

Public (1899) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 742

Dated 24. 8. 99

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Comg: to the S.G. with remarks
letter from the G.O. on the subject
of the Appointment of a European
female Medical Practitioner
as Assistant Superintendent of
the Govt. Maternity Hospital
I requesting him to submit a
Proposition statement as early
as possible.

29.8.99

If therefore it is thought desirable another effort might be made after he has been again taken charge.

15/7/99.

I don't think it is worth while to press the matter. I know Surg. Genl. Harvey was in favour of a Comm. medical officer for he mentioned it to me in conversation. Indeed it was he who suggested applying for one. But in view of what is said as to the Secy. of State's views, and our own recent contention that if centralization is continued we should like to get rid of the Comm. medical officers - root & branch - I think we may be content with a European female practitioner as the Govt. of India proposes.

At 2.8.99. I have just read the linked file in which it is said that a female practitioner is not able to take the place of Comm. medical officer. This should therefore be held back until the question raised in the linked file is settled. At 2.8.99.

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It is plain.

It is not necessary to mention the name of the officer. If necessary, the name of the officer can be mentioned. The name of the officer can be mentioned.

CURRENT NO. 2187

No. 1208

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From

R. Nathan, Esq.,

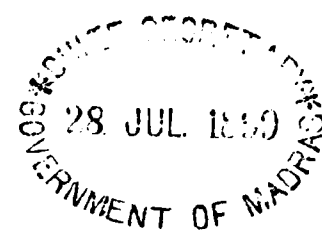
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India,

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Home Department.

(Medical)



Simla, the 22nd July 1899.

Sir,

I am directed to reply to your letter No. 715, dated the 28th June, intimating that the Government of Madras would prefer the appointment of a junior Commissioned Medical Officer as Assistant to the Superintendent, Maternity Hospital, Madras, to the employment of a European female practitioner in that capacity.

2. There appear to the Government of India to be strong objections to the course now proposed by the Government of Madras. In the first place the Secretary of State has recently taken exception to the growth of the cadre of the Indian Medical Service and has asked whether the existing strength of that service cannot be reduced. His Lordship would therefore be unwilling to sanction the entertainment of an Indian Medical Service officer as Assistant in the Maternity Hospital without conclusive proof that an officer of this class is needed. The Government of India do not think that your letter and enclosures establish such a case, or that it has been shown that the appointment of a European female practitioner will not be sufficient.

3. A further disadvantage of the present proposal

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compared with that made in your letter of the 13th July 1898
is that it does not provide for the instruction of the female
students by a lady teacher.

4. For these reasons the Government of India prefer the
original proposal of the Government of Madras, and they will
be glad to receive the proposition statement required for its
further consideration.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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through the Accountant General, Madras.
Public (189 9) Department. 5

CURRENT No. 2145

From

Surgeon General C. Leithorpe
C.B., F.R.C.P.,
Surgeon General with the Govt. of
Madras.

No. 18/378

Dated 15th July.

Received } 2 Aug. 99
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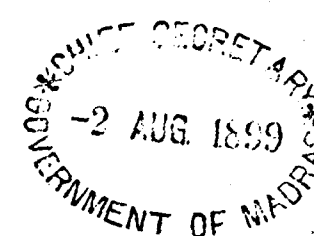
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SUBJECT.

Submitting proposition statement
for the proposed appointment
of a Lady Doctor to lecture on
midwifery in the medical college,
Madras, with reference to G.O. No. 18,
Public, dated 5th January 1898.

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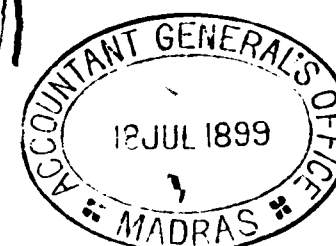
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No. 8/378

OFFICE OF THE SURGEON-GENERAL,

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Ootacamund, dated 12 July 1899



To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Public DEPARTMENT.

Submitted with reference to G.O. No. 18, Public dated 5th January 1899.

C. S. S. S.

Surgeon-General,

Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.

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Yat S. Geop.
Accountant General's Office
31st July 1899.

Forwarded to Government.

The entries in the column of "Present Scale" have been verified with the registers of this Office and found correct.

2. With reference to Article 160 of Civil Account Code Volume I, it is noted that provision has not been made for the proposed additional expenditure in the estimates nor can it be met by reappropriation from the existing grant of the Hospital.

3. The new appointment has been given the designation of "Lady Assistant Surgeon" in the State - ment instead of Asst. Superintendent: it is presumed that ^{it will not carry} the privileges of Civil Assistant Surgeons as then the pay would not be Rs 100 fixed, but would rise in gradual course to Rs 300 and the average cost would be about Rs 200.

W. M. T. J.
Accountant General.

The Chief Secretary to Government;

Public Department.

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NOTE FOR THE Chief Secretary

In para 6, page 647 of the note for orders on the application for a fourth apothecary for the Maternity Hospital, it was suggested that if the Govt. of India sanctioned the app't of a Junior Commissioned medical officer for the Hospital, this officer would probably relieve the Military Asst. Surgeon of a good ^{deal} of his present work, & that the mil. Asst. Surgeon might then be able to take over of the duties allotted to the Apothecary. It was further suggested ~~therefore~~ that if a fourth apothecary was sanctioned, it might be as a temporary arrangement, pending settlement of the question of the app't of a Junior Commissioned medical officer. When the further note of 30.7.99 on the same subject was written, the reply of the Govt. of India

refusing a Commissioned Officer
& adhering to the proposal for
a lady practitioner, had been
received & it was therefore
stated that the apothecaries
would obtain no relief,
& that the case for a fourth
medical subordinate held
good.

2. The duties of the King,
Asst. Surgeon & of the 3
apothecaries attached to the
Hospital are set out in
detail in the enclosure to
Circular No 1442 in the linked
file. It will be seen that
much of the work done
by the King, Asst. Surgeon
might be taken by a
junior Commissioned Officer, & that
the former would thus be
free to take up some of the
apothecaries' work. A lady
Asst. Surgt. however would
however relieve the Asst
Surgeon of only out-patient
work & lecturing female
patients, & thus the apothecaries
dept. would not obtain
substantial
relief. It was not

meant to infer that a
lady Asst. Surgt. would
not be of assistance to
the Surgt. himself, for she
would doubtless be of
great help to him in the
out-patient dispensary
& in the gynaecological &
labour departments.

3. It will be seen
from page 16 of the printed
collection of papers filed B,
that the Surgeon Genl. wanted
both a junior Commissioned
Officer & a lady practitioner.
The Govt. at first was unable
to agree to either on account
of financial stress, but
afterwards decided to go
up for a lady Asst. Surgt.,
as an alternative to the
Commissioned Officer. Subsequently,
at the instance of the D. G.
I. M. S. & the Surgeon Genl.,
an officer was asked for,
but this the G. & S. now
decline to sanction on the
ground that the Surg. & the

interest add to the cause,
 & that no provision will
 be made for the instruction
 of female pupils by a
 lady teacher.

At
 5.9.99

Am. Med. Assoc. Sec. 1

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yes M.A.

There are three points which
 are dealt with in
 this letter which are
 1. The sanction to an act
 2. The income of the Apothecary
 3. The appointment of a lady
 As the first the Act has
 been sanctioned.
 As to the second the case is
 as follows. The sanctioned fee
 of the Hospital is two Apothecaries
 have been appointed but his
 app^l has been provided for in
 the Budget. has been been
 sanctioned. The L.C. have come
 up for a fourth. I understand
 that the L.C. intend to sanction
 the 3rd but to wish the
 app^l of the L.C. to stand on

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DEPARTMENT.

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No. From the No. dated 189
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Yes. India will hardly
 go back on their refusal
 based on the Sec. of S's
 wishes, even if Lord
 Harvey advocated such
 a course. Moreover
 I think we shall do
 better to manage without
 the add^l Comm. med. officer.
 With the C.L. please give
 his views about the
 necessity of the 4th apothecary
 plus lady medical practitioners

the sanction to an act
 of a Comm. has been
 a lady teacher is
 the only way to
 have a lady teacher
 in the hospital
 we have been
 India has been
 the last one
 any attempt to
 have a lady teacher
 in the hospital

I have been
 into the matter
 with the Comm. together
 with the Comm. together
 I think it is
 necessary

H. M. with reference to
his note dated 8-8-89.

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As pointed out in the case of the
appointment of a Lady Assistant Surg.
will be a great relief to the Surg.
both in the Hospital and in the
Patient Dispensary and one will also
take the instruction of the female
students of the ^{Medical} Military Academy
who will also probably be relieved of
some work in connection with the
Patient Dispensary. It will be possible
therefore for the latter to be utilized
in the Hospital but I don't think
he can be so, so as to very materially
relieve the Apothecary (Surg.). The
question is whether ^{the} i.e. three men
are over worked now. The Surg. says the
Sergeon General says they are, but I
^{must} confess that on the papers before
me I doubt whether a fourth man is re-
quired. He is desirable no doubt ^{but} not a
necessity. The Surg. says "what I most
complain of is that the Apothecary has
only one night out of 7 in bed". They
have a long tour of duty in practice, 52
hours, but it must be remembered that

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the strain on the attention and energies
is not continuous and that they have
many intervals of rest. I do not find that
the work affects their health or that
there are in the papers any indications
of over strain. There are a number of
Apothecaries on the Mahr list and prob-
ably by a rearrangement of duties the
Surgeon-General might, if he thinks it
needs any, supply an Apothecary from
elsewhere for the Maternity Hospital
till the Lady Dpt. is actually appointed.

I propose to not sanction the 4th
Apothecary.

I agree. Steps should
be taken to procure
the Lady Supt. The S. G.
should be consulted &
asked what salary he
proposes.

Pending her appt. an
add^l apothecary can
be put in touch if
there is one available.

At 74. 8. 29.

NOTE FOR THE Chief Secy -

Re appt. of Lady Asst.

Am. Ins. Annual. C. 19 Supt. to the Govt. Maternity
Hospital.

2 With reference to
the Secy's note to the effect
that "the Surgeon Genl. should
be consulted & asked what
salary he proposes", it is
submitted that it has
already been settled with
the Govt. of India that the
pay of the post should be
Rs. 300-20-400, - please see
letter to India no 895 P. Secy
dated 13.7.98, and India's
reply no 1266 dated 15.9.98
3. In R.O. no 894 P. Secy
dated 13.7.98, the Surgeon Genl.
was not told the designation
& the salary which had been
decided on for the appt.
In the Proposition Statement
which he has now submitted
with Compt no 2142, he
gives the designation of the post
as "Lady Asst. Surgeon" under
of "Lady Asst. Supt.", & the
proposed salary is entered

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as Rs 100 per month for the
Asst. Surgeon Genl, with an
allow of Rs 200 a month for
Teaching - The original proposal
was that the Asst. Surgeon Genl
should be Rs 100 rising to
Rs 200 & that there should
be an addl allow of Rs 200
for Teaching. In his note
attached to G.O. No 894 Public
dated 13.7.98, the Honble
Bliss decided that the pay
should be stated as Rs.
300-20-400, that the post
should be designated
Asst. Supt. - In the draft
G.O. submitted below, it
is proposed to only the
Surgeon Genl to submit
a revised prop. statement
through the Asst. Genl.
The A.G.'s note on the back
of the prop. statement also
requires modification, for
there is no intention of
mixing up this app't. with
the Asst. Surgeon class.

Cy
16.8.98 M. J.

J. No. 2104 From the Govt. of India, No. 1208, dated 22 July 1899.
" 2142 " " Surgeon Genl " 78/378 " 15 " 1899.
" " " Asst. Genl " 8.623 " 31 " 1899.
" " " " " 4609 " " 1899.

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Issued by 24.8.98

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with ref. to the S.G.'s proposal
& had better make clear
that the female practitioner
will be required to teach
is part of the duties for which

female practitioner
in salary is fixed.
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added to the penultimate
sentence of the G.O.

M.A.

Issued on 24.8.98

The letter from the
Govt. of India read above
will be communicated to
the Surgeon General with
reference to G.O. No 714 Public
dated 28 June 1899.
2. The proposal made
to the Govt. of India with
regard to the employment
of a European, ~~employed~~
in the Govt. Maternity
Hospital was that she
should be designated
" Asst. Supt. Govt. Maternity Hospital " &
that the pay of the
appointment should be

Rs 300-20-400 per mensem, it being part of his
 the Surgeon General will be duties to track.
 requested to submit through
 the Accountant General, a
 revised proposition statement
 with the least possible delay.

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 16.8.88
 (From order)

To the Surgeon General
 with prop. st. in
 duplicate returns
 & orig. statement
 Asst. Genl. (A 7 cr
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AGAIN G.O., No.

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DATED

PRESENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

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LETTER OF GOVERNMENT

STATEMENT WITH DETAIL

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