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To the Superintending Surgeons of the Mysore Division, Southern Division, Northern Division, Ceded Districts, Provinces of Malabar, and Canara.—

Sir

For your greater convenience and that of all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons under your Superintendence, I am directed by the Medical Board to say, that your future monthly Reports and Journals will be in sufficient time if they are dispatched by you so as to arrive at this Office on the 25th instead of the 12th of every month, as directed in my Official Letter to you dated the 13th October last.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

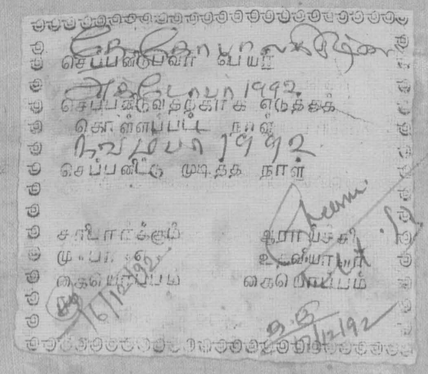
Signed W.m Horsman

Surg.n Med.l Board

Fort St. George

Med.l Board Office

6th January 1803.—



Fort St. George 21st January 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division of the Army

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of Government Dated the 11th Instant, a Copy of which you will be pleased to forward to Mr. Surgeon Norman, together with the sentiments of this Board expressive also of its high disapprobation of his conduct, & I am directed to desire that you will in a particular manner caution that Gentleman against any future neglect of his official duty disobedience of General Orders, act of insubordination or disrespect to your his immediate Superior in not paying strict and immediate attention to your communications, in all which, he appears to this Board to have been so extremely & repeatedly remiss, that he must consider himself Leniently dealt with in not having been represented as unfit to hold his present situation.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed. Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
25th January 1803.

Vide proceedings of the Med. Bd. under date the 6th January 1803

Fort St. George 25th January 1803.

To the Surgeon of the 16th Regiment of Native Infantry.

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you the accompanying Extracts from the orders of the Right Honble the Governor in Council dated the 11th and 13th instant for your information, and to express the particular satisfaction of the Board, in having it thus in its power to convey to you the distinguished notice of his Lordship in Council for your assiduity & attention in diffusing the benefits of Cow-pock inoculation, and for which you have justly merited, and I am herewith desired to communicate to you, its highest approbation.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
25th January 1803.

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To the Garrison Surgeon in Charge of the Medicines and Medical Stores Vellore.

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will with the least practicable delay, forward to the Medical Storekeeper here, such double headed Rupture Trusses as you may have in the public Store under your care, and not immediately required at your Station.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secry Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
25 February 1803

To the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division of the Army Masulipatam.

Sir

The Medical Board have directed me to forward to you the accompanying Certificates of the Qualifications of Nagalingum, Veerasalingum, and Bosowanah Native Inoculators at Guntoor & to desire that you will be pleased to deliver, or send them to the individuals respectively.—

I have the honor to be

Sir your most Obedt Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
25 February 1803

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This is to Certify That the Bearers Nagalingum, Veerasalingum, and Bosowanah Native Doctors from Guntoor has attended the process of vaccination at this Presidency under our immediate Inspection and having been properly instructed in the Nature and successfull progress of the Vaccine Disease, as well as satisfied from repeated experiments of its power of resisting Small pox Contagion is now permitted to return as a persons well and properly qualified to practice that beneficial process with accuracy and success.—

The same to Sawamy Naick at the Presidency.

Given under our hands at Madras this 31st day of January 1803.— } Signed { J. Gahagan 2d Mad Bd / Nicol Allan 3d Mad Bd

Circular.

To the Superintending Surgeons of the Centre Division, Northern Division, Southern Division, Mysore Division, Ceded Districts, Provinces of Malabar and Canara.—

Sir

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I am directed by the Medical Board to enclose for your information and guidance, and through your medium, for the information and guidance of all Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons and Native Practitioners under your superintendance, Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department dated the 13th Ultimo; together with Copy of a Government advertisement and an Extract from the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, dated the 14th Ultimo.

I am

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I am also directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Form of Register and Journal, to be kept by all Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, and Native Practitioners employed in vaccination with a Form of abstract for drawing, when countersigned as directed by Government, the allowance of 10 Pagodas per 100, for patients successfully vaccinated. to all which, (with the exception that the Register and Journal, may be kept by the Native Practitioners, in any of the Languages of the Peninsula) your due observance, and that of all whom they may concern, in the Division under your Superintendence, is strictly enjoined.—

To fulfil the intention of Para 5th of the Minutes of Council, the Medical Board direct that you immediately select, such Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon in your Division, as you think can be employed in superintending and assisting the process of vaccination, with the least inconvenience to the discharge of his other public duties; and that you report the particular Medical Officer so selected and employed by you, to this office without delay.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secry Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
7th February 1803.—

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Military Department

To the President &c Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to enclose for your information and guidance an Extract from the Resolutions of His Lordship in Council on the proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 3d Instant, relative to the practice of vaccination, and to acquaint you that His Lordship in Council has been pleased to appoint Mr Assistant Surgeon Horsman to superintend the Hospital for vaccinated patients at the Presidency.—

2. The Governor in Council has been pleased to appoint Mr Surgeon Dallon to afford Medical assistance to the Court of Circuit and appeal in the Centre Division, and to appoint Mr Assistant Surgeon Hay, for the performance of similar duty with the Court of Circuit and appeal in the Southern Division.—

3. His Lordship in Council has resolved to grant to the Medical Officers attached to the Judicial Courts, in addition to the Regimental allowances of their rank including the difference between half and full Batta, fifteen Pagodas per Month for Servants, fifteen Pagodas for Country and Bazar Medicines, and Twenty Pagodas per Month

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as Palankeen allowance; and I am directed to desire that the Indents of the Medical Officers employed on that duty for European Medicines may be complied with by the Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency, under the Check and control of the Medical Board.

4. The allowances above stated being of a Civil nature, I am directed to acquaint you that they will be paid accordingly in the Civil Department.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
Signed/ G. Buchan
Sec.y to Govt.

Fort St. George
13th January 1803.

A true Copy
Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Surv. Med. Bds.

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Extract from the Minutes of Council Dated 18th January 1803

Read the following Proceedings of the Medical Board Dated the 3d instant

Were entered them.—

Resolved to express to the Medical Board the great satisfaction which has been derived to the Governor in Council, from the successful experiments which have made of the efficacy of the vaccine infection, and from the well grounded assurance now entertained of the general extension of the benefits of that important discovery.—

Resolved that the Board concurs entirely in the grounds on which the Medical Board has recommended the adoption of measures for extending and preserving the benefits of vaccination in the territories under this Presidency, and that the following Regulations be established for that purpose.—

1st A public building to be allotted at the Presidency, for the purpose of receiving all patients who shall be desirous of being vaccinated.—

2 The Hospital for vaccinated patients to be placed under the directions of a Surgeon or an Assistant Surgeon, acting under the immediate Superintendence and Control of the Medical Board.—

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3d. The Medical Officer so employed to receive a Salary of 100 Pagodas per month, and to have under him a native Practitioner, and such an Establishment of Servants attached to the hospital under his charge, as the progress and extent of the institution may be found to require.

4th. All Patients who may be admitted into the hospital at the Presidency, and whose circumstances in life may not admit of their providing themselves with food while under vaccination, to be supplied with Rice at the public expence, and the Rice which may be required for that purpose to be issued from the public Stores on the Indent of the Medical officer in charge of the hospital, under the authority of the Governor in Council.

5th. A Surgeon or an assistant Surgeon whose service can be spared with the least Inconvenience to the Discharge of his other Duties to be selected by the medical Board, for the purpose of superintending and assisting the process of vaccination, in the respective divisions allotted to the medical charge of the Superintending Surgeons under this Presidency.

6th. The Surgeons or assistant Surgeons so employed to receive full batta, with an allowance in the proportion of ten Pagodas for each hundred patients successfully vaccinated.

7th. These Medical officers to transmit to the medical Board through the channel of the Superintending Surgeon in each Division, monthly Returns containing an account of the patients under their charge, and detailing such information relative to the names, ages, and description of Patients vaccinated by them, and relative to the appearance, progress, and termination of the vaccine disease in the case of each patient, as the Medical Board shall judge to be necessary.

8th. The Surgeons or Assistant Surgeons attached to the Courts of Circuit to be also employed in the practice of vaccination, on the allowances as above stated, and to transmit similar Returns of their practice.

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9th Measures to be taken under the directions of the medical Board, in the manner proposed in the foregoing proceedings of that Board, for instructing Native Practitioners in the use of vaccination; and an allowance in the proportion of ten Pagodas for each hundred Patients successfully vaccinated by Native Practitioners, to be paid to them.

10th Native Practitioners to be required to furnish such Returns as the Medical Board may judge to be proper, and the Returns to be certified by the medical Officer of the nearest Station, and by the Superintending Surgeon of the Division.

Resolved that the medical Board be directed to carry into effect the foregoing Regulations with the least practicable delay; and to direct that Board to communicate with the Town Major of Fort St. George relative to the selection of a building for the institution of a Vaccine Hospital at the Presidency; or to consider the expediency of erecting a temporary Cadjan building in a convenient situation for that purpose.

Resolved to call the particular attention of the medical Board to the expediency of guarding effectually against any abuse of the liberal consideration shewn for the success of the Vaccine practice throughout these territories; and that for that purpose it be considered to be a Rule that the charges of the Medical Officers for the allowance granted for vaccinated patients are to be supported by a Solemn declaration upon honor that the account is just and correct; and that all such charges be countersigned by the Superintending Surgeon of the Division, whose special duty it will be in all cases to superintend and control the practice of the Medical officers under their authority, and to submit such observations to the medical Board relative to that practice as may appear to be necessary.

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Resolved that the charges of the Native Practitioners at the Subordinate Stations under this Presidency, who may be considered qualified to practice in vaccination and who shall have received the prescribed Certificate for that purpose, be countersigned by the Medical officers of the nearest Station, and by the Superintending Surgeon of the Division, and that it be considered to be the duty of these officers to superintend and control the practice of such native Practitioners.

Resolved, that the charges of the Medical Officers and of the native Practitioners at the Subordinate Stations for vaccinated Patients, be paid by the Collectors of Revenue at the different Stations.

Resolved that the charges of the native Practitioners at the Presidency be paid under the authority of the Governor in Council when countersigned by the Medical Officer in charge of the Vaccine Hospital, and by a Member of the Medical Board.

Resolved that it be considered to be the duty of the Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon in charge of the Vaccine Hospital to inspect the conduct of the native Practitioners at the Presidency.

Resolved that the medical Board be directed to submit to the Governor in Council as early as may be practicable in the beginning of each month, an Abstract of the information comprized in the Registers and Returns for the preceding month, of the different Medical officers employed in vaccination, as well as of the native Practitioners, together with an Abstract of the expence which may have been incurred on that account at the different Stations.

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It being impracticable at this period of time to define with precision the Rules which may be necessary for promoting the use of vaccination throughout the British territories in India: Resolved that the Regulations now established be considered to be liable to such modification and change, as the progress of further experience may suggest.

Under the impression entertained by the medical Board of the importance of the discovery which has been happily conveyed to India, the Governor in Council has no doubt that the best exertions of that Board will be used for preserving the benefits which it is calculated to ensure to mankind, and that such detailed arrangements will be made by the Medical Board as may be best adopted for that purpose – Resolved however to refer to the consideration of that Board, the expediency of taking measures for ensuring a continued supply of Vaccine Virus, by preserving a succession of Cows for that purpose.

Resolved to inform the Medical Board that the Governor in Council has observed with great satisfaction the extraordinary attention which has been given by different Medical officers under this Presidency, to the means of establishing and extending in these territories the practice of vaccination, and to direct that Board to convey to Mr. Surgeon Dalton, Mr. Assistant Surgeon Horsman, and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hay, His Lordship's particular approbation of their conduct.

Resolved under a sense of the great importance of impressing on the minds of the Native Inhabitants of India the nature and advantages of the vaccine practice, that the following Advertisement be published for that purpose, and that it

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it be translated into the Native Languages of the peninsula, and circulated by the different local authorities throughout territories under this Government.

Here Enter Advert.

Resolved that a Copy of the above Advertisement and of the preceding Resolutions, be transmitted to the Medical Board, with directions for furnishing to the Medical Officers under the authority of that Board the instructions which may be necessary for carrying into effect the above Resolutions.

(A true Extract)
(signed) G. Buchan
Secry to Government

A true Extract
(signed) W. Horsman
Secry Med. Board

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Public Department

Government Advertisement

The Right Honourable the Governor in Council having been pleased to announce in an Advertisement dated the 11th August 1802, the mode in which it was the intention of His Lordship in Council to encourage among the Native Inhabitants of India, the practice of Inoculation for the Small Pox, with a view to protect the Native Inhabitants from the calamitous effects of that disease when spread under the influence of Natural infection; His Lordship in Council deems it to be proper at this time, to make known the considerations under which it has been judged expedient to postpone the adoption of the measures explained in the above Advertisement.

The attention of medical persons of reputation in Europe having been during along course of years, directed to the improvement of the Medical Science, and to the knowledge and discovery of arts calculated to preserve and meliorate the condition of human life, the researches of such persons have been particularly turned to the means of averting the fatal consequences, which have been found to arise in Europe in like manner as in India, from the Small Pox – For that purpose the practice of inoculating for the Small Pox was adopted in Europe, and many lives were thereby preserved: But in the farther progress of the researches made by the learned and humane persons engaged in that pursuit, it has been at length within this short time, happily discovered that the effects of that dreadful malady may be averted entirely, and that it may be practicable to explode for ever the Small Pox, by the use of Cow Pox which is is conveyed from the Cow without danger in the infection – After

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many experiments made in England, and in other Countries in Europe, the success of this discovery has by the blessing of Providence, been found to be infallible, and the persons who have been concerned in conveying that blessing to mankind, have been distinguished with honor and rewards.

The same spirit of benevolence which guided the labours of those persons in Europe, led to the adoption of the means best calculated to convey the fruits of the happy discovery to India; and this humane object having been after much care effected, the Inhabitants of India may, by following the example of the European Nations, be for ever freed from farther apprehension or danger from the Small Pox.

The Medical Officers at this Presidency, adopting the same course of experiments as had been made in Europe, many Natives have been inoculated with Cow Pox at the Presidency and its vicinity; at Seringapatam, at Hydrabad, in the District of Coimbatore and in other parts of the Territories under this Government, and the following result has been thereby established.

1st. The disease denominated Cow Pox, is derived from the Cow, and may be Conveyed with safety to human persons.

2d. Persons who have been infected with Cow Pox, are in no danger of ever being infected with Small Pox.

3d. No instance is known of any person having died from the infection by Cow Pox; and it may be Communicated in any Season of the year, or in any situation without danger to the person infected, or to any person living in the same family.

4th. The eruption produced by the Cow Pox is of a slight nature, and of a short continuance — No Sickness proceeds from that disorder, nor is any Medicine found to be necessary, either before or Subsequently to the infection.

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The Right Honble the Governor in Council trusts that a discovery which ensure such inestimable benefits to mankind, will be received with equal gratitude by the Inhabitants of India, as has been evinced by the Inhabitants of every other part of the World, to whom it has under the favor of Heaven, been imparted; and His Lordship in Council in tracing the origin of these blessings, reflects with satisfaction, that they cannot fail to be peculiarly endeared in the minds of the Hindoos of India, by their immediate emanation from a Source Sanctified by the Sacred laws of the Hindoo Religion.

Under these impressions, the same measures as have been observed at this Presidency, have been adopted at the Presidencies of Bengal and Bombay, and on the Island of Ceylon, for the purpose of rendering the use of Cow Pox general throughout India; and the Right Honble the Governor in Council with a view to perpetuate in the Territories under this Government, the advantages of this discovery, has furnished instructions and Regulations to the Medical Board and Medical Officers at Fort St. George, and to the medical Officers at the Subordinate Stations, for explaining to the native Inhabitants at the Presidency, and throughout the Peninsula of India, the process observed in inoculating with Cow Pox, and for communicating that infection to all persons who shall be desirous of receiving it, under a just sense of the benefits and security which it will not fail to convey to themselves and to their families.

His Lordship in Council has been also pleased to direct, that native Doctors desirous of being instructed in the mode of inoculating with Cow Pox, shall be furnished with instructions for that purpose by the medical Officers at the different Stations in the Honble Company's Service, and in order farther to encourage such Native Doctors to extend that practice, His Lordship

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in Council has been pleased to resolve that until farther Notice, the Native Doctors so employed, shall receive for every hundred persons certified to have been successfully inoculated with Cow Pox, a reward of ten Pagodas payable from the public treasury at the Presidency, or by the Collectors of Revenue at the Subordinate Stations.—

(A true Extract)

(Signed) Gr. Buchan
Secy to Govt

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surgn Medl Bd

Fort St. George 10th February 1803.

(Form.)

Register and Journal of Patients vaccinated at ..... during the Month of .....

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(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surgn Medl Bd

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Form N2

Abstract of Allowance for persons successfully vaccinated by me from the ..... to the ..... of ..... at 10 Pags. ₹ 100 patients —

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(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surgn Med Bd

Fort St. George 14th February 1803.

To

The Superintending Surgeon of the Centre Division of the Army.—

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will forward to Mr Surgeon Prichard and Mr Assistant Surgeon Christie the accompanying letters &c. expressive of their approbation of their conduct of these Gentlemen in introducing and promoting the benefits of vaccine inoculation.—

I have the hon. to be
Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surgn Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
14th February 1803

To

The Superintending Surgeon of the Province of Malabar

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will forward to Mr Assistant Surgeon Gourlay the accompanying Letter &c. expressive of their approbation of the Conduct of that Gentleman in introducing and promoting the benefits of vaccine inoculation.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surgn Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
14th February 1803

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Circular

Messrs. Surgeon Prichard
Assistant Surgeon Christie
" Rogers &
" Gourlay

Sir

I am directed to furnish you with the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 24th Ultimo together with the Resolutions of Government thereon.—

I am at the same time desired to express to you the satisfaction the Medical Board has derived from the attention evinced by you towards the promotion of the benefits of vaccine inoculation, and of the real pleasure it affords the Board in being thus the medium of conveying to you the Approbation of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secry to Med Bd

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Circular

Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board. Dated 24th January 1803.—

Resolutions of the Governor in Council dated 11th Feby 1803

The Governor in Council desires that the Medical Board will convey to these Medical Officers the expression of His Lordship's approbation of their conduct.—

The Medical Board in conformity to these dispositions, recommend that the approbation of Government be communicated by their Chief Secretary to Mr. Rogers for sending, Mr. Prichard for applying, and Mr. Christie for preserving the vaccine virus that supplied Madras, as also to Mr. Gourlay for bringing Patients from Bombay to the Malabar Coast, as appears by the publication of Doctor Anderson the Physician General.—

A true Extract
Signed Wm Horsman
Secry to Med Bd

Fort St. George 15th February 1803.

To James Anderson Esqr. Vice Pra. President and
Members of the

Medical Board.

Gentlemen.

I beg leave to acquaint you, that in consequence of indisposition, I have been obliged to Report Sick. I therefore take the liberty, to ask the favor of you, to order a medical gentleman, to take charge of the sick, of the 1st Battn. 1st Regt. N.I.

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen, with much Respect,
Your Obedt. Servant
J. Abercrombie
Surgeon.

Madras
14th Febry 1803.

To

The Surgeon of the 1st Regiment N.I.
Madras

Sir

The Medical appointments to Corps resting with the Commander in Chief I am directed by the Medical Board to intimate to you, that when indisposition renders you unfit to conduct your duty, you are to apply to this Excellency to be relieved from it, through the medium of the Adjutant General of the Army. — I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servant
Signed Wm Roxburgh
Surg Med Ofce

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
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To Dr James Anderson
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of informing you that I have forwarded to Mr Prichard & Mr Dalton such Extracts from the Resolutions of Government under date the 11th Ultimo transmitted to me by your Secretary for promoting vaccine inoculation, as are necessary for their guidance the first as selected by me in conformity to your desire, the other as the Surgeon in my Division attached to the Court of Circuit, these two being the only Surgeons in the Centre Division to whom these Resolutions appear to me to apply. —

Your Secretary having however inclosed these Extracts for the guidance through me of all Surgeons Assistant Surgeons and Native Practitioners under my superintendence I have to request you will inform me to what purport I am to write to the other Surgeons, some of whom such as Mr Assistant Surgeon Tozer at Rayacottah and Mr Assistant Surgeon Stewart at Nellore from having but small Garrisons and few Sick may be particularly mentioned as having time to forward this great work in their Neighbourhoods, they have both zealously exerted themselves

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themselves to promote vaccination, the first at Ryacottah, of poor and even as far as Bangalore, the other in the vicinity of Nellore, and I trust I do no discredit to them nor to the sentiments that influence them, when I suppose they will now expect to be included in the encouragements held out, not those specified for Native Practitioners but those for the Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons alluded to in the Resolutions of Government – Mr. Scorman might also be mentioned for the same reason and perhaps other Surgeons who might find time for it, and I hope you will excuse my saying that I think the allowance of Full Batta or rather the difference between half and full Batta would be with advantage granted to the few Medical Men in my Division scattered over an extensive Country when it is certified that they have kept up weekly or more frequent inoculations for cow pox, as the 10 Pags Vpx. 100 successfully inoculated without Batta may more properly be considered the reward for Native practitioners. –

I have the honor to be with Respect
Gentlemen
Your Very Obed. Servant
Signed. Archd. Berry
Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division. –

Choultry Plain
February 19th 1803. –

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Fort St. George 22d February 1803.

To
The Superintending Surgeon of the Centre Division
of the Army. –

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to say in reply to the second Para of your letter dated the 19th instant, that the Government Extracts enclosed to you by one were sufficiently explained in my Official letter accompanying them dated the 7th instant, as applying only to the Surgeons, Assistant Surgeons, and Native Practitioners ordered to be employed in vaccination – your writing to the other Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons under your superintendence to any purport on that subject therefore, was then altogether unnecessary. –

I am now however desired to furnish you with the accompanying further Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board, with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon; and to which they enjoin your strict Attention by calling, and requiring the immediate attention of all Surgeons & Assistant Surgeons, in Garrisons & fixed Stations, under your Superintendence to the practice of Cow pock inoculation, &c. as therein laid down. – I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22d February 1803

Fort St. George 22d February 1803.

Circular

To the Superintending Surgeons of the Northern Division, Southern Division, Mysore Division, Ceded Districts, Provinces of Malabar and Canara.—

Sir

In addition to the Government Extract of the 11th ultimo enclosed to you in my Official Letter dated the 9th instant, I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board, with the Resolutions of the Right Hble the Governor in Council thereon; and to solicit & enjoin your strict observance by calling and requiring the immediate attention of all Surgeons, and Assistant Surgeons in Garrisons and fixed Stations, under your Superintendence to the practice of Cow pock inoculation &c as therein laid down.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med Board

Fort St George
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Circular

Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board
Dated 24th January 1803.—

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 1st February 1803.—

Ordered that the Medical Board do furnish the instructions which may be necessary on this subject to the Medical Officers under its authority.—

"Under such promising circumstances the Medical Board recommend as the only means, which appears to them, of extending Vaccination throughout the possessions under this Presidency, that all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons, in Garrisons, or fixed Stations, be required to practice Cow pox inoculation: and each of them to instruct such Natives as may be found able and willing, and upon whose acquirements they will report to the Superintending Surgeon, in their Monthly Return.—

A true Extract
Signed Wm Horsman
Secy Med Board

Fort St. George 26th February 1803.

Military Pay'r Gen'l Office

To the Secretary of the

Medical Board

Sir

I have to request you will be pleased to inform me with the Corps Stations of the Assistant Surgeons stated in the accompanying List to enable me to furnish them with their Commissions issued by Government.—

I am Sir
Your most Obt Servant
(Signed) H. D. Beebuck
Mily Pay'r Gen'l

Fort St George
26th February 1803

To the Military Paymaster General

Sir

I am just favored with your letter of yesterdays date, and agreeably to your request would with pleasure inform you relative to the Corps and Stations of the Assistant Surgeons stated in the list referred to, and herewith returned, but these appointments being now all made by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and not regularly reported to the Medical Board, it is not in my power to give you the necessarily accurate information, I would therefore recommend your application being made to the office of the Adjutant General of the Army.—

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
26th February 1803

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Fort St. George 7th March 1803.

To

The Superintending Surgeon in the Province of Canara.

Sir

I am directed to return your Letter dated the 23d Ultimo the subject of which not coming under the cognizance of the Medical Board, and for your future guidance to refer you to the Military Medical Regulations dated the 3d August last which the Board are concerned to think you have not sufficiently attended to.

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd

Fort St George
Med. Board office
7th March 1803

To

The Superintending Surgeon of the N. Division of the Army.—

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board, to return you the enclosed List of European Medicines, being irregular in not being countersigned by you as Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division; and altogether deviating from

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from the Form enclosed in my official Letter to you dated the 11th August last which the Board are concerned to think you and the Garrison Surgeon of Masulipatam have not sufficiently attended to.

I am also directed to return the list of European Medicines Instruments &c.a condemned by a Committee of Surgeons, being deficient in not having the Signature of the Members of that Committee - as well as in not being Co-countersigned by you.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Serv.t
Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
12th March 1803

To
James Anderson Esqre.
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

An opportunity offering for sending supplies to Malacca and the Molucca Islands, I beg leave to request your instructions whether I am to avail myself thereof by sending a further supply of European and Country Medicines, and for what

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The Moluccas had a Six Months Stock of Medicines of both descriptions sent on the Marchioness of Exeter which completed them up to the 1st of this Month - a four months supply was forwarded to Malacca last July, so that further supplies are now due - But no opportunity has lately offered to any of those Stations -

Should you be pleased to sanction the supply on this occasion - the quantities can as usually be regulated according to the number of Effectives returned to the Adjutant Genl.s Office. -

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed/ Alex.r Borthwick
Med.l Storek.r

Fort St. George
11th March 1803

To The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 11th instant and to desire that you will avail yourself of the opportunity now offering, to send to Malacca and the Moluccas a three months supply of European and Country Medicines for the use of the Troops at these Islands. -

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
17th March 1803

Fort St. George 17th March 1803.

To

The Medical Storekeeper.

Sir

The Medical Board having observed in the Garrison Orderly Book, permission from the Right Honble the Governor in Council, for Mr. Assistant Surgeon White to proceed to Sea for the recovery of his health have directed me to know from you, through what channel Mr. White, as belonging particularly to the Medical Store Department, and not at all attached to the Military line of the Service, applied for, and obtained this permission.

They have also directed me to desire that you will immediately state to them how it is proposed that the duty of the Dispensary department so immediately under their superintendence is to be carried on during the absence of Mr. Assistant Surgeon White.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obed Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Surgn Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Board Office
17th March 1803.

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To

James Anderson. Esqre.

Physician General and Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the purport of your Secretary's Letter with which I was yesterday honored, on the subject of leave of absence obtained by Mr. White, I addressed that Gentleman, and have now the pleasure to inclose Copy of Letter together with his reply explanatory of his mode of application.

The business being already under consideration with your Board I shall not presume to offer an opinion with regard to the Channel of communication observed by Mr. White in the present instance, but it is so far on his own account satisfactory to find that he has not apparently been actuated by motives of intentional disrespect to that professional authority under which he was immediately acting.—

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most Obed Servt

Signed Alex Baiswell

Med Storekeeper

Fort St. George
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To

Mr. John White

Assistant Surgeon

Dispensary

Sir

Being unable from official documents or any act of my own to satisfy the Medical Board on the subject of the enclosed Letter I request you will without loss of time state to me in writing for their information, through what channel you have obtained the leave in question, and also what provision has been made for performing the duty at the Dispensary in event of your absence.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

(Signed) Alex Boiswell

Wood Storekeeper

Fort St. George
17th March 1803.

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To

The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

Conceiving myself to be under the immediate orders of the Right Honble the Governor, as doing duty in the Garrison of Fort St George, — I addressed my statement of health and request for leave of absence, to the Senior Major.

With respect to the duties of the Dispensary, I confided in the eventual arrangements of my superiors.—

By this open and most candid statement of my proceedings, I trust the Medical Board will be assured, that, if I have been guilty of any error, it has been one of Inadvertence, and not produced by any intentional disrespect to any Superiors.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

March 17th 1803

Your most Obedt Servant

(Signed) J White

Superintending the Dispensary.—

A true Copy

(Signed) Alex Boiswell

Wood Storekr

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General Hospital 18th March 1803

The Surgeon of His Majesty's 34th Regiment makes offer of respectfull Compliments to the Secretary of the Army Medical Board of this Presidency: and requests to be informed, if there are any particular Orders, Regulations, or Instructions, issued by the Board, of a professional or any other nature, necessary to be strictly conformed to by him. —

To

The Secry of the Med Board
&c &c &c

To the Surgeon of His Majesty's 34th Regiment

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 18th instant I am directed by the Medical Board to enclose you the accompanying Medical Regulations for your guidance.

I am

Sir

Your most Obed Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secry Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
22d March 1803.

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Fort St. George 22d March 1803.

To James Anderson Esqr
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

There being no Spirits of Hartshorn and only fifty pounds of Peruvian Bark in Store to answer the Demands of the ensuing Quarter, I request your permission to purchase on the public account Twenty pounds of the former and three hundred pounds of the latter article which I can procure at the following rates.—

Spirits of Hartshorn per lb Pagoda 1/- —
Peruvian Bark per lb. 1 — —

These proportions as near as I can at present judge will be sufficient to meet the demands until the arrival of the next annual Supplies from Europe.—

Agreeably to your orders conveyed some time ago that I should provide and have in readiness a quantity of Murgosa Bark I have the honor to inform you that there are now in Store upwards of One hundred pounds in powder of that Medicines.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Medical Storekr

Fort St. George
31st March 1803.

Fort St. George 4th April 1803.

To

The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 31st Ultimo, I am directed to inform you that the Medical Board approve of your making a purchase of Twenty pounds of Spirits of Hartshorn, and of three hundred pounds of peruvian bark at the rates therein mentioned

I am also directed to desire, that you will forward with the least practicable delay, one hundred pounds of the Murgosa bark, to the Apothecary at the Head Quarters of the Army in the field, for the use of the Troops.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Sur. & Med Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
4th April 1803.—

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Fort St. George 7th April 1803.

To

The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Copies of Letters from Mr. Superintending Surgeon Alexander Anderson, and from Mr. Field Apothecary Stevenson, for your information and guidance when complying with the Indent forwarded to you yesterday for the use of the Forces in the field.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Sur. & Med Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
7th April 1803.—

Fort St. George 7th April 1803-

To James Anderson Esqrs
Physician General &ca Members of the
Medical Board-

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of forwarding an Indent from the field Apothecary on the Medical Storekeeper for a supply of European Medicines &ca for the use of the forces in the Field, which I shall be obliged to you to authorize the Medical Storekeeper to comply with as fully and speedily as possible-

The Commander in Chief has desired me to mention that the Medical Storekeeper be directed to forward this supply of Medicines to the Army on Carts hired for that purpose, and that an agreement be made with the owners, that their Carts may remain with the Army, so long as their Services may be required

I have the honor of forwarding a letter from the Field Apothecary representing the state in which the Mercurial Ointment was found, and offering some suggestions for the preservation of this valuable Medicine, which appear to me highly deserving of notice. —

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed. humble Servant
(Signed) A. Anderson
Field Superintendg Surgeon

Camp Nowley
March 29th 1803

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

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Alex. Anderson Esqre
Field Superintending Surgeon

Sir

I am concerned to inform you that on my opening the jars of Mercurial ointment this morning to supply a quantity for General Wellesly's Division of the Army - I found the whole of it of so soft a consistence, that the Mercury has subsided to the bottom of the package, and is entirely separated from the fat which it is made with. For a considerable distance from the surface of the package, the Lard is scarce discoloured by the Mercury -

It is impossible to say whether this has been occasioned by the heat and carriage during the March to this place, but were the ointment, at a future time, to be made with a much greater proportion of suet, it would likely resist better the effects of exposure to climate, and if packed in small jars, to be afterwards made into Bullock loads, it might perhaps be found, as avoiding the motion of Wheel carriage to prevent the inconvenience which the disappointment in so useful a Medicine now causes. —

(Signed) John Stevenson
Field Apothecary

Camp at Hurryhur
8th March 1803 -

A true Copy
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

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Opinion of the Second Member Med. Board

Dated 5th April 1803.

I do not think that the mode suggested by the Field Apothecary, in the preparation of Mercurial Ointment by an Extra proportion of Suet will prevent the Quicksilver separating from any Oily substance during a long conveyance even in small Jars; The heat of the Climate will liquefy it, and the motion of the most convenient mode of Carriage that can be contrived, will accelerate its disunion. This I have often experienced, to obviate which, I was under the necessity of preparing Mercurial Ointment occasionally in the field upon halting days, having previously supplied myself with a sufficient Stock of prepared Suet and Hogs Lard for that purpose. I would therefore recommend that the Medical Storekeeper be directed to send due proportions of Suet and Hogs Lard, to the field Apothecary, and that Mercurial Ointment for the field be prepared under his immediate direc=tions, or that he shall occasionally Issue the materials for it, to such Surgeons as are allowed an Establishment of Medical Servants. This I apprehend cannot be attended with difficulty and will prevent either waste or Loss, as the Jobs of sending Mercurial Ointment, and many other articles, to any great distance in a pre=pared State, expised to heat and motion, is quite Novel.

(Signed) P. Gahagan M.D.
2d Member Medical Board

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Circular
To the Superintending Surgeons

Sir

It appearing to the Medical Board that Issues of Medicines &c. are frequently made from the public Stores at out Stations, in an irregular way - I am directed to desire, that you will in future be very particular, in sanctioning only such Indents, as are made out expressly according to the prescribed Form, and attended with the required regular Returns of Sick - That you carefully compare the expenditure of the former supply, with the number and nature of the cases it appears to have been prescribed for, that you grant the subsequent supply only according to what may in your own judgment, be actually necessary for the use of the Sick of the Garrison, or Corps, indented for - And that you at all times proportion your Issues, to the real state of the Stores under your Superintendence.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surg. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
5th April 1803.

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Circular-

To the Superintending Surgeons-

Sir

Conformably to the orders of the Medical Board, I herewith forward to you one Dozen Certificates printed in Tulinga, Tamul, and English, which you are directed to distribute to such Surgeons or Assistant Surgeons under your superintendence, as may be employed instructing Native Doctors in vaccination - and those Certificates are to be first signed by the Surgeons, or Assistant Surgeons, under whose care and directions, the Native Practitioners have become qualified - they are afterwards to be countersigned by you as Superintending Surgeon of the Division, and then issued to the Native Doctors, as Warrants or Commissions, for their commencing and prosecuting Vaccine inoculation in the Country. -

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt. Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Surgn. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
18th April 1803. -

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To

James Anderson Esqr.

Physician General &c. Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of enclosing List of packets No. 3 and 4. of Medical Journals of Corps in the field and in Mysore, the packet No 3 was dispatched on the 28th Instant, and No 4. has been forwarded by this days post.

As our Stock of European Medicines will be nearly expended by supplying the Quarterly Indents of Corps in the field, which have now become due, I shall be much obliged by your expediting the dispatch of the Indent, which I transmitted on the 29th Ultimo.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

(Signed) A. Anderson

Field Dep. Surgeon

Camp
April 23d 1803. -

Fort St. George 29th April 1803.

To

The Field Superintending Surgeon

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 23d instant, and to say relative to your indent of the 29th ultimo, that it was promptly complied with, and the Medicines &c. dispatched from hence for the Army in the field on the 19th instant

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t Servant
(Signed) Wm Hexman
Sec.y to Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Medical Board Office
29th April 1803.

Fort St. George 29th April 1803.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I have to request you will transmit to my Office as soon as possible, a List of the Gentlemen in the Medical Department attached to the several Garrison Hospitals, &c.a including Sub-Assistant Surgeons, as they stood on the 30th April last, for the purpose of being included in the Military Statement transmitted annually by this Government for the information of Parliament.

(Signed) J. Brunton
Mty A. Genl

Military and Gen.l Office
Fort St. George 3d May 1803.

Fort St. George 5th May 1803.

To the Military Auditor General

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 3d instant, I have herewith the honor to forward to you, a list of the Gentlemen on the Medical Establishment of this Presidency including Sub assistant Surgeons, as they stood on the 30th of April last. But as their appointments to Hospitals &c. are now all made by His Excellency the Commander in Chief; and no account of them transmitted to this Office. I regret its not being in my power to give you the necessary information on that head.

(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th May 1803

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To the Military Auditor General

Sir

I have herewith the honor to forward the list of the Medical Gentlemen of this Establishment, agreeably to the Form which, in your letter of yesterday, you was so good as to furnish me with. — It is not however, for the reasons stated in my letter to you of the 5th instant, in my power to Complete the Columns.

(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secy. Med. Board.

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
7th May, 1803.

Fort St. George 7th May 1803.

To

The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will in conformity with the order contained in the accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Chief Secretary to Government give the necessary direction for the full compliance of it with the least practicable delay — and that you will immediately report to this Board when the Medicines &c. agreeably to the enclosed lists, are in a state of readiness to be shipped for Trincomalee —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obed. Servant

Signed Wm. Horsman

Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
7th May 1803 —

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Military Department

To the President &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Para 1. I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Letter from the Chief Secretary of the Government at Columbo, and to desire that directions may be immediately given for preparing for dispatch to the Island of Ceylon the Medicines specified in the accompanying lists. —

2 His Lordship in Council has deemed it expedient to state an application to the Commander of His Majesty's Ship La Fiorenzo, that the Medicines required at Trincomalee may be conveyed to that place on board of that Ship; and instructions will be given to the Post Master General for facilitating the dispatch to Columbo the Medicines which are required for immediate use at that place.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most Obed. Servant

Signed G. Buchan

Secy. to Chief & Gov.

Fort St. George
6th May 1803 —

A true Copy
Signed W. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George 7th May 1803.

To Jas Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to report that in compliance with the orders conveyed in your Secretary's letter of the 7th Instant the European Medicines directed to be sent by Sea to Trincomallie and supplied in as ample proportion as the state of the Stores would admit, are now packed and ready to be shipped.

Since receipt of these orders a proportion of those Articles required by Jaffna has likewise been daily dispatched, but I am sorry to say that a Bottle containing a Pound of Ether and comprising the dispatch of Saturday, was broken by the Post Office Peons in endeavouring to adapt it in the most commodious manner to that mode of conveyance — by the Post Office Regulations packages of this Nature are limited to one Pound, and to that amount daily dispatches of the Medicines directed to be sent in this manner shall be made untill the whole are supplied —

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Alex Boswell
Med. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
9th May 1803 }

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To
The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

As in your answer of this date to my Letter to you of the 7th instant it is implied that the state of the Medical Stores have not admitted of your supplying the Medicines &c. for the use of the Troops on the Island of Ceylon, to the full extent mentioned in the lists forwarded to you, and ordered [illegible] the Medical Board have directed me to desire that you will immediately furnish them with a correct statement of such as you have dispatched, and that you will specify the particular articles and quantities short of those required in the application of the Superintendent of Hospitals on Ceylon. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surg. & Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
9th May 1803. }

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To James Anderson Esqrs.
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Enclosed I have the honor to furnish you with the Comparative Lists required in your Secretary's Letter of yesterday of Medicines Indented for and Supplied for the Island of Ceylon.

At this advanced period of the Season & when the Annual Supplies may be daily expected from Europe you will perceive that the Stores are entirely deficient in some Articles which consequently could not be furnished by the Sea opportunity, but which should you deem it expedient to sanction the purchase of such as can be procured may be forwarded by degrees with the other Articles by Tappal.

Among the Medicines that were packed for the Malabar Coast and which on the 25th of last Month I reported there would be no opportunity of sending — There are 1/2 Liquor Volat C.C.V likewise a few Glyster Syringes both of which if you approve I shall have unpacked and included in the Tappal Detail. So that the only Articles that cannot be supplied from the Stores at present are as

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as follows with the Prices at which they can be procured annexed

Aqua Ammonia	lbs	1	0
Rad Gentian	lbs	"	3/4
Small Scales & Weights	Set	1	1/2
Pocket Instrument	Do	3	—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed Servant
(Signed) Alex Biswell
Mid Storekeeper

Fort St George
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List of European Medicines Indented for, and Supplied the Superintendent of Hospitals for the use of the Troops serving on the Island of Ceylon — Fort St George 10th May 1803 —

	Medicines Indented for	Medicines Supplied
Argent Vivum	℔ 20	℔ 20
Cantharides	℔ 12	℔ 12
Crem Tartar	℔ 50	℔ 50
Calomel	℔ 10	℔ 10
Flor Chamomel	℔ 20	℔ 15
Sulphur	℔ 20	℔ 20
Gum Myrrha	℔ 5	℔ 5
Manna Opt.	℔ 10	℔ 10
Pulv Antimonial	℔ 10	℔ 10
Jalapæ	℔ 10	℔ 10
Rad Gentian	℔ 20	None
Spt. Lavend comp:	℔ 10	℔ 10
Liquor Volat Cornu Cervi	℔ 10	None
Ol. Terebinth	℔ 20	℔ 20
Glyster Syringes	№ 12	None
Ivory Syringes	№ 12	№ 12
Bed Pans	№ 12	№ 6
Leather Skins	№ 24	№ 12
Fine Sieves	№ 4	None
Small Scales & Weights	№ 6	Do
Phials in sorts	№ 100	№ 100
Gallypotts Do	№ 100	№ 100
Pill Box	№ 24	№ 24
Straight Scissars	№ 12	№ 12
Do Bistories	№ 12	№ 12
Bleeding Lancets	№ 48	№ 6
Pocket Instruments	№ 6	None

Boxes

/signed/ Alex Boiswell
Med. Store Keeper

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List of Medicines required on emergency for the Troops on Ceylon, and which it is wished could be sent from Madras to Columbo in small parcels by successive Toppals —

	Medicines Indented for. —	Medicines sent off by Toppal to this date. —
Æther Vitriol	℔ 6.	℔ 12
Pulv Antimonial	℔ 2.	℔ 1
Calomel ℔	℔ 10.	℔ 5
Cantharides	℔ 6.	℔ 32
Aqua Ammonia	℔ 11.	None
Crem Tartar	℔ 2.	℔ 5
Penis Syringes	№ 6.	№ 4
Pulv Digitalis	℔ 1	℔ 1.
Speciæ	℔ 10	℔ 3
Jalapiæ	℔ 5	℔ 4
Spt. Lavend	℔ 4	,
Lancets	№ 12	№ 4

Æther Vitriol ℔ 1 was sent and Broke in the Post office

/signed/ Alex Boiswell
Med. Store Keeper

Fort St George
10th May 1803.

Fort St. George 9th May 1853

To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General President &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of forwarding a general Statement of the Sick, and Medical Journals from the different Corps and Stations in the Southern Division with exception of the 1st Batln 7th Regiment & 3d Batln 13th Regiment N. Infantry.—

The Register of the 1st Batln 9th Regiment I have received but too late to be included in the General Statement the reason why it was not accompanied by the journal appears in Mr Bythens's letter which accompany this.—

Mr Assistant Surgeon Barley has been long indisposed, which account for my having no Journal from Dindigul & 2nd Batln 13th Regt N. I. he arrived at this place two days ago very ill, his disease Hepatitis.—

I likewise transmit a Register and journal of Patients vaccinated by Mr Assistant Surgeon Boodle at Ramnad &c. for the Month of March.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) J. Richardson
Supg Surgeon S. D. of the Army

Trichinapoly
22d April 1853.

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Fort St. George 16th May 1853.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division of the Army.

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 22d Ultimo giving transmission to Mr Assistant Surgeon Boodle's Register and Journal of vaccinated patients.— and to express the vast satisfaction the Medical Board have experienced on observing the great readiness with which the Inhabitants of Ramnad and Shevagingo seem to have received the new inoculation.—

They cannot however help making their surprize at the uniform success stated, contrary to the experience of every other part of this Country, and of Europe, to have attended Mr Boodle's vaccine practice not one failure appearing throughout his Journal this they cannot conceive, but by apprehending that, that Gentleman has on the present occasion, thought it right to select and copy his successful cases only, making it thereby no longer a Register and Journal.—

The Medical Board have accordingly directed me to desire you will communicate to Mr Boodle and observe it as a general rule with all vaccine practitioners under

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under your superintendence, that every occurrence after the first insertion of the vaccine matter is to be carefully recorded for the information of this Board corresponding as circumstances point out, with the accompanying Form No 1.
They have also directed me to require, that an Abstract of the numbers vaccinated, Succeeded, Failed, and resisted the application of variolous virus be, according to Form No 2 annexed to, and transmitted with every monthly Register and Journal, to this Office.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Board office
10th May 1803.—

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Remarks.

Form No 1 Statement of Children vaccinated at Fort St. George and its Vicinity from the 1st March to the 30th April 1813 inclusive.

No	Names	Sex	Castes	Villages	Age	When vaccinated	Succeeded	Failed	Resisted
1	Veeranny	M	Malabar	Fort	3	1st March	30th April		
"	Lakshmy	F	Gentoo	Purkery	2	3 "	21 do do		
"	Ranjiah	M	Pannan	do	10	4 April	1st		
"	Veeramah	F	Gentoo	Pulvery	10	"	do		
5	Lakshmah	do	Malabar	Choultry	3	"	do	do	do
"	Nangah	F	Gentoo	Pulvery	1	3	do		
"	Ranjah	M	do	do	3	6	do		
"	Ponny	F	do	do	6	"	do		
"	Permah	M	Parriah	do	2	"	do		
10	Last Per	M	Malabar	do	1	"	do		

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Abstract of Persons specified in their Lists transmitted to the Medical Board during the Month of 1803

Europeans - Topasses - Malabars - Lascars - Caffres - Portuguese - Bengalees - Mahomedans - Half Casts - Portuguese - Caffres - Lascars - Malabars - Bengalees - Topasses - Europeans

	Europeans	Topasses	Malabars	Lascars	Caffres	Portuguese	Bengalees	Mahomedans	Half Casts	Portuguese	Caffres	Lascars	Malabars	Bengalees	Topasses	Europeans	Total
Vaccinated																	
Failed																	
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Form No 2

Sign'd W.m Horsman
Surg.n Med.l Bd

Fort St. George 11th May 1803.

To
The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to say that you are authorized by them to unpack the Medicines you have had in readiness for the Malabar Coast, & to purchase the

Aqua Ammon
Red Caution
Small Weights and Scales, and
Pocket Instruments mentioned in

your letter of yesterday - so that you may be enabled to comply in the fullest manner with the application made by His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon -

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obed.t Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Surg.n Med.l Bd

Fort St George
Med.l Bd.s Office
11th May 1803.

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To Wm Horsman Esqre
Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir

Accompanying I transmit for the inspection of the Medical Board, a quarterly Statement of the Medical Stores at this place for the Months of February March and April 1803.—

In the Statement I have taken no notice of several Cases of Capital and Preparing Instruments with other articles that are damaged and have been returned as unserviceable, but beg you will be pleased to mention the circumstance to the Board and request them to favor me with their instructions as to what should be done with them, should it be necessary to send them to the Presidency, I shall be glad if the bodies who bring the first supply of Medicines are directed to receive and convey them.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Obed Servant
Signed Wm Tait
Garrison Surgn Trichinopoly

Trichinopoly
May 8th 1803.—

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To
The Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division of the Army.—

Sir

On presenting the General Statement of Amount valuation of the Medical Stores at Trichinopoly to the Medical Board with its accompanying letter home from Mr Garrison Surgeon Tait dated the 8th instant, they were surprized to find that the Statement had been forwarded to them by, and from that Gentleman direct, without your countersignature—they have accordingly directed me to return it to you, desiring at the same time, that it may be again forwarded to them, when duly authenticated by you—And with such further representation respecting it, as Mr Tait may think it necessary to make through the proper and prescribed medium.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Secry Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd office
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To the Superintending Surgeon
Province of Malabar

Sir

The lateness of the season leaving no room to hope for the opportunity of a sufficiently early sea-conveyance from this to the Malabar Coast - I am directed by the Medical Board to desire, that you will instruct the Medical Storekeeper at Cannanore, to make application to Seringapatam (where orders are given for their delivery) for such articles of Medicine, as may be absolutely wanted for the Troops in your division, until the supply indented for by Mr Thorpe, can be forwarded by the Medical Storekeeper here. -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Mysore Division -

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will give the necessary Orders to the Medical Storekeeper at Seringapatam, to pay due attention, as far as the state of your Stores will permit, to all such applications as may be made by the Superintending Surgeon or Medical Storekeeper in Malabar, for Medicines &c.a for the use of the Troops in that provisice, this particular time of the year, being unfavorable to any opportunity of a Sea conveyance, to the Malabar Coast. -

To prevent however, the difficulties that the Troops in Mysore might otherwise labour under by this arrangement, the Medical Board have directed the Medical Storekeeper here, to forward immediately an additional supply of Medicines &c.a for the Stores at Seringapatam. -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
16th May 1803.

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division of the Army -

Sir

It appearing to the Medical Board by your letter of the 13th instant, and what have been hitherto imperfectly sent as Registers and Journals by the generality of Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons practising Vaccination in your Division that these Gentlemen think it right to select and copy their succesful cases only, the Board have directed me to desire that you will communicate to these Gentlemen, and observe it as a general rule with all vaccine Practitioners under your superintendance, that every occurrence after the first insertion of the Vaccine matter is to be carefully recorded corresponding as circumstances print out with the accompanying Form N.1 - The Medical Board have at the same time directed me to require, that an Abstract of the numbers vaccinated, Succeeded, failed, and resisted the application of various virus be, according to Form N.2 - also annexed to, and transmitted with, every Monthly Register and Journal to this office -

It requiring several days to complete the progress of succesful vaccination - the Medical Board direct

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direct that you instruct all vaccine practitioners under your superintendence to bring up and close on the 12th or 15th their Registers and Journals of the previous Month, so that the result of the inoculations of its last day, may regularly appear.

The accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 7th March with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon, you will be pleased to forward to Mr Surgeon Dalton -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Sur Gl Med Board

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Med Board Office
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Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board
Dated 7th March 1803.—

Resolutions of the Governor in Council dated 22d March 1803.—

The Governor in Council is pleased to grant to Mr. Dalton an allowance equal to the Salary of the Superintt of the Vaccine Hospital at the Presidency being one hundred Pagodas per month, during the period of time that Mr. Dalton was employed at the Presidency in the execution of similar duty.—

Read a Letter from Mr. Surgeon Dalton on the subject of allowance for his past Services in Inoculation at the Presidency, Copy of which the Board take the Liberty of submitting to the favorable consideration of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) G. Buchan
Secy to the Govt

True Copy
Signed Wm Horsman
Surgn & Med Bd

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To
The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed to desire, that you will dispatch immediately, to the Medical Storekeeper at Seringapatam, one third of each article of Mr. Medical Storekeeper Thorpe's indent of the 18th March last, as checked by the second Member of this Board. I am also directed to desire you to explain, that this Extra supply is granted, the better to enable the Storekeeper at Seringapatam to comply with any temporary demands that may be made on the Mysore Stores from the province of Malabar.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy to Med Bd

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Med Board Office
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To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General and Member of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge your Secretary's Letter of this date on the subject of forwarding an Extra supply of Europe Medicines to Seringapatam for the purpose of answering any occasional Demands from the Province of Malabar. And shall pay due attention to the same.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Alex. Boiswell
Medl. Storekeeper

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To James Anderson Esqr. P. G.
First Member of Members
Medical Board &c.,
Madras.

Gentlemen,

In my Letter of Janry. 7th. last, I had the honor to advise your Board, that I was then about to depart Northward, on my enjoined Visit to the several Garrisons, Military Stations, Cantonments & Factories within the Range of my Superintendance to which Medical Officers stood appointed or attached.—

From this Inspection, which accident alone has left as yet not entirely accomplished, I am only Returned on the 25th. Ult.— & having made the business of giving immediate Circulation to your several Instructions through the whole department under my Supervision, the object of my first & most anxious Concern, from the hour of my Arrival (to which end all such Official Documents have been fairly transcribed and issued in triplicate in every direction, to give celerity to their great & general Importance) I know the usual Indulgence of your Board will therefore freely pardon, that my utmost diligence has not sooner been competent to overtake the business of

Reporting—

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reporting and communicating to its Authority on these respective Subjects & results.—

Before I address myself Gentlemen, to the weight part of my duties, let me also beg here to promise, that, having notified (in the Letter above referred to) the Circumstance of my having already made the needful dispositions to depart, & actually directed the Senior Servant of the Division, who was then on the spot, according to ~~give to the~~ Charge of the Management of such Concerns as your Board must have looked to the Department for during the term of my Absence on the circular Visit of Inspection; so, I am satisfied your Candor will Release me from the uneasiness of a reproof, that might seem to belong to myself if left unanswered or unexplained.—

In your favor of March 12th the Superintending Surgeon is Remarked upon for having suffered certain papers to find their way to your Board— which papers were, accordingly, Returned to this Office; as being not less extra official in form, than defective & objectionable in substance.—

To the want of due vigilance on the part of that Committee which sat for the purpose of Condemning certain decayed Medicines & unserviceable Instruments in our Store of a Committee, however, which had been constituted by myself in the first Instance; so to assemble & to an unacquaintance with—

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with such an observance on the part of the Acting Superintending Surgeon then in Charge,— I must, on my own behalf, allege the mistakes complained of, as well as the insufficiency of such Documents to answer the express purpose for which they had been contrived & furthered, of shewing the Reduced state of our Stores at large, & exhibiting Memorandum to your Board of those Articles of which this Division stands most immediately & seriously in Need.— (1)

These papers, or similar Vouchers, duly signed, & otherwise more fit to meet your Eye, shall however, accompany the Medical Storekeeper's ensuing Quarterly Statement.— (2)

The paquet of Official Communications now before me, to which respect will presently be had in their several places, not having been Received till subsequent to my departure Northward, I must also entreat your Board will hold me acquitted of having been at all Knowing of, or consenting to, their lying over unpublished till the day of my Arrival.—

I do assure you, Gentlemen, I had made a very different disposition, in all that seemed to regard or affected the transmission & promulgation of Official Documents, before I set out; & request you to believe, that I felt not less deeply distrest than disappointed when I found they had individually waited my Return.— In future, however, permit me just to state, I shall observe another Mode.— For

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For, whenever the occasions or exigencies of the Service may render it a matter of similar expedience for me to leave Head Quarters,— for any given time, all such public papers that may so arrive, adinterim, shall follow & find out myself; and then such uneasy Responsibilities may become & remain unequivocally my own.—

So various, yet individually so material, are the subjects which happen to press into prospect at once at this point of time, Gentlemen that I beg to be allowed to produce what I have to offer to your Notice regarding each, by paragraphs—

1. Having proceeded by sea from hence to Vizagapatam, on the 24th January; thence N. by Jafpatam, to Chicacole,— Baramfere, Aska, & finally, to Ganjam; & having duly I trust) poffeffed myself, at these respective Stations, of such particular Informations & Notices as appeard of value to a sound methodical practice; Situations frequently not less Remote from each other in place, than in the circumstance of that Medical treatment which particular symptoms will occasionally indicate & require; & pursuant to the Spirit of that mode which the existing Regulations have traced out for this Department,— it was my Intention next to have trod back my steps Southward to Ingeram, Rajahmundry & Elore— and from thence turning W. to Hyderabad to [illegible] of my Official Inspection— But

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But the fulfillment of this my projected Circuit, in the order mentioned, an unforeseen Accident frustrated.— For in the endeavor to save myself 200 miles of the palanquin over a part of the Division already visited I threw myself into the Crescent, a Bengal Ship, (which, touching at Ganjam had also Cargo to deliver along the Coast) in order to effect my Return by Sea to Vizagapatam.—

But the unusually early Shifting of the Wind & current rendering it impracticable to fetch that place within a period to which the Capt. found himself strictly limited he was obliged to make Madras his first port: on the sixth day after my reaching which I had the pleasure of succeeding to procure a passage to Masulipatam where I arrived on the following day the 24th Ultimo.—

2. Having given immediate transmission, Gentlemen, to the several Documents which had arrived & accumulated with the Department during my Absence, as before explained) among the Medical Servants under the Range of my Superintendance, I next proceeded to follow up the Instructions of your Board in selecting & attaching a Medical Servant to the especial Charge of the Vaccine Disease for this Division.— In the choice so made, I indulge the agreeable Expectation that your Board will find every desireable aptitude to concur.

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While Mr. Assistant Surgeon Williamson's experience of the vaccine in Europe has been considerable, — his highly commendable deligence in giving that plan every possible furtherance in his power from the first Moment of its promulgation to the present, — his prompt attention to & Regular observance of every Official order flowing from your Authority — the modesty & diffidence of his sensible & judicious practical details & observations, / before your Board from Month to Month / all these Circumstances, Gentlemen, joined to the adventitious Circumstance of his standing appointed to a situation which of all others under my Supervision, can best spare it's Medical Servant for such a purpose, till it stands otherwise appointed, at once decided me to call down that officer; and to add to his Service to the very important & busy part he has now to act, in assisting myself in the establishment & extension of the Vaccine Disease thro' this whole Division — as soon, widely, and effectually, as our joint Exertions can reach. —

3. I had written thus far at Masulipatam, but the Ship Burnaby offering for the Northern ports, and Capt. Watt very liberally & anxiously desiring to contribute his useful share to the furtherance of the plan, I have embraced the opportunity to put two vaccinated subjects, under care of my Writer, on board of her for Ingeram & Vizagapatam, &

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& a third to remain as a Reserve, to be hereafter charged with the Virus on the way, if requisite, thro' delays or otherwise. —

Receiving Accounts also, from every part of the Division, — almost, & at the same time, of the prevalence and malignity with which the Small pox is sweeping the Land this Season; (which is otherwise uncommonly sickly) — & learning also, from Vizagapatam & Ganjam, that the Vaccinated Threads which Mr. Fleming had sent from Masulipatam have totally failed; determined myself to push off North again, on the 10th Instl by Land, — having provided two additional Subjects for Ingeram, — one for Ganjam, the other (sent on before) on foot —

What the Issue of these Dispositions may be, to the day of closing this Letter to your Board, perhaps it will be more agreeable to you to collect from the face of those Copies of the papers affecting this Question, which I venture to hand you enclosed; (although loosely and hastily drawn up) as my Apology for the inevitable delay that this Measure must occasion & throw in the way of all my other public Official Duties & Correspondences for the Month — yet, which may at the same time amount to sufficient Argument with your Candor that every possible Impulse and Effect which we can give to the Scheme is (& shall be) assuredly bestowed upon it in every shape, through out the whole compass of this Superintendance; untill we have

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have succeeded to put the possession of an object, so highly to be prized, as far beyond the reach & power of accident amongst, as it can be found in any other given situation.—

4. The Division of Mr. Williamson's original Appointment to another path, in this way, making & leaving a Blank at Guntoor; your Board will be pleased, Gentlemen, to advert to this Circumstance, & to make provision for the existing want of Medical Assistance at that Station & Ceear.—

5. Should it be your pleasure to recommend that Mr. Williamson be directed to assist the Garrison Surgeon at Masulipatam, I humbly apprehend, it might become an Arrangement that would be found better to consist with his present Capacity to give occasional attendance to, than any other in the Division.—

A blank in that appointment becomes sensibly felt, when, as at present, Ill health happens to fall to the share of either of the two Medical Servants now in Care of that Garrison (or otherwise officiating there) with all its Details, Civil Servants, & other general & particular duties.

6. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Trotter still remaining in charge of not fewer than 3 Details in the Field (as the accompanying General Return for last Month will

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expediency of some other Medical Officer being appointed in his place, to the 2d Battalion of the 8th Regiment, now in Camp.—

Till such a nomination, I pray to observe, neither can Mr. Assistant Surgeon Painter be able to relieve (as P. G. O.) Mr. Assistant Surgeon Paterson of that Charge he yet provisionally holds at Chicacole; & to which his is (I fear) so very incompetent,— nor, yet, can the latter Gentlemen join the Madras Regiment, to which he now stands attached, so as to be able to assist Mr. Surgeon Fleming, whose health continues to be very indifferent, and who, I judge, will much need such help in the Field, whether there may be active Service there or not.—

7. I know not, Gentlemen, how far it may actually consist with my enjoined Duty, or not, to pursue the Argument of venturing to point out to your Notice, very respectfully,— such further breaks in the Medical Department as yet remain to be filled up in this Division.—

If I might speak to this point, without appearing out of my place I would Notice to your Board, that the Appointment of a Medical Servant to afford Assistance to our Court of Circuit, is one to which no person appears yet to be attached.— When

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When the usual discernment of your Board takes into Account the very meritorious Conduct & Correspondences of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Fallowfield, of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment, Native Infantry, while we possessed the value of his skill & activity in the remoter parts of this Division, when his local Experience, in many & most serious scenes of endemic & epidemic Illnesses, comes into review before your Authority, — even in the naked Instance of his ordinary Monthly communications, (without drawing Respect to some admirable drafts of Field practice occasionally furnished to this Office in Consultation,) I know I shall not want your usual Indulgence, Gentlemen, for the great liberty I take, in particularly entreating that you will be pleased to recommend that this Gentlemen may be addressed to such a Charge. —

His local Knowledge of the ground in the track of which that respectable Court is to move, might, I judge, be not less valuable to it, than his occasional Memoirs have been, from time to time, matter of most acceptable Contribution to this Department. —

P.

Should this favorable mention, which I owe to a Medical Officer, who, indeed, happens to be at present no further known to me, nor a Claimant upon the exercise of my individual good Offices, than, as he has always & steadily

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steadily acquitted himself of every part of his professional Duties, with great propriety, — induce you, Gentlemen, to honor my humble Credentials with your ulterior Suffrage, I shall feel satisfied that the present is not considered as a trespass on the respect I owe to your Board, nor yet as an unbecoming Interference with that support, which should derive directly, of its own discrimination, and thro' its own Medium, to such Medical Servants as may appear in the eyes of your better Judgement to deserve the especial notice of the Commander in Chief & the Honble Board of Government. —

And should Mr. Fallowfield be regarded, under such Indulgence, as worthy & suited to fill the trust I have spoken of, you will be pleased to perceive, of course, that his present Situation in the Field will need to be appointed with other Medical Assistance, in the first Instance, to enable him to join without Delay. —

I owe to Mr. Surgeon Fleming's activity, during the term of my late absence, on the Visit of Inspection, to Notice to your Board the prosperous train in which the Scheme of Vaccination proceeds at Masulipatam Notwithstanding the great check that Cause received, before the conclusion of the last year, from the proven insufficiency of the Hyderabad (hybrid or decomposed) Virus to resist the

Variolous

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Variolous Test,— Mr. Fleming's Exertions had succeeded so effectually, before my Return, that he has been able to disseminate the new Infection (sent me on threads from Nellore by Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stewart on the 12th January) in every European house & family, that I know of, where a subject was to be found at Masulipatam.——

A Native Doctor,— Moottealoo,— whom he has instructed in the Method also, & Recommended to my protection, has been extremely active & useful; in not only having already Vaccinated above 100 himself, but in providing Subjects for the occasional Vaccinations in our practice; & in prevailing on Several of these to agree to be sent, in different directions, by Sea & Land, in order to transport the disease abroad on their own persons.— To this Man, it is, likewise, but justice to observe, that, immediately on my return, I had the good fortune to put in possession by him of that Small pox Matter, which Ten Vaccinated Sepoys are now under the test of (agreeable to the enclosed Document) at Masulipatam. Of the result of which, I hope, in a few days, to be able to give your Board every due & Satisfactory information.——

It would give this Native Doctor a Consequence & Respect at Masulipatam, which I humbly conceive might & would subserve essentially to the Cause— if your Board would be

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would be pleased to recommend him to the Honble Board of Government for some Small but flattering Badge of their valuable favor & Notice, for such a Line of Conduct and such Services.—

10. In visiting the Northern Stations lately, I have fully satisfied myself that the Cowpox which we had from Hyderabad last year, has so completely failed (as with myself also, then, at Masulipatam) to stand the test at the several places presently to be mentioned, that I have discouraged & discountenanced all further similar trials:— leaving & reserving for our New Vaccine to supersede so dangerous a process at an early day by its benign Influence & Guardianship.—

Mons. Pithoir, a French Surgeon of much observation Experience & Respect, acquaints me that he has recently lost one of his best marked Cases (vaccinated from the Hyderabad Stock in November last year) of the Casual Small pox, & that another person lies dangerously ill, at this Moment, of the same Disease under the same precise circumstances.—

Mr. Surgeon Norman's own Child of 1½ years old nearly fell a Victim to the variolous trial,— made within a few Weeks after the same (pernicious kind

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Kind of Vaccine had left it's Cicatrix behind, as well & strongly defined in her arm, — independent of the rest of it's Character, as possible. —

With this Infant too, the insidious Mischief of the Small pox so complicated, remained latent till the thirteenth day; when it Broke out with the most unexampled type & alarming Symptoms imaginable, — from which she hardly escaped with Life. —

Very lately Mr. Surgeon Baillie found that certain vaccinated subjects who had resisted the trial of the Small pox by the thread, — were not however proof to that of the fresh & wet Matter. —

I caused Variolous Matter to be sent to Mr. B. from Chicacole, expressly, to ascertain this point he inoculated a person, on whom neither Small pox nor Cow pox had before been tried, from the threads (at my request) and having succeeded to produce the most pustules on that subject, — he with the Matter of that, instituted the further trial of the comparative activity of such Contagion on some that had already shewn themselves proof to the Variolated thread — they now took & had the small pox in a mild & anomalous way; but I do not learn that such Experience has been fortunately, so dearly bought

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as at the former Stations; and more especially at the Next to be Mentioned. —

My own eyes, Gentlemen, witnessed two or three serious Instances, of a considerable number on whom Mr. Assistant Surgeon Patterson had made similar trial, who had suffered very severely indeed under the same Criterion. — With one adult subject, the deep Cicatrices of whose Vaccine Pustules then remained also very large, — & who had given out much Matter for others to derive the same Forms from, — after exhibiting the ordinary Constitutional Symptoms of the Casual Small pox (but as usual, in a more Regorous, late, & indefinable order,) considerable Inflammation of the Eyes supervened: Succeeded by a Nyctalopia so very severe, that it threatens (I much fear) actual Blindness to the sufferer in the End! —

Another subject, not less manifestly characterized by every Mark, which, — uniformly enough, — kept pace with the progress of that degraded Contagion we speak of: and which has been not less the bane than it remains yet the stumbling-block of so many parts as it found it's way to in this Division, — was actually so covered with pustules that, on their falling off, there is scarcely now a space over his whole Skin of the breadth of ½ of an Inch to be discovered which is not deeply pitted! —

Lt.

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Lt. Col. Durands Child, whom I had some years ago Inoculated at Malacca, with the Small pox; & who yet retains a single but manifest pit out it between the Eyes, was Vaccinated by Mr. Patterson, also, with this sort of Matter.— She had a pustule, of course, where the new Insition of the (supposed) Vaccine was made; which has left, not=withstanding, a very large Cicatrix.— Which [while that pock continued to deceive us all] gave out abundant Virus to nurse the fond hopes of that day, & to extend the field of its future Disappointments.—

These brief, but pointed, results, Gentlemen, will I trust suffice to shew how cautiously it behaves practitioners ever to receive, & to give their confidence to the Actuality & reputed value of, any Contagion; un=ascertained by themselves on the spot.— however well thought of otherwise; or accredited by Authority; untill such Matter has, in a sufficient No. of Instances, been duly tried by the Various Touchstone.—

11. Peter Vanderpeet— late Subassistant to the Garrison of Masulipatam, having died suddenly on the Night of the 7th Instant, your Board will be pleased to afford us another servant in his place, as soon as circumstances may conveniently admit.— for we much

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much feel the want of such assistance there at present—

12. With extreme Reluctance, Gentlemen, do I find myself obliged to close my present Letter by stating to your Board, the very serious Inconvenience & Expence to which I am constantly and Necessarily subjected, from the Refusal of the Commanding Officer of the Division, to countersign my Indents for the Camp Equipage, Carriage &c. which I find is allowed to the Rank I hold, on such Official Visits, to other Divisions:— altho' (as the accompanying Document will shew, I have not neglected to furnish the direct precedent to his Authority for my Claim to an Accommo=dation so indispensable to the due fulfilment of my enjoined Duties that I should stand appointed with:— and Notwith=standing the (annexed) encouragement & assurance from the Brigade Major of the Division, in the first Instance, that I should not want it—

I am not less concerned to be obliged to add, that after the usual Indent had been presented (as desired) 3 days consecutively for the honor of Lt. Col. Camp=bell's Sanction, they were returned at last to my Writer with a verbal Message, that, as I thought proper to proceed by Sea as far as Vizagapatam, he therefore did not chuse to sign them, neither would he have any thing further to do with them at all —

Thus

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Hers, Gentlemen, am I, on all occasions, obliged to find myself under the uneasy Circumstance of being laid under a direct obligation to Individuals & indeed to the public at large, for a place wherein to lay my head, which expressly employed abroad on the most urgent calls of the Honble Company's Services — perpetually necessitated to billet or quarter myself on families or houses (to which I am frequently an utter & absolute Stanger) as I pursue my journeys, without any feasible Remedy or Resource whatever. In a superevision encompassing, not merely the Circuit of the extensive province of our Northern Circars, — but, reaching to that of the Guntoor Circar likewise, — and having the Nizams Capital for its Western boundary & last visit. — In many parts of which Countries (need I further remark) that — independent of there being Absolutely no place where a single Choultry or other public Cover for the Traveller, of any Kind, is to be seen; — tracts of full 50 Miles, & upwards, not seldom occur, where Neither is there the hospitable Roof of an European to be discovered, not yet a hut that can supply his wants with a measure of Rice, a Plantain, or a draught of wholesome Water. —

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I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your very obedient & respectfully
Your Most humble Servant
Henry Harris
M.D. &
Superintending Surgeon
Norther Division

Ganam:
18th April, 1803.

P.S. Allow me to signify to you, Gentlemen, that my General Return for March, with the Journals &c. for the Division, — is in forwarding to Fort St. George a Day or two; — & to express my regret that the Quarterly return & Valuation of Medical Stores awaity my arrival at Vizagapatam; — the transmission of which may yet be delayed, perhaps another whole Week or 10 Days, for Reasons alsig — in para 3 & of the present Letter.

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Capt. F. Thompson
Brigade Major
Northern Division

Dear Sir

I Request you will be pleased to signify to Lt. Col. Campbell that as I learn from the Secretary of the Medical Board that the Superintending Surgeons of Divisions are permitted to indent for Tents &c. to perform their visits to the Stations under their Charge, as holding the Rank of Major, - I only wait his permission to indent for Camp. Equipage, Carriage and Servants attaching to that Rank, to pursue my journey without delay thro' the Division.

To furnish the Requisite circumstances for my passport, I have the pleasure to report my Age 46, Height 5/8, Color of Hair Light brown, Eyes brown.

When the Circuit is performed, I need hardly add, the Camp Equipage &c. will be immediately returned into Store (as Mr. Berry has done); and, should no Marquee be at present in Store, I request leave to offer

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offer my own for the Occasion. ——

I Remain
Dear Sir
Very truly Yours.
H. H.

Gardens
18th January 1803.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Henry Harris —

Dear Sir

I am favored with your note & have the pleasure to forward the Passport you Require — If you will have the goodness to send an Indent for Camp Equipage, Carriage, &c. to Col. Campbell he will countersign it — but I believe there are no Tents in Store.

I Remain
Dear Sir,
Yours very truly
Fr. Thompson

18th January 1803.

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To H. Williamson Esqr.
Assistant Surgeon
Guntoor.

Sir.

In conformity to the enjoined Instructions of the Medical Board under Date February 7th 1803 deriving from the previous Minute of the Right Honble the Governor in Council dating January 11th (Para 5) & pursuant to the Tenor and spirit of the several Official Documents which accompany the present to which Documents after careful Copies taken of them & exhibited made to the Senior Civil Servant at your present station you are to give immediate transmission thro the Northern Division of the Army in the order required) I have to signify to you that as your services are immediately required at this station to which you will be pleased to repair as soon after Receipt of this Letter as possible) I feel myself under the Necessity of withdrawing you from your existing appointment & attaching you to the express charge of the Superintendence & Management of the scheme of Vaccination in this Division upon the principle indicated & enjoined by the late Regulations — I

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I have the pleasure to enclose with these Vouchers, three Qualification Certificates to be respectively conveyed by you to the hands of the Native Practitioners whom they are addressed to; and who I am informed are in your immediate Vicinity at this time.

H. H.

Masulipatam 1st April, 1803. } (A true Copy)
(Signed) Henry Harris

To Henry Harris M.D.
Superintending Surgeon
Northern Division of the Army
Masulipatam.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your favor of 1st April, accompanying the Minutes of his Lordship the Governor in Council respecting Vaccine Inoculation; as also the instructions of the Medical Board on the same Subject; which after being carefully perused and transcribed are forwarded in Circulation.

I further take the liberty to assure you of my setting out from this place for Masulipatam, agreeable to your desire with the least possible delay. —

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The Certificates from the Medical Board to the Native Inoculators will be transmitted to them with the last delay; they are now in different Villages of the District disseminating the genuine Vaccine, which is very generally and gratefully received by the Inhabitants.

I have the honor to Remain,
With the greatest Respect
Your Most obedient Humble Servant
(Signed) Henry Williamson
Assistant Surgeon

Guntoor
2d April 1803.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Henry Harris

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Service

To H. Williamson Esqr.
Assistant Surgeon
Masulipatam.

My Dear Sir,

You will readily imagine my disappointment & Chagrin to find, on the Arrival of the Burnaby, that Mr. Alexander's Child, & the Guntoor boy that we had so carefully Vaccinated at my Gardens on the 6th Instant, appear to have totally failed. — And this is not all. — For, the other Vaccinated boy, who came on with his father in the Doolley, & who was also charged at the same time & place, and from the same Subject, furnishes a third Instance of the same Complexion. — Now, — as the fourth travelling Subject on my List (who was vaccinated on the 6th Inst. & who walked over hither presently after) had his Pocks from the same Stock; — as it has failed entirely on one Arm & shewn itself too faintly in the other to be yet at all counted upon; — as all the French families, with a crowd of their Retainers, are solicitous in the degree to have the new Method introduced effectually amongst them; — as the Natural Small pox, is very destructive every where around us; — & as I have with difficulty been able to extract, yesterday & today, Matter enough from the fourth Case mentioned (if it should be found to

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inspecting such subjects the moment he learns that the rising pustule &c have declared the Affection to be in forwardness, by their obliging Notice to him to this Effect by Letter or Dispatch— And, that should such subjects miss of taking the Inspection left with them by you, Mr. S. may be apprized, accordingly, to bring with him from hence the living Subjects (on which plan alone any Reliance can be had,— and which plan after all may need Repetition in spite of every Case) for the use of the Inhabitancy in their respective Vicinities.—

All these Dispositions, I need not repeat, being purely hypothetical, I shall reserve every other which may hinge upon the necessity of such an active step till my next Letter; or perhaps till I see yourself here:— excepting that you will on such Remove, be pleased to signify to Mr. Surgeon Galloway that the third weekly Statement of the Results of the various Trial, which will be then approaching, must be detailed & transmitted by him to your hands at Yanam: for me: as it will be not quite certain where they may be so sure to catch me, else, at the earliest moment (if the Test corresponds to our wishes & hopes) for blazing the good Tidings far & wide among these Districts;— a measure I have established with Mr. [illegible] as soon as the

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result of this most desirable & decisive proof, of 21 days, can be laid before him; & which is likewise a Measure that I perceive, with infinite satisfaction, both that Gentleman (who is the the Collector of these Districts) & Mr. Fullerton the Commercial Resident here, have entered as readily, and zealously into the accomplishment of as the warmest partizan of so important a Cause could wish it.—

Give me a brief sketch of the state of the various Trial on it's 10 Subjects, to the very early hour that I compute upon having your Dispatch in Reply— your two first formal Official Reports being (according to the paper of Instructions left at Bunder) on before me to the Northward, of course, at this day, it will, I hartily wish soon be in my power to give similar good tidings (from the face of that Voucher & those of the Remaining weeks) along with the living Subjects— to the numerous description of all Casts &c which I am advised is Now anxiously looking to us to be the bringers as well as the promoters of the same, by very possible means among them.—

I Remain Dr. Sir in much haste,
but very truly yours.
(Signed) H. Harris

Yanam.
13th April 1803.
12 O'Clock am.

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P.S. The departure of this Express has been defferred to the present day by various Interruptions.— I see no prospect of success in the Cases lately vaccinated,— therefore, push off. I beg of you, with New Subjects, as soon as possible hither, without further Advice of me.

H. H.

Yanam.
15th April
4. p. m.

(A true Copy)

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To W Williamson Esqr.
Assistant Surgeon
Masulipatam

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James Anderson Esqr. P.G.
First Member & Members
Medical Board—
Madras

Gentlemen,

Enclosed I have the honor to transmit to your Board, Monthly Abstract & Return for the Northern Division of the Army, Subsidiary Force, & Guntoor Circar, for the Month of March— accompanied with such Medical Journals &c. (or Apologies in Lieu of them) as had reached the Department to the 8th Inst. inclusive:— on which day the public Service calling me from Masulipatam, addressed my most especial attention to the furtherance of that great Object, which my late Official Letter of the 10th Instant, will have already duly advised you that I had immediately in prospect.—

The Residuary papers wanted to complete these Returns, and which I conclude I may probably find to the Northward waiting my arrival at Vizagapatam, shall be forwarded, Gentlemen, to your Board from thence, as soon as, having seen the Cow pox once introduced here, I find my self free to depart from this, & can possibly reach that Station, for the same purpose.

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Owing either to the severe Indisposition of some Medical Servants of this Division themselves; or, to the circumstance of the Corps to which others attach being in Motion or in the Field,— an unusual Deficiency in the required Vouchers,— I regret to observe,— will occur in the correspondency & transactions of the whole Department for the last Month.—

Unless, Gentlemen, I shall happily succeed in finding a much better Account, than I apprehend I am to expect, of such Documents, on my arrival at Vizagapatam, I beg to observe that I shall not neglect to caution every such defaulter, as serve Illegible does not appear to have actually disqualified for the Task, of the interruption & dissatisfaction with such deviations & negligences cannot fail to throw in the direct path of the enjoined Observances; and of the constituted Authorities, with whom it rests to see those observances strictly & decorously maintained.—

Again, I must notice (& with the most unaffected Satisfaction,) to your Authority, the exactitude punctuality, and becoming discipline with which the Staff Surgeon to the Subsidiary Force constantly succeeds to accomplish such an aim with every Medical Officer attached to his specific Charge at this busy hour I am in the Field.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
very Obed.t your humble Sert.
(Signed) Henry Harris M.D.
and Superintending Surgeon

Vizagapatam
20th April 1803—

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James Anderson Esqr. P.C.
First Member &c Members
Medical Board.—

Gentlemen,

It gives me the most sincere Satisfaction to be able to enclose to your Board the final Report of the Committee of Medical Officers to this Department, on the subject of the various trial made the 3d Instant,— received this Morning from Masulipatam: a Report which Mr. Churchill, the Collector, has assured me shall be promulgated by him, along with a careful Gentoo translate,— which I owe to Mr. Fleming's assistance,— of the Government Advertisement throughout the neighboring Towns & Villages &c under his Collection, without delay & with the utmost publicity.—

The same Method, I pray to observe to your Board, shall be observed at every other station under my Supervision, as I pursue my way Northward.— (& not less in other Directions)— as fast as I can accomplish the Introduction and and Establishment of the Vaccine Disease among the respective Inhabitancy at each.—

When I contrast the Avidity which all Ranks & Casts immediately about the Factories under Mr. Surgeon

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Surgeon Norman's Charge manifest, to receive this blessing amongst them, with the tardiness & reluctance that I have been distrest to Remark & hear of at Masulipatam lately, — I am really at a loss how to solve this curious phonomenon. —

Perseverance & time will however, Most, gradually, but assuredly, at length surmount the delays & scruples of the supine or the Sceptic Inhabitants at particular places; & render this invaluable acquisition as diffusive as it is precious, throughout the whole extent of the British possessions & Establishments in Affia. —

Having now seen the immediate and ultimate object of my long visit to this & the adjacent valuable & populous towns completely fulfilled; and the Genuine Pock proceeding in an exquisitely well-defined train in many families of the first respect around me, — I have accordingly taken a passage for myself in a Vessel that sails for Vizagapatam tomorrow, bringing two newly Vaccinated Subjects on board with me, & having already pushed on a third before me, to meet us at Mr. Boilis. —

I do not feel myself at liberty, Gentlemen to close this Letter to your Board, without first acknowledging & with particular satisfaction, the becoming solicitude shewn, & active exertions used, by Mr. Surgeon Norman at this Station

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station, — since the Means arrived with him, — to give every furtherance in his power to the anxious business of that wide field of Vaccination, which it is now expedient that his hands shall cultivate between the Factories to which his care extends. —

May I, moreover, hire, be permitted.

Gentlemen, under favor of your wanted Indulgence, — very respectfully to request your leave to avail myself of the favorable Opportunity which thus presents, to offer a few Words on a subject, that, as it affects not less this Gentleman than myself, — in our respective Relations, — is not a little delicate, — tho' it becomes indispensable, — to be touched upon? —

Had I been but duly apprized, — and accordingly aware, — that this Officer had never yet received here the G. O. of Government — published (I believe) in every other Situation where a Medical Servant finds himself placed — and that to this circumstance alone his accidental, & unintentional, Non-conformance to pointed Instructions in such G. O. — which he declares that he had never actually seen — was absolutely & fairly attributable, I pray your Board to allow me, in candor and distributive Justice, to observe, — that neither should you, Gentlemen, ever have been troubled with a line of Complaint against him from this Department, nor should that Officer, on any Account, have found himself within

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within the pale of such direct Remarks as I was, however, constrained to make, ex Officio, where the Vouchers enjoined (for some Apology for the omission of them) happened to be wanting to complete my General Returns for the term of some Months consecutively, before the Circumstance came to be discovered & explained. —

As there are no Military here, of any description, I find of course no Hospital at this Station, to furnish Materials for Mr. Norman's Journal of the practice— the exhibit before your Board — for March, — merely affords a specimen of Extern practice, — among a description of persons who, I doubt much, can hardly be properly considered to fall within the Compass of a regular daily Detail; tho the Aggregate so treated, may still continue to be noticed (as heretofore) in a general way, on the face of his future Monthly Abstracts. —

In producing these exculpatory arguments to your favorable Notice, Gentlemen, on behalf of a Senior Surgeon whose exact Circumstance & case happened, — from the want of such an explanation on his part at an earlier day — to be by no means known to this Department before; let me however pray to deprecate — [as its consequence] — any such censure of your authority upon the Measure, which I have found it an express part of my immediate Duty to pursue in the present Instance, — as may

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may be supposed to derive to myself either from any thing like Individual pique towards Mr. N. — or from a proneness to overcharge venial Errors of judgment with an uncandid & undue harshness of Colorings — a blame of which I freely confide that your impartial Board has not yet found actual occasion to hold me accusable, in the continual round & occurrence of my Correspondences and communication with your respected authority. —

I have the honor to remain
Gentlemen
Very Obed.t & Your humble Servant
Signed Henry Harris M.D
Superintg Surg.n N.D.

Ingeram
April 28th 1803

P.S. Since writing the above I have had the pleasure of a Letter from Mr. Churchill, the Collector in these Districts of which I hope I shall have your leave to make an Enclosure, with my hasty reply at this busy moment of my Departure for the Northward. —

(Signed) H.H.

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To William Norman Esq.r
Surgeon to the Factories of
Ingeram & Madispollam.

Sir,

I feel a very sincere Satisfaction in the favorable Opportunity which you have given me since my arrival & stay here of bearing that Official testimony to your very laudable activity & exertions with a view to the promotion and dissemination of the Vaccine Disease through the whole Extent of the Factories immediately placed under your Medical Charge & Inspection; & not less to the further Scope which their respective dependencies & vicinities comprehend: — and of thus conveying to your hands the tribute of a just Encomium — which while it must ever fairly & assuredly attach to & discriminate a conduct so highly becoming & meritorious, — you will perceive Sir, that I have it in my express Instructions in G.O. moreover, not to refuse nor delay to bestow on every Medical Officer within the sphere of my superintendence, — as occasion offers & invites — whose direct Claim to such especial Notice & commendation is thus substantiated.

The accompanying Extract from my public Letter to the Medical Board of this days date will

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will also fully satisfy you Sir, I trust that I do not nor cannot consent to remain an indifferent or unconcerned spectator in a Question so nearly affecting your professional Respect and views in Service as that to which it speaks.

I Remain Sir,
Very sincerely Your's —
(Signed) H. Harris.

Ingeram,
28th April, 1803.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) H. Harris.

To William Norman Esq.r
Surgeon to the Factories of
Ingram & Madispollam,

Sir,

The journal of practice you may dispence with furnishing untill I know the Sense of the Medical Board on that Question; the other papers you will be pleased to forward to the Department agreeable to existing Regulations.

I expect & it is my most sincere wish that the Result of the Explanation now on its way to our mutual Superiors — will from their Known Candor & Moderation be such as entirely to redeem you to that place in their respected Estimate & Opinion in which I trust soon to find you honorably

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and permanently reinstated.

I remain, Sir, Very Obedt Yours

Yanam. H. H.

29th April, 1803.

(A true Copy)

(Signed) H. Harris

To the Superintending Surgeon

Northern Division &c &c

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your official Letter of yesterday — and believe me Sir, it affords me infinite pleasure to find, the Kind manner in which you express yourself on my Professional Conduct since your arrival at this place, and I trust, you will be ever convinced, of my earnest desire of fulfilling the wishes of my superiors, by a Constant continuation of my exertions.

Permit me here to observe Sir, the errors that have lately occurred, in my not submitting to the circular instructions forwarded through this Division, were Sir, not from the most distant Idea of disrespect towards you, or a desire of evading any part of my Duty — no Military of any description being under my Medical Charge, I have of course no

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no Hospital or an opportunity of receiving the G. O. of Government — my Professional call extending to the Civil Gentlemen at these Factories, Private Traders and the surrounding Inhabitants only — I imagined, a Medical Journal from me not required, thus Sir — from inadvertiency on my part, in not communicating with you on this subject, at an earlier period, has they origin of my apparent obstinacy been unfortunately founded — I however sincerely hope, your Official Letter to the Medical Board — (an Extract of which I have received) will do away any unfavorable impression they may have imbibed from my past Conduct —

I wish to be informed, from the above explanatory circumstances, if a continuation of the Medical Journal from these Factories is required, or that the usual Monthly Report with a Monthly Return of Expenditures are sufficient —

and am Sir,

Your Most Obedient

and Humble Servant

Ingeram

29th April, 1803.

(Signed) Wm Norman

Surgeon

Ingeram & Madepollam

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My Dear Sir,

I have the pleasure to inform you that Journal of the principal Inhabitants of this place (Brahmins) are willing to let their Children undergo the Vaccine Inoculation, so that I trust there will be no difficulty in procuring Subjects. As you are on the one of your Departure I thought this information might be agreeable to one who so warmly interests yourself in the Cause

Yours truly
C.H. Churchill

To.

28th

To C. H. Churchill Esqr.
Gardens

My Dear Sir

I am much obliged and indeed exceedingly gratified by the very acceptable Information which your Note conveys: & have in return to acquaint so warm an advocate to so good a Cause as I have in your own active benevolence that I have this day at home and abroad inoculated as many as I could find Vaccine Matter for of all Casts.

Yours

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I am truly happy to find so ready an Admission given to the Vaccine Method among the whole Inhabitancy at large I remain.

My Dear Sir,

Very truly yours

Yanam. 2 p.m.
28th April, 1803.

(Signed) H. Harris

(A true Copy)

The Vaccinated Subjects put to the Variolous Test were this day discharged, having been found to resist altogether the Variolous Infection, a space of twenty one days having elapsed since the latter Inoculation.

" Robt. Galloway
Garrison Surgeon
" De Mc. Gibbon
Surgeon 15th Regt.
" Henry Williamson
Assist. Surgeon

Masulipatam
24th April, 1803.

(Signed)

(A true Copy)

(Signed) H. Harris

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To the Superintending Surgeon.
Northern Division of the Army.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the Receipt of your letters of the 18th 20th and 28th Ultimo, and to express their approbation of your plan for receiving, and forwarding to this Office in future, the public papers of your Department, when absent from the Head-Quarters of your division.—

They cannot however after allowing you every commendation for your Zeal by any means approve your having taken upon yourself to remove Mr. Assistant Surgeon Williamson from his Station at Guntoor — a measure which, had your time been directed to a proper attention to the late General Orders you would have seen that this Board even, had it not in it's power to adopt, and the impropriety of which, adds regard to the particular order sanctioning you to select such Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon in your Division, as you might think could be employed in superintending and assisting the process of Vaccination, with the least inconvenience to the discharge of his other public duties, must of itself have convinced you

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A reasonable attention to the late General Orders would also have satisfied you, that it is as little in the power of the Medical Board to recommend, that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Williamson be directed to assist the Garrison Surgeon at Masulipatam, and to make provision for the existing want of Medical assistance at Guntoor, as it was to remove Mr. Williamson from that Station — nor do they conceive it according to the prevailing regulations to be at all within their, or your province, to recommend a Medical Servant from, or to any Military attachment, on any occasion whatever.

In respect to Moodeen Sha's practitioner mentioned by you, the Medical Board have directed me to say, that my letter to you under date the 18th Ultimo affords you every means they possess, of paying due attention to his merits.—

To procure the Camp Equipage necessary for performing the travelling part of the duty in your Division — I am directed to recommend that you make, and patiently wait the result of, a regular application to the Commander in Chief, through the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army, the mode most conformable to the existing regulations.—

I am at the same time directed to say how much it

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it has been a matter of regret to this Board, that after drawing out your former indent, you should by undertaking a Sea passage without previous permission from your immediate Superior, have furnished him with so powerful a reason for declining his signature, and even of reprehending you had he been that way disposed. Your unexpected arrival at this place must fully assure you how little the essential parts of your duty are to be trusted to such precarious opportunities.

Regarding Medical Journals they are called for, only from Stations at which some part of the army is employed, and from all such Stations the Medical Board in conformity to the Government General Orders, deem them indispensable. If Mr. Surgeon Norman has no part of the Military Service at any of the places under his Medical charge, Journals cannot of course be expected from him.—

The Medical Board have desired me to take this opportunity of expressing the pleasure they must at all times experience in having your favorable report of such Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons under your superintendence, as merit your commendation. And they are accordingly much gratified by the mention made of Mr. Surgeon Norman's exertions in promoting the benefits of Vaccination in your Letter of the 28th

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But, at the same time that they direct me to express their satisfaction on this point, they also desire me to observe, that they by no means approve your having a retrospect to any measures which have previously passed the decision of Government and this Board. any room there might possibly be, for exonerating Mr. Norman's former misconduct it was your duty to have considered fully before making it the subject of so serious a public complaint against that Gentleman, and on the present occasion, the Board have desired me to add, that they think you ought to have been particularly guarded, as one of the heaviest charges that Mr. Norman not returning any sort of reply to your Letter, still stands as originally preferred by you.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med.l Board office
9th May 1803.

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To

The Secretary to the Medical Board
&c &c

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your second supply of vaccine virus by the Pattoal of yesterday.-

With the greatest respect, be so good to state to the Medical Board, I have to report in continuation of my last leter, that, the three Patients I therein mentioned as having Inoculated, I am concerned to say, entirely failed- I observed the day following after inserting the matter, a trifling discharge from the Incision. but by the third day, nothing was discernable but a dry scab, it may not here be unnecessary to describe the mode I pursued in Inoculating, I held the Glasses that contained the virus over the steam of Boiling water, until with the point of a Lancet, I worked it into a consistence of thick Syrup, than, with a bit of thread took up the whole virus, perceivable on the Glass, and after making an Incision about the length of a Barley Corn, of a sufficient depth barely to produce blood in each arm of the Child, I inserted the thread and secured it with a strip of sticking Plaister, I presume this mode favorable

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favorable to the communication of the virus, and that my having unhappily failed in my attempt of propogating the Disease, must arise from a deficiency of activity in the virus.-

I was highly delighted yesterday, by being desired by the Superintending Surgeon 1st Division at Vysauam, to attend, and inspect the Arms of two Children, he has happily, after various attempts, succeeded in producing the genuine disease, from this circumstance, and of our being also in possession of a vaccinated Patient from Masulipatam, whose Arms produce abundance of virus, it may appear to the Board unnecessary to continue forwarding a supply further from Madras.-

I request you Sir, further to inform the Board, that I have selected two Native Practitioners, one for this Factory, and the other for the Factory of Madepollam, who are fully capable and desirous of being instructed in the vaccine Inoculation, and as the surrounding Inhabitants, from the present pleasing appearances of the disease, seem daily more desirous of Inoculation, I assure the Board of my constant and unremitted attention to disseminate this valuable disease, and constantly to inspect the perseverance of these native practitioners before mentioned.-

I have

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I would wish to be informed, if the Board are desirous, I should continue communicating with them, or if any reports should pass through the Superintending Surgeon Northern Division, and have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient humble Servant

Signed Wm. Norman

Surgeon at Madepollam

Ingeram
26th April 1803.

To

The Secretary to the Medical Board
&c &c

Sir

Be pleased to inform the Medical Board, in continuation of my last report I feel the most lively pleasure in communicating, that, not the smallest doubt remain, but I am now in complete possession of the genuine vaccine disease, I have daily inoculated, and have now under Inoculation at this Factory, and the surrounding Stations, several well marked, and satisfactory cases.— I sincerely hope, I shall be able to persuade the Inhabitants, the value of this happy discovery, and I am led to believe from the inoculation shewn by the Bramins

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Bramins, and other Head Men, to avail themselves of the opportunity of introducing this disease into their Families, and appearing sensible of the great benefit arising from this mild disease, no doubt remain, but the example will be eagerly followed by others.

I have to acknowledge the Receipt of the vaccine virus forwarded me by Tapall, which, on account of having an ample a supply from my Inoculated patients, I have not lately found necessary to use.

I have the honor to remain

Sir

Yours Obediently

Signed Willm. Norman

Surgeon Ingeram
&
Madepollam—

Ingeram
6th May 1803.

To

The Surgeon at Ingeram and Madepollam—

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters of the 26th Ultimo, and 6th instant, and in reply to them, to congratulate you on the introduction of the vaccine preventive of Small-pox at Ingeram and Madepollam; also on the readiness with which it appears to have been received by

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by the Inhabitants at, and in the Country about, this Factory, and the Board have directed me in a particular manner to express the high sense they entertain of your laudable exertions in extending the benefits of this inestimable blessing.—

Should you have occasion again to use vaccine virus preserved between plates of Glass, the Board recommend, instead of diluting it so much and using threads, that you apply the least possible moisture by steam, just sufficient to enable you to take a part of it up on the point of a Lancet with which to inoculate in the common way for small pox.—

I am directed to desire that you will in future make your future communications to the Medical Board through the medium of the Superintending Surgeon of your Division, agreeably to the established rules of the Service.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
16th May 1803.—

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To

The Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division of the Army.—

Sir,

Agreeably to your application I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with Six Printed Certificates in addition to those you received on the 18th April last and

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obed. Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
25th May 1803.—

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Circular

To

The Superintending Surgeons

Sir

It appearing to the Medical Board from what have ~~has~~ been hitherto imperfectly sent as Registers & Journals to this Office by the generality of Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons, that these Gentlemen think it right to select and copy their successful cases only, the Board have directed me to desire that you will communicate to these Gentlemen, and observe it as a general rule with all vaccine Practitioners under your superintendence, that every occurrence after the first insertion of the Vaccine matter is to be carefully recorded, corresponding as circumstances point out with the accompanying Form N.1. The Medical Board have at the same time directed me to require, that an Abstract of the numbers vaccinated, Succeeded, failed, and resisted the application of Variolous virus be, according to Form N.2, also annexed to, and transmitted with, every Monthly Register and Journal to this Office.—

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It requiring several days to complete the progress of successful vaccination, the Medical Board direct that you instruct all vaccine practitioners under your superintendence to bring up and close on the 12th or 14th their Registers and Journals of the previous Month, so that the result of the inoculations of its last day, may regularly appear.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed. Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secy Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
16th May 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon

Centre Division of the Army

Sir

I am directed to forward to you for the information of the Surgeon to the Court of Circuit and appeal in the Centre Division, the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Med. Board dated the 7th March, with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon — and to desire that, as soon as a duly qualified native Practitioner is appointed to the station above mentioned, an account of his name Cast and the village of his nativity be forwarded to this Office.— I have the honor to be

Sir Your Most Obed. Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secy Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
23d May 1803.

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Extracts from the Proceedings of the Medical Board Dated 7th March 1803.

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 22d March 1803.

"The Governor in Council in compliance with the Recommendation of the Medical Board is pleased to authorize the appointment of Native Practitioners at the Stations of the Courts of Circuit & Appeal, and the Medical Board is directed to report the Names of the Practitioners who may be judged qualified to be employed as Inoculators at their respective Stations."

"They have likewise the honor to state that Mr Dallas reports, through the Superintending Surgeon of the Ceded Division, his having met with great countenance from the Jaghirdar and several of the principal Inhabitants at Arnee; from which he is in great hopes of introducing the vaccine disease in that District, suggesting at the same time, that great ability would be derived from having Native practitioners stationed with the Court of Circuit and Appeal upon a Salary each of 15 or 20 Pagodas per Month, as independent of the assistance they might give in the diffusion of Cow pock Inoculation they would greatly relieve much

Signed

Fort St. George 25th May 1803.

frequent distress in their respective Districts, and this he hopes will not be objected to from the small expense that would thereby be occasioned."

By Order of the of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) G. Buchan
Sec. to Govt.

True Extract
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surv. Med. Board

Fort St. George 27th May 1803.

To

The Superintending Surgeon

Province of Malabar.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 25th ultimo, I am directed by the Medical Board to forward to you for your information, the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 9th instant with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon.—

On presenting to the Medical Board the Return of European Medicines, Instruments and Necessaries in the Province of Malabar from Mr. Garrison Surgeon I hope they were surprized to find that it had been forwarded to them by, and from that Gentleman direct without your countersignature, they have accordingly commanded me to return it to you; desiring at the same time that the quarterly Return may when duly authenticated by you be again forwarded to them with an account of the amount valuation conformably to the accompanying Form.— I have the honor to be Sir your most Obed.t & Hble Servt

(signed) W.m Horsman
Secry to Med.l Bd

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
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Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated 9th May 1803.

Read a letter from Mr. Superintending Surgeon McClelance copy of which the Medical Board have the honor to forward to the Right Hon.ble the Governor in Council—confident that His Lordship in Council, will adopt such measures in addition to those calculation of the benefits of vaccination under this Presidency, as may appear to His Lordship in Council, best calculated for the diffusion of them, in the Province of Malabar in particular".—

Resolution of the Governor in Council 17th May 1803.—

"Ordered that a Copy of these proceedings be transmitted through the Channel of the Board of Revenue with instructions to the principal Collector in Malabar, for affording such assistance as may be in his power for facilitating the progress of vaccination in that province."—

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

(signed) G. Strachey
Secry to Govt

True Extract
(signed) W.m Horsman
Secry Med.l Bd.s

Fort St. George 27th May 1803.

Form –

Amount Valuation agreeable to the Invoice Prices of European Medicines and Medical Stores Remaining in the Stores of Malabar on the 30th April 1803 with Expenditures in the Months of February March and April 1803.

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Medicines and Medical Stores Vde Remaining in the as per last Statement on the 31st January 1803	387 12 4½	
Amount of Medicines & Medical Stores recd from Madras	204 12 6	592 2 10½
Expenditures in the Months of February March and April 1803.	69 15 11½	69 15 11½
Amount of Medicines & Medical Stores remaining on the 30th April 1803.	542 8 11	542 8 11
£		

Signed/ W. Horsman
Surgn Medl Bd

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To the Superintendent of Vaccine Inoculation
Fort St. George

Sir.

I had the honor to receive your letter under date the 23d Ultimo on the subject of introducing vaccination not only among the Inhabitants of Ganjam but among those of its vicinity –

An injunction so important as that conveyed by the Medical Board demanded from duty and obtained from inclination the most serious regard. I therefore from the daily supply transmitted by you Inoculated as many Children as the reluctant acquiescence of a prejudiced people would enable me to procure; and, after repeated failures, I now the honor to announce to the Medical Board that in two native Children of healthy Constitutions I have, at length, succeeded. –

From an attentive perusal of Dr. Jenners instructions for Vaccine Inoculation, from a no less assiduous study of the various publications, on this subject, by the learned President of the Board, and from examining, by Criterions thus furnished, the pustule succeeding the Inoculation, I am of opinion that the genuine

Vaccine

Fort St. George 27th May 1803.

vaccine disease has been produced at Ganjam —

I shall have much difficulty in surmounting the prejudices of the Inhabitants; and in despite of all my exertions, aided by the liberal support of the Collector of the Province, it is not impossible that I may fail in preserving a constant supply of fresh matter, until those prejudices shall subside: may I therefore request you will have the goodness, for some time, to transmit me occasionally a supply of Vaccine Virus. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant
Signed P. Dunbar
Garrison Surgeon
Ganjam

Ganjam
18th May 1803.

Fort St. George 30th May 1803.

To the Garrison Surgeon Ganjam

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 18th instant, and to congratulate you on the successful introduction of the genuine benign vaccine disease at Ganjam, where under one of your distinguished abilities and assiduity together with the benevolent support of the Collector of the Province they cannot doubt but its blessings will soon be very generally extended — and they have accordingly until the Natives at Ganjam are impressed with a just sense of the advantages of Cow-pock inoculation, direct me to supply you from time to time by Dawk with fresh virus from the vaccine Hospital at this place. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed. Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
30th May 1803.

Fort St. George 3d June 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division of the Army

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to enclose for your information the accompanying Extracts from the Proceedings of the Medical Board with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surgn Medl Bd

Fort St George
Medical Board office
3d June 1803.

Fort St. George 3d June 1803.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board Dated 7th March 1803.

Resolutions of the Governor in Council 22d March 1803.

The Governor in Council in compliance with the recommendation of the Medl Board is pleased to authorize the appointment of Native Practitioners at the Stations of the Courts of Circuit & Appeal, and the Medl Bd is directed to report the names of the Practitioners who may be judged qualified to be employed as Inoculators at the respective Stations.

"They have likewise the honor to state that Mr Dallow reports through Superintending Surgeon of the Centre Division, his having met with great countenance from the Jaghirdar and several of the principal Inhabitants at Arnee, from which he is in great hopes of introducing the Vaccine disease in that district, suggesting at the same time, that great utility would be derived from having native practitioners stationed with the Courts of Circuit & Appeal upon a Salary each of 12 or 15 Pagodas per month, as independent of the Assistance they might give in the diffusion the Cowpock or Inoculation, they would generally relieve much frequent distress in their respective

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respective districts, and this he hopes will not be objected to from the small expence that would thereby be occasioned."—

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

[Signed] G.I. Buchan

Secry to Govt

True Extract

[Signed] Wm Horsman

Surv Med Bd

Fort St. George 3d June 1803.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated 21st March 1803.—

Resolutions of the Governor in Council 22d March 1803.—

The Governor in Council having already provided on a liberal scale, for the preservation & extension of the vaccine disease, in the Territories under this Presidency, His Lordship in Council thinks it inexpedient at present, to subject the Company to further expence on that account. The attention which has been shewn by His Lordship in Council, in rewarding those Medical Officers whose exertions were particularly distinguished in the practice of Inoculation, ought to impress upon the

"We therefore recommend notwithstanding whatever has been hitherto recommended, that all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons in Garrison or fixed Stations, that will carefully attend to the preservation of the vaccine disease, by successive weekly inoculation, reporting monthly agreeably to the form by the Medical Board, shall be entitled to half Batta, in addition to the present allowance of 10 Pagodas a hundred, the encouragement held out to native practitioners."—

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the minds of the Medical Officers at the subordinate Stations that the continuance of their exertions in promoting that practice, cannot fail to recommend to the notice of the Governor in Council.

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) G. Buchan
Secy to Govt.

True Extract
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St. George 11th June 1803.

To
The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Field Superintending Surgeon together with the Returns of the Effective Strength of the different Corps and a List of Country Medicines forwarded by that officer - to all which they enjoin your strict and early attention - and that as soon as complied with, you report the dispatch of the Medicines &c. to this Board, and to the field Superintending Surgeon by Dispatch.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
11th June 1803

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Extract of a Letter from the field superintending Surgeon to the Medical Board Dated 4th. June 1803.—

"The Commander in Chief has desired me to request that you will authorize the Medical Storekr. to dispatch with all convenience to this Camp, (via Ballary) a quarterly supply of Country Medicines & Wines for the European Corps of this Army, and which will become due on 1st. July next. I have inclosed Returns of the Effective Strength of the different Corps to enable the Storekr. to regulate the supplies."—

"As many Articles of Country Medicines are little wanted, are bulkly and inconvenient for Carriage on field Service, I have to request that the supplies of Country Medicines sent to Camp may be confined as much as possible to the essential Articles contained in the enclosed List, and that a large a proportion be sent in Wines and Brandy."—

"I have to request the Medical Storekeeper be desired to send a price list of the Medical Stores sent to the field Apothecary for the use of the Army to enable that Officer to make out the necessary quarterly returns of this Department. As yet no accounts have

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have been received of the Supply of European Medicines dispatched from Madras, for the Army on the 19th. April.—

True Extract

Signed Wm. Horsman

Secry. Med. Bd.

To William Horsman Esqre.

Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir

According to the orders of the Superintending Surgeon in Mysore I have the pleasure of transmitting you a list of the Medical Stores at this Station.—

I have likewise received orders to put down the additional quantities likely to be requisite for the use of the Troops in Mysore & Malabar from this date until the end of September, but as I have no means of knowing either the numbers or condition of the Troops employed in the latter province my Calculation must be very vague.—

I have the honor to be

Sir Your most Obedt. Servant

Signed Hugh Dove

actg. Garrison Surgeon

Seringapatam
7th. May 1803.—

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To the acting Garrison Surgeon and in charge
of the Medical Stores - Seringapatam -

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to inform you that an additional quantity of Medicines &c. were on the 19th Ultimo dispatched to Seringapatam for the use of the Troops in Mysore and Malabar, and accordingly to return you the accompanying indent.

I am at the same time directed to desire that when you have, in the absence of, and by order of your respective Superintending Surgeon any indents to forward, that you address it immediately to the Medical Storekeeper, whose duty it is to give it in to this Office for the approbation of the Board, with such remarks as he may find necessary to make on it -

I am Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Wm. Bowman
Secy. to Med. Bd.

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Med. Board Office
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To
James Anderson Esqre
Physician General &c. &c. Medical Board
Fort St. George.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit the Return of the Sick in the Province of Canara, for the month of April last, likewise a Return of the Expenditure &c. of Medicines for the last quarter. - Some days past I received a letter from the Assistant Surgeon in charge of the Sick of the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment Native Infantry requesting a Supply of Cots for his patients in the Hospital. I am unacquainted with the regulations at Madras in similar cases, I beg to request the Medical Board will be pleased to favor me with their instructions respecting it.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
With respect
Your very Obed. Servant
(Signed) John Price
Super. Surgn. in Canara.

Mangalore
15th May 1803.

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To the acting Garrison Surgeon and in charge of the Medical Stores - Seringapatam -

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I am Sir
Your most Obed. Servant
(Signed) Wm. Workman
Secy. Med. Bd.

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Med. Board Office
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Physician General &c. &c. Medical Board
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Gentlemen,
With respect
Your very Obed. Servant
Signed John Price
Super. Surgn. in Canara -

Mangalore
15th May 1803. -

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Province of Canara

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to return the enclosed Indents, and to desire that you will address these, and in future all indents for Medicines and Medical Stores, immediately to the Medical Store Keeper the regular and prescribed channel to this Board.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy to Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
17th June 1803.

Fort St. George 17th June 1803.

To James Anderson Esqr
Physician General and
Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

Previous to the Arrival of the Annual Supplies from Europe, and the reduced State of the Stores at this advanced Season, I judged a period the most expedient for an accurate examination of the different Articles by weight, to ascertain what deficiencies from dryage, evaporation, and unavoidable wastage of Office; had during last year occurred, and Consequently to ascertain how far the actual State of the Stores, Corresponded with the written Accounts transmitted quarterly to Your Board.

The result of this investigation has been an unfortunate discovery, that notwithstanding all the late attention and precautions on the part of Government your Board and myself for the Security and protection of the Medical Stores, I have reason to apprehend that after making a fair Allowance on Account of the usual and above Specified Casualties of Office; Articles according to the enclosed List and value have in the Course of the last Sixteen Months been either embezzled or unnecessarily wasted

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wasted in this Office— It is however to me Satisfaction to find that in an extensive Department like this where unpacking packing and Issues in Retail are daily making, the Amount of loss for the above period may perhaps be deemed not very Considerable and I trust it will further be admitted that in many Articles it must be difficult to limit with exact precision the reduction that ought to be made for deficiencies on Account of Climate and wastage of Office— The principal loss has occurred in the Manna and of the Allowance to be made for real wastage in this Article I have been enabled to form a tolerable exact Calculation by weighing a Box that had not been opened for use, since it was Received from Europe last Year, and on the loss of weight which I found it had sustained I grounded my present estimate— An examination by weighing and actual observation of the Several Articles in Store cannot without risk of loss and Much inconvenience be effected above once a Year, and therefore this loss may appear more Considerable by being brought at once under one head than if a Chance estimate were made for these deficiencies and included in the Quarterly Returns—

In consequence of this Survey there will be brought to account some Medicines and Instruments which were not since my time in Office Appeared on the Books of which

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neglect and unaccountable Circumstance I was about to institute an enquiry but which has been rendered fruitless and of no avail by the Sudden Death of Appoo one of the Oldest and principal Native Servants, and who from his Situation and Length of Service in the Office was alone qualified to clear up the difficulty—

Of the attention and intigrity of Mr. Tomasfield the Other principal Servant during one year he has been in the Office I have every reason to be Satisfied— But he has not unfortunately been long enough to enable him to Afford me with the Necessary information on the points in question—

This therefore Gentlemen being a fair and Candid Statement of the Medical Stores after minute examination I trust, that when it is Considered how impossible it must be for the Store Keeper to Superintend the Issue of every individual Article in Supplying Indents, and consequently that some degree of trust, and Responsibility, must necessarily devolve on the principal Servants of the Office, you will be induced to make a proportionate Allowance for my Situation, from the utter impossibility I now experience of attaching the irregularity Connected with the Accompanying Statements—

I have

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I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient Servant

Fort St. George
25th. June, 1803.

(Signed) Alex. Boiswell
Med. Store Keeper

Fort St. George 17th. June 1803.

List of Deficiences in the Medical Stores from Drayage Deliquesence wastage & Embezzlements from 1st January 1802 to 1st June 1803.—

Medicines	Deficiency by Drayage Wastage & Deliquescence from 1st January 1802 to 25th May 1803	Embezzled or unaccounted for since last	£	s	d
	lb.	oz.			
Amylum	11	"		16	6
Cantharides	17	10		8	7½
Castor Russiæ	6	"		5	15 "
Conf. Aromat	1	2		15	1½
Cort Geoffræ	12	"		4	1½
Coral Rubr	2	"		15	6
Cons Rosar Rubr.	6	"	1	16	4½
Cret Anglic	6	2		2	3½
Cuspri Ammoniac	2	"		2	3½
Creta ppt.	4	4		13	3
Elect Senna	4	"	3	8	3½
Extr Colocynth Comp	2	13		4	1
" Gentian	1	7		3	4½
" Cicuta	"	9	5	6	11½
" Cort Peruv	1	14	1	6	9
" Glycyrrhiza	13	6		1	7
" Papav alb	"	2		3	3
Ferri Rubigin	1	10		5	16 4½
Flor Chamœmeli	69	11		"	11½
Fol Digitalis	"	9		2	9
Galla	1	"		3	1 6
Gum Ammon	9	12		"	3 9½
Hydrargyr Muriat	"	7½		"	1 7½
Herb Salviæ	1	8		"	8 1¾
Kali ppt.	5	"			

Carried over 40. 5. 1½.

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Delivery by Depot & Medical Establishment from 1st Jany 1802 to 25th May 1803

Embezzled or unaccounted for

					L.	S.	D.
				Brought over	40	5	1½
Ligni Sassafras		30				13	1½
Mag. alb		22	11	12	6	13	3
Manna opt		329	6	200	24	8	1½
2da		124	4	60	21	14	10
Sabon pfpt		8	12		1	2	9½
Pil Colocynth S & C. aloe		12	10½	16		15	5
Pulv Antim			1½				23
Rad Ipecac		4	12		1	13	9
Rad florentin		1	8			2	1½
Valerian			14				13½
Mezerion		3	5		1	13	6½
Sal Mag Vitriolat		117	10	30	1	19	2
Soda Vitriolat		119		20	2	6	2½
Phosphor		48		20	13	18	
Ammon Comp		3	6		1	13	9
Sperm Cæti		1				3	10
Semen Carui		15				8	1½
Lini		18	6			6	10½
Anisi		6				7	9
Cammon Gum			10			1	6
Hydrargyr Sulphur rub		6		5		3	
Phyals	Dozens	98			6	16	9
				Carried over £	205	10	10½

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Delivery from 1st Jany 1802 to 25th May 1803

Embezzled or unaccounted for

Instruments

				L.	S.	D.
			Brought Over	205	10	10½
Crooked Scissars	pairs	5	5		1	7 6
Straight Do	Do	1	1			2 9
Silver Directors	Do	3	3			18 7½
Dressing Spatulæ	Do	12	12		1	
Silver Male Catheters	Do	4	4		1	18 1
Tenaculums	Do	7	7			15 5½
Retractors	Do	1	1		1	14 8
Elastic Nipple Bottle	Do	1	1			8 3
Bowman patient Syringes	Do	1	1		1	3 1
Pellipus forceps	Do	4	4		1	4 2
Elastic Gum Catheters	Do	5	5		2	10 10
Tin Saucepans	Do	30	30		2	7½
			Total £	220	14	5½

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(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Medl Storekeeper

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An account of Medicines and Instruments not brought to account on the Book of the Office since 1st January 1802, and Discovered on a late investigation in the Store Department.—

Medicines	Oz	Lbs	£	S	D
Antim: Cala Nitrat:	3	8	1	1	
Aqua Ammon pura	3	"	"	12	3
" Litharg acetat	5	9	"	13	2½
Bals Copaiv	9	7	2	19	5½
Hydrarg Nitrat Rubr.	1	"	"	10	7½
Kali Nitrobat	32	11	1	5	1½
Ol Terebenth	10	"	"	10	10
" " Recd	10	"	"	1	13 4
" Menth pipt	1	"	"	4	"
" Olivar	120	"	13	5	10
Rad Jalapii	9	"	2	8	"
Spt: Vin Recd	61	"	"	9	7 3½
" Lavend Comp	15	"	"	4	11½
		Total £	50	10	11½

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Instruments	Articles as found upon examination Quantities brought to account since 1st Jany 1802		£	S	D
Plaster Spatula	No	28	5	7	4
Female Catheters	No	4	1	6	4
Sharp Splints	Sett	17	39	4	10
Mathews Do	Do	18	62	8	"
Pint Glyster Elastic Syringe	No	6	10	7	10½
Pewter Urinals	No	4	"	15	5
" Gallon Measures	No	3	1	10	"
Marble Mortars & Pestles	No	6	5	18	6
" Slabs	No	20	4	6	8
Glass Urinals	No	79	4	5	7
" Funnels	No	7	"	3	6
" Mortars & Pestles	No	9	2	"	6
Deep Copper Scales without weights		6	7	10	3½
Paste Board	Sheets	24	"	13	"
Common Trusses	No	6	3	15	10½
Portable Trepaning Instt.	Case	1	3	9	3½
Cabenaus Apptt.		1	3	12	7½
Electrical Machine large	Case	1	11	11	"
Do Do small	Do	1	9	4	10
Dressing Forceps		16	2	4	"
Instt for fistula Lachrymalis		1	5	9	5
compress Do		3	"	19	9
Pins for the hairlips		6	1	5	6
Retorts Wedgewow Large		3	"	13	6
Do Do Small		3	"	13	6

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Instruments Total	£	188	17	1¼
Medicines Total	£	50	10	11½
Amount of	£	239	8	3¼

Signed Alexr Boswell
Med Storekeeper

Fort St. George 27th June 1803.

To

The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire, that you will as early as it can be done from actual survey and examination, transmit to this Office a full and correct Statment of all Europe Medicines, Instruments, Utensils &c. remaining in the Honble Company's Medical Store Godowns at this Presidency, on the first of the ensuing month.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Secry. Med.l Board

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
27th June 1803

To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge your Secretary's Letter of yesterday, and shall comply with the Statement therein required with all possible delay.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed/ Alex.r Boswell
Mate Foreman

Fort St. George
29th June 1803.

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To John McNeelance Esqrs
Superintending Surgeon Malabar

Sir

I have the honor of transmitting the Register & Returns of the Sick under my charge for the Month of May. Their numbers are still so great as to have precluded the possibility of my Journalizing, even had no other impediment intervened. This Battalion, however, has latterly been moving about and since our arrival at Corrally my time has been taken up in superintending the erection of an Hospital which I hope will appear of consequence enough to apologize for the deficiency of a journal.—

The Rains unfortunately set on with great violence the Morning after our arrival here and have continued since with very little intermission. Our Sick are in the most distressing situation imaginable, surrounded with water and exposed to the inclemency of the Monsoon in Tents pervious to every blast that blows.— Owing to the scarcity of workmen & Material, the building of the Hospital has been much protracted. It will however be finished tomorrow, but as the earth is now compleatly soaked, it is impossible the floor can dry during the rains. I hope therefore, Cotts or some substitute will be allowed, to keep our

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our unfortunate sick from the damp ground, otherwise, many a poor fellow must be sent to an untimely grave.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obdt. Servant
/Signed/ Hoyes
Asst. Surgn. 2d Bn. 4th Regt.

Camp Corrally
6th June 1803.-

The Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the pleasure to transmit herewith all the Medical Journals of Corps, not on field Service, that I have been able to collect for the month of May.-

The defective state of Regimental Hospitals, and the want of Cotts and Bedding for the Native Sick complained of in Mr. Asistant Surgeon Hoyes's letter, have already been represented to the Board under date the 10th December 1802.

I regret that the new form for Journal of Vaccination did not reach Cochin till after Messrs. Meek & Drysdale had forwarded the accompanying Journals to me.- But the Medical Board may rely on strict adherence in future to their instructions communicated in your letter of the 16th ultimo. -

I have the honor to be
Sir
/Signed/ J. McClelland
Asst. Surgn. Bn. Malabar

Pillicherry 15th June 1803.-

Fort St. George 27th June 1803.

To
The Superintending Surgeon in the Province
of Malabar.-

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant, with its enclosure from Mr. Asistant Surgeon Hoyes, relative to Regimental Hospitals, Cotts, and Bedding for the Native Sick for the requisite provision of which, the Board have desired me to recommend that you make, or direct Mr. Asistant Surgeon Hoyes to make application to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, through the medium of his Regimental Commanding Officer, and of the Officer Commanding in the Province of Malabar, as appearing most in conformity with the spirit of the existing Regulations.-

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surgn. Med. Board.-

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
27th June 1803.-

Fort St. George 29th June 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division of the Army.—

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to forward to you the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, which they request you will communicate to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hay.—

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
29th June 1803.—

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy Med.l Board

Extract from the Resolutions of the Governor in Council of the 25th June, on the Proceedings of the Medical Board Dated the 6th of the same month.—

"Resolved that Mr. Hay be permitted to draw the prescribed allowance for patients vaccinated by him, subsequently to the date of the Resolutions passed by the Governor in Council on that subject; and that directions be transmitted to the Collector of Coimbatore, for the payment of the amount due in conformity to this resolution."

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Under the circumstances which appear to have prevented the preparation of the accounts for patients vaccinated by Mr. Hay, agreeably to the regular form, Resolved that the above charge be admitted under a declaration of his honor.

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

True Extract
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy Med.l Board

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Northern & Southern Divisions of the Army.—

Sir,

I am directed to forward to you for the information of the Assistant Surgeon to the Court of Circuit and Appeal in the Southern Division, the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 30th March, with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon, and to desire that, as soon as a duly qualified Native Practitioner is appointed to the Station above mentioned, an account of his Name Cast and the Village of his Nativity be forwarded to this Office.—

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
4th July 1803.—

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy Med.l Board.—

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board Dated 7th March 1803—

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 22. March, 1803. ——

The Governor in Council in compliance with the recommendation of the Medical Board is pleased to authorize the appointment of Native Practitioners at the Stations of the Courts of Circuit and Appeal, and the Medical Board is directed to report the Names of the Practitioners who may be judged qualified to be employed as Inoculators at the respective Stations. ——

Suggesting at the same time, that great utility would be derived from having Native practitioners stationed with the Courts of Circuit and appeal upon a Salary each of 12 or 15 Rps. per Month as independent of the assistance from Cowpock Inoculation, they would greatly relieve the Stations of much frequent distress in their respective districts, and this he hopes will not be objected to from the small expense that would thereby be occasioned. ——

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council ——

/Signed/ G. Buchan
Secy to Government

A true Extract
/Signed/ Wm Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

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To the Superintending Surgeon Centre Division of the Army—

Sir,

I am directed by Medical Board to forward to you for the information of Mr. Surgeon Prichard the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 4th Ultimo with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon. ——

/Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Secy Med. Board. —

4th July

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board Dated 6th June 1803.

Resolutions of the Governor in Council—
21st June, 1803.—

Also copy of a letter from the Superintending Surgeon of the Centre Division, with Copy of one forwarded from Mr. Surgeon Prichard to Mr. Hepburn, with

Ordered that enquiry be made relative to the cause which may have impeded the communication to the Collectors of the Resolutions of the Governor in Council relative to the Revenue, so soon as intended, and which may have operated as one cause for the looked for accounts of expenses at out Stations, not having been more early transmitted to them.—

are sorry to think, that some accident must have occurred, to prevent the Orders of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, reaching the Collectors of Vaccine practice

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

/Signed/ G. Buchan
Secry to Government

/True Extract/

/Signed/ Wm Horsman
Secry Med. Board

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To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board—

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the Orders conveyed in your Secretary's Letter of the 28th Ultimo I have the honor to lay before you a Correct Statement of all the European Medicines, Instruments and Medical Stores ascertained by actual Survey and examination to be remaining in the Honorable Company's Medical Godowns under this Presidency on the 1st instant

Amount of the Statement £ 6,208.17.6

I have likewise the honor to intimate that a further part of the annual Supplies from Europe have been delivered at my Office from the Board of Trade, and are ready to be opened when you may be pleased to order a Committee for that purpose.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed. Servant
/Signed/ Alex Boswell
Med. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
4th July 1803.—

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A Committee consisting of the Second Member of the Medical Board President

Mr. Surgeon Goldie &

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Scairman — Members

to assemble at the Medical Storehouse in Fort St. George, on Wednesday the 13th instant at 10 o'Clock A. M. for the purpose of examining and delivering over to the Medical Storekeeper, (who will then attend) part of the annual supplies of Medicines and Medical Stores from Europe, which have been received from the Board of Trade —

By Order of the Medical Board

(Signed) Mr. Horsman

Secy. to Med. Board

Fort St. George
Medical Bd. Office
11th July 1803.

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To Dr. James Anderson
Physician Genral and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward the Journals and Registers of persons successfully vaccinated during last Month in the Centre Division, Viz.t Mr. Dallons for 446 in the Villages adjacent to Arnee for which his Bill for Pag.s 44. 27 has been sanctioned. — Mr. Prichards for 26 in Irwalare for which I have counterigned his Bill for Pag.s 2. 27, and Mr. Smiths Assistant Surgeon for 162 at Sankerydrood, Villages in the Woombalum Valley, and even as far as Salem and at Bawany cross the River Cawary whether he had been solicited to come by Mr. William Garrow Collector for the great number about 600 who could be inoculated and the prevalence of the small Pox. Mr. Smith inoculated 236 but 51 are stated to have failed and 23 were doubtfull I unless Mr. Smiths official Letter to show his exertions, and what he considers should be done to confer an extensive blessing and prevent the ravages of the Small Pox; and if Mr. Smith could be relieved for a few months from the Medical duties of

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of his Battalion, the Zeal and attention he has uniformly shewn to professional Duties will I hope recommend him to your notice in this way if it can be done and that something should be granted to enable him to do all the good he wishes without incurring expense in Journey which his allowances cannot well afford.—

I also forward the list of Mootoo Ramier Native Inaculator at Cuddalore for 125 successfully vaccinated for which I have signed his Bill of Pagodas 12:32:40—this being his first List he has omitted to send an abstract which I have desired to be transmitted.—

I enclosed to Mr. Stewart Assistant Surgeon Nellore the five abstracts for 1152 vaccinated by Vencatacharee in the Months of February and March sanctioned, which I received back from your Secretary, amounting to Pagodas 115:9— I transmit Mr. Stewarts list of 10 Vaccinated persons subjected to variolous inoculation by Vencatacharee ineffectually, as a proof of his attention — and Mr. Stewart informs me that every precaution has been taken to guard against abuses likely to be practised in consequence of the trifling and very liberal allowance of Government — the preference

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preference has been given to such Doctors as have Circar allowances and that there may be a lasting Check on their present Reports, they are ordered to deposit with the Kernanie of each Village a list of those vaccinated with their Signatures, and the Head Inhabitants are further instructed to make immediate report to the Collectors Cutcherry, should any of the persons therein specified be seized at on future period with Small Pox — This precaution I should recommend to be adopted —

I have countersigned Mr. Stewarts Certificates for Juggaloo and Jalaputty Native Practitioners at Ongole, Mr. Dallons Certificate for Abdul Kauvn Do. at Arcot, who has recommended himself by vaccinating under Mr. Dallons direction 430 Persons there, and Mr. Inglis Certificate for Anna Pillay Native Practitioner Vellore, and having now reported in several Letters the Names of the Native Practitioners to whom Certificates have been given I beg leave to subjoin the list of the whole at present sanctioned in the Centre Division —

Viz.t In May Mootoo Ramen Naik Native Practitioner Cuddalore

Do. Vencatachere. — Do. Nellore —

Do. Amboo Pillay — Do. Pondicherry —

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In June	Athanna	Bramin Native Practitioner	Nellore
" July	Juggoobee	Native Practitioner	Ongole
	Abdul Kawn	Do	Arcot &
	Anna Pillay	Do.	Vellore inoculated —

I have the honor to be with respect

Gentlemen

Your very Obedt Servant

(Signed) Andw Berry

Chaultry Plain
July 18th 1803. —

Superr Surgeon C. Division

To Andw Berry Esqre

Superintending Surgeon

Centre Division.

Sir

I have the honor herewith to transmit to you my Register, and Journal of persons vaccinated, at this place and in its vicinity, during the Months of May and June to which is annexed the prescribed abstract, and to which I have found it necessary, and have used the freedom to add another Column for the numbers of undetermined cases, or those on whom I had not an opportunity of examining whether

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whether the disease had been produced, on account of the Children not being brought to me on my again visiting the places of which they were inhabitants, and from the short time it was in my power to remain with them, not being able to wait till they could be procured. Those also whom I inoculated here, and who left the place without returning, I have marked in the Register Uncertain, and the numbers of them are to be found under the head of undetermined in the Abstract.

From the same reason of its not having been in my power to remain many hours at places distant from the Station where I have practiced vaccination - I have not been able to pay attention to that part of the Journal, in which the progress of fever, the formation and dispersion of the areola are to be remarked, indeed when vaccination is prosecuted by a person not resident in the place, and who only visits it, once perhaps in Ten days it will be found impossible to come to an accurate knowledge of these particulars, or to find time for examination of them. I have, however, the pleasure of assuring you of my being confident of the Disease retaining the Character of genuine, at the same time of mildness, as I have seldom met with any cases who had been inoculated with

virus

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virus immediately taken from the vesicle, on whom troublesome sores have been caused, or where much swelling, hardness or inflammation, have taken place around the punctured part, beyond what usually constitute the Areola - Wherever it has been in my power however, to remark the progress of the disease, I have availed myself of the opportunity; as you will observe has been done in those patients who have been inoculated here or at Vincatrayapollum a Village adjoining - to the great number of whom the disease was given in the Months of May, by threads supplied by Mr. Dalton, and I shall still continue to pay attention to doing so, on such subjects, as are vaccinated there, but, from the distance of the other places into which the disease has been introduced, and the short time I can be spared from my attendance on the Sick of the Garrison, I am afraid, it will seldom be in my power: to remark the progress of the disease on those Inhabitants of them to whom it may be given, particularly if the inoculations should happen to be numerous; as it then becomes difficult, to collect the people together, or from ignorance of their habitations to give them them notice, when I will with them - It however will be of the less consequence if it continues genuine, which I believe may

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may be easily ascertained by any one who has been much accustomed to observe the true vesicle, whether before or after the formation of the Areola -

You will observe by the Register I have overstepped the boundary of your Division and have introduced the disease into the District of Coimbatore by inoculating at Bhavany - This I have been in the first place induced to do from the difficulty of procuring subjects on this side the river, and in the next from having received information from Mr. Garrow, Collector of Coimbatore of the willingness or desire which the inhabitants of his District have shewn to submit to vaccination, which is so universal among them, that Mr. Garrow from the want of European Surgeons, has been induced to send a Native Doctor a Brahmin, to this place for instruction, who may propagate the Disease among them and who is now under my tuition and will I hope, soon be able to begin his career. -

From the importance apparently attached by Government, to the vaccination of the Inhabitants of the Countries under the Presidency of Fort St. George, Mr. Garrow has been using every means to overcome the prejudices and to impress on the minds of the Inhabitants of his

District,

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District, the advantage of the Practice, which together with the former successful exertions of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hay, have so fully convinced them of the benefit arising from it, that reports have been sent to Mr. Garrow from the different Talooks, which have authorized him to inform the Board of Revenue, that the Inhabitants are so desirous of adopting, or submitting to the Practice, that he will ensure the Inoculation of 6,000 persons, which I believe will be found to be a moderate calculation, as from one Talook or District alone, in which vaccination had been before practiced - 1000. have already been reported, as willing to receive the Disease:-

Mr. Garrow could only ensure the Inoculation of the above number on the supposition a person was appointed for the purpose, unconnected with any other duty which would require any considerable portion of his attention or time, and if the Inoculation is entrusted to Native Practitioners as it is probable their success will not be great, as they will have but little influence with the Inhabitants of any District, when they do not reside, or are not themselves known, however recommended, or supported by the Collectors and their Characters ought to be well known for probity before

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before any Medical Practitioner, who has it not in his power to observe their Inoculations, can vouch, either for the Number, or success of them - more particularly, as Emoluments is the only motive, which can actuate them - indeed the reward for even 100 Inoculations, is so fully adequate to Answer, all the purposes, a Native even of Consideration - requires with money, that its is far from being improbable, that their zeal will extend only to the procuring a similar number - which will be sufficient to ensure them subsistence for a month or even two - their doing so however, could not be blameable, as it is to be supposed they, should be enabled from the smallness of the number of their patients to pay them the more attention - and it could only be attended with disadvantage at present in the District of Coimbatore, because of the Small Pox Committing its ravages in most of the Villages on the other side the Country, and on this account the more inoculations that could performed in a short time, I should suppose would be of the more benefit to the Inhabitants, at any other time, I certainly think, the employing Natives to propagate the Disease would be an advisable method, but, they would require to be pretty numerous in a District where a speedy diffusion is required or likely to take place, as I am afraid their natural indolence would not permit them to use that exertion necessary for the purpose - And as

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as there is only one inexperienced Native Doctor here, or in the Dis-
-trict of Coimbatore, And as it is Not in my power, to be absent
from this Station, to prosecute vaccination at any distance I would
on this Account recommend if it is deemed Advisable to introduct
vaccination on the other side the Cauvary a Native Practitio-
-ners, that one or two - if they can be procured - who have been
accustomed to Inoculation, be sent here for the purpose of diffusing
the disease among the Inhabitants of Coimbatore - And if they
have the necessary certificates, are men of Character and put
under my Superintendance I shall recommend Mr. Garrow to take
such Measures - / altho' they will be attended with Considerable trouble
to himself and the Servants of the Circar / as to ensure no fraud in
their accounts of Vaccination that I may thereby be enabled to
sign and Vouch for the truth and accuracy of their Register and
Abstracts. —

You will observe the greater number of
the inoculations which failed have been repeated since the begin-
-ning of the current Month - since which time also in addition
to the number at present reported I have given the disease to
above 100 more - mostly at Bhovany and Yerapady - and when
the prejudices of the Natives, are still so strong, that no subjects
are now to be procured, and at this place I find Considerable

difficulty

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difficulty from the same cause, in getting them to come forward. —
The Small pox still exists in the Village
of Gerapady. And you will observe two of the Cases were seized
with it after the inoculation for the Vaccine - which (in one
who was affected with the former only one day after Inoculation)
I have reason to suppose its course, altho' the disease, one visi-
-ble was not distinctly marked on account of being surrounded
by large well filled pustules. —

I mean in a few days to shew the Natives
of that place by direct experiment, the power of the vaccine in
resisting variolous infection whether by Inoculation or contagion. —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obed.t Servant.

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13th June 1803. }

(signed) A. Smith

Assistant Surgeon

Fort St. George 18th July 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division.

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to say to you in reply to your of this date they are happy in being able to allow every credit, and to express their full approbation to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Smith for his laudable exertions in diffusing the Vaccine disease, but they cannot at present take upon themselves to offer up any recommendation to Government in favor of that Gentleman.—

(Signed) Wm. Norman
Surgn. & Med. Board.

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
18th July 1803.—

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To James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and
Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

Though I have received no Indents for Country Medicines for the Current Quarter from the 19th Light Dragoons the 74th Regiment and Scotch Brigade yet in adverting to the 35th Par. of the late Medical Regulations and these Corps not being included in the last Indents from the Superintending Surgeon for the Corps in the Field. I am in doubt whether it may not be expected that I should forthwith forward to Bellary or some other Advanced Station a Supply of Wines and Country Medicines to complete the above Corps up to the 1st of October next with the rest of the Army. The effective Strength of the different Corps can be Ascertained by having recourse to the latest Returns at the Adjutant Generals Office, your instructions on this point will therefore be deemed a favor by Gentlemen.—

Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Medl. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
13th July 1803.—

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To James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and
Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

In addition to my Letter of the 13th instant on the subject of forwarding Medical Supplies for the European Corps of General Wellesleys Detachment I have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from the Surgeon of the 74th Regiment to the same purport, and request your instructions for his information

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Medl Store Keeper

Fort St George
16th July 1803.

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Alexr Boiswell Esqr.
Medical Storekeeper
&c. &c. &c.
Fort St. George.

Dear Sir,

I beg leave to inform you that the Supplies of Europe and Country Medicines for the use of the 74th Regiment are become due for the Months of July August and September 1803 — and as Mr Gilmour Staff Surgeon to General Wellesleys Detachment informs me that no provision has been made, for such Supplies, at Bombay — I request you will have the goodness to favor me with a line, and direct me in what manner, or on whom I am to Indent —

You will also greatly oblige by informing me if I am entitled to the Monthly allowance of 15 Pagodas for Perishable Articles &c &c while on Field Service —

I am Dear Sir,
Very respectfully yours
(Signed) M. Gallaher
Surgeon 74th Regiment

Camp at Piplygaum
near Anongabad
3 July 1803 —

A true Copy
(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Medical Store Keeper

Fort St. George 20th July 1803.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the 13th and 19th instant and in reply to them to say that, as the communication has all along been open for Official applications by Tappaul between the camps and the Presidency – and as the Field Superintending Surgeon, and Mr. Staff Surgeon Kennedy are at all times very attentive in seasonably applying for all such Medicines &c as the Troops under their Superintendence require, it is, in the Opinion of the Board, altogether unnecessary for you to forward any Wines, or Country Medicines to Ballary, or any other advanced Station, for the eventual use of His Majesty's 19th Regiment Light Dragoons, 74th Regiment and Scotch Brigade. —

[Signed] Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Medical Board Office
20th July 1803. —

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Mysore Division –

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 23d Ultimo with its enclosure from Padre Dubois in answer to which I am directed to forward the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board with the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council thereon. –

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Med. Board Office
23d July 1803. –

[Signed] Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd. –

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Med.l Board Dated 14th July 1803.

Resolutions of the Governor in Council Dated 5th July 1803.

Read a letter from Mr. Superintending Surgeon Anderson, enclosing one from Mr. P. Dubois one of the Catholic Missionaries in Mysoor, on the Subject of Vaccination, Copies of which, they have the honor of submitting to the Right Honble the Governor in Council.

The successes evinced by the humane and disinterested exertions of Mr. Dubois, in establishing the practice of Vaccination, where his Conciliatory influence prevailed, and being through a channel by which much may hereafter be expected, have afforded sincere Satisfaction to the Medical Board - and under that impression they take the liberty of recommending to the Right Honble the Governor in Council, that such measures may be adopted, as His Lordship in Council may be pleased to consider best calculated

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calculated, for removing the difficulties, & obtaining the influence, so candidly and modestly stated as Necessary, by Mr. Dubois; and that every due encouragement be afforded that worthy Missionary, to extend the benefits of Vaccination, this greatest blessing to Mankind, which he has so ably and laudably begun but which without the actual support of the administration of the Country, no individual influence can avail, to permanently Carrying on.

Ordered that the subject of this report be brought under the notice of the Resident at Mysoor; And that he be desired to afford all practicable assistance to Mr. Dubois in his endeavours to introduce the benefits of Vaccination into the dominions of the Rajah of Mysoor.

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) G.o Strachey
Secry to Govern.t

(True Extract)
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secry Med.l Board

Fort St. George 23d. July 1803.

To James Anderson Esqrs
Physician General &c. Members of the
Medical Board,

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of forwarding by to Days post a packet [illegible] of Medical Journals for May of Corps serving in the field, and have enclosed Copies of letters from the Surgeon of His Majesty's 74th Regiment and the Assistant Surgeon of the 1st Batt. of Pioneers, together with a list of the packet

As the state of the Medical Stores at Seringapatam are not sufficient to answer the Indents that may be expected from Malabar & Canara during the present rains, I desired the acting Garrison Surgeon there to transmit me a present state of the Stores, which I have taken the liberty of forwarding for your information - I have marked in a separate column the quantities of Medicines that will in my opinion be required for the use of the Troops in Malabar, Canara & Mysore for four Months, and have to request you will authorize the Medical Storekeeper to forward such a supply as you may deem expedient.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed/ A. Anderson
Field Dep.t Johnston

Camp July 12th 1803.

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Mysore Division

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 12th instant, accompanyed with a list of Europe Medicines remaining in the Medical Stores at Seringapatam; which list being informal, and deficient in the want of the two first prescribed columns, is, by order of the Board, herewith returned.—

I am at the same time directed to desire that all such applications may, instead of being direct from you, be henceforth forwarded to this Board through the Medical Storek.r agreeably to former usage, and to the directions contained in my official Letter of the 17th ultimo to the acting Garrison Surgeon in charge of the Medical Stores at Seringapatam.—

The Medical Board are sorry to observe that the arrival of the Medicines &c.a dispatched on the 19th May last for the use of the Troops in Mysore & Malabar, does not any where appear to be acknowleged by you or the acting Medical Storekeeper of your Division.— [Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Secry. Med. Bd.]

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
25th July 1803.

Fort St. George 26th July 1813.

To the Surgeon at Ingeram and Madepollam

Sir

I am directed to inform you that the Sultaun commanded by Captain Miller is now at Coringa; and as that Vessel is said to be destined direct from thence to Bencoolen, the Medical Board have desired me to request, that you will immediately communicate with Captain Miller as to the best mode of conveying the Vaccine virus from your vicinity to that Settlement, if you or Captain Miller have, or can procure patients to proceed for the purpose of being inoculated in succession on the Voyage, that mode will supersede every other consideration, but otherwise, the Board place their reliance in your supplying Captain Miller with fresh virus to the last day that he remains in your Neighbourhood; and which they beg may be addressed officially to the Surgeon at Fort Marlborough.

As far as concerns this particular arrangement you are authorized to communicate immediately with this Board.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
26th July 1803.

/Signed/ Wm. Freeman
Surgn. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George 6th August 1813.

To the Superintending Surgeon of the Province of Canara.

Sir

Agreeably to the orders of the Right Honble the Governor in Council dated the 4th instant, Copy of which is herewith enclosed. The Medical Board have directed me to desire that you will return the accompanying papers to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cruso - And to call your attention to the 4th 5th and 6th Paragraphs of the General Orders dated the 13th January last, corresponding with Paragraphs 5th 6th and 7th of the Government orders dated the 3d August 1802 which being sufficiently pointed, and explicit to have rendered, any reference by you for explanation unnecessary, they cannot but remark on the irregular and unbecoming mode of such procedure -

Had your Letters of the 25th August and 18th October last been calculated to represent any unforeseen difficulties the public Service was likely to be involved in by the abolition of the Office of Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Mangalore, and the probable advantages to be derived by

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by the Re-establishment of such appointment, they would have been viewed by the Medical Board in a light very different from that which they appear to merit in their present form.

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Med.l Board Office
8th August 1803

[Signed] Wm. Horsman
Surv.r Med.l Dep.t

Military Department

To the President & Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

The Right Honble the Governor in Council directs me to desire that you will return the accompanying Papers to Mr. Francis Cruso Assistant Surgeon in the province of Canara as they have been irregularly submitted to the consideration of His Lordship in Council.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed.t Servant
[Signed] Gilthrachey
Secy. to Govt.

Fort St. George
4th August 1803

True Copy
[Signed] Wm. Horsman
Surv.r Med.l Dep.t

Fort St. George 8th August 1803.

To the Deputy Judge Advocate
Northern Division of the Army

Sir

In compliance with the desire of His Excellency the Commander in Chief communicated to me in a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army of which the enclosed is a Copy, I have, by order of the Medical Board, the honor to forward to you, with a list, the required Letters from the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division which agreeably to the Adjutant Generals letter they trust will be returned to this office on the conclusion of the approaching trial of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Harris.—

[Signed] Wm. Horsman
Surv.r Med.l Dep.t

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir

In consequence of an application to the Commander in Chief from the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army, His Excellency desires that you will state to the President and Members of the Medical Board the Commander in Chiefs desire that all Letters from Mr. Superintending Surgeon Harris to that Board, written by him in his official Capacity, as Superintending Surgeon, since Lieut. Colonel Campbell has commanded the Northern Division, in which the name or situation, as officer Commanding that Division of Lieut. Colonel Campbell, are mentioned, may be forwarded, accompanied by a List, to Captain Price, Deputy Judge Advocate in the Northern Division of the Army; those Documents being eventually required to be produced in Evidence, on the approaching Trials of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Harris before a General Court Martial.—

The papers will be returned by the Judge Advocate on the conclusion of the Trial. —/Signed/ D. A. Agnew
Asst Gen. of the Army

Head Quarters
31st July 1803.

/True Copy/
/signed/ W. Horsman
Deputy Mod. Bd.

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List of letters from the Superintending Surgeon Northern Divn. to the Medical Board sent to the Deputy Judge Advocate on the 8th & 10th August 1803.—

15th April 1802. Letter from the Superintending Surgeon—
25th April " Do Do with a letter from Major of Brigade Thomson enclosed.—
28th May " Letter from the Superintending Surgeon with Copy of a letter from the Superint. Surgeon to Brigade Major Thompson—
7th January 1803 Letter from the Superintending Surgeon—
18th April " Do Do accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Superl. Surgeon to Brigade Major Thompson with the Brigade Majors reply thereto
6th May " Letter from the Superint. Surgeon forwarding letters and Orders from Brigade Major Thompson with his reply to Brigade Major Thompson.—
6th June " Letter from the Superl. Surgeon to the Levy Med. Board with Copy of a Letter to Lieut. Col. Wilson Do
9th June " Letter from the Superintending Surgeon covering correspondence Do of the Medical Department in the Northern Division of the Army. No. 2.
15th June " Letter from the Superl. Surgeon covering correspondence with Mr. Surgeon McGibbon No. 1 & 2.
22d June " Letter from the Superintending Surgeon—
29th June " Do Do covering Orders and Instructions &c. issued by the Commanding Officer in the Northern Division of the Army with his reply thereto
3d July " Letter from the Superintending Surgeon—
6th July " Do Do with Copies of Major Berkley's Letter & Charges preferred against him by the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army.—

/Signed/ W. Horsman
Secy. to Med. Bd.

Fort St. George 8th August 1803.

To the Adjutant General of the Army—

Sir

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 31st Ultimo, which I immediately laid before the President and Members of the Medical Board - And I have now the honor to inform you that, in obedience to the directions they in consequence gave me, towards duly fulfilling the desire of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, I this day forwarded to Captain Bruce Deputy Judge Advocate in the Northern Division of the Army, together with a list specifying the dates, all Letters written by Mr Superintending Surgeon Harris in his Official Capacity to this Board since Lieutenant Colonel Campbell has commanded the Northern Division—

I have &c

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secy to Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
8th Augt 1803—

Fort St. George 8th August 1803.

To the Deputy Judge Advocate
Northern Division of the Army

Sir

I have accompanying Letter from Mr Superintendg Surgeon Harris with its enclosures, having escaped me when forting those dispatched to you on the 3d instant - I now take the liberty of forwarding it, and beg that you will add it to the former packet and list

I have &c

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
10th Augt 1803—

The Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter under date the 9th Instant together with Copy of one from the Adjutant General of the Army, and also the Letters from Mr Surgeon Harris to the Medical Board, corresponding with the List which has accompanied them—

I have

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These Letters shall be returned to your Office as soon as Mr. Harris's trial is over.—

A Bryce
Judge Advocate

Masulipatam
16th August, 1803.—

The Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

I was yesterday honored with your Letter of the 10th Instant and under the same Cover received Mr. Surgeon Harris's Letter, to the Medical Board, dated the 6th June, with its enclosures— These papers shall be, agreeably to your desire, added to the List now in my possession.—

A Bryce
Judge Advocate

Masulipatam
19th August, 1803.—

Fort St. George 8th August 1803.

To

James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and
Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to Report the Landing of a further part of the Annual Indent Imported on the Honble Company's Ships Wexford and Calcutta, And now Ready for inspection on when you may be pleased to order a Committee for that purpose.—

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) Alex.r Boiswell
Medical Store Keeper

Fort St. George
18th August, 1803.—

Fort St. George 28th August 1803.

A Committee consisting of the Third Member of the Medical Board — President

Mr. Surgeon Abernethie } Members
Mr. Assistant Surgeon Sherwood }

To assemble at the Medical Storehouse in Fort St. George on Thursday the 25th instant, at 10th o'Clock A. M. for the purpose of examining and delivering over to the Medical Storekeeper (who will then attend) a further parcel of Annual Supplies of Medicines and Medical Stores Imported on the Honble Company's Ships Wexford, and Calcutta —

By Order of the Medical Board. —

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secry Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
19th August 1803.

To Mr. Superintending Surgeon Harris
Masulipatam —

Sir

Agreeably to the orders this day received from the Medical Board, I have the honor to forward to you the accompanying Copies of letters and List for your information and have the honor to be. Sir Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secry Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
26th July 1803

Fort St. George 26th August 1803.

To James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and
Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

The very great advance in the Price of Opium for some years past, And the Serious loss I must consequently sustain in furnishing that Valuable Article of your Establishment at the Price Allowed by the Company — Oblige me to make the present representation to your Board in hopes that you may be pleased to take the matter into Consideration, And to Sanction such further increase in my charge for that Article as may enable me to supply it at all times of the best quality and without injury to myself —

The fixed Price at which I am allowed to Charge for Opium is Pagodas 2 — 21 — And by the enclosed Bill for a supply which I commissioned last year from Bengal you will perceive that charges included it Stands me Pagodas 5 — 2 — 72 — It may have been higher in price last year than in general, but taking the Average of the Market for several years back unless about Pagodas 5 per pound is Allowed me for the Issues of this Article

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Article I must lay my Accounts with being a Considerable Loser.—In order to Ascertain how far the enclosed Statement with regard to the Number of Cakes Contained in each Chest and Tare of the Skins is Correct, I am willing to have the Opium examined as it was received from Bengal by a Member of your Board or any other Deputation you may please to Appoint— And I trust that the indispensable duty incumbent upon me to furnish a Medicine of such importance of the best quality will outweigh any Consideration of Additional expence and induce you to Authorise my future Charges to save me at least from loss—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obed.t Servant
Alex.r Boiswell
Med.l Storekeeper

Fort St. George
26th August 1803.

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Per Ves.l

20 Cakes of Opium Weighing 294 ℔ deducting the Skins which it Contains which may be called Tare upon each Cake is 1/4 ℔ which makes the Tare 100 ℔ and the Cake is 1/4 ℔ which makes the Tare 100 ℔ and the

Nett Opium ---------- 194. ℔.

2 Chests of best Patna Opium as p.r Bill of Mr. Abbott &co ---------- Sicca Rupees 2800-

Charges Attending the above at Calcutta— 318.

Total Sicca Rup.s— 3118.

a 310 Sicca Rupees p.r 100 Pag.s is ---- Pag.s 1005-36-36-

Charges &c.a at the Madras Custom House— 2. 25. 60.

Total Pag.s— 1008 .f. 16.

194 ℔. Nett Opium a 5. 272. p.f 6 1/4 per pound makes the above amount of Pag.s — 1008 .f. 16. ⇔

A true Statement—

(Signed) Alex.r Boiswell
Med.l Storekeeper

NB. a Chest of Opium contains 140 Cakes

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To the Medical Storekeeper.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 26th August, wherein you state, that by the very great advance on the price of Opium, for some years past, you must sustain a serious loss in furnishing that article of good quality, at the price allowed by the Company.—

In reply to which, the Board have instructed me to observe to you, that, it was on account of the fluctuating prices of the Market, that it was found expedient to recommend the Table of Rates of the different articles coming under the denomination of Country Medicines, which, as an average standard, was established by the Authority of Government in 1788. That, though a deviation was made from that Table of Rates in November 1800, in favor of the then Medical Storekeeper, it was in consideration of the heavy expense of empty bottles, for which it was recollected he had no sort of allowance.— and of his losses having proceeded, and continuing to proceed from expensive articles of the greatest demand and consumption — and for which it was

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ascertained no other article or articles in the list, could afford him an adequate indemnification. that the reverse of these being now the case, and as you have reaped, and still continue to enjoy the full benefit of the amended arrangement in 1800, when opium was perhaps as high in price as at present, the Board have ordered me to say that, they cannot consistently with their duty, give their sanction to your making an increased charge on that article, without deducting from other articles which are known to have fallen to a price, much under what the Company allow you to be paid for them.—

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surgn & Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
1st October 1803.—

Fort St. George 4th October 1803.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire, that you will agreeably to an Order from Government Dated the 3d instant, put up and keep in readiness for immediate Shipment a supply of Medicines sufficient for the probable consumption of three hundred (300) persons for a period of Six Months.

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy. Med Bd.

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
4th October 1803.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

In further explanation of the letter I wrote you this Morning by order of the Medical Board I have herewith the honor to forward to you Copy of the letter from the Chief Secretary to Government on the subject of the Medicines for the French Prisoners

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Prisoners - If you as the Medical Board have no authority or instructions on this head, can find out that any Medical Gentleman is to be appointed to attend these people on their Voyage to Europe. perhaps to suit his own practice and to afford the wished for relief he may be deemed the fittest person to make out the necessary indents.

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy. Med Bd.

Fort St George
Medl Board Office
4th October 1803.

Military Department

To the Presidents &c. Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

It being probable that the french prisoners of War lately captured at Pondicherry will be embarked for Europe before the Monsoon; I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to desire that you will have in readiness for immediate Shipment a supply of Medicines equal to the probable consumption of three hundred persons for a period of Six Months.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedt. Servant
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy to Govt

Fort St George
3d October 1803.

Fort St. George 4th October 1803.

To

James Anderson Esqr.

Physician General and

Members of the

Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to Acknowledge both your Secretary's Letters with enclosure of yesterday on the Subject of Medical Supplies for Three hundred Persons for a period of Six Months.

Having had no Application or heard of any Medical Gentlemen Appointed for that duty, I shall without delay prepare the Supplies and regulate them by the Indents of the Surgeon who on a former occasion went in a Similar Situation.

I have the honor to be,

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obed.t Servant

(Signed) Alex.r Boisuell

Med.l Storekeeper

Fort St. George
5th October, 1803.

Fort St. George 12th October 1803.

Circular

To the Superintending Surgeons

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you the accompanying Copy of the Resolutions of the Right Honble the Governor in Council, dated the 7th instant Copies of which they desire that you will immediately forward to the several Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons under your Superintendence for their information and guidance, and to the due fulfilment of which, they enjoin your strictest attention.

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Surg.n Med.l Bd.e

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
12th October 1803.

Fort St. George 12th October 1803.

Copy of the Resolutions of the Governor in Council of the 7th Oct.r 1803 on the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 3d of the same Month—

The Board having observed with displeasure the repeated neglect of many Surgeons, and particularly of those belonging to the Establishment of Bombay to forward journals of their practice as ordered by the Medical Regulations, and being of opinion that measures should be adopted for preventing or punishing so great a disregard of the rules of the Service, it is resolved that no Medical allowances shall be paid to Surgeons in charge of Garrisons or Corps not in the Field, unless the Bills for such allowances shall be accompanied by a Certificate from the Superintending Surgeon of the Division, either of his having received their Journals, or of his being satisfied that unavoidable circumstances have prevented them from complying with the Regulations established for their guidance.—

Ordered that the Military Auditor General be apprized of the foregoing Resolution, and that the Medical Board be instructed to issue the necessary directions to the Superintending Surgeons.—

By Order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council—

/Signed/ G Strachey
Secy to Govt

True Copy
/Signed/ W.m Horsman
Sec.y to Med.l Board

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To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board, to desire that you will inform them whether you have in compliance with the order of Government dated the 3d and my two official letters dated the 4th instant got in readiness the required supply of Medicines for the use of the French Prisoners captured at Pondicherry and about to be embarked for Europe, and if you have, the Board desire also, that you will immediately give in a report to them, specifying the particular articles, and the quantities in which you have supplied them.—

(Signed) W.m Horsman
Sec.y to Med.l Board

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
14th October 1803.

Fort St. George 14th October 1803.

To James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the orders conveyed in your Secretary's Letter of this Day on the subject of the Medical Supplies for the French Prisoners on their Passage to Europe, I have the honor to inclose you the Indents of the Assistant Surgeon appointed to the charge, for Europe and Country Medicines the latter being calculated on the General principle of such supplies for the European Corps throughout the Service at the rate of 20 Cash a Man per diem.—

Some alterations in the Supplies I had in obedience to your former directions prepared for this purpose having been suggested by Mr. Jones - The supplies according to the inclosed Lists are again in forwardness and will be ready for Embarkation on Monday the 17th instant

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen.
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed Alex.r Boswell
Offg Med.l Storekeeper

Fort St. George
14th October 1803.

Fort St. George 18th October 1803.

To Captain William Shawe
Commissary of Prisoners —

Sir,

In pursuance of Orders from the Right Honble the Governor in Council, received through the medium of the Secretary to Government in the Military Department, I am directed by the Medical Board, to furnish you with the accompanying Lists, of Europe & Country Medicines, supplied by order, from the Honorable Company's public Stores, for the use of the French prisoners of War, embarked on board the Cartel Ship Matilda for Europe — and I have the honor to be

Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secry Med.l Board

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
18th October 1803.

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List of European Medicines &c. Supplied to Mr. Alfred Jones Assistant Surgeon for 300 French Prisoners on board of the Cartel Ship Matilda for Six Months.—

Amputating Instrs.	Set 1	Leather Skins	№ 6
Tourneequets	№ 2	Funnels	№ 2
Trepanning Instrs.	Set 1	Surgeons Tow	℔ 10
Tooth Do.	Set 1	Bougies	Case 1
Lancets	№ 6	Silver Male Catheters	№ 1
Long Splints	Set 2	" Female Do.	№ 1
Small Do.	Set 1	Lint	℔ 15
Paste Board	Sheets 6	Salvatory	№ 1
Pocket Instr.	Case 2	Diatch Syle	№ 1
Shop Scissors	pair 2	Gally pots	Dozen 1
Flannel	Yards 40	Pill Box	paper 2
Plaster Spatula	№ 2	Phyals Horths	Dozen 2
Feathers Splints	Set 2	Sponge	℔ 5
Pannaking	№ 3	Tape	piece 2
Large Scales and Weights	Box 1	Sal Cathart Amar	℔ 20
Small Do. Do.	Box 1	" Glauber	℔ 20
Boles Knives	№ 1	Kali Tartarisat	℔ 5
Scalpels	Case 1	" ppt.	℔ 2
Crooked Needles	Case 1	Ammon ppt.	℔ 3
Glyster Syringes	№ 2	Acet: Distillat:	℔ 5
Pewter Tines Syringes	№ 3	Pulv: Ipecacuanha	℔ 1/2
Ivory Do. Do.	№ 3	Antim: Tartarisat	℥ 4
Marble Mortar & Pestle	№ 1	Pulv: Jalape	℔ 5
Bed pans	№ 5	Kali Acetat	℔ 1/2
Urinals	№ 2	Liquor Volat: Corn. Cerv:	℔ 2
Hernia Trusses	№ 6	Liniment Sapon.	℔ 4
Pins	paper 1	Magn: Alb	℔ 2
Straight Needles	paper 1	Manna opt	℔

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Pulv: Cream Tartar	℔ 10	Spt Vini rect	℔ 6
" Cort Peru	℔ 12	Sapo Venet	℔
Conf Aromat	℥ 6	Tinct Opii	℔ 1
Cerussa Acetat	℔ ½	Acid Nitros (Countryproduce)	℔ 6
Ag: Litharyr Acetat	℔ 1½	" Vitriol	℔ 1
Vitriol alb	℥ 6	Ag: Ammon	℔ 2
Hydrargyr Nitrat rubr	℥ 1	Cerat: Lapid Calam:	℔ 20
Argent Nitrat	℔ 2	Ungt: Resin flav:	℔ 10
Calomel ppt.	℥ 2	Empl: Litharyr	℔ 2
Merc: Corros: Sublt	℥ 4	" Adhesiv:	℔ 2
Sulphur Antim praecipitat	℔ 2	Ungt: alb	℔ 10
Flor Sulphur	℔ 1½	" Hydrargyr fort	℔ 5
Tinct Scillæ	℔ 1	Empl: Cantharides	℔ 2
" Myrrha	℥ 6	Cantharides	℔ 1/2
Ol: Menth ppt.	℔ 1	Elect Senna	℔ 1
Pulv: Ipecacuanha Comp:	℥ 6	Ol: Olivar:	℔ 10
Ext: Gentian	℔ 1	Tinct: Cort peru:	℔ 6
Spt: Æther Nitros	℔ 1	Ol: Terebinth	℔ 2
" Vitriol	℔ 1	Twine	℔ 5
Lavend:	℔ 1	Thread	℔ 5.

(Signed) Alex Boswell
Medl Storekeeper

Fort St. George
17th October 1803

True Copy
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surg Medl Board

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List of Country Medicines Supplied for the use of 300 French Prisoners of War for a period of Six Months. —

	lbs			lbs
Aloes	2	Candles	No.	200
Alum	2	Salt Petre		12
Camphor	1	Limes Juice Bottle		6
Colombo powder	6	Madeira Wine Dozen		18
Cinnamon	4	Port Wine Do		18
Musk	2	Brandy Do		6
Rhubarb powder	3	Arrack Do		1
Sal Ammon Crust	1	Castor Oil Do		1
Sago	50	Bandage Cloth Pieces		8
Opium	1	Soft Sugar		50
Country Lint	15	Alum Mat		1
Nutts	5	Brown paper Quire		10

(Signed) Alex Boiswell
Med. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
18th October 1803. }

True Copy
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secry Med. Board

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To
The Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department together with Copy of one, and the Indent for Medicines annexed, from the Chief Secretary to the Government of the Island of Ceylon.

The Board have at the same time directed me to desire that the Indent may be fully and immediately complied with by you, and that you will report, and forward a list to the Medical Board as soon as the articles are conformably to the order delivered to the charge of Mr. George Arbuthnot. —

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Medical Board Office
19th October 1803. }

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Military Department

To the President and Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

The Right Honble the Governor in Council directs me to transmit to you the enclosed copy of a letter from the Chief Secretary at Columbo, and to desire that such of the Medicines required for the service of His Majesty's Government on Ceylon as can be spared from the Medical Stores at this Presidency, may be delivered for that purpose to the charge of Mr George Arbuthnot of the house of Messrs Lautour & Co without delay.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obed. Servant

(Signed) G Strachey

Secry to Government

Fort St George
19th October 1803.

True Copy
(Signed) W. Hexman
Sec. to Govt

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To George Buchan Esqre

Chief Secretary to the Government

Fort St George.

Sir

I am directed by His Excellency the Governor to transmit to you the enclosed List of Medicines and to request that you will be so good as lay it before the Right Honble the Governor of Fort St George in Council, and to move His Lordship to be pleased to allow this assortment to be furnished from the Stores at Madras and forwarded to Columbo or Galle, (if possible) before the setting in of the North East Monsoon.

From the length of time which has elapsed since a supply of Medicines has been sent from Europe to Ceylon our present Stock of some of the most essential articles is almost entirely exhausted.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt humble Servt

(Signed) Robt Arbuthnot

Chief Secry to Govt

Columbo
October 5th 1803.

Indorsed

Fort St. George 19th October 1803.

Indent of Medicines required for the use of the Troops on Ceylon and which it is requested may be sent from Madras by the first Sea Conveyance Hoarded at Columbo or Galle.—

Argent: viv:	℔ xxx
Æther: Vitriol:	℔ x
Bals: Copaiv:	℔ IV.
Calomel Prep:	℔ xx
Camphor	℔ xx
Crystal Tart:	℔ xxx
Confec: Aromat:	℔ x
Flor: Sulphur:	℔ xxx
Lytharg: Aur:	℔ xxx
Opium Pur:	℔ xx
Ol: Menth: Pip:	℔ i
Olivar:	℔ xx
Pulv: Antimon:	℔ ii
Rad: Jalap:	℔ x
Rhubarb	℔ x
Lancets	№ 24
Pocket Instruments	№ 6
Straight Scissors	№ 6
Rad: Ipecac:	℔ x
Sponge	℔ x
Phials and Corks	№ 200
Gally pots	№ 200
Penis Syringes	№ 12

Columbo
5th October 1803.—

Signed/ Hist Christie
Dept. of Hospls on Ceylon

True Copies
Signed/ G. Strachey
Secretary

True Copies
Signed/ [illegible]

Fort St. George 19th October 1803.

To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen

I have the honor to forward in compliance with the Instructions conveyed in your Secretary's Letter of yesterday a list of Medicines Supplied on Indent from the Island of Ceylon, and which have been this day delivered as directed to Mr George Arbuthnot of the House of Messrs Laidlow &c. You will perceive that with the exception of Pulv: Antimon: of which one third of what is in Store has been furnished very nearly what has been supplied in full.—

As I suppose it is the intention to debit the Ceylon Government for all Supplies which it may receive from this presidency I shall in a few days lay before your Board the Indent and Value of the present and former Supplies furnished during this year for that Settlement.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your Most Obed Servant
Signed/ Alex Doiswell
Med Storekeeper

Fort St George
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Indent of Medicines required for the use of the Troops on Ceylon and which it is requested may be sent from Madras by the first Sea Conveyance Hoarded at Columbo or Galle.

Argenti: nitr:	℔ x x x
Æther: Vitriol:	℔ x
Bals: Copaiv:	℔ IV.
Calomel Prep:	℔ x x
Camphor	℔ x x
Crystal Tart:	℔ x x x
Confec: Aromat:	℔ x
Flor: Sulphur:	℔ x x x
Lytharg: Aur:	℔ x x x
Opium Pur:	℔ x x
Ol: Menth: Pip:	℔ i
Olivar:	℔ x x
Pulv: Antimon:	℔ II
Rad: Jalap:	℔ x
Rhubarb	℔ x
Lancets	№ 24
Pocket Instruments	№ 6
Straight Scissors	№ 6
Rad: Ipecac:	℔ x
Sponges	℔ x
Phyals and Corks	№ 200
Gally pots	№ 200
Penis Syringes	№ 12.

Columbo
5th October 1803.

Signed Rod Christie
Dep. Phys. on Ceylon

True Copies
Signed G. Strachey
Secretary

True Copies

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To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General, and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen

I have the honor to forward in compliance with the Instructions conveyed in your Secretary's Letter of yesterday a list of Medicines Supplied on Indent from the Island of Ceylon, and which have been this day delivered as directed to Mr George Arbuthnot of the House of Messrs Taylour & Co. You will perceive that with the exception of Pulv: Antimon: of which one third of what is in Store has been furnished every article has been supplied in full.

As I suppose it my the intention to debit the Ceylon Government for all Supplies which it may receive from this presidency I shall in a few days lay before your Board the Amount and Value of the present and former Supplies furnished during this year for that Settlement.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obed Servant
Signed Alex Boswell
Med Storekeeper

Fort St George
21st October 1803.

Fort St. George 19th October 1803.

List of European Medicines &c. Indented for and Supplied Mr. Thomas Christie Superintendant of Hospitals on the Island of Ceylon.—

	Medicines &c. Indented for		Supplied	
	£	⅓	£	⅓
Argent Viv.				
Æther Vitriol.	30	"	30	"
Bals. Copaiv.	10	"	10	"
Calomel. Prep.	4	"	4	"
Camphor.	20	"	20	"
Crystal. Tart.	20	"	20	"
Confect. Aromat.	30	"	30	"
Flor. Sulphur.	10	"	10	"
Laythargr. Pulv.	30	"	30	"
Opium. Pulv.	30	"	30	"
Ol. Menth. Pip.	20	"	20	"
Olivar.	1	"	1	"
Pulv. Antimon.	20	"	20	"
Rad Jalap.	2	"	1	"
Ipecac.	10	"	10	"
Rhubarb.	10	"	10	"
Lancets	10	"	10	"
Portal Instruments	10	"	10	"
Straight Scissors	£ 24	"	24	"
Sponge	£ 6	"	6	"
Phyals & Corks	£ 6	"	6	"
Gallypots	10	"	10	"
Pinis Syringes	£ 200	"	200	"
	£ 200	"	200	"
	£ 12	"	12	"

(Signed) Alex Rossiter
Med. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
21st October 1803.—

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To M. Superintending Surgeon Harris

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, and to say in reply to it, that it is not exactly clear to them, whether you should make application to the Commander in Chief, through the Commanding, or Senior Officer of the Northern Division, the Deputy Judge Advocate, or them, for the Documents you wish to be produced in evidence, on your approaching trial, before a General Court Martial; but they have ordered me to say, that they could not consistently with prevailing Regulations consider themselves at all justified in forwarding any Representation to His Excellency on the Subject.— They have accordingly directed me to return your Letter which you will herewith receive— and, I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obed.t Servant

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
21st October 1803.—

Signed W.m Bowman
Secry Med.l Board

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James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General
&c &c &c Medical Board
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

The public service is likely to experience great inconvenience from Surgeons of Corps in any Division Subordinate to Seringapatam for their Quarterly Supplies of Medicines &c. I therefore think it my indispensable duty to represent the circumstance to you.—

The principal part of the Troops are at present doing duty at Goa, about three thousand Europeans & Sepoys included in all probability they will continue there during the War with France. The distance from Goa to Seringapatam is very great I believe some hundred Miles, which will make land carriage extremely difficult & tedious, for three Months during our Monsoon which is very Violent in this Coast; all communication is shut. I trust the Board will excuse the liberty of my suggesting the plan of sending by sea, from Madras direct to Goa a sufficient supply of Medicines & Stores for one year to be provided in temporary change of either of the Assistant Surgeons

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that Service, I am well convinced it will prove of great benefit to the Troops, and in Canara is so near Goa, all the Stations in that Province can be furnished from the same stock in a few days, & at all Seasons of the Year.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
With much Respect
Your very Obed't Servt
Humble Servant
(Signed) J Price
Superintending Surgeon
Province of Canara

Mangalore
11th October 1803.

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Province Canara.

Sir.

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 14th instant, and to say in reply to it, that they are entirely at a loss to guess upon what grounds you have been induced to recommend their authorizing Goa to be supplied with Medicines and Medical Stores, from this Presidency, not knowing how that Residency or Garrison, is in any degree connected with the Province of Canara which as far as their information and instructions go, appear to be the whole extent of your superintendence.—

That their public service however, may not suffer by any delay that can be avoided, the Board have this day sent orders to the Superintending Surgeon of the Province of Malabar, directing that all indents countersigned by you, be complied with from the public stores under the Deputy Medical Store Keeper at Cannanore, and the Articles be forwarded to you, or the Medical Servant indenting, either by sea or land as they respectively may best offer.—

(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy to Med Board

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To the Medical Storekeeper.

Sir

I am ordered by the Medical Board to desire that you will take the earliest opportunity of forwarding to Cannanore directed to the Deputy Medical Storekeeper there a supply of Medicines and Medical Stores equal to six Months expenditure for the Province of Canara, to meet the demands that may be officially made upon him by the Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of this latter, and otherwise unconnected Division.—

(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secy to Med Board

Fort St. George
Med.l Board office
29th October 1813.

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Northern Division.

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will attend strictly to all requisitions from Collectors of Revenue in the Northern Division who may apply to you for Medicines &c for the use of Liberty Sepoys.

To answer which demands, I am at the same time desired to inform you that sufficient supplies will be immediately forwarded by the Medical Storekeeper here to the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam.—

Signed Wm Horsman
Surgr Medl Bd

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
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To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you the accompanying Copy of a letter dated the 5th instant with its enclosures from the Secretary to Government in the Military Department. at the same time to inform you that orders have been sent from this Office to the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division to comply with all requisitions from Collector of Revenue for Medicines &c wanted for the use of Liberty Sepoys and they now direct me to desire that you will take the earliest opportunity of forwarding to Fort Masulipatam such supplies of Medicines &c as you think will be sufficient to answer any extra demands that may on that account be made on the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at that Station.—

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Surgr Medl Bd

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
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Military Department

To the President & Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council directs me to transmit to you the enclosed Extract from a letter from the Board of Revenue, and to desire that immediate orders may be issued for supplying the Medicines required by the Collector of Vizagapatam for the use of the Sibbendy Battalion stationed in that District.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

Fort St. George
5th November 1803.

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Extract of a Letter from the Board of Revenue
Dated 6th October 1803.—

Para 4th The accompanying letter from the Collector in Zillah Vizagapatam represents the distressed state of the Sepoys of the Sibbendy Battalion, who have suffered by the various fevers of the Hills, the deleterious effects of the Fevers from which Natives, not indigenous of the soil, rarely escape; are such as remove any scruple that might otherwise attach to a recommendation out of the usual course of the Service, we trust your Lordship will be pleased to direct that the articles of Medicine known to be most effectual of relief, especially those enumerated by the Collector be furnished for the use of the Battalion.—

A true Extract
Signed Edwd. C. Greenway
Secy to Govt

A True Copy
Signed G. Strachey
Secy to Govt

True Copy
Signed Wm. Norman
Secy Medl. Bd.

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To the President and Members of the
Board of Revenue
Fort St. George

Gentlemen

1. I am exceedingly concerned to inform the Board that many of the Sibbendy Sepoys have been obliged to be sent in here from the interior of the Country very ill with the Hill fever and from bilious attacks three of them are dead since their arrival and many of them remain very unwell and the Black Doctor has nothing but Country Medicine to give them and having no allowance even for that expenditure his supplies are I fear sparing indeed. He has neither Bark or Calomel the Medicine most resorted to as I am given to understand for the cure of these disorders.

2. It is distressing in the extreme to see the Sepoys dying without the means of affording them any relief which is the case at present I hope therefore it will not be considered irregular my requesting an application may be made to the Medical Storekeeper of Madras for a supply of common Medicines for the use of the Revenue Battalion & that a large proportion of Bark and Calomel may be

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included in the articles to be sent. If a case of Instruments were to accompany the supplies the Native Doctor tells me they would be very useful.

3. The interior of the Country being perfectly quiet at present I have ordered in all the parties belonging to the Revenue Battalion (except 180 men left at Golgondah where their presence is not absolutely necessary in order to prevent Sickness) and to have them drilled and they will be ready to march at the shortest notice to any of the Zillah when their Services may be required.

4. The remaining 2 Companys of the late Companies formerly belonging to the Chicacole Bavelly Battalion having started objections to serve under the native officers of the Revenue Battalion of the late 2d Division I have to obviate all disputes on this Head include the whole under one head that of the Revenue Battalion of the Zillah of Vizagapatam. This measure I believe my predecessor intended to have effected but omitted it in consequence of a multiplicity of other business. —

I have the honor to remain with great respect
Gentlemen
Your most Obed.t humble Servant
(Signed) L.t G.K. Murray
Coll.n

Vizianagrum
22d Sept.r 1803

True Copy
(Signed) Edwd Greenway
Secy to Govt

True Copy
(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Mad.

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To

James Anderson Esqre

Physician General, and Member of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge your Secretary's Letters of the 29th Ultimo and 7th instant, in order to carry into immediate effect your orders conveyed in the former, I made every enquiry whether any opportunity by Sea was likely soon to offer for sending the Medicals Supplies to Cannanore, but found there was no likelyhood of any until after the Monsoon, when due attention shall be paid to your communication. The necessary precaution shall also be taken with regard to supplying the Northern Division in such manner that the wants of the Subsidy Corps may be relieved from the Stores of Masulipatam.

I have the honor &c

Gentlemen

Your most Obedt Servt

Signed Alex Boswell

Sec. to Govt

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To the Superintending Surgeon

Northern Division

Sir

In addition to my letter dated the 9th instan

Vide Letter and Extract from Government under date the 5th Novem. 1803

I am directed to forward to you the accompanying Copies of Letters for your further information and guidance.

Signed W. Worsman

Secy to Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Board office
19th November 1803

Fort St. George 19th November 1802

To the Superintending Surgeon

Northern Division —

Sir,

The Indent for Medicines, of the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam, transmitted by you with your letter of the 4th instant, being out of Form, and irregularly forwarded to the Medical Board, they have commanded me to return it to you, which I herewith do, with an intimation however that an adequate supply will be dispatched for the use of the Northern Division by the earliest opportunity. —

They have at the same time directed me to desire, that you will when delivering it to the Deputy Medical Storekeeper, instruct him to make out in future all Indents, whether occasional, extra, or others, agreeably to the accompanying Form, and to address them to the Medical Storekeeper at this Presidency, who has orders, when regularly made out, and not otherwise, to forward them to this office for the approbation of the Board. —

Fort St. George
Medical Board Office.
19th November 1802. —

Signed W. Workman
Secy. pro tem.

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General Form of

Indent for European Medicines whether for Divisions, Garrisons, Corps, or any other Service to be observed by the Medical Storekeeper and by all Deputy Medical Storekeepers, at out Stations.

Medicines &c.	Quantities upon last Indent.	Quantities Received upon Extra Indent.	Quantities Received	Quantities Expended	Remaining in Stock	At present wanted.
	lb ℥ ʒ	lb ℥ ʒ	lb ℥ ʒ	lb ℥ ʒ	lb ℥ ʒ	lb ℥ ʒ
Acid Distillat.	2 2 . 1 . .	3 . .	1 1 . 2 . .			
Bals Copaiv.	2	2				2 . .
Calomel ppt.	2 4 . . .	2 . . .	4 . 2 . .			

By Order of the Medical Board

(Signed) W. Workman
Secy.

Fort St. George 21st. November 1803

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am ordered by the Medical Board to acquaint you, that the accompanying Form of Indent has been transmitted to the several Superintending Surgeons of Divisions for their guidance, and that of all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons under their Superintendence and to which the Board desire that you will give particular attention, by forwarding only, such Indents to this office for their approbation, as may be altogether in conformity thereto.

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surgr. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
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Circular

To the Superintending Surgeons.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that in future all Indents whether occasional, Extra or Others for European Medicines, be made out by all Medical Servants under your Superintendence agreeably to the accompanying Form and when countersigned by you to be transmitted to the Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency who has orders, when regularly made out, and not otherwise, to forward them to this Office, for the approbation of the Board.—

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secry. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
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To the Superintending Surgeon
Northern Division

Sir

I had on the 19th instant, by order of the Medical Board the honor of replying to that part of your letter of the 6th instant which related to the indent for Medicines, as requiring their most immediate attention.

The Board however, in consequence of a further deliberation on that letter, have now directed me to return it to you as comprehending other points not cognizable by them under the existing Regulations, and such they conceive, as you and your predecessor, would never have forwarded to them had you made yourselves sufficiently acquainted with these Regulations, and the General Orders in force which are to be seen, it is presumable, in the orderly books of every Military Station, under this presidency.

In regard to the particular order of the Commanding Officer of the Northern Division of the Army limiting the duties of the Superintending Surgeon respecting to that Division, the Medical Board would have supposed that, that order merely, would have pointed out to

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Superintending Surgeon Harris, the propriety and necessity of immediately making a public communication of it to the Staff Surgeon of the Subsidiary Force, the Surgeons at Hyderabad in the Guntoor Circar, and at such other places as it really affected, with a recommendation to these Gentlemen to forward all their Official Writings direct to this Office, until a more regular channel should be laid down to them; had he simply done this, and reported it to the Medical Board, which they now recommend you to do, no further responsibility or difficulty could have remained attached to him, and the Service would have been carried on, with comparatively little interruption.

In this view of the case, the Board direct that you regulate all Indents for Medicines, Instruments, &c agreeably to the probable demands that may be made for the Sick and Wounded of the strictly called Northern Division only, and conformably to such instructions as you may subsequently receive from this Office.

Respecting the application of the Services of Messrs Assistant Surgeons Thompson and Williamson, and the appointment of a Sub Assistant Surgeon, to the Hospital at Mrulibatam, in the room of Mr Vans ut dec

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reference must be made through the prescribed channels to his Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

In attention to the distressed situation of the Widow and family of the late Mr. Vanderfort, mentioned in your official letter, the Medical Board request, that you will suggest to them, on what public grounds you think relief may be obtained for them.—

(Signed) Wm. Kerr Mason
Surgn. Med. Bd.

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Med. Board Office
23d. Novemr. 1803.—

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To the President and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I had the honor to indent on the Stores of Masulipatam for a supply of Medicines for November December and January.

The indent was returned home yesterday with the enclosed endorsement. By the direction of the Superintending Surgeon I now lay my situation before your Board.

I beg leave to observe that I have not a purgative Medicine except a little Crystals of Tartar for immediate use and consequently must feel considerably embarrassed in my practice. My ointments are also expended entirely.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient and
humble Servt.
(Signed) Jas. Wyse
Asst. Surgeon 2d Batt.n
10th Regt. N. I.—

Camp
Kurpah Sagur
16th Novemr. 1803.—

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To Mr. Assistant Surgeon Wyse
2d Batt.n 10th Regiment N.I.

Sir

I return you your Indent upon Store
The Superintending Surgeon having declined to affix his
countersignature to it, puts it out of my power to comply with
it. The following is an extract of the Superintending Surgeons
Letter to me on the subject, which I send for your information
and guidance.

"I am concerned to say, that considering the
"Interdiction laid upon my predecessor by the Division order
"I do not find myself at Liberty to comply with Mr Wyse's Indent."
"I would therefore recommend to that Gentleman
"an immediate Statement and reference of his situation to the
"Medical Board."—

I am Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Signed Jas Barbor
Asst Apothecary

Hyderabad
12th November 1803.

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To
Mr. Assistant Surgeon Wyse
2d Batt.n 10th Regiment N.I.
Camp Russan Sagur near
Hyderabad

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to
acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 16th instant
and to say in reply to it, that the Superintending Surgeon
of the Northern Division has received from the Board
instructions to sanction such indent as your charge of Sick
may render necessary for you to make on the Medical Stores
under his superintendence.—

The Board have also directed to say that
they have desired the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern
Division to order the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam, to make such small dispatch of Purgatives Vomits
and other Medicines generally in use, as to prevent your Sick
suffering from any delay that is not unavoidable.—

Signed Mc Morrison
Surg Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
26th Novem 1803

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to desire that you will immediately on receipt of this Letter, instruct the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam, to forward to Assistant Surgeon Wyse in Camp at Hussain Sagur, a small quantity of purgative Ointments, and such other Medicines as are most generally in use, and that you order the same to be deducted from the next regular indent of Assistant Surgeon Wyse may make on the Medical Stores under your superintendance which, to prevent the Troops at, and in the neighbourhood of Hydrabad suffering from the want of Medicines, you are hereby directed to sanction a compliance with.—

Signed Will.m Workman
Surg.n & Sec.y

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Med.l Board Office
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To James Anderson Esqr
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a Letter from the Superintending Surgeon in the Province of Canara, and request your instructions for his information regarding the appropriation of the Medicines &c.a which he states to be remaining in Store at Mangalore, a list of which together with the amounts valuation are likewise herewith transmitted for your decision.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed.t Servant
Signed Alex.r Boisragon
Med.l Storekeeper

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To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board, to send all Indents for Medicines &c. in future to the Garrison Surgeon at Cannanore. I request you will inform me what is to be done with the Medical Stores now in the Warehouse at Mangalore, the enclosed is a return of them, also some Vouchers for what has been supplied to the British Troops at Goa.

I am Sir
Your very Obed. Servant
(Signed) John Price
Sup. Surg. Canara

Mangalore
15th Nov. 1803

A true Copy
(Signed) Alex. Boisewell
Med. Storekeeper

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To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 22d. instant, with its enclosures, from the Superintending Surgeon on the Establishment of Canara, and in reply to it to desire that you will be pleased to acquaint that Gentleman, that the Medicines & Medical Stores remaining unexpended at Mangalore, may be immediately sent and consigned to the care of the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Cannanore, with the necessary directions that the Amount Valuation of them be inserted in his Quarterly Statement to this Board.

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
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James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General &
Members of the Medical Board
Fort St. George.

Gentlemen,

After my recently Returns was sent off I received the Register of the Sick of his Majesty's 77th Regiment, with a Letter from Mr. Surgeon Grieve, which I now transmit to the Board.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obdt. Servant
(Signed) John Price
Deputy Surgeon
Canara

Mangalore
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To The Superintending Surgeon
Province of Canara.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 16th instant giving cover to one from Mr. Surgeon Grieve of his Majesty's 77th. Regiment together with that Gentleman's Register of his Sick for the Month of October, and they have desired me to say in reply to them, that they would have hoped, you and Mr. Grieve should both have known, that they could not tacitly or otherwise, acknowledge any thing as Valid, that was not strictly in conformity to the existing Regulations and General Orders which must supersede all others, from whatever authority, and of whatever description.

You are, I am desired to add, in possession of Public instructions sufficient for you to act upon, and to which your strict attention has been enjoined. As Mr. Surgeon Grieve's letter presents nothing unprovided for, or peculiar in that Gentleman's case, the Medical Board have directed me to return it to you, and to

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express their disapprobation of your having made it a sub-
ject of reference to them.

[Signed] Wm Horsman
Secy Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
28th November 1803.

Circular
To the Superintending Surgeons

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board
to direct that you will in future accompany your
Monthly Abstract of Returns, with a distinct List of
all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons specifying their
particular attachments, in your Division, including
those appointed to the Courts of Circuit and appeal.

The Board have also directed me to desire
that you will at the same time transmit to this Office a
list of Native practitioners authorized by regular
Certificate to diffuse the benefit of Vaccination, togeth-

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with an Abstract of the total Monthly expense of Vaccinat
in the Division under your superintendance.

[Signed] Wm Horsman
Secy to the Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Board office
30th Novemr 1803

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

Gentlemen,

I have the honor of forwarding Mr Dalton's
Register and Journal of 413 successfully vaccinated in the
Neighbourhood of Arnee during the Month of October, also Mr
Prichards for 57 in the Vicinity of Trepassore, Mootoo Ramens
for 198 in the Months of September and October at Cuddalore
and Abdul Kareems for 99 in Septr and 81 in October at Arcot
for all which I have countersigned Bills as specified at the end
Mr Prichard says "the small pox ha
been at a Village near Cambpulporam where Some months ago
inoculated near 300 Children, several of whom have been expose
and resisted the variolous infection, although such proof has

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"been given of the preventative power of the vaccine, the Brahmen and
"Malabar Inhabitants of that part of the Country are unwilling
"to accept the Disease from a ridiculous Idea, that if they are
"exempt from the Small pox, their Cattle will have it. I will be
"much obliged if you will send me a few of the Papers printed by
"order of Government, recommending the Vaccine, as I wish to distribute
"them in the surrounding Villages and think they will assist my
"endeavours to increase the numbers."

I have given this Extract from Mr. Richards's Letter
as I have none of these Advertisements to assist his endeavours, but
the hope that you may be able to supply him with some
throughout.

I have the honor to be with respect
Gentlemen
Your very Obed. Servant
Signed And. Berry
Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division

Thoulby Plain
Novem. 29th 1803.

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To
Superintending Surgeon
Centre Division

Sir

In compliance with the application contai
in your letter dated the 29th Ultimo, relative to Government
Advertisements in recommendation of Cow pock inoculati
for Mr. Surgeon Pritchard - I have now by order of the
Medical Board, the honor of forwarding to you two
Dozen printed Copies of those Advertisements translated
different Country Languages which they request you will
distribute throughout the Division under your superintend
in such manner as you think may most favorably
impress the minds of the Natives towards the practi
of Vaccination - and the consequent inestimable bene
to be derived from it.

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Med. Board office -
7th. Decr. 1803.

Signed W. Horne
Secy. Med

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To the Superintending Surgeon
Province of Malabar —

Sir,

I Wm Deputy Medical Storekeeper Whitely
Indent for Stationary, dated 1st Ultimo, being deficient in
point of Form, and not forwarded to this office through the
regular channel, I am directed by the Medical Board
to enclose it to you, for the purpose of being returned to that Gentleman
with directions to make it out agreeably to the Form & Instructions
conveyed to you in my letter of the 25th Ultimo —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed. Servt
Signed Wm Norman
Secy. to Medl Bd

Fort St. George
Medl Board Office
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To James Anderson Esqre
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Though the accompanying letter from the Staff Surgeon to General Wellesley's Army is in part of a private nature, yet there is in it matter which will perhaps draw your attention and induce you to favor me with instructions in what manner I am to comply with Mr Gilmour's suggestions for the benefit of the Detachment.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obed. Servant
Signed Alex Boswell
Med. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
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To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to return the private communication conveyed to them by you in your letter dated the 6th instant, and to express their surprize at your adopting so irregular a mode of calling their attention while there did not appear to exist any exigency of Service to sanction it.—

Had the Staff Surgeon to Honble Major General Wellesley's part of the Army actually been in want of Medical supplies for the Troops from this Presidency the Board cannot doubt but he would at once have forwarded his application officially to them through the regular channel the opportunities for which he must know, are as open public to them, as privately to any individual.—

It is the opinion of the Board however that the supplies expected to reach Camp from Bombay and those on their way from this place via Hydrabad will be sufficient effectually to relieve the wants of the Detachment But should it prove otherwise the intimation you have

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now given can only tend to oblige the Medical Board, in fulfilling their public trust to reprehend Mr. Gilmore and to report him to His Excellency the Commander in Chief and to Government, for a remissness in a very essential part of his duty.—

Signed Stw. Worsman
Secretary Board

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
10th December 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Northern Division

Sir

I am ordered by the Medical Board to desire that you will immediately on receipt of this letter direct the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam to dispatch, addressed equally to the Surgeon of General Wellesley's detachment and the Staff Surgeon to His Highness the Nizam's Subsidiary force such quantities of Peruvian Bark, purging

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and opium, as can be spared from the Stores of the Northern Division until suitable quantities of those articles can be conveyed to you from this Presidency, for which immediate instructions will be given to the Medecal Storekeeper —

I am directed also to desire that you will report the same to this Board as soon as the Medicines are dispatched from Masulipatam —

(Signed) Wm Forman

Fort St George
Medl Board Office
23d Decr 1803 —

To the Secretary to His Excellency
The Commander in Chief
&c &c &c

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will lay before the Commander in Chief, the inclosed letter to his Excellency, together with the accompanying correspondence from the Medical Storekeeper

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Medl Board Office
23d Decr 1803

I have the honor to be
&c &c &c

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My Dear Boswell,

I am getting in arrears in writing
proportion as we advance to the Northward which is rapid
Having no help from a Sub assistant, Compoly or Writer
hard pinched to get thro the daily duties of the line. The
man or two that was left, was sent into Field Hospital
however I must endeavour to get order out of confusion
explanations and apologies to the Medical Board
Returns of Sick &c a whole trunk full of Journals
waiting an opportunity, but returns of Sick must
the mean time. I have this day sent a general Indent
Europe Medicines to Bombay; In a conversation with
Mellesby last night he requested me to write about
another three months supply of Wines, Country Sto
&c This ought to be done on a liberal scale, as
of much Service or being Sickly, or obliged to form
Hospitals, you can easily judge the difficulties we
encounter as we have a field apothecary whatever
can be never arranged, and taken care of. Surg
Native Corps ought certainly to be allowed

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Wine and Country Medicines in situations like this althi hitherto very healthy we cannot expect a continuance of it if long in the field when the next supply of Wines and Country Medicines &c.a are forwarded some useful Europe ones might be added by a separate Indent, such as Bark, Salts Specacuan, Jalap, and perhaps Cloathing for 50 or 100 Europeans. It might also be of infinite use to us to send two, or three Sub assistants one of them with carpet looking also would be of more use than half dozen Griffins. I could sugg suggest many things from experience, but they are as yet so badly arranged for want of time that I say no more at present. All this I suggest, knowing your interest with those whose humanity and power are proportioned to all our wants. It is no common Service this, and altho our Medical demands may seem great they might with perfect safety be extended furth we are now I believe in some part of the uncaptured hard and getting for north, but our movements must be well known to some who can inform you. The Surgeon of the 74th left us long ago, and I now get no Letters from Kennedy, at least for 15 days past, otherwise I should now sent you the Effective strength for the months you mention. Favor me with an acknowledgment of the receipt of this, and get supplies ready for us. Those you dispatched are some where between us and Hydrabad, but we do not expect to see them for a month to come.

Very sincerely yours

Signed Jas Gilmore

Camp
20.th Novem. 1803

A true Copy

Signed Alex Boswell
Asst Storekeeper

Fort St. George 23d December 1813

No 2.

To James Anderson Esqr.
Physician General and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Though the accompanying letter from the Staff Surgeon to General Wellesleys Army is on part of a private nature, yet there is in it matter which will perhaps crave your attention and induce you to favor me with instructions in what manner I am to comply with Mr Gilmans suggestions for the benefit of the Detachment.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obed. Servant
[Signed] Alex. Boswell
Med. Storekeeper

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No 3.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to ackno
the private communication conveyed to them by you in your
letter dated the 6th instant, and to express their surprize a
your deeming so irregular a mode of calling their attention
Mr Boswell did not appear to need any exigency of circu
sanction it.

Had the Staff Surgeon to Gen. Wellesley's Army
General Wellesley's part of the army actually been in
of Medical supplies for the Troops from this Presidency
Board cannot doubt but he would at once have forwarded
his application to them through the regular channel, th
opportunities for which he must know, are as ofte
publickly to them, as privately to any individu

It is the opinion of the Boa
however, that the supplies expected to reach Ca
from Bombay, and those on their way from
place via Hydrabad, will be sufficient, &

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to relieve the wants of the Detachment. But should it prove otherwise, the intimation you have now given can only bind to oblige the Medical Board in fulfilling their public trust to reprehending Mr. Gilmour and to report him to his Excellency the Commander in Chief and to Government, for a remissness in a very essential part of his duty. —

[signed] J. Borrowman

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
10th December 1803.

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No 4

Camp 25th November 1803.

My Dear Boswell

I wrote you yesterday regarding a mother three Months supply of Wines Country Medicines &c. for both Detachments, and our wish they might be forwarded as soon as convenient. A large Indent for Europe Medicines is gone to Bombay, but I suggested your also helping us out with Bark Salts, Ipecac: Ointments Plasters &c. and if possible a Sub assistant or two. I have severely felt the want of active Medical Servants - All the pay and persuasion I could advance I have never been able to get one to join me from Madras or Bombay some people of this description are said to be on the way, but the opportunity of joining us appears very distant as we are daily advancing to the Northward. This is serious an active contest, and its termination or extent very uncertain ought to have more Medical Men especially young hands of assistance in dressing, compounding Medicines &c. to can ju the more active duties of the day after a march, nor do I kno to made up or forward any sick Returns for the last two Mon very much for your welfare I remain - Your sincerely [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible] Boswell
[illegible] Medical B

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No. 5.

My Dear Boswell

I inclose upon the state of the 7th for the Months upon wants, I wrote you some days ago about sending us a three Months Supply in addition to what is already on the road. This may appear a great quantity considering you have already forwarded a Six Months Stock, but the great breakage in the Bombay package will make us break in immediately on what you sent us - and the prospect of more active Services will make our wants multiply. Both we are in great distress for, on account of numerous Fevers, if possible forward an immediate supply of that Opium and Salts - as Bombay must be nearly exhausted. Kennedy writes fevers rage, and they have no Bark left, we have none to send them, this is a most distressing circumstance we shall send regular Indents afterwards for any thing you may now forward excuse haste from yours sincerely

[signed] Ed. Gibbs

Private

The Honble Jno. Boswell

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No. 6.

To

His Excellency Lieut. General Stuart

Commander in Chief of the Forces &c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George

Sir,

Being thrown into a state of much distress

represent in consequence of the Medical Board having disapproved

censured my conduct for forwarding to them an unpleasant communica-

which under any circumstances I should have considered unnecessary

rable and culpable as one to withhold - a due regard for my public

situation and a thorough conviction of having obtain the only alternative

that could serve to relieve an emergency of distress compel me to

the correspondence to your Excellency and respectfully to call for

instructions & support which my own mind tells me I have a right

proper to deny me -

In this appeal I wish it to be un

that I am actuated by motives very different from disappoint

of the difference for the decision of the Medical Board, nor

intention to arrogate to myself more zeal or consideration for

welfare of the Service than those in more responsible situa

I state that the grounds on which I have taken the

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this subject forward to your Notice are the following —

First. That from my own experience of situations similar to that in which Mr. Gilmour is placed, the most regular and systematic public Officer would find himself on many occasions under the necessity of dispensing with Forms for the sake of utility — In the present instance the Staff Surgeon could have no reason for suppposing that a regular Indent was requisite, the last supplies having been furnished as is frequently done to distant Stations when the communication is intercepted or uncertain, according to the latest Returns of the Troops received at the Office of the Assistant General, and in all matters regarding supplies it has ever been considered unusual or irregular to make the Office the Channel of communication to the Medical Board —

2ndly — The experience I have had both in furnishing and receiving supplies on field service, dictates that in case of a reference to Mr. Gilmour the only alternative now left, and which would embrace a period of five or six Weeks — the Detachment in the event of extraordinary sickness, or other casualties of service, tending to exhaust their supplies sooner than expected, might be exposed to very

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3rdly That with the exception of the subjects of Letter in question and to which circumstance I solely attended when I stated to the Board that it was in part private — There is not a sentence in but what is of a public Nature requiring immediate Notice and on General tenor involving Details of Medical import connected with my Department —

In further justification of the Necessity of this appeal and Exercise of Mr. Gilmour's mature of application not being more formal I crave the favor to lay before Your Excellency this subsequent Letter from him on the same subject and beg leave to call your attention to the difficulty he has stated of collecting the effective strength of the Detachment which on the first instance he could make no regular Indent and to the solicitude he has evinced that supplies should be sent for the use of Detachment — And lastly to his desire that I should acknowledge the receipt of his first letter neither of which have I the power of doing in a satisfactory manner while involved in my present difficulty. —

I have the honor to remain with the greatest respect —

Your Excellency's
Most faithful and obedient
humble Servant
Signed Alex. Boisrue
Med. Store Keeper

Fort St. George
20th Decemr. 1813.

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I have received and laid before the Commander in Chief your Letter under date the 23d of December with the papers by which it was accompanied.

The Commander in Chief will communicate to the Medical Board at a future period of time his determination on the subject of the representations which has been made to His Excellency through that Board by the Medical Storekeeper

The Commander in Chief directs me that the Medical Board will take measures without delay to forward for the use of the Armies in advance a supply of Europe and Country Medicines for three Months calculated to equal the demands of the Corps composing Major General Wellesley's and Colonel Stevenson's Divisions for that period. In order to facilitate the early execution of this duty the Adjutant General of the Army has received instructions to furnish the Medical Board with a Statement exhibiting the strength of those Corps. The foregoing supply will be sent to Hyderabad from whence the Commander in Chief will

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for the safe Conveyance to the Army.

The Commander in Chief has given instructions for the transmission to Hyderabad of about one Hundred mds of Hospital Clothing which were despatched at Bellary.

I have the honor to be Sir

Your most Obedient humble

Signed J. Munro

Secy

Head Quarters

Choultry Plain

24th December 1803

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The Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I request to you by order of the Commander in Chief, an Abstract Statement of the Effective Strength of European & Native Troops with the Army under Major General the Honble A. Wellesley and of the Subsidiary Force under Colonel Stevenson, to guide you in the Orders [illegible] to be prepared for those Divisions of the Army.

I am Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt Genl of the Army

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Abstract Return of the Effective Strength of the Troops under the Command of Major General the Honble A. Wellesley K.B. on the 25th December 1803.

	Total	Total Native Troops	Total European Troops	Total Native Troops	Total European Troops
		Cavalry		Infantry	
Effective Strength	12,972	4,754	2,813	8,218	982
Sick	1,319	446	317	556	100

P. A. Agnew
Adjt Genl of the Army

Return of the Effective Strength of the Troops under the Command of Major General the Honble A. Wellesley K.B. on the 25th December 1803.

Return of the Effective Strength of the Troops under the Command of Lieut Colonel Stevenson on the 25th December 1803.

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To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Abstract Statements of the Effective Strength of European and Native Troops from the Adjutant General of the Army; and to desire that you will forward, for the use of the Divisions of the Army under the Command of the Honble Major General Stibbert, and Colonel Stevenson, a Supply of Europe and Country Medicines for three Months, which for the sake of expedition may be put up on the Establishment made for the last supplies forwarded from the Honble Company's Stores for those detachments.

I am at the same time directed to desire that you will as soon as you have Complied with this instruction, communicate the same to the Medical Board accompanying your Report with correct Lists of the Officers & Artichs now employed.

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The Commanding Officers of Corps Surgeons of Regiments and Medical Men, whether European or Country not formerly reported to them are sent off for the use of the above mentioned Divisions of the Army — And that Abstract Statements be also accompanied with correct Lists of the Officers & Artichs and quantities dispatched.

Signed Wm Hossack
Chief Medical

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
26th December 1803.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to enclose the accompanying Copy of a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Military department together with an Extract of a letter from Government to the Board of Trade, and Accordingly to desire that you will furnish them with a distinct report relative to all the Godowns now occupied or rented for the use of the Medical Branch of the Medical Department including the Dispensary that the same may be forwarded to the Board of Trade.

Signed [illegible]

The Commanding Officers of Corps
General Hospitals
Lunatic Hospital at Madras
Infirmary at Royapettah
Body Guard &c &c
Regts &c

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Military Department

To the President & Members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Right Honble the Governor in Council to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from a letter to the Board of Trade, and to desire that you will furnish that Board with the distinct information which it is deemed expedient that they should possess respecting any Houses or Godowns which may have been occupied or rented for the use of the Medical Department.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed C Strachey

Fort St. George
22d. December 1803.

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Extract of a Letter to the Board of Trade
Dated 10th December 1803.

6. The Lordship in Council has also deemed it to be expedient to call upon the different Departments of this Presidency for distinct information regarding any Houses or Godowns which may have been occupied or rented for their use or under their authority in order that you may possess the means of complete knowledge on that subject.

A true Extract
Signed G. Keble
Secy to Government

A true Copy
Signed G Strachey
Secy to Government

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To William Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the Medical Board.

Sir

I have the honor of transmitting Mr. Surgeon Dick's letter to you of this date, the contents of which you will be pleased to communicate to the Medical Board.

It has been understood from the Orders of the Board communicated in your letter of the 25th November that no Medical Stores could be issued on any Indents, but such as were made out agreeably to the Form prescribed, consequently not without the Approval of the Medical Board.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
/Signed/ Jas. Richardson
Superintending Surgeon
Carnatic Division of the Army

Trichinopoly
26th Decemb. 1803.

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To William Horsman Esqr.
Secy to the Medical Board

Sir

I have the honor to transmit for the information of the Board, a Letter from the Superintending Surgeon dated the 19th Ultimo covering a Form of Indent ordered by the Medical Board to be observed by all Medical Officers on the detached Division, whether for European Garrison Corps or any other service, transmitted for the information of the Board, an Indent on the Stores here duly executed and signed for a supply of European Medicines wanted for the immediate use of the Garrison. The Indent has been returned with a Notification from the Garrison Surgeon that the Garrison of Trichinopoly is rendered on the General Supply lately sent from the Presidency for the Garrison of Trichinopoly fully sensible of that circumstance, but was led to it by the instructions I have received, that I am bound to issue from the Stores of the Indents as mentioned by the Board. I request that you will favor me with some explanation on the subject and let me know if my Indent is proper in every or in what respect I have erred

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Obedient Servant
Signed/ Wm. Scott
Garrison Surgeon
Trichinopoly

Trichinopoly
26th. December 1803.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th. instant giving cover to one of the same date from Mr. Surgeon Scott, and to say in reply to them, and in explanation of my official letter of the 21st. ultimo, that all Indents for Medicines whatever, are to be agreeably to the Form last transmitted to you, whether made on the public Stores at the Presidency or on those at out Stations.

I am also directed to observe to you that it does not appear to the Medical Board that they ever communicated to you, in any letter of the 21st. ultimo or subsequent

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of Garrisons and Corps marching upon the Stores of their re-
this Division, or that the approval of the Medical Board
required for an inferior duty which you are in the direct
Superintendence of. All indents on the Public Medical Boa
of the Presidency, are of course subject to the approval or
disapproval of the Medical Board but it is not their int
tion to offer any unprotected interference in the details
Divisions.

The Medical Board have further
me to recommend to you when sanctioning Indents for
for the use of Garrisons and Corps, that you be guided
own judgement in proportioning for the actual number of
and nature of the Case, requiring or likely to require such
Medicines rather than by any attention to the strength
Garrisons or Corps.

Signed/ Wm. K
Secy. Me

Fort St. George.
Med. Board Office
28th. December 1803.