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Fort St George 13th January 1800

To

Alexander Boiswell Esqre

Secretary to the

Medical Board

Sir

A Detachment of Artillery under Captain Burke being ordered to Hydrabad, the Commander in Chief desires me to intimate to the Medical Board his desire that an Assistant Surgeon may be immediately named to the Medical charge of this detachment which is to march tomorrow.

I am,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

/Signed/ P. Agnew

Adjutant General to the Army

Fort St George

13th January 1800


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Fort St. George 13th January 1800

## Resolutions of Government in Council 11th January 1800

## Medical Board January 15th 1800

The Commander in Chief having intimated to the Medical Board, that an Assistant Surgeon is immediately required to accompany a Detachment of Artillery under orders to march from the Mount to Hydrabad — We recommend that Mr. Assistant Fallowfield, who is hourly expected at the Presidency on his way to Hydrabad to join the 3d Regiment of Cavalry, may be ordered to join this Detachment and to afford it Medical Assistance to the place of its destination, when he will deliver over the Medical charge to Mr. Staff Surgeon Kennedy, and

Approved and ordered.



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and join his respective Corps. —

James Anderson
Physician General

(Signed) W. Raine — Chief Surgeon
J. Gahagan M.D.
Head Surgeon

By order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secry to Government

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To

Robert Woolf Esqre

Accountant General

Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a Quarterly Statement of the Amount Valuation of the Medical Stores &c.a Expended and remains in the Presidency Store; & Subordinate Stations of Vellore; Trichinopoly and Masulipatam from the 1st of August to the 31st of October 1799.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Surgn M.B.

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13th January 1800

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Amount Valuation agreeable to the Invoice Prices of European Medicines and Medical Stores expended in the Presidency Store, and Subordinate Stations from the 1st Augt to the 31st of October 1799.—

| | £ | S. | D. |
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| Medicines and Instruments &c.a expended in the Presidency from the 1st of August to 31st of October 1799 | 5499 | 6 | 3½ |
| Medicines and Instruments &c.a expended at Vellore from the 1st of August to 31st of October 1799 | 206 | 13 | 10½ |
| Medicines and Instruments &c.a expended at Masulipatam from the 1st of August to 31st of October 1799 | 310 | 14 | 5½ |
| Medicines and Instruments &c.a expended at Trichinopoly from the 1st of August to 31st of October 1799 | 302 | — | 3½ |
| £ | 6318 | 14 | 11 |

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Medical Board Office
13th January 1800

E.E.
(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Surgn on the Staff

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Amount Valuation agreeable to the Invoice Prices of European Medicines and Medical Stores remaining in the Presidency Store, and Subordinate Stations from the 1st of Augt to 31st October 1799 –

| | £ | S. | D. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Medicines and Instruments &c remaining in the Presidency from the 1st of August to 31st October 1799 | 12447 | 0 | 9¾ |
| Medicines and Instruments &c remaining at Vellore from the 1st of August to 31st October 1799 | 946 | 18 | 6¾ |
| Medicines and Instruments &c remaining at Masulipatam from the 1st of August to 31st October 1799 | 1563 | 12 | ¼ |
| Medicines and Instruments &c remaining at Trichinopoly from the 1st of August to 31st October 1799 | 906 | 18 | 11¾ |
| £ | 15564 | 16 | 3¼ |

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Medical Board Office
13th January 1800

EE (Signed) Alex Boiswell
Secy. Med. Board

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Resolutions of Government in Council 28th January 1800

Medical Board 17th January 1800

Approved and ordered

Government in the Resolutions on our Proceedings of the 23rd December 1799, having been pleased to order that we should state our opinion of the Assistance required by the Head Surgeon of Seringapatam, in consequence of his trouble in having charge of the Medical Stores, we Recommend that an Assistant Surgeon who is qualified may be selected for this duty, on the allowances formerly granted to the Medical Storekeepers at the General Hospitals of 30 Pagodas a Month; and that Mr. Ingledew be the Assistant nominated for this situation.

We have received a Letter from the Surgeon at Malacca representing that no allowance is admitted on account of

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Ordered that the Surgeon at Malacca be permitted to draw an allowance of Fifteen Pagodas on this account.

of Medical expenditure for the Staff Invalids Pensioners and Inhabitants of that Garrison according to the 11th Paragraph of the Medical Regulations of the 4th December 1793, which are now in force, allowances on this account obtain in all the fixed Stations — We therefore Recommend that Fifteen [15] Pagodas a month may be granted for the Garrison of Malacca. —

The Board observe the circumstances of the removal of Mr Ainslie, and would have pleasure in complying with the recommendation of the Medical Board, if they judged it expedient to supersede the existing arrangements for the Garrison of Poonamallee

Read a Letter from Mr Surgeon Ainslie, Copy of which we beg leave to enclose — the situation of Surgeon at Chingleput being annulled, and as no increase to the establishment would on that account be incurred, by appointing him Surgeon of Poonamallee, we recommend his application to the favorable consideration of Government, and we are further induced to this recommendation, as by



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by the late arrangements the strength and importance of that Garrison must necessarily involve greater trust and more responsibility than in our opinion should properly fall to the charge of an Assistant.

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr Surgeon Dunbar, stating his having arrived at the Presidency in bad Health, from Seringapatam, which place he left on Sick Certificate from the Head Surgeon and requesting Two Months leave to remain on the Coast for the recovery of his Health, which indulgence we recommend may be granted. —

Approved

Mr Assistant Welly having arrived here with a Detachment of Europeans from Arnee, and having stated that urgent private business requires his remaining at the Presidency for One Month, to which seeing no Objection

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objection we also recommend may be granted. —

James Anderson
Physician General

/Signed/ W. Raine Chief Surgeon
J. Gahagan M. D &
Head Surgeon

By order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council

/Signed/ Webbe
Secry to Government

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To
Dr. James Anderson
Physician General &c and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

The final orders for the demolition of Chingleput being published, and my appointment of course annulled, I trust, that it will not appear improper in me to request your support with Government, that I may be ordered to Poonamalle, where the greater part of the Chingleput Garrison is to be sent.

The Recruits from Europe, and details for the Kings Regiments being generally stationed at Poonamalle, has frequently made it be considered as the station of a full Surgeon, and at no late period has the charge been greater I believe than at present, there being above 800 Men including the French Prisoners under the care of Mr. M.Kintosh Assistant Surgeon. —

My being a Surgeon of nearly 12 years standing, and having lost my appointment by an expected

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expected arrangement of the Service will I hope in the present instance plead in my behalf

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed Whitelaw Ainslie

Surgeon

Madras

13.th January 1800

A true Copy

Signed Alex Boiswell

Secry Med.l Bd

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Fort S.t George 25.th January 1800

To

Josiah Webbe Esq.re

Secretary to Government

Sir,

By desire of the Medical Board I have the honor to forward for transmission to Europe by the Ships now under Despatch a Letter from the Medical Storekeeper to this Board accompanied with a Duplicate Copy of the Indent for European Medicines transmitted last June, and also the Annual Indent required for the use of this Presidency and its Dependencies for the year 1801.—

I am also directed to intimate that an order will be necessary for the Captain of one of the Ships to receive on board the unserviceable Instruments in Store of which a List is enclosed.—

I have the Honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obed.t Servant

(Signed) A. Boiswell

Secry Med.l Bd

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25.th January 1800

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To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General &c. and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen

I have the honor to transmit for your Signature the Duplicate Copy of the Indent for European Medicines forwarded in June last, and also for Your Approbation and Signature the Indent for European Medicines &c. required for the use of the Presidency and its Dependencies for the Year 1801, which if approved of I request that both may be sent to Government for transmission by the Ships now under Despatch.

I have included some articles not formerly inserted from their having been either frequently demanded by the Medical practitioners here, or recommended in approved publications, and intervals are left for the insertion of what farther You may deem useful, I have made out the Indent agreeably to the form ordered and with such remarks as the last receipts required paying attention to the omission of all that can be equally well and cheap made up here — the quantities are regulated by the demand &

state

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State of the Stores —

Enclosed is also a List of all the Spoiled and unserviceable Instruments in Store, they are packed up and directed for the Honble the Court of Directors, for the forwarding of which I request an order to the Captain of one of the Indiamen

the Spoiled Elastic Gum Bougies are returned as desired by the maker on a former occasion.

I have the honor to be with Respect

Gentlemen,

Your most Obed. Servant

(Signed) And.w Berry
Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. George
20th January 1800

/A true Copy/
/Signed/ Alex Boiswell
Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George 27th January 1800

## Resolutions of Government in Council 4th Febuary 1800

## Medical Board 27th January 1800

The regulations published in July 1786 for the establishment of General Hospitals and for the conduct of Head Surgeons having proved so defective in practise as to admit the most serious abuses, the revision of them was brought under the Notice of the Medical Board, and after a full discussion of the principles on which it would be proper to regulate the Medical Department the regulations of December 1793 were suggested by the Medical Board corrected, and finally adopted by the Governor in Council. —

One of the principal features of those Regulations was to establish an efficient check and controul over the Hospitals, the want of which had rendered the preceding Regulations of 1786 materially defective in their operations on the Service by the same regulations of December 1793 - a particular provision arising from peculiar circumstances was made for the conduct of the General Hospital at the Presidency, and a Surgeon was specifically appointed to the charge of a dieretitious patient with a contract of supply, subject to the check and controul of the superintending Head Surgeon. By the General Order of the 19th of March 1794 - It was ordered and directed that the Physician General and the Junior Members of the Medical Board should inspect occasionally the General Hospitals at the Presidency Trichinopoly, Vellore, and Ellore, in order that the intention of the Governor in Council to introduce an efficient controul into the Medical Department should be accomplished.

From past experience and the present testimony of the Medical Board the regulations of 1793 which are still in force have been found to answer the expectation formed by the Medical Board when they recommended the adoption of them to the Governor in Council. —

Under these circumstances the Head Surgeon lately appointed to the General Hospital at the Presidency informs the Medical Board that in taking charge of the Hospital he means strictly

In compliance with the wishes of the Head Surgeon the Medical Board have the honor to forward the following Minute regarding the Presidency General Hospital. —

Altho' we have hitherto been satisfied with the manner in which the duty of the General Hospital has been conducted and the whole of the present system having been sanctioned by Government, Yet as the present Head Surgeon is desirous of being particularly charged with the interior and sole management of the Sick we are happy to have it in our power to give Government the option of investing this duty in him. —

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The Head Surgeon reports "that he has visited the General Hospital "at this Presidency and means to take "charge of it agreeably to the orders of "Government issued the 31st Ultimo "strictly following the Regulations "published in July 1786 - in which the "Establishment of General Hospitals and "Head Surgeons in the Honble Company's "Service originated — But finding a full "Surgeon in charge of the most important "duties expected from the Head Surgeon - "by these Regulations which expressly "comprehend the Medical treatment "of the Patient entry, discharge, and "every other point attached to their "welfare and the regularity of the Hospital "and to which with his Assistants he is "fully competent as formerly — He therefore "thinks it incumbent on him to state "that the employment of a full Surgeon under

strictly to adhere to the regulations of July 1786, and thinks the employment of a full Surgeon under him unnecessary; because although such an appointment had been allowed to exist since the year 1794 it appeared from Record to be the intention of the Governor in Council that those duties should be performed by the Head Surgeon.

When this proposition was brought before the Medical Board, it was their duty to have adverted to the causes, in which the existing regulations had originated and they would have found that the intention of the Head Surgeon of strictly following the regulations published in July 1786 was not only contrary to the positive orders of the Governor in Council now in force, but tended to revive a system which had been pronounced to be defective and liable to the most flagrant abuse — By a reference to the orders of the Governor in Council the Medical Board would have observed that the

"under him is unnecessary — and although "this appointment has been allowed "to exist since the beginning of the Year "1794 it would appear from the Records "of that period that Government pointedly "looked to the Head Surgeon as the person "who ought to have discharged those "duties, although a full Surgeon was a "suffered to officiate in that Department."

James Anderson
Physician General

[Signed] M. Raine
Chief Surgeon

J. Gahagan M.D.
Head Surgeon



appointment of a full Surgeon to the General Hospital at the Presidency had not been allowed to exist since the Year 1794 by any negligent sufferance, but that it had been introduced for special purposes on defined principles, stated in the general order of the 4th December 1793.

By a due consideration of that order the Medical Board could not have failed to understand that the Governor in Council did not look to the Head Surgeon as the person who ought to discharge the duties of the full Surgeon; because the words of the order absolutely contradict such an interpretation; because a clause of that order prescribes a course of duties to the Head Surgeon which positively render his personal execution of the duties of the full Surgeon at the General Hospital impracticable, and because such an arrangement would be fundamentally subversive of the principles of public check by confounding the Offices of Supply and of control.—

After this recapitulation the Governor in Council cannot

but

but express his Lordship's surprize that the Medical Board should have submitted to his consideration the present unqualified proposition of the Head Surgeon - a proposition not more at variance with the existing orders of the Governor in Council, than with the recorded sentiments of the Medical Board for the improved administration of the Medical Department.

The Governor in Council is disposed to place every proper degree of reliance on the public Boards constituted under His Lordship's authority for conducting the details of official business; and the necessity of diminishing that confidence will always be felt by His Lordship in Council with the most serious concern; It is therefore not without reluctance that his Lordship has been compelled to animadvert on this deviation from consistency this indifference to the principles of the Service, in order to point out to the



the Medical Board the "Mode by which alone their conduct can be entitled to respect.

By Order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

Signed J Webbe
Secry to Government

Fort St. George 30th January 1800

To Dr. James Anderson M.D. &c &c

President &c. Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to enclose Copy of a Letter from His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon, and to desire that the Medicines required for the Island of Ceylon may be forwarded to Columbo as soon as possible.—

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

Fort St. George
30th January 1800

(Signed) J Webbe

Sec.y to Government



Fort St. George 30th January 1800

To the Right Honble Lord Clive

Governor and President in Council

Fort St. George—

My Lord,

I take the liberty of enclosing a List of such Medicines as Doctor Ewart has represented he will stand in need of, before the expiration of the ensuing S.W. Monsoon which render this Road inaccessible for some months, I have therefore been thus early in my application to Your Lordship in Council to request that the Medicines required may be furnished from the Stores at Fort St. George, and sent here previous to the Sitting in of the S.W. Monsoon, which takes place about the middle of May.—

I have the honor to be with greate respect

Columbo
14th January 1800

My Lord,

Your Lordship's

Most Obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Frederic North

Fort St. George 30th January 1800

## Medicines wanted for Ceylon Columbo 9th January 1800

| | Lbs | Ozs | | Lbs | Ozs |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Flor: Sulphur | 150 | — | Alum | 60 | — |
| Rad Gentian | 40 | — | Ung.t Citrin | 10 | — |
| Sap Venet | 20 | — | Empl. Commune | 70 | — |
| Vitriol Alb | 16 | — | Lap Calamin | 50 | — |
| Gum Kino | 6 | — | Opium | 20 | — |
| Rad Serpentar | 10 | — | Pulv Antimon | 4 | — |
| Ol Mirrth piper | 6 | — | Magnes Alb | 15 | — |
| Litharg | 40 | — | Spt. Corn Cerv | 35 | — |
| Acid Nitros | 55 | — | Calomel | 15 | — |
| Hydrargyr purificat | 50 | — | Ext Cathart | 20 | — |
| Alter Vitriol | 15 | — | Glass Funnels | No | 10 |
| Bals Anodyn | 18 | — | —— Measures | No | 10 |
| —— Peruvian | 3 | — | —— Mortar | No | 12 |
| Crystal Tartar | 50 | — | Trusses with Spring pas | No | 24 |
| Kal ppt. | 15 | — | Pear Barley | Lbs | 400 |
| —— Tartarizat | 30 | — | Catechu | | 8 |
| Canthared | 10 | — | Sewis | | 10 |
| Rad Jalap | 10 | — | | | |
| Empl. Canthar | 30 | — | Attue Copies | | |
| Spr Alter Nitros | 30 | — | Signed/ G. Buchan | | |
| Pic Burgund | 20 | — | Sub-Surv.r | | |
| Spt Terebinth | 15 | — | | | |

Signed/ J. Ewart
P.G. Surgeon



Fort St. George 3rd February 1800

## Resolutions of Government in Council 4th Febry 1800

## Medical Board 3rd February 1800

We have the honor to acknowledge the orders of Government regarding a Supply of Medicines for the Island of Ceylon, and have directed the Medical Storekeeper to comply with the same without delay.

We recommend that Mr. Hay Assistant Surgeon at Sankerdroog be ordered to attend the Detachment of the 1st Battalion 5th Native Regiment Stationed in that Garrison on the usual allowances, and have directed our Secretary to point out and reprehend the irregularity of this Gentleman in having addressed a public Letter direct to the Right Honble the Governor in Council.

Approved and ordered

By order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council
Signed/ J. Webbe
Secy to Govt

Signed/ James Anderson P. General
Willm Raine Chief Surgeon
J. Gahagan M.D. & Head Surgeon

Fort St. George 6th. February 1800

To James Anderson Esqr. M.D. V.P.G.
President &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to inclose for your information Copy of a Letter from the Head Surgeon at Seringapatam to the Officer Commanding the Forces in Mysore; and am directed to acquaint you that the Governor in Council approves the arrangements recommended by Mr. Anderson: His Lordship accordingly desires that a Surgeon may be selected and recommended for the Station of Chittledroog.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J. Webbe
Secry. to Government

Fort St. George
6th. February 1800





Fort St. George 6th. February 1800

Copy of a Letter from Doctor A. Anderson to the Honorable Colonel Wellesley Dated Seringapatam 30th. January 1800

Sir

In order to complete the Medical establishment of Mysore, it appears to me absolutely necessary, that a Surgeon of experience should be stationed at Chittledroog, to take charge of the Garrison Staff, such Artillery as may be posted there, and such Corps and Detachments as may not have a Surgeon attached.

A Surgeon stationed at this frontier Fort, will be attended with several advantages to the Public Service. He will allow in case of Sickness or death of any of the Medical Men in Bednore, Soonda, or the neighbouring posts, prompt Medical aid to be given by detaching one of the Regimental Surgeons doing duty there to their relief. The distance of those Stations from Seringapatam, rendering it impossible to afford that speedy assistance, which the situation of the Sick at all times demands.

Another advantage would result from the appointment, which I have taken the liberty of Recommending, that in case of disturbances on the frontiers a

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a field Hospital would be without difficulty established for the reception of the Sick, and to be in some degree prepared for such an event, I would recommend that 25 Pagodas per Month be given to the Surgeon for an Establishment of Servants, independent of the usual allowance for Country Medicines – Medical attendants for the Sick cannot be got at those Stations, and the greatest distress, in War time, is often experienced from a deficiency of people of this discription.

It will be necessary, that two Assistant Surgeons should be stationed at Seringapatam, to assist in the several duties of the Station, and the occasional Services which may occur in Mysore.

The Medical Regimental establishments will in my opinion, be perfectly sufficient for all the other duties. –

I have the honor to be.
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt
(Signed) A. Anderson
Head Surgeon

A true Copy
(Signed) G Buchan
Sub Secry





Fort S George 7.th February 1800

## Resolutions of Government in Council 11.th February 1800

The sentiments of the Governor in Council relative to the mode of transmitting the Proceedings of the Medical Board to His Lordship have been communicated to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief

Approved and ordered.

## Medical Board 7.th February 1800

Major General Brathwaite having returned our last Proceedings on a supposition as expressed in his remarks on the back of them that they are unnecessary. – However desirous we may be to comply with the wishes of the Commander in Chief, we think it our indespensible duty in support of the Stations which we fill to retransmit them, that they may be forwarded to Government, seeing no reason to make any alteration or to withhold any part of what is therein stated.

Mr Surgeon Harris having arrived from Malacca and being the Senior of the Surgeons attached to the Divisions of the Honble Company's European Infantry before they were

were incorporated, we recommend that he be appointed Surgeon to the Madras Regiment, and ordered to relieve Mr. Barbor who is doing duty with that part of it now at the Presidency.—

We have the honor to forwa Copy of a Letter received from the Head Surgeon of Seringapatam and in compliance with his suggestio of the propriety of Stationing a full Surgeon at Chittledroog, we recomme in the event of our Recommendation respecting Mr. Harris being approved, that Mr. Samuel Barbor be appointed Surgeon of that Garrison—with regard to an allowance for Servants and Medical expenditure, we shall be better able to form a judgment of

Approved and ordered





of what may be necessary by the Surgeons Returns after he shall have joined that Station.—

We have only to remark on that part of Mr. Anderson's Letter concerning Assistants, that so soon as we have it in our power by the arrival of Medical Gentlemen from Europe to recommend the establishment which he states to be necessary for Seringapatam, it shall not be forgotten.—

And in the mean time, recommend that General orders may be Issued so as to enable the Head Surgeons in communication with Commanding Officer of the different Divisions to call upon the Assistant Surgeons in the vicinity of their Stations and to dispose of them as may be found

Approved and ordered

Fort St. George 7th. February 1800

The Governor in Council adverting to the Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 26th. August last and to the application to their Secretary then submitted to His Lordship, is pleased to resolve that the Salary of the Secretary shall be increased to One hundred and fifty Pagodas per month exclusively of the establishment for his Office.—

By order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) Webbe
Secy to Govt.

found most conducive to the furtherance of the public Service.—

James Anderson
Physician General

(Signed) W. Raine
Chief Surgeon

J. Gahagan M.D
Head Surgeon





Fort St. George 7th. February 1800

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General &c.a and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

In a former Letter I mentioned that I should take the liberty of giving my sentiments on the Medical establishment that would be required for the duty of Mysore.—

The late promotion of Surgeons to the Native Cavalry, and the usual Medical establishment of the Native Infantry, render so far as I can judge, very few extra Surgeons requisite In order however to complete the Medical establishment it appears to me absolutely necessary that a Surgeon of experience should be stationed at Chittledroog, to take charge of the Garrison Staff, such Artillery as may be posted there, and such corps and detachments as may not have a Surgeon attached.—

A Surgeon stationed at Chittledroog would be attended with several advantages to the public Service— he would allow, in case of Sickness or death of any of the Medical Men in Soonda Bidelenore, or the neighbouring posts, prompt Medical Aid to be given, by detaching one of the

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the Regimental Surgeons doing duty there for their relief are object of much importance, as the distance of these frontier Stations from Seringapatam is so considerable, as to prevent us in cases of distress from affording speedy Medical Asistance, which may be occasionally much wanted, and which lately happened on the death of Mr. Asistant Surgeon Adamson in the Soonda district.

Another advantage would results from having a Surgeon of experience Stationed at Chittledroog, that, in case of disturbances on the frontiers, a field hospital would be without difficulty, established, for the reception of the Sick, and to enable the Surgeon to be in some degree prepared for such an event I would Recommend, if it should meet with your approbation, that 25 Pagodas per month be given to him for Medical Servants, independent of an allowance for Country Medicines, Medical attendants for the Sick cannot be got in such situations, and great distress is often felt, in time of War, from a deficiency of people of this description —

It appears to me likewise necessary that two Asistant Surgeons should be Stationed at Seringapatam, to assist in the several duties of the Garrison, and such

Services



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Services as may occasionally occur in Mysore — I beg leave to suggest a measure, which if it should meet with the approbation of your Board, would I think, be attended with much advantage to the Public Service, and the Young Medical practitioners, that the Asistant Surgeons may be appointed to do duty under my directions, and I shall, with the concurrence of the Honble Colonel Wellesley, who is always ready to forward every measure likely to promote the public good, desire them to attend such of His Majesty's or the Honble Company's Regimental Hospitals, as may want Medical Asistance, where the young practitioner may have an opportunity of improving himself in his profession — It will be my duty to give a faithful report to you of the conduct of those who may be placed under my directions, and it will give me much pleasure in pointing those, who may by their abilities and assiduity of the duties of their profession, deserve the encouragement of your Board, to be advanced to stations of responsibility —

I have the pleasure to add that the Honble Colonel Wellesley approves of the appointments which I have proposed, and will likely support them in his

communications

Fort St. George 7th February 1800

communications with Government.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) A. Anderson

Head Surgeon

Seringapatam

31st January 1800

A true Copy

Signed A. Boswell

Secy to

Govt Med. Bd



Fort St. George 13th February 1800

## Resolutions of Government in Council 8th February 1800

## Medical Board 13th February 1800

Approved & ordered

The resolutions of Government on our Proceedings of the 24th September 1799 not admitting that Malacca should be the Station for a full Surgeon, and an opportunity now offering for relieving Mr. Surgeon McMorris now there, we recommend that Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Betty be ordered to proceed and do duty in that Garrison - and that Mr. Surgeon McMorris be appointed to the 4th Native Regiment and ordered to join that Corps vice Mr. Arthur deceased -

James Anderson
Physician General

(Signed) Willm. Raine - Chief Surgeon

J. Gahagan M.D. and
Head Surgeon -

By order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council -

(Signed) J. Webbe
Jur. & Sols. to Govt

Fort St. George 17th. February 1800

## Resolutions of Government in Council 17th. February 1800

## Medical Board. 17th. February 1800

We have the honor to forward to Government a List of European Medicines which the Medical Storekeeper has despatched to Ceylon with the Invoice Prices percentage and usal charges amounting to Pagodas Six hundred and Ten, Seventeen fanams and Sixty Seven ¾ a quarter Cash /610.17.67¾/ - that the Ceylon Government may be debited for the same. -

Ordered accordingly

The Head Surgeon of Seringapatam having represented that the Sick in the General Field Hospital there are reduced to nine Europeans and forty Natives and that



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that the field Hospital establishment may therefore be discontinued We recommend that all expences incurred on this account may cease accordingly. -

Approved and ordered

The Head Surgeon has also intimated that Mr. Fleming Surgeon in charge of the field Hospital has obtained permission from the Honble Colonel Wellesley to proceed to the Coast on account of bad health which indulgence we recommend may be granted and we have much satisfaction in transmitting to Government the following Extracts from Mr. Anderson's Letter regarding this Gentleman.

Leave to be granted

"I consider it a pleasant part of my duty to report to your Board, that "Mr. Flemings judicious liberal and humane "treatment, and the unremitting attention he "has paid to the sick who have been entrusted "to his care, since he has had charge of the

Resolved to express in General Orders the satisfaction of the Governor in Council at this favorable Testimony of Mr. Flemings conduct.

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"the General field Hospital, has done
"him in my opinion great honor."

We recommend that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Simon Steward be appointed to the 6th Regiment of Native Infantry and ordered to join the 1st Battalion of that Corps serving with His Highness the Nizam.

Approved and Ord ordered.

James Anderson
Physician General.

(Signed) Will.m Raine
Chief Surgeon

J. Gahagan M.D.
Head Surgeon.

By Order of the Right Hon.ble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) J. Webbe
Sec.y to Government



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## Medical Board.
3rd March 1800

Read a Letter from Mr. Henry Harris, Surgeon of the Madras Regiment, which is under orders for Masulipatam - requesting leave to remain at the Presidency for Six Weeks on private Business - as Mr. Harris has very lately returned from a two Years Detachment on foreign Service, and as we can provide for the duty of the Corps during his absence - We recommend that this indulgence may be granted - and that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Simon Steward who is now at the Presidency and about to proceed to his Station at Hydrabad, be ordered to embark with the Madras Regiment and continue to perform the Medical

Approved

Approved & ordered.

Duties

duties thereof until relieved by Mr. Harris.

We have received an application from Mr. Surgeon Pollard who was lately passed to the Non Effective List for permission to reside at Pondicherry in which we recommend he may be indulged and that the Paymaster of that Station may be ordered to pay him his monthly subsistence.—

Ordered accordingly

James Anderson
Physician General
/signed/ Willm. Raine
Chief Surgeon
J. Gahagan M.D.
Head Surgeon

By order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council
/signed/ Webbe
Secry to Govt.



## Resolutions of Government in Council 13th March 1800

## Medical Board 13th March 1800

The Adjutant General having communicated to the Medical Board that a Detachment consisting of part of the 3d Regiment of Native Cavalry and 1st Battalion 9th Regiment is about to march from Vellore to Hydrabad and requires Medical Assistance — We recommend that Mr. Dunbar Surgeon of the 3rd Regiment of Cavalry whose leave is nearly expired may be ordered to proceed to Vellore and afford Medical aid to the Detachment to the place of its distination by which he will also have an opportunity of joining his Corps.—

Approved and Ordered

James Anderson
Physician General
(Signed) Willm. Raine
Chief Surgeon
J. Gahagan M.D. Head Surgeon

By order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council
/signed/ Webbe Secry to Govt.

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To Dr James Anderson MD & PS
President &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to furnish You with the inclosed Copy of a List of Medicines required for the use of the Island of Ceylon, and to desire that You will forward the Medicines to Columbo by the earliest opportunity

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) J Webbe
Secy to Govt

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List of Medicines wanted for Ceylon
Columbo February 19th 1800

| | Lbs | | Lbs |
|---|---|---|---|
| Amylum | 50 | Cret ppt | 80 |
| Acid. Nitros | 100 | Cantharid | 50 |
| Muriat | 30 | Cerussa | 40 |
| Vitriol Aromat | 20 | Crem. Tartar | 200 |
| Ammon ppt | 20 | Calomel ppt | 30 |
| Arsen Alb | 10 | Confect Cardiac | 60 |
| Argent Viv | 100 | Cort Simaroub | 100 |
| Acit Distillat | 100 | Conser Rosar | 40 |
| Other Vitriol | 40 | Empl Adhesiv | 60 |
| Bals Sapon | 90 | — Commun | 40 |
| — Traumat | 18 | — Vesicat | 150 |
| — Copaiv | 16 | Extr Saturn | 50 |
| — Peruv | 10 | — Cort Peruv | 60 |
| Borax | 40 | — Glycerrhiz | 60 |
| Bals Anod | 40 | — Jallap | 16 |
| Cerussa Acitat | 40 | Fol. Digital | 20 |
| Cort Peruv | 500 | Gum Ammon | 40 |
| — Flava | 30 | — Guaiac | 20 |
| — Rubr | 50 | — Myrrh | 50 |
| Cupr Ammon | 6 | — Scammon | 10 |
| Caust Lunar | 5 | Kali ppt | 70 |
| | | | Kali |

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| | Lbs ⅔ | | Lbs |
|---|---|---|---|
| Kali Tartarizat | 150 | Tart Emet | 20 |
| Manna | 40 | Ung.t e Cop. Calam | 100 |
| Merc. sub Corros | 20 | ——— Basil flav | 100 |
| ——— Corros Rubr | 20 | Cupr. Vitriolat | 10 |
| Magnes Vitriolat | 400 | | |
| Natron p.p.t. | 30 | Trepaning Instruments | case 3 |
| Opium Purificat | 20 | Colmans Apparatus | case 1 |
| Ol Anise | 4 | Tooth Instruments | Sets 2 |
| ——— Olivar | 100 | Scalpels | Dozen 8 |
| ——— Terebinth | 20 | Pocket Instruments | Sets 6 |
| Pulv Liquirit | 5 | Straight Bistouries | 6 |
| James Powder | papers № 100 | Crooked Ditto | 6 |
| Rad Rhub | 60 | Lancets | № 30 |
| ——— Jallap | 40 | Seton Needles | № 10 |
| ——— Ipecuan | 60 | Phyals and Corks of Sorts | № 400 |
| Rad Contrayerv | 20 | Pins | Papers 30 |
| Spermaceti | 30 | Europe Thread | lbs 15 |
| Sal Glaub | 500 | Tape | pcs № 20 |
| ——— Mart | 30 | Skins | № 100 |
| Spt Nitr Dulc | 30 | Small Mortar and Pestles | № 8 |
| ——— Vin Rectificat | 200 | Flannel | Yards 100 |
| ——— Other Vitriol Ac | 20 | Europe Lint | lbs 100 |
| ——— Lavend Ac | 30 | Bed Pans | № 10 |
| Sal Corn Cerv | 20 | Penis Syringes | 16 |

Dups



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| | Lbs ⅔ | | Lbs ⅔ |
|---|---|---|---|
| Deep Copper Scales & weights Sets | 12 | Lint | 100 |
| Glyster Syringes | № 16 | Spare Glyster Pipes | № 20 |
| Pill Boxes | Papers № 20 | Bullet Forceps | № 6 |
| Cupping Instruments | Sets 3 | | |

(Signed) John Ewart
D. P. & J. G.

A true Copy
(Signed) G. Buchan
Sub. Secretary

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To

Alexr. Boiswell Esqr.

Secretary to the

Medical Board

Sir

I transmit by desire of Major General Brathwaite for your perusal and the information of the Medical Board a Letter addressed to Major General Bridges by the Officer Commanding Errode and am directed to request the attention of the Board to the Circumstances stated of the want of Medical aid, for the Sick at that Station.

I am, Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

/Signed/ P. A. Agnew

Asst. Genl. of the Army

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To

Major General Bridges

Commanding Southern Division

Trichinopoly

Sir,

A great number of the Sepoys lately withdrawn from Danigan Cottah and Guzlihatty pass are dangerously ill with various distempers, which they contracted there & have no proper means of Recovery or getting better.

The one half of the Sepoys who came from Danigan Cottah were in such an emaciated and infeebled condition on their arrival at Errode that they appeared to me actually unfit for duty and am of opinion that we would have lost severals of them was it not for the medical assistance of Dr. Hay who has been kind enough to send them from time to time such Medicines as have afforded them great relief, and also tended to diminish a great proportion of the Patients as I cannot with indifference perceive so many objects as are now in Hospitals without some kind of relief I thought it a duty incumbent on me for to make

mention

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mention of this in hopes that You will give the necessary order for some Medical Gentleman occasionally attending the Troops composing this Garrison — Mr. Assistant Hay being the nearest Surgeon to this district and having heretofore come over from Sankerdroog (which I believe is about fifteen Miles distant) whenever he was required, without deriving any advantage by it I beg leave for to point him out to Your consideration as the most proper person for to give occasional attendance to the Sick of this Detachment stationed here — and, if You deem it requisite for to mention him as such to the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Obedient Servt.
Signed A. Campbell
Lieut. Comng Errode

Errode
March 8th 1800



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## Medical Board
17th. March 1800

The Commander of the Army in Chief having transmitted to the Medical Board a Representation from the Officer Commanding Errode, that Medical assistance is required for that Station and that for some time past the Sick have been attended by Mr. Hay who stands appointed to Sankerdroog — We recommend that Mr. Hay be ordered to attended also the Garrison of Errode and that he may be permitted to draw the usual allowances from the time he has done the duty. —

We recommend that Mr. Surgeon Gallaway be ordered to proceed and do duty with the Detachment in orders to march under the Command of Lieutenant Col

Approved and ordered

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Approved and Ordered

Colonel Smith and when at Masulipatam he can deliver over Medical charge of the Detachment to Mr. Assistant Steward who will by that time be relieved by Mr. Harris from the duty of the Madras Regiment and being so far on his way to join the Corps to which he stands appointed at Hyrabeid may be ordered to do duty with the Detachment until its arrival at that Station. A further recommendation will be forwarded regarding Mr. Galloway by the time he shall be exonerated from the present duty.

Approved and ordered

We have the honor to acknowledge Mr. Secretary Webbe's Letter of the 14th Instant covering an Indent of Medicines for the Island of Ceylon and have directed the Medical Storkeeper to



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to comply with the same as far as the Stores will admit.

James Anderson
Physician General

Signed W. Raine
Chief Surgeon

J. Gahagan M.D. &
Head Surgeon

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council

Signed Webbe
Secry to Govt

Fort St. George 24th. March 1800

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## Medical Board 24th. March 1800

We have the honor to forward a Letter addressed to the Right Honble the Governor in Council by the Chief Surgeon Mr. William Raine — The length of this Gentleman's Services his sufferings and humane attention to his Country Men while a Prisoners of War under circumstances of a peculiar trying nature will we make no doubt have sufficient weight with His Lordship to make favorable mention of him to the Honble the Court of Directors. —

The Head Surgeon at Masulipatam having with the previous consent and concurrence of the Commanding Officer

Ordered that Mr. Raine be permitted to proceed to Europe on furlough, and to retain his seat at the Medical Board until he shall embark. —

The Governor in Council will have great pleasure in stating to the Honble the Court of Directors the services of Mr. Raine, & in particular his humane attention to his fellow prisoners during their Captivity. —



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Officer of the Northern Division forward an application from Mr. Stevenson Assistant Surgeon at Innicondah to visit the Presidency on account of Sickness and to be absent from his Station for three [illegible] Months — we — recommend that leave may accordingly be granted. —

Leave to be granted

James Anderson
Physician General

[Signed] W. Raine Chief Surgeon
J. Gahagan M.D and Head Surgeon. —

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) J Webbe
Secry to Govt.