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From Lieut J. F. Pogson, Simla

Dated 11th September 1877.

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Regarding Alkaloid
fever pills.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE.

NO HOUSEHOLD SHOULD BE WITHOUT
THE GREAT INDIAN REMEDY FOR FEVER,
ALKALOID FEVER PILLS.

(FORMULA POGSONIL)

MESSRS. A. JOHN & CO.,
CHEMISTS AND DRUGGISTS,

AGRA MEDICAL HALL,

Be it announced to the inhabitants and residents of Hyderabad and the Public generally, that they have been appointed sole manufacturers of "Pogson's Celebrated Alkaloid Fever Pills."

They contain the valuable Alkaloids discovered by Captain J. F. Pogson and are after numerous trials pronounced to be the most effectual and rapidly efficacious cure for Fevers of every description, as proved by the fact that out of a large number of cases taken indiscriminately from all classes, both European and native, not a single failure occurred, where the directions for their use was strictly carried out. They have been found to act like a charm, in curing the most obstinate cases of Fever, which had defied all other remedies.

Recent and ordinary cases of Fever have been cured with eight Pills taken during eight hours, the dose being two Pills and the intervals two hours.

The most obstinate cases have been cured on the second and third days. The number of Pills taken being restricted to eight during the day, the night being devoted to rest and sleep, which the Pills induce.

The Pills do not contain Mercury in any form, nor Bismuth, Arsenic, Antimony, or Strychnia, and they possess most powerful restorative properties, which sustain the patient and hasten the cure, which is effected without the use of any other medicine whatsoever.

Price per bottle Rs. 1-8, or per box containing the same number Rs. 1-4.

In bottles containing one gross each for Hospital and Dispensary purposes, &c. at reduced rates.

- Medical men, Missionaries and others connected with Hospitals, Charitable Dispensaries, &c., will be supplied with a sample box free of charge on application to the manufacturers.

A. JOHN & CO.,

Agra Medical Hall.

HYDERABAD AGENTS,
NARAINSAWMY & CO.

Mr. J. Archer, wrote on the 17th July from Bussorah in the Persian Gulf requesting by return mail, to be supplied with Eighty Alkaloid Pills.

TESTIMONIALS.

Copy of a letter from a Gentleman at Simla to Captain Pogson
December 5th 1876.

DEAR CAPTAIN POGSON,

I with much pleasure accede to the request contained in your letter. I do not know if the fever which I have suffered from, is known as Lahore Fever, but I first caught it at Lahore, on the 23rd of October last; since then it has stuck to me in an intermittent form, and on two occasions I have been quite prostrated. I have taken Pills, Quinine and Chiretta, son-etimes with temporary relief.

The chief nature of the Fever has been the sudden coming of the attacks when I was apparently quite well.

The last fit attacked me on Thursday, the 30th November. On Friday I became worse, and on Saturday morning I don't think I could have left my bed. I had the hot and cold fits succeeding, and the most dreadful shiverings of the limbs. I took 8 pills, as directed, on Saturday, and two on Sunday morning at 8 o'clock; I then ceased taking them, as I felt greatly better and continued to improve until Monday morning, I was well enough to go out with the gun towards the falls. There has been no return of the fever, and save that I am a little weak, I feel a very remarkably different man to what I was on Saturday. Pray accept my best thanks for your aid, for I am certain the pills have set me up as I am. I will certainly recommend them to all sufferers from fever.

Yours faithfully,
E. P.

PESHAWUR REPORT

FROM MERWANJEE MANOCKJEE, & Co.
General Merchants, Peshawur.

These Pills are very effectual in curing Fever cases. Many natives of the Peshawur city tried them in their families, and in the course of a few months they will obtain a wide reputation in this district.

From MAJOR HARRINGTON,
Offg. Deputy Commissioner,
Muzaffargarh, March 3rd, 1877.

"I distributed all the Pills and they are favourably reported on 6 to 8 Pills curing the fever."
Major Harrington has recently been supplied with a considerable quantity (Gross) of the Pills.

From MAJOR STEWART,
Cantonment Magistrate,
Rawal Pindie 12th July, 1877.

"I have found them successful in 5 or 6 cases, in each case, I never gave over 16 Pills, generally 8 to 10 cured."
The Municipal Committee of Hoshairpore, have voluntarily ordered a supply of these Pills for Dispensary use.

SILCHAR CACHAR,
Augt 9th 1877.

MESSRS. A. JOHN & CO.,
Agra Medical Hall.

Dear Sirs,

Please send us another box of your Alkaloid Pills, as we find that by giving Coolies 6 to 8 pills they are invariably cured of the most distressing Fevers, which never return. We hope that all Missionaries and Bishops will be armed with such a formidable weapon against the fiercest enemy of the country, which in most cases is superior to Quinine. No teagarden should be without it!

Yours faithfully,
A. Jones, J. C.

Rev 2nd Agra "Star-Press" Artillery Bazar,
15/9/77

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This Gentleman has up to date, had no return of Fever. P. J. P. 10.9.1876

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Ray Mubarefett
6th August 1877

Messrs. Narainsawmy Woodelir & Co.
Hyderabad

Gentlemen

The Alkaloid Fever Pills of Captain Pogson, Manufactured by A. John & Co. Agra which were recommended by you were administered by me during my four famous tours to several of my Camp followers, and soon found to be the Pills acted in every case as a charm. All obstinate cases of Jungle Fever which is very common in this locality yielded to this truly marvellous remedy without fail. Even in cases of long standing when these Pills were given by me to some of the people of that locality who were suffering from 2 to 3 years.

Therefore I hope you will be so kind as to oblige me have a further quantity of these Pills &

Yours faithfully,
(Sd) A. Sheysai Raja Woodelir
Asst. Subdar
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8 to 12 Pills, or in other words, the Fever Patient.

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To

G. G. Master Esquire

Secretary to the Government

of Fort St. George

Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of His Grace, The Governor of Madras in Council that, the great and remarkable success, which has from the commencement, (The Private trials began in August, 1876) attended the use of the "Alkaloidal Fever Pills," made after my formula, compels me to bring this to your notice. These Pills contain the valuable Alkaloids discovered by me, and in conjunction with certain Salines, and vegetable Medicines constitute so active and efficacious a remedy, that as yet, no Fever case has been found which required more than sixteen Pills to effect a perfect cure. It is however quite possible that the much dreaded ~~Quarter~~ ^{Quartan} Fever of Peshawar, which will commence in October and continue to the end of November, may require twenty-four Pills to cure. But hitherto the different kinds of Fever, which have prevailed in Peshawar since January-February last, have been cured with from 8 to 12 Pills, or in other words, the Fever Patient has been cured between sunrise, and sunset in the morning, in as many hours, no cheaper

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December 30

DEAR CAPTAIN POGSON,

I with much pleasure accede to the request contained in your letter. I know if the fever which I have

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The former case, and before sunset of the second day in the latter.

2nd I am well aware that according to Medical rule, it should take from seven, to twenty one days to cure a Fever, But as by my system the tainted, or infected Blood of the Fever Patient is disinfected, & purified without delay, the speedy cure which results is due to the summary destruction of the Fever poison, and as under the operation of the Pills, the impure blood, has been replaced by freshly formed blood of the richest description, the Fever Patient on restoration to health is constitutionally stronger, than he was before the febrile attack developed itself. In the Tea Districts of Bengal not only have the coolies been invariably cured, but seem to have been rendered Fever proof, whereas under the old time honoured system, the recovered coolie Fever Patient was an associated object, and liable to a relapse at any moment. The Kangra, (Punjab) Tea Planters use these Pills, and have borne testimony as to their efficacy in curing coolies suffering from Fever.

3rd I have enclosed copy of a letter, addressed by a Revenue Official in the service of His Highness The Nizam, to the Hyderabad Pill Agent, and also printed. Hand Bill, which I am informed was about to be translated at the Agent's request, and under his superintendence into Telegu, Tamil, Persian, and Maratti, for circulation in the Nizam's

Nizam's Dominions, where the Febrifuge is in considerable demand, which would hardly have been the case, if its efficacy had not been fully and satisfactorily established. The Natives of Hindoo stan object to take European medicine, even when given gratuitously, and very rarely purchase them, Yet the Hindoos and Mahomedans of Peshawar, freely buy the Fever Pills, and in the Plains, wherever an Agency is established the Peshawar Example is followed.

4th In Madras Baker & Co. were appointed Pill Agents, and received 96 Dozens of Pills to distribute amongst Hospitals and Dispensaries in Madras Black Town, and in addition they were presented with 12 dozen Pills for private distribution. The Firm are now well supplied with the Pills for Retail sale. But in case the proposed introduction of the Pills into the Famine Districts is sanctioned by His Grace The Governor of Madras in Council, the Manufacturers will be prepared to supply them wholesale at Rs 3/8 annas, per Gross, and if large quantities are ordered, and the Pills put up in Tins, in place of bottles, a further reduction would I am sure, be made. At this rate, (Four annas, and Eight pies, per dozen Pills.) Eight Pills would cost, three Annas, one and one third pies, (0. 3. 1 $\frac{1}{3}$.) or at the Exchange of 20 Pence to the Rupee, 5 $\frac{10}{12}$ Pence, and as six to eight Pills will cure the majority of Adult Fever cases, in as many hours, no cheaper

Cheaper, or more Efficient remedy could be found.

To prove this assertion, It is necessary for me to state

First:— That Quinine, however cheap it may be possesses no nourishing properties whatever, and that any thing, in excess of a very small quantity, passes through the system unchanged, and being invariably Excreted in the Urine of the Patient is thrown away. This waste would be very considerable, if Five grain doses of Quinine, were to be administered, three times a day.

Second:— Four doses of Quinine, will not cure a Fever Patient, whilst four doses of the Fever Pills almost invariably do so.

Third:— Quinine Pills, Mixture, or Powders are as ~~expensive~~ ^{expensive} by ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~administration~~ ^{administration} of Medicines, costing Money, and the Patient has to be admitted into Hospital, where his Food alone for seven days would cost Fourteen annas. At Five Rupees per ~~doz.~~ ^{doz.} du-pois Ounce, Ten grains, and Fifteen ~~liq.~~ ^{liq.} =teenths, of a grain of Quinine, would cost Two Annas, which added to the above makes up, One Rupee, as the Minimum Expenditure per patient, If Cured in seven days. Whereas under my system, admission into Hospital, is not needed, ~ Shelter under a shed, Tent or Tree being sufficient, and only in Famine, or Starvation Fever Cases, would it be necessary to give the Patient a Tea Cup full. (12 fluid Ounces.) of parched ground Dall, and parched wheat flour, made into gruel

gruel, of the consistency of Custard, ^{boiled} and seasoned with salt, after the second, third, and fourth doses of the Pills. These three cups of nutriment, might cost one Anna, which added to the cost of the Pills, gives a maximum Expenditure of Four annas, one and one third pies. ($0-4-1\frac{1}{3}$ pies.) per Patient, the saving therefore, Annas Eleven, Ten and two third pies. ($0-11-10\frac{2}{3}$ pies.) is very ~~con-~~ ^{con-} =siderable indeed.

Fourth:— The Alkaloidal Fever Pills, are both sustaining, and nourishing, and they effect a radical cure. But this is not all, for it has been established that, they so invigorate the system, as to enable it to withstand re-infection whereas Quinine Pills, or Mixture when they act, do so in a different manner, and the Patient discharged as cured, may be smitten and prostrated, with a fresh attack of Fever at any time, or the Fever poison, may remain latent in his body for some time, and then unexpectedly develop itself, in full and fatal force.

5th I may now mention that wherever these Pills have been used by European Fever Patients, their favorable report to friends and neighbours, has caused Quinine to be thrown quite into the shade, and as the usual Professional Fever Medicines are rigidly Excluded from these Pills, Medical men, in and out of the services, who have all along enjoyed and exercised the

the right of obtaining them at any time free of cost, seem actually afraid to bear testimony to their curative value, whilst the Chemists of Calcutta, Madras, and Bombay, have steadily refused to sell them, and non-professional Firms, have therefore been employed at the Three Presidencies, and also at all Stations, where Chemists have declined to act. I have reason to believe that fear of personal loss, from Quinine sales falling off is at the bottom of this opposition, and not any doubt, as to the Efficacy of the Pills.

6th. In conclusion, I am induced to hope that this simple statement of facts, will tend to convince His Grace, The Governor of Madras in ~~his~~ ^{his} ~~volition~~ ^{his} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~regards~~ ^{regards} the treatment and cure of Fevers, and that as ~~Con-~~ ^{Con-} ~~cerns~~ ^{cerns} Famine Districts, and the great Public works to be carried on, for the Employment of the Million, and the benefit of the Country, a handy Febrifuge, which cures off hand, and may be administered, by Officers to men on the works, as soon as a Fever case occurs, is preferable to the old method of treatment in Hospital, extending over weeks, if the Fever stricken Patient does not in the meanwhile succumb to the disease.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant.

Lieut. Hogson, Lieut.

H. M. Bengal Army.

P.S. I think it necessary to state that

that the Manufacturers, purchase the Alkaloids from me, and they add thereto the other components ~~according~~ ^{according} to my Formula.

This compacted or Pill Mass, is then made into Fine grain Pills and put up for sale.

Indents for the Pills should be sent to the Manufacturers, whilst if they are to be ordered, I would wish to be favored with an early reply to this letter, so as to enable me to prepare a sufficient supply of Alkaloids to meet the increased Manufacture of the Pills at Agra.

Lieut. Hogson, Lieut.

H. M. Bengal Army.

N^o 621.

Office of Surgeon General India
Fort St. George 27th September 1877.

From

Surgeon General George Smith M.D.
Indian Medical Department

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir

In reply to your Memo dated 23rd September
referring a letter from Lieutenant J. F. Poyson,
herewith returned, I have the honor to
report to His Grace the Governor in Council,
that I cannot recommend the use of
the pills therein referred to in this Presidency,
inasmuch as their composition is unknown,
and reliable evidence is wanting to show
that they are of any value as a remedy for
malarial fever.

I have the honor to be,
Sir

Your most obedient servant
Proscribed and
Surgeon General India

For the Secy
25th Sept 1877

Secretary to Govt

Medical Department for Remarks.

Referred to the Surgeon-General India

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From

Colonel J. F. Poyson

Officer in Charge
of the 6-10-7 N^o 6046

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Offering to supply

all the pills, pills, diamonds
after many trials to be
the most effective and
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