published in the official

Note
Finally this is all wrong.
The Rs 30 384 was to be the
cost of the total nursing inst.
at the Genl. Hosp. of which the
Nursing Institute will cost a
mere fraction. It is that fraction
alone (the amt. should be given)
which will be recovered, probably
with a surplus - MN
15/1/96

Ch.
Yes, the wrong figure was in-
advertently inserted in the
draft. It should be 3840 not 30,384
3 nurses on 55 = 110
4 " " 45 = 180
1 clerk on 30 = 30
320/-
3840

I think "will
recommend" is better.

Note
The order should have
been typed before
the letter.

H.C.
Issued p. 1003
with this, but
till Supt. Press
not to publish
the rules in the
gazette.
The rules are in the
surgeon's office
and the Supt. Press
is waiting for them.

gazettes and the S.G. has been directed
not to act on them until further orders.
76. With reference to para 3 of
the letter under reply, I am to
state that the proposition statement
for the re-organization of the esta-
blishments of the General Hospital
will be forwarded ~~as~~ ^{as} soon as possible.
One or two details still remain to be
~~settled~~ ^{disposed of}. The Govt. of Madras trusts
that in view of the largely increased
duties and responsibilities of the
Matron Supt., the Govt. of India will
~~recommend the advance in the pay of~~
the appointment which this Govt. ~~pro-~~
~~poses should be made.~~ ^{has proposed}
I have etc.

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14/1/96

G.Nos. 2457, 4117 & 4119.

ORDER No 136 d/28 Jan 96

The foregoing letter ^{from} to the
Govt. of India will be communicated
for the information of the S.G. and
for his guidance with special refer-
ence to paragraph 2. The rules approved
in G.O. No. 1003, d/ 11-12-95 should
not be published in the official gazette
until further orders.

2. The proposition statement for
the Lady Wenlock Nursing Institute
will ~~now~~ ^{now} be forwarded to the Govt. of
India with the ~~foregoing~~ ^{following} letter.

3. The S.G. will take no further steps towards the opening of the Institute pending orders on the proposition statement.

7.5.13.
7.1.96.

14/1/96

NURSING INSTITUTE.

~~(PROCEEDINGS)~~

Hill.

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Long con General
desp 28/1/96

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RECEIVED AGAIN G.O., No.
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