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Fort St. George 21st March 1805

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to enclose to you Extracts from Letters from the Officers Commanding the Subsidiary Forces at Poonah, and with the Subah of the Dekkan, and a Letter from the Officer Commanding the Northern Division of the Army on Medical Subjects; and to request you will lay them before the Medical Board.—

His Excellency is desirous that the Medical Board should suggest to him the most expedient measures to provide for the wants of the Department as Stated in those Letters: and requests that the Board will point out to his Selection a Surgeon for the Madras European Regiment, which Situation is now vacant.

Fort St. George
18th March 1805

P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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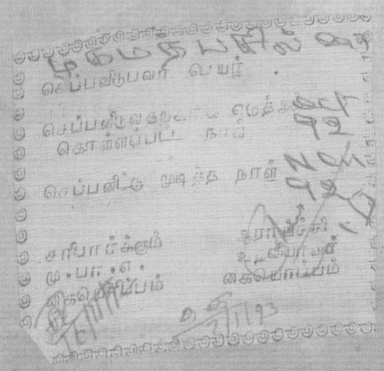

Fort St. George 21st March 1805.

To

The Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I request you will make it known to His Excellency Lieut. General, Sir John Cradock, that the Troops at Poonah, and in the Ahmednugger District, being in the Greatest want of Medical Assistance, there being only four Gentlemen for the attendance of 6 Corps and two Field Hospitals, I have taken upon myself to detain Mr. Assistant Surgeon, D. Scott who lately arrived at Poonah, and who stands appointed to the Artillery of the Nizam's Subsidiary Force, and to appoint him to the Charge of the Field Hospital at Ahmednugger. —

I consider myself the more authorized to take this Step, as three Assist. Surgeons who were posted to the Poonah Subsidiary Force by the Commander in Chief, were given up by me at the begining of this Campaign to do duty with the Nizam's Force, and still Continue attached to it, also as Mr. Scott's Brother who is one of those, is now acting in his Situation, and replaces him in the other force. —

It may be proper to observe that this arrangement is made with the Consent of Mr. D. Scott, and that I have reported the Circumstance to Colonel Haliburton, Commanding the Nizam's Subsidiary Force. —

Camp at Poonah
23 Feby 1805.

Signed W. Wallace
Lieut. Colonel

true Copy
P. A. Agnew

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Extract of a Letter from Colonel Haliburton, Commanding the Nizam's Subsidiary Force, dated in Camp Munny Gaum, 18th February 1805.

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Macdonald having been appointed by G. O. to the 3rd Regt. Cavalry, I have appointed Mr. Assistant Surgeon Anderson of the 2nd Battn. 2nd Regiment to the Medical Charge of the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment untill further orders. —

true Extract
P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl.

To

The Adjutant General of the Army.
Fort St. George.

Sir,

I request you will represent to His Excellency the Commander in Chief the great want that still exists in this Devision of Medical Officers, especially for the Troops employed in the Peddapore and Polaveram Zemindaries. —

As Mr. Surgeon Norman represents, that the duties of the Factories which are at such a distance renders it impossible for him to afford that regular attendace on the Hospitals at Peddapore and Samulcottah which is now necessary, from the unhealthiness of the Troops employed in the Peddapore Zemindary

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Zemindary: I beg leave to suggest the propriety of appointing an Assistant Surgeon to the Medical duties of Rajahmundry, Peddapore, and Samulcottah. —

I also beg leave to observe, that much inconvenience is experienced, from there not being a Sub-Assistant Surgeon in the Division: and should His Excellency acquiesce in the appointment of one, I take the liberty of observing that Mr. Superintending Surgeon Fleming has recommended to me, Thomas Mallicane (who has been under his immediate tuition for fourteen Years) as perfectly qualified for such an appointment; — he is the son of a noncommissioned Officer who served the Company forty Years and was taken by Mr. Fleming from the Male Asylum. —

(Signed) A. Campbell Col.
Commd. Norn. Divn. Army

Vizagapatam
6th March 1805 }

true Copy
P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl.

Fort St. George 21st March 1805

To The Adjutant General of the Army
Sir

1. I am directed by Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 18th Instant and to say in reply to the directions of His Excellency the Commander in Chief Contained therein that to provide as far as Circumstances will at present permit for the wants of the Medical Department stated in the Copy of the Letter from Lieut. Colonel Wallace, they would suggest the expediency of Messrs. Assistant Surgeons John Jones, William Mackenzie and James Cuddy being instructed forthwith to proceed from this Place to join the Camp at Poonah, for the Purpose of being employed as the Superintending Surgeon of that Force may find necessary towards the best means of relieving the sick and benefitory the Public Service — That Mr. Assistant Surgeon Thomas Evans be directed for the present to take Medical Charge of the 1st Battn. 23rd Regiment and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Robert C. Sherwood that of the Part of the 1st Battn. 1st Regiment at this Presidency. —

2. The Medical Board have also directed me to State to you for the information of the Commander in Chief that they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon George Hume being immediately sent to perform the Medical duties

at

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at Rajahmundry Peddapore, and Samulcottah — That Thomas Mellicane agreeably to the recommendation of the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Divisi on be placed upon this Establishment, as a Sub. Assistant Surgeon — And that Mr. Surgeon George Anderson be appointed to the Madras European Regiment, Vice M.r Gibbon deceased. —

March 25th 1805 3

(Signed) Mr. Horsman
Secy. Med. Board

To

The Secretary of the Medical Board.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive and to submit to the Commander in Chief your Letter of the 25th Instant, recommending by desire of the Medical Board, Mr. Surgeon George Anderson as Surgeon to the Madras European Regiment, and Thomas Mellicane for the Appointment of Sub. Assistant Surgeon: Mr. Anderson will in Consequence be appointed, and Mr. Mellicane recommended to Government. —

Regarding the further recommendation of the Medical Board for the supply of Medical aid to the Nizamat Subsidiary Force, and to the Stations of Rajahmundry, Peddapore, and Samulcottah, I am directed by His Excellency to desire you will communicate to the Medical Board his opinion that the Medical Officer attached to a Regiment never should be removed from

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from it without an absolute necessity; as he thinks it essential to connect by intimate habits of life, the Medical and other officers of Corps, for the General benefit of the Service — Mr.s Jones and MacKenzie, standing appointed to Corps at the Presidency, with which no Senior Medical Officers are present, should not, in his opinion be removed. Mr.s Cuddy and Munro, being unattached, may with advantage be sent to the Subsidiary Force; to which Mr. Assistant Surgeon Ainslie of Artillery, may also without inconvenience be spared for Field Service as the Surgeon of that Corps is present; and Mr. Fullon, now acting with the 2nd Regiment of Cavalry, during the absence, from indisposition of Mr. Jamieson, may be sent to the Northern Stations when Mr. Jamieson joins. This arrangement appears to the Commander in Chief preferable to the removal of the Assistant Surgeons of the 1st Battalion 1st Regiment, and 1st Battalion 23rd from their respective Corps, especially as the other duties confided to Mr.s Sherwood and Evans, who are proposed to replace them, appear fully sufficient to occupy their whole attention; and, in the event of the march of those Battalions they would, by the proposed arrangement, be available for Field Service.

The Commander in Chief desires at all times to attend to the recommendations of the Medical Board has directed me to draw their attention to the reasons of this expediency, which, in the present

case

Fort St. George 21st. March 1805.

case, induce them to prefer a different arrangement to that which they have suggested. —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

A. A. Agnew

Adjt. Genl. of the Army.

Fort St. George 23d. March 1805.

Sir

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request that you will be pleased to send in, for His Excellency's Information, as soon as possible, a Statement, Shewing the Names of the Officers of the Medical Department, opposite to each Corps of Artillery Cavalry Infantry &c. &c. as attached or during duty with it. —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient

humble Servant

[Signed] Sh. Reynell

aid de Camp. —

The President of the

Medical Board.

Fort St. George 23d. March 1805.

Major Thomas Reynell

Aid de Camp

to His Excellency

the Commander in Chief. —

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of this date, I am directed by the Medical Board, to forward to you, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, the accompanying Statement Shewing, the means of the Medical Officers of this Establishment and how they are at present attached. —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servt.

[Signed] Wm. Horsman

Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
23d. March 1805.

Fort St. George 23d March 1805.

Head Quarter
Choultry Plain
March 26th 1805.

Sir,

By the Commander in Chief's desire, I have the honor to transmit herewith, the Names of Twelve Assistant Surgeons to be promoted to the Rank of Surgeons on this Establishment, provided no Objections appear on the part of the Medical Board to these Appointments taking place.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedient Servt
(Signed) Jno Hall
Mily Secy

To
The Secretary to the
Medical Board
&c &c &c

Fort St. George 23d March 1805.

Names of Assistant Surgeons on Madras Establishment—

Wm Ingledew
Gawen Trotter
David Scott
Aron Pozer
Alfred Jones
Wm Thomas
Gilbert Briggs
John Grant
Macduff Gardiner
Jeremiah Scarman
Billington Loftie.

(Signed) Jno Hall
Mily Secy

Fort St. George 27th March 1805.

To the Secretary

to His Excellency the Commander in Chief-

Sir.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 26th instant accompanied with a List, containing the Names of Twelve Assistant Surgeons to be Promoted to the Rank of Surgeons on this Establishment both of which I have duly laid before the Medical Board, who have directed me to state to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that they see no objection to the appointments being given to those Gentlemen, who are the Senior on the list, and they believe on every way qualified to fill them with justice to the Service and credit to themselves —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obed.t Servant

/Signed/ Wm. Horsman

Sec.y Med.l Board

Fort St. George
Med.l Board office
27th March 1805.

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Fort St. George 29th March 1805.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief desires you will state to the Medical Board that the Officer Commanding the 2d. Extract Battalion, Stationed at Bangalore has applied for the appointment of a Medical Officer to the Medical duties of that Corps, — His Excellency is desirous that the Medical Board should suggest Measures for Providing the requisite aid, which may possibly be facilitated by the residence of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Heyne in that vicinity. —

Fort St. George
29th March 1805. —

/Signed/ P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To the Adjutant General of the Army. —

Sir,

I had the honor duly to receive and to submit your letter dated the 27th instant to the Med.l Bd. who have in consequence directed me to state to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Heyne is in their judgment very favorably situated to give the requisite Medical Aid to the 2d. Extract Battalion stationed at Bangalore. —

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
29th March 1805.

/Signed/ Wm. Horsman
Sec.y Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George 29th March 1805

Head Quarter
March 28th 1805

Sir,

By the Commander in Chief's desire I have the honor to enclose a Letter which His Excellency has received through Colonel Darley Commanding at Chittoor.—

I request you will be pleased to lay Mr. Cordiner's he His before the Medical Board, with the General's request that they will be so good as to let him known if the absolute necessity exists for establishing the Medical Servants at all the Posts mentioned by Mr. Cordiner; and what the regulated Allowances are to which that Gentlemen alludes.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obedient
Humble Servant
J M Hall
Mill. Sec.y

Wm. Horsman Esqr.
Secretary &c &c &c

Fort St. George 30th March 1805

To Major Hall Secretary to His Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir,

1. I have had the honor to receive, and to lay before the Medical Board your letter of 28th instant enclosing one from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cordiner to Lieutenant Colonel Darley, requesting that an application may be made to Government, for certain Medical allowances to be made to him for the Posts of Kotta, Puckall, Venkatagerrymuglee, Chandernagherry, and Negpettah.—

The Board have accordingly directed me to say to you, for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that it would in their opinion, be necessary for Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cordiner to State the relative situations of these places to Chittoor, the authority which has put him in Medical Charge of them, and the Nature, and Member of the Troops each Post contains, before any adequate judgment can be formed relative to requisite allowances for situations not provided for by the existing regulations.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obd. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
30th March 1805

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Fort St. George 30th March 1805.

Head Quarter

Coultry Plain

April 5th 1805.

Sir,

According to the desire of the Medical Board, Conveyed to me in the Letter with which you honoured me of the 30th Ultimo, I called upon Colonel Darley Commanding at Chittoor, for the required Information from Assistant Surgeon Cordiner attached to the Corps under Colonel Darley's Order and I have now the honor to transmit Letter from these offices, on the Subject of the Claim in Question —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your very obedt. Servant

(Signed) Wm Hall

Mittay Sery

Wm Horsman Esqr.

&c. &c. &c.

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Fort St. George 9th April 1805.

To Major Hall

Secretary to His Excellency

the Commander in Chief

Sir

I have had the honor to receive your Letter of the 5th Instant enclosing one from Colonel Darley and another from Mr. Surgeon Cordiner — all of which I duly laid before the Medical Board, who have now directed me to request, that you will Submit to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, their opinion that, in the present peculiarly detached State of the 2d Battalion 4th Regiment N. I. Mr. Cordiners application for a Palankeen allowance, and a Native dresser for each of the four Posts mentioned in his letter in very reasonable and requisite for the public Service — and that the Board accordingly recommend the former at the rate of 20 Pagodas and the latter at 3 Pagodas per Month each —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most obedt. Servt.

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Sery Medl. Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
9th April 1805.

Fort St. George 9th April 1805.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief has directed me to desire you will State to the Medical Board, his wish that they should State to him the allottment which they would propose of the Surgeons promoted by the General Orders of the 29th of March last, at their recommendation —

Fort St. George
4th April 1805 —

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the army.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief has directed me to acquaint you for the information of the Medical Board, that on apressing call of Service, he has ordered Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stuart, attached to the Garrisons of Nellore & Ongole, to proceed towards Masulipatam; there, or on the March, to meet & take Medical charge of a Detachment which may probably amount to 100 Europeans, for whom in the present State of the medical duties of the Northern Division, there appears no other mode of providing Mr. Stuart will be from the presidency on his arrival, removed to Nellore —

Fort St. George
6th April 1805 —

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George 9th April 1805

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive and to lay before the Medical Board your letter to me of the 4th instant in and they have accordingly directed me to transmit to you for the Consideration of the Commander in Chief, the accompanying allottment of Surgeons in Consequence of the promotions which took place by the General orders of the 29th Ultimo —

The Board have at the same time directed me to say that Circumstances may exist in distance Situation which have not yet come to their Knowledge and which may induce his Excellency to make some alterations in the appointments which they have now proposed —

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
9th April 1805 —

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Sergt. Medl. Board

Fort St. George 9th April 1805

Allottment of Surgeons recommended in Consequence of the promotions which took place by the Genl. orders 29th March 1805.

Mr. Ingledew	Mysore Residency
Mr. G. Trotter	8th Regt. N. I.
Mr. D. Scott	7th Regt. N. C.
Mr. Frozer	1st Regt. N. I.
Mr. Alfred Jones	12th Regt. N. I.
Mr. Thomas	13th Regt. N. I.
Mr. Briggs	16th Regt. N. I.
Mr. Grant	18th Regt. N. I.
Mr. Cordiner	4th Regt. N. I.
Mr. Scarman	25th Regt. N. I.
Mr. Horsman	Medical Board
Mr. Leftie	23rd Regt. N. I.

Fort St. George 15th April 1805

To Major Hall
Secretary to his Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir,

I had the honor to receive your letter of the 10th instant enclosing one from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Jameson both of which duly laid before the Medical Board who have in consequence directed me to say to you for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that as a Garrison establishment they consider that Mr. Jameson may be authorized to draw Pagodas 20 per month for Servants and Medical expenditure at the Head Quarters of his Station. Pagodas 10 per month for each of the two detached Stations and that he may be allowed the difference between half and full Batta to defray the expense of his occasionally writing them.

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secry. Medl. Bd.

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. office
15th April 1805.

Fort St. George 16th April 1805.

To

The Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

Your Letter of the 9th of April has been submitted to the Commander in Chief, and the allotment of Surgeons as recommended by the Medical Board will be ordered with the following exceptions. —

The 1st Regiment of Native Infantry having two Medical Assistants with the two Battalions, and the 1st Battalion of the 17th Regiment being totally distitute of Medical aid from this establishment altho employed on Service, Mr. Tozer will be appointed to that Corps, vice Wise, employed with the Resident at the Court of Dawlet Row Scindia. —

Mr. Cordiner having long served with the 2nd Battalion of the 4th Regiment will be attached to that Board to the 14th Regiment with which Mr. Owen now is, who has long served with that Corps. —

This you will state for the information of the Medical Board, and at the same time communicate to the Members the wish of the Commander in Chief that the Board would suggest to him the name of an Assistant Surgeon properly qualified to succeed Mr. Scarman in Charge of the dispensary, on his

Fort St. George 16th April 1805.

appointment as Surgeon to the 21st Regiment of Native Infantry. —

Fort St. George
14th April 1805. }

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board in compliance with the desire of the Commander in Chief, communicated in your Letter to me dated the 14th instant to suggest to you for his Excellency's information Mr. Assistant Surgeon John Belmain as properly and particularly well qualified to succeed Mr. Scarman at this Presidency. —

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
16th April 1805. }

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Medl. Bd.

Fort St. George 16th April 1805

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive and to submit to the Commander in Chief your Letter of the 16th Instant, communicating the Recommendation of the Medical Board, that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Balmain should succeed Mr. Scarman in charge of the Dispensary at Fort St. George, and I am directed by his Excellency to desire you will inform the Medical Board that he will agreeably to their Suggestion recommend that Gentlemans appointment.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George
Adjt. Genl. office
17th April 1805

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to enclose for the Information of the Medical Board Extracts of a Letter from the officer Commanding the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, which he desires you will submit to their Consideration.

His Excellency desires me in a particular manner to call the attention of the Board to the merits of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dove.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George
Adjt. Genl. office
19th April 1805

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Fort St. George 16th April 1805

Extract of a Letter from Colonel John Halburton, Commanding the Subsidiary Force serving His Highness the Nizam to the Adjutant General of the Army.

dated Camp 31st March 1805.

"2nd" I beg you will state to His Excellency that Mr. Assistant Surgeon David Scott, who has been appointed to the Artillery of this Force since December 1803 having never joined, and having now detained by Lieutenant Colonel Wallace, his duty has for some Months been discharged by Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Scott belonging to the Poonah Subsidiary Force, who has also been in Charge of the Medical Stores, and that I have taken upon myself to retain him until relieved by Mr. David Scott.

"I had the honor to report on the 18th February, my appointment of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Anderson to do duty with the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment, I have permitted him to continue in medical charge of that Corps, and to proceed with it."

"3rd" In consequence of the Return of the Division to the Godavery, I have discontinued the Establishment of the Arungabad Field Hospital from the 21st Instant, and am happy in this opportunity of doing Justice to the merits and exertions of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dove in the Charge of the laborious medical duties of that Station, which have notwithstanding every difficulty and disadvantage attendant on undertaking them, been fulfilled with such zeal and humanity that I beg have to recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dove to His Excellency's notice."

true Extract

Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl.

Fort St. George 22d. April 1805.

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 19th Instant, inclosing an Extract of one from Colonel Haliburton Commanding the Subsidiary Force serving his Highness the Nizam, which I duly laid before the Medical Board, who have now directed me to request that you will be pleased to State to the Commander in Chief, that, as Mr. David Scott was on his late promotion posted to the 7th Regiment Native Cavalry serving with the Poonah Subsidiary Force, they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Scott to be appointed to the detachment of Artillery with the Hydrabad Subsidiary — Mr. Assistant Surgeon George Anderson to be Continued on duty with the 1st Battalion 8th Regiment and that it will afford the Board much Satisfaction whenever they may be enabled to suggest any thing to his Excellency, in further attention of the great merits of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dove, which have been before noticed to them by the Superintending Surgeon under whose immediate Instructions he has been serving. —

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
22d. April 1805.

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Medl. Board

Fort St. George 22d. April 1805.

Head Quarters, Choultry Plain
25th. April 1805. —

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to desire you will Communicate to the Medical Board His Excellencys desire, that a Depôt of Medicines and Medical Stores, for the Supply of 1500 Europeans and 7000 Native Troops, for four Months, may be formed with the least possible delay at Bellary, — there to be lodged in Store. —

The Commander in Chief desires that the Medical Board may not conceive this order intended to preclude the ordinary Compliance with Quarterly Indents from the Corps in the Vicinity of Bellary, but, to provide a Stock for Emergancy. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most obdt. Servt.
(Signed) J. M. Hall
Mil. Servt.

The Secretary to
the Medical Board
&c. &c. &c.

Fort St. George 26th April 1805

To Major Hall

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 25th Instant which I duly laid before the Medical Board, who have directed me to mention to you for the information of the Commander in Chief that the necessary orders for the Supply of Medicines and Medical Stores to form a Depot at Bellary for 1500 Europeans and 7000 Native Troops for four Months have agreeably to his Excellency's desire been issued to them to the Medical Storekeeper —

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
26th April 1805. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most obdt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Medl. Board

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Fort St. George 26th April 1805

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief has directed me to desire you will inform the Medical Board that having Strong Ground to disaprove the Conduct of Mr. Surgeon Greaves, he will immediately remove him from the 1st Battn. of the 9th Regiment of Native Infantry, causing him to be stationed as an Assistant in a General Hospital, under a Superior Surgeon, — his insubordinate and litigious conduct disqualifying him for any situation of less dependant trust —

The Commander in Chief further desires that the Medical Board will recommend to him an Assistant Surgeon for the 1st Battn. of the 9th Regiment, in room of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Greaves —

The Certificates granted by Medical Officers to Officers absent on the plea of Sickness from their Corps are frequently drawn in very vague and General terms — the Commander in Chief desires that the Medical Board will instruct Medical Officers in future to be more precise on their Specification of the

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Fort St. George 26th April 1805.

causes which prevent an officer from attend-
-ing their duty — unless in those cases
when delicacy to the feelings of the Patients
renders a more general Specification
warrantable. —

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George
29th April 1805 —

To the Adjutant General of the Army
Sir,

I have had the honor to receive and
to lay your letter dated the 29th Ultimo before
the Medical Board, who have now directed
me to say to you, for the information of the
Commander in Chief, that they would recom-
-mend Mr. Assistant Surgeon M. Cashile from
the 2d Batt. 21st Regiment to be appointed
to 1st Batt. 9th Regiment in room of Mr. Assistant
Surgeon Greaves, and that the Garrison
Surgeon at Masulipatam be put on Tempo-
-rary Charge of the 2 Batt. 21st Regt. at that Station-

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Fort St. George 2nd May 1805.

2 I am also directed by the Medical
Board to state to you for his Excellency's infor-
-mation, that they will give immediate
instructions to the different Superintending
Surgeons under this Presidency, that they
direct all Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons
in their respective Divisions, when grant-
-ing Certificates to officers absent from their
Corps on the Plea of Sickness, to be very par-
-ticular in specifying their disease, the ef-
-fect of the General treatment, and with what effect —

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
2 May 1805 —

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

Fort St. George 3d May 1805.

Head Quarters
Choultry Plain
May 4th 1805.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief having just received Intelligence of the Death of Mr. Anderson Superintending Surgeon of Mysore, His Excellency desires the Medical Board will be pleased to point out to him as soon as possible the Name of the Person of the Medical Staff, in their opinion, best suited to fill the important Situation Vacated by the death of Doctor Anderson. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obedt.
Humble Servant
(Signed) Jm Hall
Mil Secy.

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Fort St. George 5th May 1805.

To Major Hall
Secretary to his Excellency
the Commander in Chief.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive and to lay your letter of Yesterday before the Medical Board, who have in reply to it, now directed me to state to you, for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that from his Character and acknowledged abilities as well as in consideration of his being the next in seniority to Mr. Inglis, the Superintending Surgeon last promoted, they would recommend Mr. Surgeon Boswell, as the fittest person to fill the important and respectable situation vacated by the death of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Alexander Anderson in Mysoor. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Medl. Bd.

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
5th May 1805 —

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Head Quarters, Choultry Plain,
8th. May 1805.

Sir,

By the Commander in Chiefs desire I am to beg you will Communicate to the Medical Board His Excellency's request that they may suggest the best and most expeditious mode of supplying the great deficiency of Medical aid which appears to exist on the Detachment of the Subsidiary Force at Hyderabad.

His Commander in Chief observing that Mr. Surgeon Howard has left the Hyderabad Force for the benefit of His Health, conceives some arrangement might be made to Station that Officer on the Coast, and dispatch the Medical Gentleman whom Surgeon Howard may relieve, to fill his situation with the 1st. Battalion 15th. Native Infantry.

The situation of the Surgeon of the 74th. Regiment, His Excellency is extremely inclined to attend to, and the Commander in Chief desires the Board may be pleased without loss of time to call upon that officer to send

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to him a Statement upon Honor of his Receipts of the Established allowances on account of the Sick, with his Expenditures, from the 9th. March 1803 to the present day, that measure may be taken to reimburse any losses he may appear to have sustained.

The Commander in Chief suggests to the Medical Board the propriety of placing the 74th. Regiment on a similar footing with the Artillery Corps with respect to Medical allowances, during the very dispersed State of that Regiment which may preclude the Necessity of making any further adjustment on that Head with the Surgeon of the 74th. Regiment.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your Most obedient
Humble Servant
[Signed] Jn. Hall
Mil. Secy.

W. Horsman Esqr.
Secretary Medical Board.

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To Major Hall

Secretary to His Excellency

the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I had the honor to receive, and duly to lay before the Medical Board, your letter to me dated the 8th instant and in reply to it I am now directed to request that you will be pleased to state to the Commander in Chief, that they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Wyllie of the 1st Battalion 22d Regiment and Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Mackenzie of the 1st Battalion 23d Regiment to be directed to proceed to Hydrabad, to supply the existing great deficiency of Medical Aid, in the detachment of his Highness the Nizam's Subsidiary Force at that Station — and that Mr. Surgeon Pritchard be instructed to take Charge of the present duty of the former Gentleman at Vellore — and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Evans that of the latter at this place —

The Board have at the same time directed me to observe that, they are fully aware [illegible] this recommending the removal of

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medical Officers of Corps, that they are in some degree deviating from the General principle of the Commander in Chief, as intimated to them in a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army bearing date the 23d March last but in the present scarcity of Medical Officers, it does not appear to them that the exigences of the Service can at all times be otherwise provided for Relative to the Commander in Chiefs, instructions for eventually stationing Mr. Surgeon Heward on the Coast, the Board have directed me to say that they have given them the fullest Consideration but Understanding that Gentleman's health to be very much impaired, and not at all knowing to what neighbourhood he has resorted, they regret their not being able to suggest any thing in that way, likely to afford any immediate relief —

In regard to the situation of the Surgeon of H. M. 74th Regiment the Medical Board will agreeably to the desire of the Commander in Chief immediately call upon that Officer to transmit to His Excellency a Statement upon Honor of the receipts of his established allowances on account of his Corps with his expenditures on

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on account of his Sick from the 9th March 1803 to the present day though they trust that he will without difficulty be enabled to furnish vouchers for all.

Peculiarly situated as the 74th Regiment now is, the Medical Board are fully of opinion that the Surgeon should not at all liable for his absent Sick, and would therefore recommend that it be placed on the same footing with the Corps of Artillery in respect to Medical allowances.

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

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
10th May 1805.

Head Quarters Choultry Plain May 10th 1805.

Sir,

By desire of Sir John Cradock I am to request you will let me know for his Excellency's information, whether any report has been received from the Superintending Surgeon with the Nizam's Force respecting the health of the 94th Regiment as his Excellency understand their numbers of Sick have lately increased to a considerable degree.

I have the honor to be
Sir Your very obed Servant
(Signed) J. Hall
Mil Surg

Wm Horsman

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To Major Hall
Secretary to his Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir

In reply to your letter of yesterday I am directed by the Medical Board to say, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that they have not received any late Report of a particular increase of Sick in the 94th Regiment, from the Superintending Surgeon of his Highness the Nizam's Subsidiary Force the last unfavorable accounts were in a letter from Mr Kennedy bearing date the 5th Decemr last, Copy of which, they had the honor to forward to Government with their Proceedings of the 7th of January.

By the Register of Mr Assistant Surgeon Scott of that Corps for March, the Effective Strength of the Regiment appeared to be 663 out of which 88 were stated to be in the Sick list.

Upon the whole the Medical Board are inclined to hope that his Majesty's 94th Regiment is now in a more healthy state than it has been for some time past. Had it been otherwise, they have every reason to be assured that the Superintending Surgeon of the Force, would not have omitted mentioning it in his last letter, dated the 26th Ultimo of which the accompanying is a Copy; and which

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which with its accompaniment, I was, by order of the Board, just about to forward to you for the consideration of the Commander in Chief.

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

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Med. Bd. Office
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Camp at Purloor 26th April 1805

To
The Secretary to the Medical Board
Madras

Sir

I have from time to time regularly reported to the Board, the alterations and Casualties which have happened, among the Medical Gentlemen employed with this Force, with the single exception of that of Mr. Assistant Surgeon George Anderson, which escaped me at the Moment. When Mr. Assistant Surgeon McDonald joined the 3d Regiment N. Cavalry, in consequence of his appointment to it, by G. C. Mr. Anderson succeeded him in the temporary Charge of the 1st Battn. 8th Regiment with the Poonah Force; and upon the late separation of the two Forces Mr. Anderson being directed to continue in Medical charge of that Corps, he accordingly proceeded with it to Ahmednagur.

By

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By these various changes, the number of Medical Gentlemen present Effective here, besides myself, amounts only to seven, of whom I have the honor to enclose a list. These are not more than sufficient for the discharge of the ordinary Medical duties, even in a fixed encampment, And, till yesterday, it was not even surmised, that any thing beyond the Routine of such duties, was likely to occur, at least until the approaching Monsoon should be over. But the Force having been suddenly called forth, and being actually to march to morrow, with any prospect of being immediately employed upon Service, a field Hospital will be necessary in the first instance, and, when the impending Monsoon is also taken consideration, together with the probability of an active Campaign immediately afterwards, during which the extent of our wants cannot be foreseen, and also, the chance of Casualties from both these causes, still further diminishing our present reduced numbers of Medical Gentlemen, I am persuaded the Medical Board will see the propriety, of my having stated these circumstances for their consideration, and of my also begging them, to take such steps, as may appear to them proper, for procuring such further Medical aid as may be adequate to meet the probable Emergencies of the Service, in this quarter. — I have the honor to remain

Sir
Signed Alex. Kennedy
Surg. H. S. Forces

True Copy
Signed Wm. Horsman
Med. Bd.

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List of Medical Gentlemen present Effective with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, Camp 26th April 1805.

Mr. Surgeon Steddy, in charge of both Battns. of the 88th Regiment without the aid of an Assistant.
Mr. Surgeon Hampage, 2d Battn. 2d Regt.
Mr. Assistant Surgeon James Scott H. M. 94th Regt.
Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore 6th Regt. N. Cavalry
Mr. Assistant Surgeon Wm. Scott acting Deputy Medical Storekeeper & in charge of the Artillery Pioneer
Mr. Assistant Surgeon Pandev 2d Battn. 7th Regt.
Mr. Assistant Surgeon C. Macdonald 3d Regt. N. Cavalry

(Signed) Alexr. Kennedy
Supy. Surgeon H. S. Force

True Copy
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surg. Med. Bd.

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

The Commander in Chief desires me to request you will intimate to the Medical Board the necessity of appointing a Medical Officer to do duty with the 2d Regiment of Native Cavalry, now about to march from Cunnatore to the Ceded Districts, during the indisposition of Mr. Julion who is certified to be unable to march with the Corps.

The Commander in Chief conceives that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Wylie might, for a time, be spared from Vellore (one of the Medical Officers there doing his duty with the 1st Battn. 22d Regt.) to accompany the 2d Regt. of Cavalry. The death of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Upton, at Bombay, has been reported officially to have occurred on the 25th of April this you will report to the Medical Board.

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(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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To

The Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

The Commander in Chief desires you will intimate to the Medical Board his desire that the regular recommendations for promotion in the Medical line, in consequence of the retirement from the Service of Mr. Surgeon Thackeray on the 5th of November last, and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Thomas (since promoted) on the 6th of June last, and the death of Mr. R. Anderson on the 28th Ultimo, may be submitted to him without delay, that they may be recommended to Government.

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Signed J. A. Agnew
Adjt Genl of the Army

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir

In reply to your letter of yesterday I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will state to the Commander in Chief, that in the present great deficiency of Medical Officers, they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Underwood to be instructed to take temporary Medical charge of the 2d Regt of Native Cavalry, and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Pritchard be desired to attend also the

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1st Batt. 16th Regiment N. I. at Vellore during the absence of Mr. Underwood.

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Wyllie having, in answer to an official letter from Major Hall, been yesterday recommended by the Board, for the detachment in the lines at Hyderabad Surgeon, they trust that will appear a sufficient reason to his Excellency for their not now recommending that Gentleman for the 2d Regt of Native Cavalry.

Agreeably to your letter of this date, to fill up the Vacancies occasioned by the retirement of Messrs Surgeon Thackery and Thomas, and to give the promotion that may be eventually necessary by appointing a successor to the late Superintending Surgeon of Mysore, the Medical Board would beg leave to submit to the attention of his Excellency the Commander in Chief the three Assistant Surgeons named on the list Viz. Messrs. Anthony Taylor, John Jones, and Thomas Evans.

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Signed Wm. Horsman
Surv. Med. Bd.

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I have laid before the Commander in Chief the recommendation of the Medical Board, that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Underwood should be directed to afford Medical aid to the 2d. Regiment of Native Cavalry; but as the 1st. Battn. 16th. Regiment of Native Infantry some time since marched from Vellore, that Officer cannot be allotted to the duty as Mr. Wyllie has in consequence been ordered.

By the removal of the 1st. Battn. 7th. Regt. of Native Infantry from Travencore to Malabar, that Corps is deprived of the assistance of Mr. Macaulay the Assistant Surgeon of the Residency, who has hitherto attended its Sick. And the Officer Commanding the 1st. Battn. of the 14th. Native Regiment now under orders to proceed from Mangalore to Hullial, has reported that Mr. Surgeon Owen is, from illness, incapable of accompanying the Corps to that Station, where from the insalubrity of the Climate, Medical aid is peculiarly requisite. The Commander in Chief desires you will state this to the Medical Board, that the measures best calculated to afford the necessary assistance to these Corps may be adopted.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adj. Genl. of the Army

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To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I had the honor duly to receive and to lay your letter of the 14th instant before the Medical Board who have now directed me to say in reply to it for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief that they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Mitchell of the Provincial Battalion at Tanjore to be directed to proceed, and to give Medical aid to the 1st. Battalion 7th. Regiment removed from Travencore to Malabar, and that the Garrison Surgeon of Tanjore be instructed to attend the Sick of the Provincial Battalion.

The Board have also directed to say that they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Palmer of the Police Corps in Malabar to be ordered to join and to give temporary Medical assistance to the 1st. Battn. 14th. Regt. at Hullial.

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surg. M. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I have submitted to the Commander in Chief your letter of the 27th Instant.

His Excellency desires in consequence that you will inform the Medical Board that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Mitchell will be ordered to join the 1st Battn. 7th Regiment from Tanjore, Mr. James being ordered to assume charge of the Provincial Battalion but Mr. Palmer being of the Bombay Establishment attached to a Corps commanded by a Bombay Officer and which from the nature of its service must constantly require Medical aid, the Commander in Chief does not deem it expedient to detach him to Hullial.

His Excellency desires that the Medical Board will suggest the allottment of Corps of Messrs. Taylor Jones and Evans, Surgeons lately promoted.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I duly laid your letter of the 18th instant before the Medical Board, who have in consequence directed me to request you will state to the Commander in Chief, that Medical aid to the 1st Battn. 14th Regiment at Hullial may perhaps with the least inconvenience be furnished from Bellary and that they would accordingly submit the expediency of the Superintending Surgeon of the Ceded Districts being instructed to detach for that purpose, an Assistant Surgeon, whose present duty may most readily be fulfilled by the Garrison Surgeon of that Station.

In the allottment of Corps to the three Surgeons lately promoted, the Medical Board desire me to say to you for his Excellency's information, that they would recommend Mr. Taylor now with Colonel Close to be appointed to the 7th Regiment N. I. vice Rogers on leave to Europe. Mr. Jones to the 1st Regiment N. I. to the 1st Battn. of which he is now attached. And Mr. Evans to the Vacancy in the 23d Regt. of N. I. with the 1st Battn. of which he already stands recommended by the Board to do duty.

J. W. Hewman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
20th May 1805.

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Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to the Medical Board a Letter from Doctor Harris, upon which I am to request their sentiments

I have the honor to be

Doctor Anderson

Sir

First Member Med. Bd.

Your most Obed. humble Servt.

(Signed) J. Cradock

Lt. Genl.

To Lieut. Genl. Sir John Cradock K.B.

Commander in Chief &c. &c.

Sir

Having submitted the address of Mr. Surgeon Harris to your Excellency, to the consideration of the Medical Board, agreeably to the tenor of your Letter to me of the 16th instant

I am happy in declaring, that in the opinion of the Board, Mr. Harris is duly qualified for the Station of a Superintending Surgeon, as well in regard to professional ability, as the knowledge which he possesses of Country languages, and acquirements in

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Head Quarters May 17th 1805

Sir

I am to request, by the Commander in Chief's desire, that the enclosed Papers may be laid before the Medical Board for their Report and opinion on the subject.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very Obed. Servant

(Signed) J. Hall

Mil. Secy.

Wm. Horsman Esqr.

&c. &c.

To the Secretary

To his Excellency

The Commander in Chief

Sir,

Having duly received and laid before the Medl. Board your letter of the 17th with its enclosures, I am directed to say to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that as no Surgeon having been appointed to the Garrison of Mangalore by the General regulations may probably have arisen from some oversight at the time they were made out, as it appears also from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cruse's Statement that such an appointment was necessary, and that he took charge of, and per[illegible] duty of Garrison

Surgeon

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Surgeon by and under the orders of his superiors, the Board are of opinion that he is fully entitled to the usual allowances. —

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

Fort St. George
May 20th 1805

Sir

I am just favored with your letter of this date, which gives me extreme embarrassment.

In laying before Council the recommendation of the Medical Board in favor of Mr. Roswell, for the vacant situation of Superintending Surgeon in Mysore, it will be my duty at the same time to submit all other papers connected with the subject.

The Members of the Board of Council of the perusal of Dr. Harris's Memorial, and the present reply upon it, from the Medical Board, will naturally ask why the acknowledged merits and pretentions of the Senior Surgeon have been passed over, and now in a second instance I believe, a recommendation given in preference of a junior.

I request, that you will give me authority in what [illegible] to answer this Question — I have the honor to be

Sir your most Obed. humble Servt.

Dr. Arthur [illegible]
[illegible]

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To Lieut. Genl. Sir J. Cradock K.B.
Commander in Chief &c. &c.

Sir

I am just favored with your letter of this date, acknowledging the receipt of my Letter of this morning, containing the sentiments of the Medical Board on a reference to them on the subject of Dr. Harris's ability on the line of his profession and requesting to be informed,

"Why the acknowledged merits and pretentions of the "Senior Surgeon had been passed over, and now in a second "instance a recommendation given in preference of a Junior."

Having a recollection of the sentiments of the different Members of the Medical Board expressed by each in writing I shall not hesitate to answer your Excellency's Question without the delay of a formal reference to the Board. By saying that the Medical Board in the first instance, having never heard of or from Dr. Harris, from the time they read in the General Orders his resignation of the situation of Superintending Surgeon, by permission of Government and no recommendation whatever having been made to the Medical Board, regarding Dr. Harris — They could not in the first instance recommend a person, of whose situation they had no official knowledge [illegible] therefore [illegible] considered the Surgeon next [illegible] to the last promotion

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promotion of Government, as the only person they were at liberty to recommend.

In the second and subsequent instance of your Excellency's reference of Mr. Harris's letter or Memorial who refers to the Medical Board for their opinion in his professional abilities — The Medical Board have done him simple justice. They are well acquainted with his professional merits, and beyond that they are totally unconformed —

I have the honor to be

Garden
20th May 1805.

Sir
Your obedt. & very
humble Servant
(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General &
President of the Medl. Bd.

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Head Quarters
Choultry Plain May 23rd 1805

Sir

I beg you will communicate to the Medical Board that I have laid their sentiments on the subject of the Assistant Surgeon at Mangalore before the Commander in Chief, and his Excellency desire me to request you will acquaint the Board that it is his Intention to bring the claim of Assistant Surgeon Cruso before Government with his recommendation that it may be favorably considered.

The Commander in Chief begs you will express to the Medical Board his wish, that some arrangement may be made, as early as may be convenient, to rectify the oversight, which appears to have taken place, with respect to the Medical assistance at Mangalore

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very faithful & obedt.
(Signed) J. Hall
Mil: Surg.

Fort St. George 24th May 1805

To Major Hall

Secretary to his Excellency

the Commander in Chief

Sir

I had the honor duly to receive your letter of the 21st instant which I immediately laid before the Medical Board, who now directed me to say to you for the information of the Commander in Chief, that when they submitted to his Excellency their opinion in favor of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Coutts being intitled to the usual allowances of a Garrison Surgeon they meant to confine themselves entirely to the time that Gentleman was performed the duty of such at Mangalore.

Soon after the period attended to the Honble Companys Medical Stores were removed from that Garrison to Cannanore. And as by the orders of Government, communicated in Mr. Chief Secretary Buchan's letter dated the 3d of March last, accompanied with Copy of a Minute from the Commander in Chief, and Copies of Letters from Major General the Honble Sir Arthur Wellesley, and the late Superintending Surgeon of Mysore an arrangement was directed to be [illegible] immediately made by the Medical Board

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the Public Service, in the Provinces of Malabar and Canara, from the Depot at Seringapatam, a Deputy Medical Storekeeper cannot be any longer necessary at Mangalore, the Medical Board would hope in the present deficiency of Medical officers also, that the remaining duties of the Garrison Surgeon may now be fulfilled by the resident Superintending Surgeon of the Division, and Surgeons attached to Corps at that Station.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

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Med Office

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Fort St. George
June 7th 1805

My Dear Sir

I have just received the enclosed from Colonel Haliburton and confess his request appears new to me.

If Mr. Dove has been a loser in conducting the Department at Aurungabad, I conceive he might be called upon for a Statement upon Honor or Voucher of the Losses he sustained on that service upon the principle adopted with regard to the Surgeon of the 74th.

My Dear Sir
Yours very truly
Signed Jm Hall

My Dear Sir

I duly received and laid before the Medical Board your letter to me dated the 7th Inst. with its enclosure from Col. Haliburton and they have now directed me to say in answer thereto, that as the amount of Mr. Dove's Losses in conducting the Field Hospital at Aurungabad is not known here they are of opinion with that

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you that a Statement upon honor or Vouchers of the losses he actually sustained upon the principle with the Surgeon of His Majesty's 74th Regiment as the properest means towards his being fully reimbursed.

I have the pleasure to return you Col. Haliburton's letter and remain

My dear Sir
Your obdt. Servant
(Signed) Wm. Hersman

Fort St. George
11th June 1805

To
Major Hall

Fort St. George
11th June 1805.

Sir

I have been directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request that you will signify to the Medical Board his wish that Mr. Robert Leaver late an Assistant Surgeon on board of the Hamble Company's Ship Lord Hawkesbury should undergo the necessary examination to ascertain whether he be qualified for the situation of an Assistant Surgeon in His Majesty's Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obdt. Servt.
Jm Hall
Adjt. Genl.

Wm. Hersman Esqr.
Secretary to Medical Board

NB. Mr. Leaver will be directed to attend whenever his presence

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To Major J. Campbell
Deptg Adjt General
His Majesty's Forces

Sir

In reply to your letter of yesterday I am directed by the Medical Board to request that Mr. Reeves may be instructed to attend at this office on Tuesday the 7th Inst at 11 o'clock where they will [illegible] that Gentleman through the necessary examination and [illegible] soon for he may be found qualified for the situation of an assistant Surgeon in his Majesty's Forces

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Med. Board Office
5th June 1805

Signed Wm. Horsman
Secy Med. Board

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To Major Campbell
Deptg Adjt Genl His Majesty's Troops

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to say in reply to your letter to me dated the 4th Inst, that they have this day put Mr. Robert Leaver through the necessary examination and found him duly qualified for the situation of an assistant Surgeon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obt Servt
Signed Wm. Horsman

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
14th June 1805

Fort St. George
May 11th 1806

Sir,

It appears to me a matter of so great importance that the Medical Establishment of this Presidency should be sufficient for the various Employments in which they were engaged, that I am to request that the Medical Board will take the subject into their most serious consideration and state for the information of Government the number [illegible] and assistant Surgeons [illegible] to administer

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dice Medical Aid, in the Civil & Military Lines throughout the present Limit of the Madras Presidency. —

On entering upon the Command of this Army, It was my Duty to investigate it Medical Establishment, & though the apparent arrangement gave a Surgeon & Two Assistant to Each Regiment of Two Battalions, and one Surgeon & an Assistant to each Regiment of Cavalry, Yet, to my great Surprise, I found, that in no one Instance, was there a double Medical Assistance to either a Battalion or a Regiment of Cavalry, and that not unfrequently, the Charge of a Second Corps was given to the same Surgeon. —

I feel myself the more called upon the address this Letter to the Medical Board from the great Embarrassment that has lately taken place to supply the demand of Medical Aid in the Regimental line, and the Inability, I fear, now felt to devise further assistance, However fearful such a Consideration must be, in a time of Peace, as war may now pronounce our Establishment to be, yet the apprehension of the Continuance of a Event of this alarming Nature, is the Event of war, really a most distressful Prospect, and calls for the fullest representation to be laid before Government, with the view to immediate transmission to the Hon'ble Court of

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According to European notion the allotment of one Medical Person to the Charge of a 1000 Men (the Strength of the Battalion) would be thought utterly insufficient, as such Numbers in England always carry with them, the appointment of a Surgeon and two Mates, but I am aware, that the Pressure in a Sepoy Regiment in considerably alleviated by the Assistance of the Dresser or Black Doctor, but, however, is a great Difference of opinion exists upon this point, I shall request, that you will favor me with your Thoughts, as to the Extent of Aid, his Co-operation may appear to give — and whether you recommend, that this part of Establishment should be increased. —

That this report may appear in the most satisfactory Light, before Government, I am to request, that It may be drawn up in a manner, that will comprehend every Necessity of Medical Attendance, and I design, that It should stand the Record of the highest Medical Authority, what in their Judgment, the Establishment of this Presidency "ought" to be, I should be glad to say, "only" in "peace", but, in India, where no resource is to be looked to, the "Event of war" is not to be Excluded from the Consideration. —

I would [illegible] your adoption,

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in making out the Report, or outline; some what in the following manner, out, to be amended, or made more explanation as you may judge necessary —

1st For Medical Board

2d Superintending Surgeon

3d Garrison Surgeon.

4th General Hospital.

5th Surgeon for Civil Employment with Residents — Judges — Courts and Commercial Establishment &c &c

6th — for Regiments of Cavalry Artillery, Infantry Pioneers

7th Staff Surgeons — Including Secretary to the Medical Board

8th Assistant Surgeons for all the above persons —

9th Such a reserve of Surgeon as may be thought necessary for occasional Service and to supply vacancies by Death, Furlough &c. This Representation will form a separate return for the consideration of Government — but that our present State of distress may be fully seen, I shall be obliged to you to describe our existing Establishment, and the actual want of Medical persons, either from vacancies by recent Mortality and other causes as Furlough at Home —

The absence at present of many Surgeons from their Corps, through Indisposition, though severely felt, [illegible] into this Report, but may be added as [illegible]

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I cannot omit this opportunity of expressing my hope, that, if the Honble Court of Directors see a necessity, and are disposed to render more efficient their Medical Establishment in this army, the Practice adopted here of daily transferring a Surgeon from one Corps, to another, will be done away — Necessity seems to have imposed this usage out, It is unknown in his Majesty's Service, and carries away with it all Emulation, on the Part of the Surgeon to display an Healthful Regiment, Sir if his attestation and Exertion have produced this happy Effect, It would strongly lead to his removal to a Situation, where his Services are more required, and the same Labor, and Pains were to be repeated —

I will also add, that in the Kings Service, the arbitrary removal of the Surgeon would be considered a very destructive Measure, in many Points of view, as with pleasure I give my Testimony supported, I believe, by almost universal opinion — that by their Education and Manners, the Surgeons are in General among the most Valuable Characters in the Regiment, and their Conduct and Example have so endeared them to their Corps, that, their removal, unless for the Advantage of the Individual, would be deeply regretted, and considered, as a severe Regimental Loss —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

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Doctor Anderson

First Member of the

Medical Board

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To His Excellency

Lieutenant General Sir John F. Cradock K. B.

Sir,

Para 1st. I have thus long delayed to acknowledge the receipt of the Letter of the 18th Ultimo, which your Excellency did me the honor to address to me as President of the Medical Board, on the present alarming deficiency of Medical Servants, and the necessity of forming a more arranged &ca efficient Medical Establishment competent to meet every exigency of Service as well in War as in Peace that I might obtain every information and the best opinions on these subjects —

2nd. The favorable Sentiments which your Excellency has expressed, as entertained of the Medical Character in His Majesty's Service, will not I trust be lessened by a more matured acquaintance with those of the Honorable Company, who in General will be found Young men of good education conciliating manners, active exertion, and humane attention to the Sick. —

3rd. To induce Young men of this description, to devote the best period of their lives, to serve in a remote, and often an unhealthy climate, every encouragement must be given — and I am confident your Excellency will readily adopt the Sentiments expressed by His Majesty, in the introducing Paragraph of His Majesty's arrangements of the Twenty Second of May 1804 and approve of an —

[illegible] arrangement for increasing the advantages

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"and improving the Situations of the Medical Officers of our Army, with "the View of encouraging able and well educated Persons to enter into "and continue in that line of our Service." —

Such was found to be necessary in His Majesty's Service, and it will be found not less in the present arrangment from this Presidency, which has neither kept pair with the increasing Duties and increase of Territory — nor in point of Rank or advantage, with the other branches of the Company's Service. —

4th. For that the Staff Situations beyond that the Surgeon in most instances acquired by gradual and long Service, Should give no permanent Rank, must be deemed by all or very great hardship, and is at Variance with Military usage — I shall however State whatever is required for an efficient and respectable Establishment, under the different heads which your Excellency has proposed to arrange it comprehending the whole of the Medical Service. —

1st. of The Medical Board

5th. The Medical Board are some what embarrassed in what manner to speak of themselves — as their duty have been so much altered and abridged, since their original institution, that their present duties are very limited and undefined — In 1786 this Board consisting of three Members, constituted a Board of Control and Superintendance over the whole of the Medical Department the President being denominated Physician General & Direction of Hospitals — In 1796 the Board was reduced to two Members — a first, and Second, and directed to act under the Commander in Chief, the title of Physician General being continued to me, — this charge produced little alteration in the duties & Control of the Board, their Proceedings only [illegible] to Government

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through the medium of the Commander in Chief entitled as before — Jan 1813 the Board was again increased of three Members, but by the orders of Government here, all Medical Military Patronage, was then placed with the Commander in Chief — the duties of the Board being confined to the professional duties of the Surgeons, in regard to Invalids returning Vs and the care, and supply of Medicines — which is nearly its present situation; — for although your Excellency has devolved them on most occasions to recommend, and may be well entitled to call the Board to its former duties, yet no General orders altering the regulations of 1803/3 have been published —

6th If the Medical Board are to be placed in a more efficient situation, the General duties of the Board should be defined as well in regard to Patronage &c as the duties of each Member — and the two Junior Members should be relieved from the subordinate duty of Superintending Surgeons of the Hospitals at the Presidency for the reasons stated in their Secretary of the 29th March 1803 on this present (1815) that it would be placing them in the awkward and unpleasant predicament of control on themselves — as the duties of their Secretary must be very considerable in arranging their Proceedings, keeping Journals thereof, as well as Office for Invalids returning &c it obvious that there must be some employment for his time in the immediate drawings of the Medical Board — The Physician General would therefore submit the expediency of his having also a private Secretary the same as many other General Officers on the Staff is allowed to assist him in the arrangement of what is to be laid before

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before the Medical Board for their consideration, approbation or dissent — as it can hardly be supposed that any person after 33 Years constant service in this Country is not well acquainted with the experience & qualifications requisite to that —

3rd Superintending Surgeons

7th There is at present seven appointments of Superintending Surgeons under this Presidency, besides those attached to the Subsidiary Forces of Hyderabad and Poonah, viz: for the Southern Center, and Northern Divisions Mysore, Malabar, Canara, and the United Districts —

8th This Number is probably too small for such an extent of Country, rendering it difficult to execute the various Duties prescribed, & may your Excellency approve of the propriety of detaching the Junior Members of the Medical Board from the Subordinate duty of Superintending Surgeon at the Presidency, as ordered they should be the Check it would then be an improvement of the General System to divide the Center Division as it was until 1803 — by attaching to it Salem, the Province of Arcot, the Countries of Salem, Baramahal, and the Western Polliams, and to the Presidency all the rest of the Center Division — The orders regarding the Tours to be performed by Superintending Surgeons may be modified with advantage, for when the Superintending Surgeon has visited all the different Stations in his Extensive Range and fully informed himself of the Diameters of the Surgeons under him, with the accommodation of the Stock the prevailing Diseases and Climate of each place — a Restoration of these Rules, will only be occasionally required — the most distant Stations from the Presidency, these of Native Troops

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whose Diseases are in General to uniform, that rarely does occasion Sickness, apparent unskillfulness or misconduct on the part of the Surgeon on the Spot calls for the presence of the Superintending Surgeon, his occasional Visit only, can be required — and this will leave him more at Liberty to give his attention when most wanting to the Hospitals of the European Sick, and to the Journals and Correspondence with Surgeons on Medical Subjects, as well as in forwarding the benevolent Views of Government in promoting Vaccine Inoculation, and the Establishment of Sick Hospitals —

9th. Superintending Surgeons were formerly denominated Head Surgeons of General Hospitals, and were then considered to have attained a permanent appointment with the rank of Major — This System of reviewed by your Excellency will be found most convenient to the Military Service in which they are to accord with his Majesty's Regulations of May 1804, as well as to conduce to the respectability of the Line — for it cannot but be considered as a hardship that according to the present ordinary Regulations, not only a Superintending Surgeon, but even a Member of the Medical Board, has no permanent rank beyond that of Surgeon or Assistant — should sickness from Service and Public Duty compel him to relinquish his Situation, and visit Europe on Leave of Absence there is no provision Regulated by the Rule in the Service, as in the Military Line — he cannot succeed the same as on the Youngest Surgeon, if not wishing to retire, and returns to India to the Pay and Situations of a Surgeon only, although he may have served for 20 or more years

10th. [illegible] remedy this, and as justice to those who [illegible]

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the Duty on India — Superintending Surgeons and Members of the Medical Board on Furlough to Europe, or for Health, should receive the Military Pay of their respective ranks, which has in such cases been granted to Head Surgeons on Europe, and on returning to their Duty on India, they should draw the Pay and Table of their rank as officers do, till Government are pleased to place them on Staff Situations —

11th. Superintending Surgeons wishing to retire from the Service, should have five Years on their Stations, to entitle them to the Pensions of their rank, Viz.t £ 300 per Annum, however long they may have been in Waiting for appointment — this is different from what takes place with the Military, should be reconsidered and permission granted to retire after twenty Years actual Service in India on the same manner as Inspectors of Hospitals in His Majesty's Service on £ 365 per annum — for surely twenty years of Foreign Service in India, cannot be considered less entitled to such or provision, than twenty Years Service in Europe —

12th. I cannot here help noticing the principle established in His Majesty's late Medical Regulations, than which nothing can be more just — that length of actual Service shall entitle to increase of Pay at the different Periods of Ten, twenty, and thirty Years, &c.a that on thirty Years Service in most instances full Pay is granted instead of half Pay on retiring —

13th. The adoption of fixed and permanent Ranks, and of this just and equitable principle of increase of Pay, after certain Periods of Service, would tend much to obviate an existing evil in the Medical Subsisting Establishments as the Gentlemen best qualified to fill certain Situations are often not the equally qualified — this [illegible] present without doing

an act of injustice to the Senior, which on the plan proposed would not be the case, for the Senior thus passed over might be promoted to the superior Rank as on vacancy on the Military when an Officer is invalided — and be entitled to retire on the Pension of that Rank —

10th I have only further under this Head to state to your Excellency, that the Superintending Surgeons who are actually employed, be from unable to attend to attain the Rank of their Rank, which is made to all the other Staff Officers of the Army — a reflection which does not on the General System, and which they have Confidence of saying the Medical Board have formerly recommended it to be remedied — and they hope your Excellency will now be able to render it as it ought to be considered an Endowment granted by the Honorable Court of Directors but by the unavoidable usage of the Service —

13th Having now mentioned what appears to the Board necessary to place the Heads of the Department on the most respectable footing, an object of the utmost consequence in the Character of a distant Establishment, I come to your Excellency next head, that of

3. General Hospitals

15th With the exception of the General Hospitals at Presidency, the term is abolished — Regimental Surgeons having of their own sick, they have become Regimental Hospitals — Hospitals under the Garrison Surgeons, for the sick of Corps at a distance who may have no Surgeons attached —

17th While the present Medical System continues by which the Charges for European sick are regulated by the number sick entered, and the expense limited to one Pagoda a month for every [illegible] the Hospitals of the Corps — no alteration

in this System is required —

18th Previous to this System, Head Surgeons were in charge of General Hospitals, and the sick were provided on a Purveying System — The General Hospitals then were at Madras, Vellore, Masulipatam and Trichinopoly, to which would now have been added, had the System continued — Seringapatam, Bellary, Mangalore and Calicut — the Presidency General Hospital which is also on part a Regimental Hospital, has had that denomination continued — and an Hospital Surgeon specially appointed for the Various Sick at the Presidency from the details of Troops arriving from Europe, Sick from Ships, or Sick Europeans on distrip — the allowances for the Sick in this Hospital, are the same as for the Army sick — This appointment may therefore be considered the only one under this head, as there is a Garrison Surgeon for Fort St. George —

4. Garrison Surgeons

19th Where Garrison Surgeons were appointed in 1796, the Garrisons and fixed Stations were chosen with the double view of providing for Detachments of Troops of all descriptions, and of affording Medical assistance as generally as possible over the Country, and Surgeons were attached, that no inconvenience might arise from inexperience —

20th The increase of Territory since 1796 requires an additional number of these Stations, which would be attended often with much relief to the Country and with more certain Medical Aid to Detachments of Troops —

21st The Board therefore propose that the following Stations be added to the present Number of Garrisons and fixed Stations for Surgeons — Viz.t Seringapatam, Chittledroog, Bangalore, Cuddapah, Calicut, Mangalore, Cochin, Vizagapatam, Tripassore and Vellore — necessity of which they trust will be apparent — reasons for

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filled by assistant Surgeons are included, the Board considering them as Stations for full Surgeons only, and some are at present filled by Surgeons absent from their Corps, as well as by Surgeons whose head quarters they may casually be.

5th Regimental Surgeons,

22nd Of Cavalry, Artillery, Infantry and Pioneers

The present establishment is one for every Regiment, and every Battalion of Artillery, to which should be added one for the Pioneers.

Viz. for 1 European Regiment

2 Battalions of Artillery

8 Regiments of Native Cavalry

23 Native Infantry Regiments

& 1 for the Pioneers

making in the whole 35 Regimental Surgeons.

23rd The number of Surgeons with two assistant Surgeons to the European Regiment, to each Battalion of Artillery with their Lascars, to the Native Infantry Battalions and the Pioneers, would be sufficient, if the two Battalions of a Native Infantry Regiment were together, but as this has seldom hitherto been the case, it becomes necessary to provide for the distress that may occur, by the only assistant Surgeon with a Native Corps becoming sick, or otherwise disabled — and on this account it would be of advantage and afford at all times more effective Medical aid [illegible] Surgeon and one assistant Surgeon were attached to each Battalion of Native Infantry and Pioneers — This would [illegible] to the present Establishment of 24 Regimental Surgeons [illegible]

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by leaving a Senior and Junior assistant Surgeon, when the Regimental Surgeon may be on Furlough or absent from Sickness — The Junior assistant being furnished from the reserve, to be hereafter noticed —

24th To render the Situation of Surgeons to Native Corps eligible, and induce men of abilities to come forward and remain with these Corps, which would be as your Excellency has expressed, a very desireable object, instead of their applying on all occasions to leave them as at present — Some Staff allowance should be granted for the Medical Charge of the European officers — Pay 25 Pagodas per Month, which it is hoped will not be considered too much, to effect the desireable a purpose, and has already been recommended by the Medical Board — and further I beg to notice and recommend the orders in His Majesty's late regulations that all Regimental Surgeons and assistant Surgeons should draw Cavalry Pay, for the reasons assigned in His Majesty's regulations "being required each to keep a Horse to enable them the better to perform their Regimental Duties" — This applies most particularly to those attached to Cavalry, who have found themselves much distressed, and have complained of being on Infantry Pay, and not on a par with the officers of the Corps with which they were Serving.

25th The allowances for European Troops are adequate to most Services — but in such distant and [illegible] distressing Service, as has lately occurred, when the [illegible] were in such numbers &c. unavoidably ab[illegible]

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Corps, no fixed and General System can apply — In all such cases, Government must defray part of the expense, for absent Sick, an expence formerly incurred, and from which Government were only liberated by the existing orders of 1802/3 —

26th The allowances of the Company's Surgeons since the European Troops were reduced, and General Hospitals abolished, have been much diminished giving little further prospect than the Pay of their Rank —

27th The allowances of Native Troops are very disproportional to those for Europeans — as it was long supposed that the Black Doctor was the only person from whom the Sepoys would take Medicines — on this India, there was first only a small allowance granted to the Surgeon, for the European Officers — an anxiety to attend more particularly to the distress of this Valuable description of Troops increased, and European Medical Assistance to them, was more and more insisted on — by this the Native Doctor became of less consequence and can now only be considered an useful assistant in dressing the Sores of the Sepoys, and administering such remedies as the Surgeon may direct — though the System has thus changed, yet have the first allowances influenced every subsequent arrangement for the Sepoys — and on any prevailing sickness particularly ulcerated Legs, the allowances have been found inadequate to enable the Surgeon to do justice to his Sick —

28th To remedy this, the Surgeon may be allowed to draw six Pagodas per Month for every Hundred Sepoys instead of [illegible] Pagodas at present allowed, and if the arrangement [illegible]

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which was found necessary in Mysore was adopted, the Board are of opinion it would tend to obviate much distress — the arrangement adopted in Mysore where the inadequateness of the allowance was particularly felt, gives the Sick, Sepoy Clothing in Hospital, and Cotts to lie on and in bad cases, Spirits, on the Surgeons indent are obtained — as the Sepoys Diet cannot be regulated on European principles, this is probably all the improvement at present required for them —

29th The expence of Cotts and Clothing as arranged in Mysore is not great, and the benefit from them must be considerable — For the Surgeon has little in his power in many cases of Fever and Rheumatism if the Sepoy has only a Matt between him on the ground and sometimes but little covering for warmth —

30th In the Carnatic, Corps are allowed ten Cotts to each Battalion for the worst cases, but no Clothing — this proportion of Cotts is too small, and even this is not always certain, in consequence of no arrangement being made, for the transport of the Cotts, or for their being found at fixed Stations — To remedy this, the Barrack Master might furnish Cotts on the Surgeons Indent —

31st The Black Doctors though now considered in a very Secondary point of View, are nevertheless of utility as Interpreters, and in performing many menial Medical Duties, with the Sick besides attending the Families of Sepoys — It was on the latter consideration when the appointment was discontinued by the General orders of 1802/3, that the Sepoy Stoppages were allowed to be drawn — and for these Duties the Native Doctors should be continued on their former allowances (Viz.) [illegible] of a Sepoy, with the Sepoy Stoppages —

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But to afford the Regimental Surgeon of a Sepoy Corps, more adequate assistance in the treatment of his often numerous Sick, particularly from Ulcerated Legs, no arrangement would probably be sooner or more certainly effective, than by having asylum Boys, or Boys from the Fort School, selected for this purpose — they might be educated for sometime, at the Hospitals of the principal Stations, and a Monthly Sum of about 6 Pagodas granted for the maintainance of each of them — and when they can be of up, they might be attached to the Surgeons of Corps, and allowed to draw the Pay of the 1st Dresser, or 4 Pagodas per Month, in addition to the Six Pagodas mentioned, making their Monthly Pay ten Pagodas in Garrison, to which might be added in the Field, Subassistant Surgeons half Batta, or eight Pagodas more per Month —

33rd

If this Plan is adopted, they should be considered in the Companys Service, and to rise on good behaviour to be Subassistant Surgeons — a description of men so useful, that with Sick of the Armies in the Marrattoo Countries, the want of them has been much felt and Complained of —

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The progress of these Boys should be regularly reported, and if it should appear that they can be better instructed by one Surgeon than another, there should be authority in the Medical Board or Superintending Surgeons, to remove and change them from one Station to another —

35th

Before closing the head of Regimental Surgeons I will suggest to your Excellency that the present minute detail, expected to appear in the Journal of every Surgeon with Troops, is not useful, as it occupies too much of the Surgeons

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Surgeons time — The Journal should be limitted to all acute and dangers uncommon Cases whereby he would be enabled to enter more fully into the detail of interesting cases, instead of considering its drudgery as at present —

36th

Your Excellency may at the same time abrogate an order, rather degrading to the Corps, which was transmitted through the Auditor General only — (Viz.) that no Surgeon or assistant Surgeon, shall receive their Medical allowances untill a Certificate is obtained from the Superintending Surgeon, that he has received their Journals, — This was issued in consequence of the default of a few, when those Journals were first ordered, but is now unnecessary as any particular neglect can be remedied without it — and as it often causes considerable delay to the Surgeons in the receipt of their Pay and allowances, I trust your Excellency will see this order in the light I do and abrogate it. —

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6th Staff Surgeons, including the Secretary of the Medical Board

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There is only one Surgeon at present under the denomination called Staff the Surgeon is attached to the Resident with Dowlet Ras Scindia and will be more properly considered under the head of Civil Surgeons — Senior Surgeons where sent with Troops on Service, or put in charge of Field Hospitals have been called Staff Surgeons, to enable them to draw the allowances directed for this appointment, and perhaps this is the best arrangement, as in time of peace they would not be required — The Secretary to the Medical Board has never been called a Staff Surgeon, but under this Consideration of the Settle by Your Excellency, may be also classed, the Medical Storekeeper, the Surgeon of the Lunatic Hospital the Stand to Surgeon to the Native Hospital and the Surgeon at [illegible] the

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the care of Sick & Wars, being all that appear to me necessary to be stated under this head —

1st Head and Judicial Surgeons

16th Under this head are the Surgeons at the Board of Revenue and Chundar, and five at present with the Circuit and Zillah Judges, but it is impossible to say what number may be required, as the Judiciary System is not yet nearly compleated — In the annexed abstract I have estimated the number at 20 under the head of Judicial, of which 5 are at present employed

39th When this System comes to be compleated, I would propose, that it should become a Service distinct from the Military as was directed by the Honorable Court of Directors, in their order of 1795 for dividing the Medical Establishment into Civil and Military Surgeons — an order at that time waved, from there being then no situations to render the Separation necessary — and that it should be formed, from the General List by calling on the Senior Surgeons downwards to make their choice — and having once done so that they be considered as having thereby given up all Claim to Military promotion or advantage — that none under the rank of Surgeon be attached to the Judicial System, but that there should be gradations of Rank according to length of Service and provision made for retiring Allowances — To this Class would then properly devolve the Duty of Vaccine Inoculation of the Hospitals, or such other humane attentions to the numerous wretched Sick Natives in every Village of Government as might

2d Assistant Surgeons Regimental

Having

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10th Having specified under the head of Regimental Surgeons the number of Assistant Surgeons required for the Army &c of which number 20 are wanting to complete, I have only to state my own opinion, that every Assistant Surgeon should continue in that relative Situation until he is promoted — that he may acquire knowledge from experience and habits of industry — both of which would be in danger of being lost, if an Assistant Surgeon was placed sooner in fixed or local Situations, where there is often but little to do —

11th Under the head of Assistant Surgeons, on Staff Stations in the return, are the Assistant Surgeons at the Dispensary and Purdah Medical Storekeeper at Vellore and such young Men as have literary or other requirements to entitle them to be particularly employed, and the Assistant Surgeon who is Company Naturalist at Bangalore and the Assistant Surgeon with the Mysore Survey, making the number of Assistant Surgeons under this head —

9th The Reserve

12th I have specified 16 Assistant Surgeons under this head in the abstract, which includes those at present employed and under the head in the abstract of Assistant Surgeons on fixed Situations — Viz. Jalnapatam, Trichinopoly, Guntoor, Cuddapah, and Mysore — as well as those employed at present with the Judges at Rajamundry and Ramnaud — making the number of 7, to which is to be added, the Assistant now attached to the [illegible] specified in the Return [illegible]

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in all — for as all the Corps would be Complete, if what is Stated can be carried into effect, there would seldom be a necessity for more — this number of unattached assistant Surgeons might be stationed at the Hospital at the Presidency, and the Hospitals in the Divisions where there are most Troops, to gain experience — and be under the Orders of the Board and Superintending Surgeons, for the Supply of any vacancy or distress with the Troops, of any Service on which they might be required or whatever they may be usefully employed.—

43rd 10th Subassistant Surgeons

This description of Medical assistance remains to be mentioned — Subassistant Surgeons have generally been either Europeans of but little education, or Portuguese born here, and brought up by Surgeons in the Service to a knowledge of Pharmacy, and the Performance of some of the more simple operations in Surgery — who from their experience in Field Hospitals, or where there have been many Sick, have always been found very useful — they have generally obtained the appointment on the recommendation of Surgeons acquainted with their merits, and who were anxious to Serve them, but lost their Situation when they behaved Ill, and to this may be attributed their having Supported a Character of utility, and been always considered an appendage of the Medical Establishment.— There

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44th There are at present 15 in the Pay of Government three of whom are invalided from old age and infirmity — as they have been recommended to be the Situations to which the Asylum Boys are to look up — the number may be increased to 20 without including the Pensioned — and this number can always be usefully employed either in the field, or in time of Peace, whey they Should be under the Orders of the Medical Board and Superintending Surgeons — this Pay is ten Pagodas per Month, with half Batta and Tent allowance, making Pagodas 25.3, in Garrison, and with additional half Batta, Pagodas 33.37 in the Field.—

45th To Shew your Excellency the deficiency of the present System, and what is required, the accompanying Statement is forwarded — whereby it appears, that 28 Assistant Surgeons are required for even the present System — but the Establishment as now recommended, demands more — or 78 to Complete the whole.

46th This number may appear large, compared with the numbers that have hitherto done the Duty, but when the extent of Territory under this Government is Considered the increasing details both Civil and Military, frequent occasional loss of [illegible] by Sickness, and the [illegible]

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experienced, to find Medical Assistance for the most urgent exigencies of Service, the Board are convinced that this encrease will be found necessary.

47th When once the Medical Establishment is completed which has never yet been the case, the specified number of unattached Assistant Surgeons at the Presidency and one in some of the Divisions of the Superintending Surgeons will only be necessary to an effective Medical Establishment, for all the duties of this new extensive Service.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Excellency's most obed.t

and very humble Servant

[Signed] Jas. Anderson

Physician General

and President of the Med.l Bd.

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Statement of the Madras Medical Establishment its deficiencies and the Numbers required to render it complete and effective

	Military													Civil & Judicial				Grand Total
		Superintending Surgeons		Surgeons					Assistant Surgeons					Surgeons				
	Medical Board	Establishment	Subsidiary Forces	General Hospital	Garrison & field Station	Regimental	Staff appointments		Infrd Stations	Regimental	Staff Situations	Reserve Unattached to Corps or field Hospital Stations		Wth Resident Surgeons	Wth Sub Surgeons & Sub Surgeons	Wth Sub Surgeons & Sub Surgeons	Sub Surgeons	
Present at their Stations temporary absent from Sickness included	3	5	2	1	12	22	6		5	39	4	8		2	5	2		1[illegible]
Furlough to Europe or absent in other shares						11												1[illegible]
Wanting to complete		2				2				24			24					28
The Present Establishment	3	7	2	1	12	35	6	54	5	63	4	8	80	2	5	2	9	155
Wanting to complete the Establishment as recommended including absent on furlough & sick		1			10	24		3½							15			30
Transferred												7	2					
Proposed Establishment	3	8	2	1	22	59	6	[illegible]		63	4	15	82	2	20			205
No.	1	2	3	4	5		7		8	9	10	11		12	13	14		

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(Signed) Jas. Anderson
Physician General
and President of the Med. Bd.

No. 2 Superintending Surgeons wanting to complete Mysore 1
Malabar 1
[illegible]
The Presidency &c. 1

Fort St. George
Masulipatam
Trinchinopoly
Bellary
Vizagapatam
Negapatam
Ganjam
Ingeram
Cuddalore
Vellore
Tanjore
Poonamallee

Staff Surgeons Travancore 1
Medical Storekeeper 1
Lunatic Hospital & Black Town Jails 1
Native Infirmary 1
Distt. Officers Pt. Thorne 1
Secretary Medical Board 1

Nellore
Tripassore
Gooty
Ildhaut
Nuggur

Wth Sundia 1
Mysore 1

Guntoor 1
Arnee 1
Masulipatam 1
Salem 1
Trinchinopoly 1

Bangalore Bengalore
Bellary Cohere, Calicut
Bangalore Rajacottah
Tripassore, Nellore & Gooty

European Regiment 2
2 Battns Artillery 4
23 Regt. Native Infty 45
4 Do. Do. Cavalry 8
2 Corps Pioneers 2
Body Guard 1

Ramnad 1
Rajamundry 1

Furlough to Europe 2
Bell Bn. Nabob 1
Mallacca 1
Rajacottah 1

Botanical Garden Bengalore 1
Medical Storekeeper Pt. St. Ld. 1
Fort St. George 1
Mysore Survey

Native Cavalry 1
Pioneers 1

Regiment 1
Artillery 2
Infty 23
Cavalry 8
Pioneers 1

23 Infty 23
1

Nellore Mt. Stewart
Tripassore Campbell
Gooty Hill
Ildhaut Trotter
Nuggur Tanjore
Rajamundry Cameron
Ramnad Brodie

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief desires you will express to the Medical Board his wish that they would suggest to him the name of a Medical Officer to take Medical Charge of the 2d Battalions of Pioneers now at the Presidency.

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5th July 1805.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To the Adjutant General of the Army.

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive and to lay your letter dated the 3d Instant before the Medical Board who have now directed me to intimate to you for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief that they would suggest Mr. Assistant Surgeon Balmain as a proper person to take temporary Medical Charge of the 2d Battalion of Pioneers now at the Presidency.

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Med. Office
[illegible] 1805.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obdt. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Medl. Board

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Fort St. George
July 5th 1805.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief requests you will lay before the Medical Board the enclosed Extract from a letter received from Major General Campbell, Commander in the Ceded Districts, and His Excellency requests to be favoured with the Opinion of the Medical Board on the Major General's Application.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obdt. Servt.
(Signed) J. M. Hall
Mil. Secy.

Wm. Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

Extract of a letter from Major General Dugald Campbell to His Excellency the Commander in Chief dated at Kallary the 29th June 1805.

My attention has been often called by Officers in Command of Native Cavalry Corps to the Situation of the Horse Keepers, and Grass Cutters attached to the different Regiments; no Provision [illegible]

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Class of People, so indispensably necessary to the Public Service, being provided with the usual Medical Aid, on occasions of Sickness, the Assistant Surgeons attached to Corps of Cavalry, receive no allowance for Medicines necessary for the relief of the above description of Public followers, and consequently have it not in their Power, however Devoted they might otherwise be, to afford them their professional Assistance. To this circumstance I beg to call your Excellency's humane attention, and to recommend that Surgeons attached to Cavalry Corps may be ordered to extend their attendance to the Horse Keepers and Grass Cutters of their Respective Regiments and that they may be authorized to draw on that account the regulated monthly allowance for European and Country Medicines.

(Signed) D. Campbell
Mil. Genl.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) Jm Hall
Mil. Secy.

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Fort St. George
July 11th 1805.

Sir,

A Vacancy having occurred in the Medical Staff at Seringapatam by the appointment of Mr. Surgeon White to the Situation of Garrison Surgeon of Fort St. George, I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request you will communicate to the Medical Board, His Excellency's desire to receive their Opinion of the fittest person to succeed Mr. White at that Station.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obdt. Servt.
(Signed) Jm Hall
Mil. Secy.

Wm. Hossman Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

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To Major Hall

&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 5th Instant enclosing an Extract of a letter from Major General Campbell Commanding in the Ceded Districts both of which I duly laid before the Medical Board who have now directed me to state to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that they are of opinion the Hon'ble Company's Medical Stores would be inadequate to supplying all the Horse Keepers and Grass Cutters of Cavalry Regiments with European Medicines — and that adopting such a measure might occasion applications of a similar nature in behalf of all descriptions of Public followers, or whom, though an highly useful people, the service has in fact very little hold.—

The Medical Board have also directed me to say that the Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons of Cavalry Regiments being allowed to draw the same regulated monthly allowance to supply Country Medicines for Horse Keepers and Grass Cutters, as granted for the Native Troops, would in their judgment [illegible] expense

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on account of a Class of People who have not by any means the same Claims on the Government, as the fighting Men I am however directed me to request that you will be pleased to submit to his Excellency, the expediency of Surgeons or Assistant Surgeons doing duty with Cavalry Regiments being allowed to draw a fixed allowance of Pagd 15 pr. month which sum would appear sufficient to indemnify them for any expense they may be at in taking charge of such sick or wounded public followers as the severity of Service or accident might throw in their way — and of allowing one and a half (1½) fanam per day, to the Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon of any fixed Hospital, for every Patients of the above description who may happen to be placed under his professional care.—

In reply to your letter of the 11th Instant which I had the honor to receive the same afternoon the Medical Board have in compliance with His Excellency's desire, directed me to recommend Mr. Surgeon Scarman as a fit person to succeed Mr. White as Garrison Surgeon at Seringapatam.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obt. Servt.
Signed [illegible]
[illegible]

Fort St. George
[illegible] Office
July 1815.—

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief desires me to intimate to you that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Annesly has been obliged by ill health to quit the 2nd Battn. 6th Regmt. in Travancore and that the Officers Commanding has appointed Mr. Assistant Surgeon Macaulay to the temporary Charge of that Corps.—

The Horse Artillery Detachment at Arcot, being duty for instruction with His Majesty's 19 Dragoons, have been placed under the Medical Care of the Surgeon of that Regiment.

His Excellency deems that the Medical Board will recommend to him a Surgeon for the Garrison of Seringapatam and one for the 1st Battn. of Artillery. Vice White lately charged with those Duties but appointed to Fort St. George by recent orders.—

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13th July 1815

Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I had yesterday Evening the honor to receive your letter of the 13th Instant (by a Tippoal Peon) intimating by desire of his Excellency the Commander in Chief that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Annesly had by ill health been [illegible] the 2d Battn. 6th Regmt. in Travancore and

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and that the officer Commanding there had appointed Mr. Assistant Surgeon Macaulay to the temporary Charge of that Corps together with the Detachment of Horse Artillery at Arcot being placed under the Medical care of the Surgeon of his Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons. I have duly laid before the Medical Board.

Relative to the appointment of a Surgeon to the Garrison of Seringapatam the Medical Board have instructed me to say that they yesterday at the desire of the Commander in Chief communicated to him through the Medium of his Excellency's Military Secretary recommended Mr. Surgeon Searman for that Situation and that they would now suggest Mr. Surgeon David Scot as a fit person to be appointed to the 1st Battn. of Artillery.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obdt. Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Kersman
Secy. Medl. Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
16th July 1815

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Fort St. George
July 26th 1815

Sir

The Commander in Chief desires me to submit the enclosed papers to the Medical Board which you will be so obliging as to do, with His Excellency's request to receive their opinion respecting Mr. Cruse's Claim for allowances as Garrison Surgeon at Tellicherry. The allowance which has been checked for Native Sick I presume Mr. Cruse must be entitled to, but there is much doubt on the Claim to allowance as Garrison Surgeon and particularly as Colonel McLeod it seems did not intend Mr. Cruse should have entered into such expence.

You will favor me with the Board Opinion and believe me Sir.

Your very faithfully
and obedient
(Signed) J. M. Hall
Mill. Secy.

William Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

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To Major Hall

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 26th Instant with its enclosures all of which I duly laid before the Medical Board who have now directed me to request that you will be pleased to state to his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that they do not think it possible for any Medical Man to do justice to a number of actual Sick only on so small an allowance as 40 Cash per day for each patient.

The Medical Board are therefore of opinion if Colonel Macleod found it expedient on account of the service to direct Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cruse to take Medical charge of the Sick of the Garrison of Tellicherry, that that Medical Officer should be considered entitled to all the regular allowances attached to such situation, including Pay 10 per Month, the sum allowed by the Regulations to Assistant Surgeons of Stations, on account of Medical Servants.

I herewith take the liberty of returning Colonel Macleods letter with its accompaniments and I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedt. Servant
[illegible]

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
31st July 1815.

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Fort St. George
July 28th 1805.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief requests you will lay the enclosed paper, received from Lieutenant Colonel Lang, before the Medical Board for their opinion on the Subject of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy's representation.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obedient Servant
(Signed) J. M. Hall
Mil. Secy.

Wm. Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

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Fort St. George
July 30th 1805.

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit an Extract from the Resolutions of Council on the 24th Instant for the Information of the Medical Board, & remain Sir

Your very obedient Servant
(Signed) J. M. Hall
Mil. Secy.

Wm. Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c. &c.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Military Department dated 24th July 1805.

The Board being satisfied of the accuracy of the Statement of the Medical Board relative for the augmentation of duty in that Department, it is Resolved that authority be given for the increased establishment recommended on that account.

Resolved that the two persons recommended by the Medical Board be employed as Sub Assistant Surgeons.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

(A true Extract)
(Signed) J. M. Hall
Mil. Secy.

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Fort St. George
August 13th 1808.

Sir,

Colonel Oliver of the 9th Regiment Native Infantry having represented to the Council, that his Health is in such a State as to require his immediate Departure from this Country, and requesting that his Case may be decided upon by the Medical Board.—

I have the honor to communicate to you the Desire of Government, that you will direct the Necessary Inquiry, and have the goodness to report to me the result thereof.—

Colonel Oliver has had information to this Effect.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obedient
Humble Servant
J. F. Cradock
Lt. Genl.

Doctor Anderson
Physician General
&c. &c. &c.

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The Secretary of the Medical Board.

Sir,

The Commander in Chief desires you will without delay State to the Medical Board his desire that a proper Medical Officer may be named to him, to take Charge of a Detachment of nearly 200 Europeans, who are proceeding by Sea to Masulipatam, and thence to the advanced Army on the Dekkan — the Ship on which they embark is to be in readiness to Sail tomorrow Evening.—

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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19th August 1805.

Fort St. George 19th August 1805.

To the Adjutant General of the Army.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date which I have laid before the Medical Board, and I am now directed to say to you in reply to it, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Greaves to take charge of the European Detachment about to proceed by Sea to Masulipatam and thence to the advanced Army in the Dekan.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servt.

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secy. Medl. Board.

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19th Augt. 1805.—

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Fort St. George
August 20th 1805.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that Doctor Mackenzie has favored me with a copy of his address to the Medical Board upon several points relative to the Execution of his Charge of Superintending the Vaccination.—

In this address there is this paragraph. If the Medical Board should concur in this opinion, I request, that I may receive the authority of the Board & the Commander in Chief, to call upon the Garrison Surgeon, where there are no Judicial ones, to act, as Vaccinators, under the regulation prescribed for that Line of Duty.—

As it appear to me very advantageous to the public Interests that these Gentlemen should be employed, I beg, if it meet with your approbation, that my Concurrence may be expressed, to this effect.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your very Faithful
Obedient
(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lt. Gen.

Doctor Anderson
&c. &c. &c.
Physician General

To

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To His Excellency Lieut. General
Sir John F. Cradock K. B.
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Excellency's Letter of yesterdays date, respecting Mr. McKenzie's application for leave to call upon the Garrison Surgeons where there are no Judicial ones to act in the Duties of Vaccination.

On the receipt of Mr. Mackenzie's Letter, the Medical Board directed that the Superintending Surgeons should be desired to inform the Board what Gentlemen they could recommend in their Several Divisions, to assist the Vaccine Superintendent.

So soon as the Medical Board are enabled to reply to Mr. Mackenzie's requisition, they will not fail to express to your Excellency's Approbation of Concurrence agreeable to your Excellency's desire.

I have the honor to be
Your Excellency's most obedient
and very humble Servant

(Signed) James Anderson
Physician General
and President of the Medical Board

Garden
August 21st 1805.

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To
The Secretary to the Medical Board
at
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor of notifying to you for communication to the Medical Board that the Commander in Chief has been pleased to direct Mr. Assistant Surgeon Christie (late of the 74th Foot) to proceed to Poondamalie with His Majesty's 67th Regiment and to continue with that Corps until its own Medical Staff shall join it.

(Signed) Fred. Pierce
Dep. Adjt. Genl.

Adjt. General's Office
24th August 1805.

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August 27th 1805.

Sir,

I have the honor to send to you, to be laid before the Medical Board, a representation from Colonel McLeod, Commanding in Wynaad, upon the State of the Sick in that Province. Colonel McLeods Report is also accompanied by the separate opinion of three Medical Gentlemen.—

Colonel McLeod, in his address, seems to consider, that the Urgency of the case is beyond the ordinary Course of Medical attention, and requires the active Interference of Government.—

I am quite disposed to acquiesce in the Necessity, and to express my Belief, that unless some very effectual Measures of Precaution and Redress be adopted, the Evil will increase, not be reduced.—

So so alarming a Height has the Sickness, among the Troops in Wynaad, arisen, that Government has been obliged to send an efficient Regiment to that District, to replace the due, that had suffered so, much and was become utterly unable to perform the Necessary Duty of that turbulent Quarter.— There is too much reason to apprehend, that the same Fate await them, and in a short [illegible] Pause Necessity will recur.—

Under

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Under these Circumstance, I feel it to be incumbent upon me to direct the attention of the Medical Board to the Subject, and to request from them the most serious Investigation of the Causes, that may produce the present appearance of Malady, and whether, if proper measures be pursued, it may be reasonably expected, that the Country of Wynaad will become a less obnoxious Quarter.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very faithful
Obedient
(Signed) J. F. Cradock
Lieut. Genl.

Doctor Anderson
Physician General
1st Member of the Medical Board.—

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Cannanore 15th August 1805

To the Deputy Adjutant General
of Mysore
Fort St. George

Sir,

From the very considerable number of Sick in Wynaad I deemed it necessary to direct an enquiry into the Causes under the hope that it might subsequently lay in my power to assist in the adoption of such measures which the Medical Men might point out as requisite for their Recovery - the enclosed replies will however shew their Recommendation to require the approval of Superior authority I have therefore forwarded them for the information of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, have to observe that since I had last the honor to write to you on this Subject (the 6th instant) the Number of Sick are greatly increased -

(Signed) Alexr. Macleod
Lieut. Col. Commanding
in Malabar & Canara

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Querie 1st what are the most prevailing Disorders Fevers of the Intermittant and Bilious Kind Desentry or Bloody flux of the worst Kind and most frequently the result of these Fevers Country Sore legs on Gongaloos -?

2nd From what do these disorders Chiefly arise -?

3rd What are the causes distinctly of the long lingering of the Men under these disorders -?

From the lateness of the monsoon and the partial Rains which occasioned the Collection of bad Marsh Effluvia Acting as a Cause in the 1st instance and succeeded by Heavy Rains and Cold Bleak winds, continuing to operate as a further cause Contrary to what is usual in Wynaad that this is the cause & has been remarked by the oldest Inhabitants of the province and this Effects in a great Measure accounted for disadvantages of Situation the Posts of Koliaddy and Kornisto Cota Surrounded by Swamps and the Heavy Dews which fall early in the Evening and have occasioned the greatest Mortality among the families of the Troops and the Troops themselves at these Stations, these with the want of Camalies the bad quality of the Rice at the Post of Koliaddy the Effects of which Rice appears; the wants of these Comforts are the Chief Causes of the universal Sickness which has so long prevailed -

4th Are the Hospitals Sufficiently comfortable and is the Medical Establishment adequate to afford that Substantial aid and attention to the Sick which the nature

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Nature and prevalence of these disorders require and the Distance from each other of the different Stations renders unavoidably requisite as precluding one Assistant whose time is wholly occupied at one Station from giving his Personal assistance to the sick of another &c.

At Paronta Cota the Hospital is dry but in the rear weeds & high grass have grown very considerably, the drains in that part of the Fort have become inadequate to carry off the water entirely so that it is in a great measure surrounded by Swamp, that at Holiaddy is not large enough to contain more than 40 or 50 Sick and the one at Kamiste Cota, by the exertions of Lieut. Hughes is sufficient for the purpose, but the want of Cook Rooms and a Necessary at Panorta Cota which have been delayed till this period renders it difficult to Collect the people more than once a day, or to deny them from going to the Cantonment, which has now become the most unhealthy part of this Station, the Medical assistance is not sufficient to afford that requisite aid to the Sick at the several Stations, my first Dresser lately fell a Sacrifice to the Fever at Holiaddy — I have no one at Panorta Cota to assist, the Native assistant ordered by Colonel Macleod has not been forth coming — Owing therefore to the distance of the several Stations precluding one assistant whose time should be wholly occupied at one Station from giving his personal assistance to the sick of another it is requisite that a Native assistant should be furnished immediately

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immediately to each Station there is much difficulty in procuring native Assistants.

5th It is natural to suppose from the foregoing Statement that the Epidemic which now prevails will not to continue in an aggravated degree without an immediate addition to the Medical Establishment but the late number of Casualties have not altogether arisen from this want as there is one Dresser at Holiaddy lately sent and he has by no means been able to stop the progress of these disorders or reduced the number of the Sick, without a doubt therefore the health of the Troops will continue to decline, unless such comforts are afforded as will enable them to contend against the Climate, a very considerable proportion of the worst cases, would receive relief, by removal to a more Healthy situation, especially where a European Surgeon is Stationed.

6th In regard to what should be recommended, the first the most important consideration, is in my opinion to afford expeditious relief in supplying those comforts, their peculiar distressed situation requires, during the progress of the Ague Fever, at Holiaddy it is Melancholy to observe, that the rice, their present only resource occasions those fluxes that carry off the Men and this I have particularly observed — Rack with proper restrictions should immediately be allowed and Issued and mutton which is now not to be had at any of these out Stations.

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The want of Body Cloathing as Camilies &c. Still Exists and is another very great cause the impoverished State of the Bazar will not furnish them.—

The two Flank Companys of the 1st Battalion 5th Regiment Native Infantry Jarrived here the latter end of June having 30 sick which have increased within 15 Days to 71/30 of whom have fluxes— these Men cannot procure Camilies.—

I conclude with remarking that great depression of Spirits (not to say discontent) prevail among the sick.—

(Signed) S. J. Reviere
Asst. Surgeon

A true Copy
(Signed) Hasborne
Mil. Sec.

Answers

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Answers to Queries proposed by Captn. Watson.

1st. The most prevailing Diseases are dysentery & Intermittent Fever, but the greater number of patients admitted into Hospital since my last have been with Itch and small ulcers.—

2nd. From the Cold, damp of the Climate and being almost continually exposed to rain on duty, besides, the poor watery Diet of the Sepoy Coes not sustain him against the ill effects which fatigue produces on the body, when he is kept marching at all hours from one Station to another, as the Nature of the Service requires, If what I have mentioned should be found to be the cause of the Diseases in question, the removal or remedy rests in the judgment and interference of the Commanding Officer.—

3rd. The causes of the Men lingering such a length of time under these Diseases are Complicated and not easily ascertained, however, they appear to proceed from extreme debility, induced by repeated attacks of Fever and Flux alternately, which generally leave the patient in an anasarcous State with effections of his Liver and Mesentery.—

4th. The Hospital at Vallaad is large enough for our present number of Sick but not so comfortable as I could wish owing to dampness in the floor; which immediately points out the necessity or

propriety

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Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of the Commander in Chief that the Sick in Hospital at this Station on the 15th Instant amounted to 1 Officer, 1 Sergeant, 1 Woman, 1 Child, 1 Corporal, 1 Drummer, 1 Private, 1 Lascar, 1 Native Officer, 1 Native Soldier, 1 Native Servant, 1 Native Woman, 1 Native Child, 1 Native Boy, 1 Native Girl, 1 Native Man

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1st. In conformity to the order of the Hon.ble Governor in Council, I have the honor to report that the most prevailing and violent Sickness on the Establishment of the Native Corps serving in the District is intermittent Fever; some few cases of Bilious Fever and Dysentery, have occurred but they bear only a small proportion to the other.

2d. In order to trace these Diseases to their principal causes both the influence of the Sea and Land Atmosphere of Negapatam on the constitutions of men who are all natives of Malabar before the Ghauts and the Coast Campaign of the Rainy Season also from the beginning of May till the middle of June which is a remarkably sickly period with the natives of the district, preceding Sickness from the powerful action of the Sun at that time producing excessive Perspiration from swamps and dead vegetable matter has considerably affected the health of the Men and been opposed by the Inhabitants, that this is almost uncommonly sickly season but they attribute to the intense of the sitting on of the rains that small quantity of Sultry and the long intervals of fair weather, during which the Sun has a powerful & baneful influence.

3d. The long Sitting of the Rains and Heat is to be attributed to the continued operation of the causes previously mentioning the attack and more especially

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to the Inhabitants of the Hospitals at the different Stations particularly Negapatam having been of all the buildings first erected and the driest that at always being last Inhabited, as the Sick increased it was unavoidable to suffer a number of them to remain in the Barracks, which from the peculiar difficulty of procuring Lands on that Quarter are the most uncomfortable of any at the Native Stations. The water there also is extremely bad and adds to the Causes of the extraordinary Sickliness of that Station.

Journeys of Duty may also be added to the list of Causes, by occasioning the Sick and Invalids passing at the Inception of Fever. The present State of the Bazaar on Negapatam Esplanade of Fever. The present State of the Bazaar on Negapatam Esplanade from the Scarcity and Consequent high price of every article of Sustenance or Comfort, putting it out of the power of the Natives to live as they were on the Island of Malabar, a little unwholesome Salt Fish is the chief addition they can procure to their Rice this also operates as an obvious obstacle to the Sick attaining above a State of Convalescence in which taking their discharge from the Hospital, the great attempt to return to their duty, particularly Standing Duty at night is commonly productive of a Relapse, which in their Reduced debilitated State they frequently sink under very suddenly.

The extraordinary harassing Duties of the Detachment of Police on Negapatam, the Men being constantly exposed to the Weather on Guard and Securing Prisoners, must also be productive of a great proportion of their Sickness, seldom recovering without

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without sending several men to the Hospital.

In proof of the difficulty of attaining permanent recovery from Fever in Wynaad at this season, I would beg leave to instance the case of officers who have been attacked with the Complaint - the Superior Vigour of the European Constitution together with the Comforts and attention that an Officer is liable to procure have in no instance within my Knowledge been able to establish a cure; the majority have been obliged to Report to the Coast and those who remain suffer frequent relapses to the great injury of their Constitutions, and are in the mean time unfit for any active duty.

In the way of preventive measures little I fear can be done, the whole of the Detachment in Wynaad are Clothed in a manner peculiarly calculated for their Warmth and Comfort, the Jackets being made to Come low down and preserve their Bowels from Cold, which is an important precaution for Night Duty they are provided with large Comfy. Cloaks Sleeved and Hooked, which shield them as far as is practicable from the effects of the Atmosphere - the State of the Barracks have admitted of some improvement by means of Tires and Bamboo Branches, but they will not be perfectly dry and whole some till the Return of fair Season.

4th In answer to the fourth Quere I have to observe that the Hospitals as mentioned in the

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the preceding paragraph are as comfortable as Circumstances will admit, they are furnished with Bamboo Cots and Straw Bedding - an intelligent Native Doctor (with subordinate assistance) is attached to each, who are not required to quit their Stations - the sick of the few posts in the Vicinity of each being brought to the respective Hospitals. In addition to the administration of Medicine which in the reduced lingering state to the Men System but of secondary Consideration, they are supplied with Wine, Sago and other articles of Comfort and nourishment which the Officers at the Stations where the Detached Hospitals are situated have had the goodness to superintend the distribution of, and on my Visits to them from Karriamgerry the attention of the Medical assistance has always been Spoken of in terms of Commendation, I therefore do not conceive that any deficiency exists under this head or that an application for additional Establishment is requisite.

In the View of Causes of the origine and Continuance of the Sickly State of the Detachment, which has experienced a gradual Monthly increase since its arrival in this District, I have very reason to be of opinion that instead of any favorable alteration being expected to take place in their State of health and efficiency, that it is rather to be apprehended it will Continue on the Decline, for as very few of those who have had

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had attacks of Fever recover (while they remain here) sufficient strength to render them effective, and new cases occurring daily, there is no other prospect (while present Circumstances continue to exist) than that the number of men for active Duty will decrease monthly.—

I would therefore recommend the Continuance of the Measure which has been lately resorted to of sending down to Kutally in Malabar near the Fort of Wynaad Ghaut, all obstinate and lingering cases as the only means of enabling them to obtain a complete recovery, and return after a certain time to their duty.—

(Signed) Thos. Palmer
Assistant Surgeon
Malabar Pol. Corps

A true Copy
(Signed) Hersborne
Milty Secy.

Memorandum

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Memorandum on the State of the Sick in Wynaad
25th August 1805.

It appears by the answers to the Queries submitted to the Medical Officers in Wynaad that the baneful effects of the Climate, upon the Constitution of the Troops serving in that District, are rendered more pernicious by the want of well supplied Bazars, particularly in the Article of animal food. To this important object it would be well if Government would in a pointed manner, direct the attention of the Collector. It appears also absolutely necessary for the preservation of the Troops in this singularly unhealthy District, that they should be furnished with Cumblies or even blankets; and as some of the Medical Gentlemen seen of opinion that a certain quantity of good Spirits will invigorate the Constitutions of the Sepoys, and tend to enable them to resist the effects of the Climate, the regulations for allowing Spirits to Native Troops in the case of Ulcers, should be extended to all cases, where the Medical Officers may deem Spirits necessary for the Troops in Wynaad.—

It also appear that the best effects might be produced by an improved Construction of the Barracks as well as of the Hospitals: for which the Commanding Officers of Corps should be held answerable; particularly that the floors are well raised, and Drains made outside to carry

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carry off the moisture, and that in future these buildings should be constructed at a proper season of the year, and as it appears that due care has not been taken of the Cots and Bedding formerly issued to the Stations in Wynaad, it would be proper that an other supply should be immediately forwarded; and the Officers in Command of the Troops for whose use they are furnished, shall be held answerable that due care is taken, in future of those articles.—

It is to be hoped that the general Hospital which Colonel Macleod has been sanctioned to establish for the reception of the Sick and Convalescent from all his Posts, will tend to the mobination of the general health of the Troops. And it should be left to his discretion on the application of the Medical Officers to authorize them to incertain such a number of Natives dressers as they may deem absolutely necessary, to be employed in the General Hospital, or in the detached Posts, as Circumstances may require. As this is the most unhealthy season in Wynaad it might be well if such public Doolies as have accompanied the 1st Battalion 11th Regiment ordered to relieve the 2d of the 1st in Wynaad should be left at Colonel Macleods disposal for a few weeks, for the removal of the Sick at the different Stations to the Hospital.—

Upon the whole altho there may be an apparent increase of expense incurred by carrying

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carrying these suggestions into execution, yet no doubt can be entertained that as long as it may be necessary to employ Troops in so unhealthy a Country, it will be economy in the end to supply them liberally with every article that may tend to their Comfort and even Satisfaction, exclusive of the imperious Considerations of Justice and humanity.—

Altho' for particular reasons a relief or reinforcement to the Troops in Wynaad is absolutely necessary at present, yet experience has taught us that relieving Troops who have been exposed for a certain time to the beneful effects of bad Climate tends only to spread more widely the desolation arising from Disease, and altho' it may appear a hardship upon any particular Corps to be left in such unhealthy Situations, yet after a certain period it has been observed that the Constitutions in some degree assimilate with the Climate, and that fewer men upon the whole will be sacrificed than if the general and apparently humane principle of relieving the Corps is restored to.—

(Signed) A. Campbell
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Fort St. George 16th. August 1805.

Fort St. George
29th. August 1805.

Sir

I have been directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request that you will signify to the Medical Board his wish that Mr. Graham an Assistant Surgeon on board the ship Stuart Indiaman, should undergo the necessary examination to ascertain whether he be qualified for the Situation of an Assistant Surgeon in His Majesty's Service.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant

William Horsman Esqr. / Signed / J. Campbell
Secretary to Medical Board A. D. A. Genl.

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Fort St. George 31st. August 1805.

To Major J. Campbell
Dept. Adjutant General
His Majesty's Troops.

Sir,

In reply to your letter to me dated the 29th. Instant the Medical Board have directed me to say, that if you will have the Goodness to request Mr. Graham to attend at this Office on Monday the 2nd. ensuing at eleven o'clock, they will then put him through the necessary examination, and report his qualifications as an Assistant Surgeon for His Majesty's Service.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very obedient Servt.

Fort St. George
Medl. Board Office
31st. August 1805.

/ Signed / Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George 2d. September 1805.

To Major J. Campbell
Deptg Adjutant General
His Majesty's Troops.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to say to you for the information of the Commander in Chief, that they have agreeably to his Excellency's desire, conveyed in your letter to me dated the 29th Ultimo, put Mr. John Graham through the necessary examination, and found him duly qualified for the situation of an Assistant Surgeon in his Majesty's Service —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Medl. Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
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Fort St. George 2d. September 1805.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief directs me to request that you will state to the Medical Board his desire that measures may be suggested for affording Medical Aid to the Troops in Garrison at Hullial, whence Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stock has been compelled to proceed to Goa from severe indisposition.

Above 100 Men are in Hospital at Hullial without Medical Aid — and the Commanding Officer further states an entire want of Back, Sarter Emelia Ipecacuanha, Crem Tart. Jallap, Spirits of Lavender, Spirit of Nitre, and Salts; in the Medical Stores there, and a very scanty remainder of all other Medicines. This deficiency the Commander in Chief desires may be adverted to and remedied without delay.

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stevenson has been ordered to join and give Medical Aid to a Detachment of His Majesty's 12th Regiment ordered from Pondamallee to join that Regiment at Seringapatam.

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjutant General
of the Army

Fort St. George
3d. Septr. 1805.

Fort St. George 5th September 1805.

To the Adjutant General of the Army.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 3rd Instant and I am directed by the Medical Board to say in reply to it for the information of the Commander in Chief they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Andrew now at Beddanore to be directed to proceed as expediously as possible to Hullyhaul and that the Commanding Officer at Seringapatam be instructed to detach as soon as practicable such Medical Aid as can be best spared from that Garrison, to take charge of the sick at Beddanore.

I am also further directed to acquaint you for the information of his Excellency that I have this day by order of the Medical Board forwarded instructions to the Superintending Surgeon at Seringapatam to despatch to Hullyhaul a sufficient supply of those Medicines which your letter mentions the entire want of, as well as of all such other articles as may be necessary for the use of that Garrison.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th September 1805.

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Fort St. George 5th September 1805.

To
The Secretary to the Medical Board
at
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor of notifying to you for communication to the Medical Board that the Commander in Chief has been pleased to direct Mr. Assistant Surgeon Christie (late of the 74th Foot) to proceed to Poonamallee with His Majestys 67th Regiment and to continue with that Corps until its own Medical Staff shall join it.

Adjt. Genl.s Office
24th August 1805.

Signed Fred. Pierce
Depy. Adjt. General

Fort St. George
August 27th 1805

Sir,

I have the honor to send to you, to be laid before the Medical Board, a representation from Colonel McLeod Commanding in Hynaad, upon the state of the Sick, in that Province. Colonel McLeod's report is also accompanied by the separate opinion of three Medical Gentlemen.

Colonel McLeod, in his address, seems to consider, that the urgency of the case is beyond the ordinary course of Medical attention, and requires the active Interference of Government.

I am quite disposed to acquiesce in the necessity and to express my belief, that unless some very effectual measures of precaution

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precaution and redress be adopted, the Evil will encrease, not be reduced.

To so alarming a Height has the Sickness among the Troops in Wynaad, arisen, that Government has been obliged to send an efficient Regiment to that District, to replace the due, that had suffered so much and was become utterly unable to perform the necessary Duty of that turbulent Quarter. There is too much reason to apprehend that the same Fate await them, and in a Short time, the same pause necessity will recur.

Under these circumstances, I feel it to be incumbent upon me to direct the attention of the Medical Board to the Subject, and to request from them the most strict Investigation of the causes that may produce the present appearance of Malady, and whether, if proper measures be pursued it may be reasonably expected, that the Country of Wynaad will become a less obnoxious Quarter.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your very faithful

Obedient

(Signed) J. F. Cradock

Lieutenant General

Doctor Anderson

Physician General

1st Member of the Medical Board.

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Memorandum on the State of the Sick in Wynaad

25th August 1805.

It appears by the answers to the Queries submitted to the Medical Officers in Wynaad that the baneful effects of the Climate, upon the constitution of the Troops serving in that District, are rendered more furnicious by the want of well supplied Bazars, particularly in the Article of animals food. To this important object it would be well if Government would in a pointed manner direct the attention of the Collector. It appears also absolutely necessary for the preservation of the Troops in this singularly unhealthy District, that they should be furnished with Cumbleed or even Blankets; and as some of the Medical Gentlemen seen of opinion that a certain quantity of good Spirits will invigorate the constitutions of the Sepoys, and tend to enable them to resist the effects of the Climate, the regulations for allowing Spirits to Native Troops in the case of Ulcers, should be extended to all cases, when the Medical Officers may deem Spirits necessary for the Troops in Wynaad.

It also appear that the best effects might be produced by an improved construction of the Barracks as well as of the Hospitals for which the Commanding Officers of Corps should be held answerable, particularly that the floors are well raised, and Drains made outside to carry off the moisture, and that in future these buildings should be constructed at a proper season of the year — and as it appears that due care has not been taken of the Cotts and Bedding former issued to the Station in Wynaad, it would be

be proper that an other supply should be immediately forwarded; and the Officers in Command of the Troops for whose use they are furnished, shall be held answerable that due care is taken in future of those articles.—

It is to be hoped that the General Hospital which Colonel Macleod has been sanctioned to establish for the reception of the Sick and Convalescent from all his Posts will tend to the mollenation of the General Health of the Troops. and it should be left to his discretion. On the application of the Medical Officers to authorize them to incertain such a Number of Native Dressers as they may deem absolutely necessary, to be employed in General Hospital, or in the Detached Posts, as Circumstances may require — as this is the most unhealthy season in Wynaad it might be well if such public Doolies as have accompanied the 1st Battalion 4th Regiment ordered to relieve the 2d of the 1st in Wynaad should be left at Colonel Macleods disposal for a few Weeks, for the removal of the Sick at the different Stations to the Hospital.—

Upon the whole altho there may be an apparent increase of Expense incurred by carrying these suggestions into execution, yet no doubt can be entertained that as long as it may be necessary to employ Troops in so unhealthy a Country, it will be oeconomy in the end to supply them liberally with every Article that may tend to their Comfort and even Satisfaction, exclusive of the imperious considerations of Justice and humanity.—

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Altho for particular reasons a relief or reinforcement to the Troops in Wynaad is absolutely necessary at present, yet experience has taught us that relieving Troops who have been exposed for a certain time to the benefit effects of bad Climate tends only to spread more widely the desolation arising from Disease; and altho it may appear a hardship upon any particular Corps to be left in such unhealthy situations, yet after a certain period it has been observed that the Constitutions in some degree assimilate with the climate, and that fewer men upon the whole will be sacrificed than if the General and apparently humane principle of relieving the Corps is restored to.—

(Signed) A Campbell
Colonel

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Fort St George
29th. August 1805.

Sir,

I have been directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request that you will signify to the Medical Board his wish that Mr. Graham Assistant Surgeon on board the General Stuart Indiaman should undergo the necessary Examination to ascertain whether he be qualified for His Majesty's Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Campbell
A.D.A.General

William Horseman Esqr.
Secretary to Medical Board

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To, Major J. Campbell
Deputy Adjutant General
His Majesty's Troops

Sir,

In reply to your Letter to me Dated the 29th. Instant the Medical Board have directed me to say, that if you will have the goodness to request Mr. Graham to attend at this Office on Monday the 9th. instant at Eleven o'Clock they will then proceed to examine his necessary Examination, and Report his qualifications as an Assistant Surgeon for His Majesty's Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horseman
Secretary to Medical Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
31st. August 1805

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To Major J. Campbell
Deputy Adjutant General
His Majesty's Troops

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to say to you for the information of the Commander in Chief, that they have agreeably to His Excellency's desire, conveyed in your Letter to me dated the 29th Ultimo, put Mr. John Graham through the necessary Examination and found him duly qualified for the [illegible] of an Assistant Surgeon in His Majesty's Service.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Hersman
Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
2d September 1805

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chiefs directs me to request that you will state to the Medical Board his desire that measures may be suggested for affording Medical aid to the Troops in Garrison at Hullial, whence Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stock has been compelled to proceed to Goa from severe indisposition.—

Above 100 Men are in Hospital at Hullial without Medical aid — and the Commanding Officer further states an entire want of Back, Tarter Emilie Ipecacuanha, Crem. Tart. Jallap — Spirits of Lavender, Spirit of nitre, and [illegible] in the Medical Stores there, and a very scanty remainder of all other Medicines. This Deficiency the Commander in Chief desires may be adverted to and remedied without delay.—

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stevenson has been ordered to join and give Medical aid to a Detachment of His Majesty's 12th Regiment ordered from Poondamallee to join that Regiment at Seringapatam.—

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjutant General
of the Army

Fort St. George
3d September 1805

To

Fort St. George 5th September 1815

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter Dated the 3d Instant and I am directed by the Medical Board to say in reply to it for the information of the Commander in Chief they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Andrew now at Beddanore to be directed to proceed as expediously as possible to Hulliahaul and that the Commanding Officer at Seringapatam be instructed to detach as soon as practicable such Medical aid as can be best spared from that Garrison to take charge of the Seal at Beddanore.—

I am also further directed to acquaint you for the information of His Excellency that I have this day by order of the Medical Board forwarded instructions to the Superintending Surgeon at Seringapatam to despatch to Hulliahall a sufficient supply of those Medicines which your Letter mentions the entire want of, as well as of all such other articles as may be necessary for the use of that Garrison.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
5th September 1805

To

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief directs me to desire you will state to the Medical Board his wish that a proper person should be named to him to succeed Mr. Surgeon Dunbar as Garrison Surgeon of Ganjam Mr. O'Donoghoe having been appointed to that duty until a permanent appointment takes place. I am also direct to request you will state the promotion which the Medical Board deem necessary on this casualty.

The Commander in Chief is also extremely desirous that the Medical Board should consider in what manner such Medical aid can be furnished to the various posts in Wynaad as may alleviate if not prevent the severe sufferings the Troops recently stationed these have experienced from securing with those ordered to relieve them. If sub Assistants, or native Practitioners could be procured for this particular duty, they might be of most essential service.—

The Reports of Mr. Revere the Assistant Surgeon of the 2d Battalion of the 1st Regiment on this subject the Commander in Chief presumes has been transmitted to the Board by their Medical Officers, if not a Copy shall be furnished from this Office as received from the Officer Commanding the Corps.—

(Signed) P. A. Agnew

Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George
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To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter Dated the 13th Instant and in reply to acquaint for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that they would recommend Mr Surgeon ⸻ to succeed the late Mr Dunbar, as Garrison Surgeon of Fort St George — and also directed to point out Mr Hans Gordon as the Senior Assistant Surgeon accordingly the Court for promotion and at Present to state that there were Nine Vacant Surgeoncies ascribed to the one abovementioned Viz.t

Subordinate Regiments

1st Vacant By Mr Surgeon Johnson having retired from the Service.

2d By Mr Surgeon Cormie having retired from the Service.

4th By Mr Surgeon Pitcairn having appointed to the Medical Stores

6th By Mr Surgeon George Anderson being removed to the Coast Service Regiments

7th By Mr Surgeon Donald that being promoted to the 1st Battalion of the Artillery —

Subordinate Regiments

15th Vacant By Mr Surgeon Thomas having retired from the Service.

17th Vacant By Mr Surgeon Lloyd being continued on the Garrison of Negapatam —

Subordinate Regiments

17th Vacant By Mr Surgeon Lloyd being continued on the Garrison of Negapatam —

21st By Mr Surgeon Sharman being appointed to the Garrison of Seringapatam —

22d By Mr Surgeon Thackeray having retired from the Service — and as the Commander in Chief should direct a Residency to have the Establishment of Surgeons completed, the Medical Board would recommend the promotion of the undermentioned Assistant Surgeons Mr.s Scott, Gordon, Johnson, Lancer, Gardner, Alexander, Stewart, Gordon, Johnson, Lancer, Gardner, Alexander, Stewart, Fo. Eastwood, Solon White, M.D Grieve, Adam, A. Anderson, Francis Lindsay, and Solon Best.

On the Subject of the Sickly State of the Troops now assembled the Medical Board were requested to report their opinion on these Proceedings Dated the 28th Instant, which if they were transmitted to the Commander in Chief, would have been satisfactory to His Excellency — these Instruments pointing out the Steps to be necessary towards the best means of relief, and prevention of the suffering of the Troops, and having been Communicated from the Office of the Assistant Surgeon Rivers, as well as the Report signed by Mr.s Assistant Surgeons Gordon and Palmer of the Office of Assistant Surgeons Relative to Sub-assistants and Natives

The Medical Board are apprehensive that effectual Instructions cannot be given from these descriptions of Regular Medical Aid can be given by persons acting under the directions of Regular professional Characters Were no Steps taken, and in the manner desired today, that in the Opinion of the Medical Board the Services of Mr. Francis Dick at Seringapatam

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whose situation there, can be filled up by Mr. Thomas Bury from these place, may on the present occasion be employed in Wynaad to some advantage — and that the Board will direct an inquiry to be made how for the aid of other qualified Native Assistants can be procured.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
16th September 1805

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief in consequence of the Statement of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy and the recommendation of the Medical Board by which it was accompanied, desires you will communicate to the President and Members of the Medical Board His desire that a Draft of an arrangement may be submitted to him for completing the Regiments of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force with the full Compliment of Medical Officers to the extent which may be practicable under the present incomplete State of the Medical Establishment at this Presidency.—

His Excellency also requests that the 9 ~~Totally promoted Surgeons~~ Lizt. from Mr. Hans Gordon to

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Mr. G. J. Annesley inclusive) may be considered, in the arrangement to be proposed for the allotment of Medical Officers by the Medical Board.—

Mr. Best was not recommended by the Commander in Chief, in consequence of the recent Orders by the Honourable the Court of Directors, readmitting Mr. Surgeon Betty to the Service.—

(Signed) J. A. Agnew

Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George
27th September 1805

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter Dated the 27th Instant and in reply to it to request, that you will be pleased to state to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that, if the three entire Regiments mentioned by Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy as destined to relieve the Native Infantry Corps of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, are accompanied with the Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons which the Board presume are now attached to each Battalion, that it will in their judgement be the easiest, as well as the most effectual way of completing the Corps with Medical Staff, as far as may be considered practicable in the present defective State of the Medical Establishment at this Presidency, and probably to the full extent which Mr. Kennedy

proposed

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proceed to submit for their information & guidance the subjoined Appointments respecting that additional assistance may be obtained promptly by which the invalids might be taken to proceed to their respective Corps pursuant to the Orders of Government by which the Medical Staff of the Native Infantry had so particularly informed by stating the Medical aid of the Surgeon only for the two Battalions -

2d. Towards the allotment of Medical Officers at present necessary, in consequence of Mr Surgeon Kelly having been admitted to the Service, the Nine Cadets promoted & Several being absent on Leave the Medical Board would recommend that the undermentioned Surgeons be posted to Corps and Stations in the following order Viz.t -

Mr Surgeon Kelly	To the 7th Regiment Native Cavalry
Mr Surgeon Yates	4th Regiment Native Cavalry
Mr Surgeon Alfred Jones	6th Regiment Native Cavalry
Mr Surgeon Hans Gordon	18th Regiment Native Infantry - and to the 1st Battn with which the invalids may be ordered to join
Mr Surgeon J. Jameson	To the Zillahs and Garrison of Pegu and to the Garrisons of Amboor and Vellore
Mr Surgeon Sibbald	17th Regiment Native Infantry and to the 1st Battalion at Bellary
Mr Surgeon A. Stuart	8th Regiment Native Infantry and to the 1st Battalion at Seringapatam
Mr Surgeon Sherwood	22d Regiment Native Infantry - and to the 1st Battalion at Vellore
Mr Surgeon John Wilde	2d Regiment Native Cavalry

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Mr Surgeon Greaves To the 8th Regiment Native Infantry - and to the 1st Battalion, which invalids are now under orders to join -

Mr Surgeon Andrew ... 14th Regiment Native Infantry - and to the 1st Battalion at Trichinopoly which invalids are now ordered to be detached -

Mr Surgeon Annesley ... 1st Regiment Native Cavalry -

3d. Noted on the record of the foregoing arrangement being approved by the Commander in Chief, that a Medical Board would further recommend to His Excellency that Mr Assistant Surgeon Best be promoted to the Rank of Surgeon, and posted to the 12th Regiment Native Infantry and to the 1st Battalion at Calicut - Mr Surgeon Kelly vacant by Mr Alfred Jones - and to the 1st Battalion at Cuttack - Mr Surgeon Yates - and by Mr Surgeon Greaves to the 8th Regiment Native Cavalry - and by Mr Surgeon Annesley to the 8th Regiment Native Infantry - Mr Assistant Surgeon Best being recommended to be continued on duty pursuant to the Orders which he was ordered on a late emergent occasion - that Mr Assistant Surgeon Dyce be nominated to the Medical Charge of the Garrison of Vellore and Cangalore - Mr Stuart promoted and recommended for the 25th Regiment Native Infantry - and that Mr Assistant Surgeon Stevenson now on the Establishment of His Majesty's 59th Regiment may be attached with a Detachment of His Majesty's 59th Regiment to Seringapatam be appointed to succeed and directed to relieve Mr Dyce in charge of the 1st Battalion 4th Regiment Native Infantry & Assistant Surgeon Collard the Invalids -

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
30th September 1815

Signed Wm Fleeming
Secretary to the Board

Fort St. George 30th September 1805.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief in reply to your Letter of the 30th Instant to request you will make the following Communication from His Excellency to the Medical Board.—

From the Statement of Mr. Kennedy and the observations of the Board on that Statement the Commander in Chief had supposed that the adoption of immediate measures was required to provide for the apprehended want of Medical aid with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force and under that impression he requested the Medical Board to suggest the best application of the means afforded by the very deficient Medical Establishment of this Presidency to prevent the apprehended inconvenience. It is satisfactory to him to learn that no farther measures are immediately required.

On the subjects of the appointments of Medical Officers to Corps, suggested by the Medical Board the Commander in Chief has desired me to make the following observations.—

Mr. Surgeon Tellys appointment to the 9th Regiment of Native Cavalry is unobjectionable but the Officer Commanding that Regiment has expressed his desire to have Mr. Surgeon Taylor appointed, who is also desirous

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to be attached to the Corps; and as there is now no Medical Officer attached to it, and an Assistant Surgeon is with the 1st Battalion 7th Regiment Native Infantry the Commander in Chief is desirous to comply with the wish of Mr. Taylor, and to appoint Mr. Betty to the 7th Regiment Native Infantry.—

The appointment of Messrs. Yates, Jones Gordon, Jameson, Toljambe and Stuart, will take place as recommended.—

Mr. Surgeon Sherwood has attended the Male Asylum with so much success, that concern for that important institution has induced the Commander in Chief to accede to the desire of its Superintendent, and that of Mr. Sherwood, by allowing the longer continuance of His Services there & attaching them to the 1st Battalion of Pioneers at the Presidency, who have suffered much inconvenience from the want of a Medical Officer attached to the Corps and the illness of the Assistant Surgeon appointed to the temporary charge of their sick.—

The appointments of Messrs. White, Greaves, Andrews, and Annesley will take place as recommended by the Board, but the Commander in Chief apprehends the very severe illness Mr. Andrews experienced at Hullial, when formerly stationed there, may tend to render his Services less efficient than could be wished in a situation so particularly subject to endemial diseases.—

Before the Commander in Chief recommends farther Medical Promotions he wishes to know

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the Principle on which they are recommended, and on what Establishment of Surgeons the Medical Board Estimate the vacancies:— as it does not appear to him necessary or proper to fill up by Promotion the Situations of Surgeons absent on leave in Europe should there be a deficiency of the Established Number of Surgeons after allowing for those Sets absent in Europe and those on leave, the Commander in Chief will readily recommend Mr. Bests promotion.—

The Commander in Chief regrets that in the present instance he must decline to approve the recommendation of Mr. Dyer of whose professional merits he entertains the best opinion but he cannot allow an Officer of his ability and experience to be withdrawn from a Battalion with which he has for some time served, where the Corps [illegible] as Hynaad to be replaced by a Medical Officer inexperienced in this Country, and so little as yet accustomed to its climate as to have been unable to March for some days as the Detachment for Seringapatam which was recently obtained by his illness at Arcot. Mr. Stephenson may be allotted to do duty under the Garrison Surgeon of Seringapatam till further orders.—

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Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter Dated the 5th Instant and in reply to the 8th Paragraph of it to say, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that the Medical promotions recommended by them, were suggested on the principle of having a Surgeon who was otherwise unattached appointed to each Regiment.—

That on the supposition of Mr. Surgeon Jameson being continued in charge of the Fellah and Garrison of Rajahmundry &c., a Native Corps would still continue vacant and on that account they were induced to recommend the promotion of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Best, as endeavoured to be explained in my Letter to you bearing date the 30th Ultimo.—

The Medical Board have instructed me particularly to request, that you will have the goodness to state to the Commander in Chief, that it never occurred to them to propose that the Situations of Surgeons absent on leave in Europe should be filled up by promotion. On the Contrary, if His Excellency will be pleased to have a retrospect to their recommendations, they trust he will be sensible that they have been as particular in recommending the Surgeons at Home, as those in this Country to be posted to Regiments.— Instances of which appear in the

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cases of Messrs. Surgeons Betty, Yates, Alfred Jones, John White and James Annesley, last recommended and confirmed.—

Should the principle on which the Medical Board have hitherto been actuated in submitting their recommendations for promotion be approved by the Commander in Chief, it will appear to His Excellency that the Establishment, until a further promotion be made, is without the means of giving a Surgeon to the 22d Regiment Native Infantry which is now also vacant by the appointment of Mr. Surgeon Sherwood, to the 2nd Battalion of Pioneers.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
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Sir,

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to beg your opinion on the enclosed request of Mr. Surgeon & Donoghoe 19th Regiment Native Infantry.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your obedient Humble Servant

Signed Charles St. George

Acting Military Secretary

William Horsman Esqr.

Vice Vice Vice

Secretary to the Medical Board

To Captain Charles St. George.

Acting Mily. Secry. to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter Dated the 30th Ultimo enclosing one from Mr. Surgeon O'Donoghoe of the 19th Regiment Nat. Infy. both of which I duly laid before the Medical Board who have now directed me to request that you will be pleased to submit to His Excellency the Commander in Chief their opinion, that Mr. O'Donoghoe may be considered entitled to draw the difference between half and full Batta, during the time he has been, and may continue to be in Medical Charge of the Garrison of Ganjam & Batta. of the 19th Regiment Native Infantry at Barrampore, those detached duties naturally occasioning a considerable travelling disbursement.

Therewith

Fort St. George 2d November 1805

I herewith return you Mr. O'Donoghue's Letter and I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed Wm. Kersman
Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
2d November 1805

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

The Commander in Chief directs me to request you will submit to the Medical Board the enclosed Letter from Mr. Surgeon Duncan at Cuddalore, who from the Vicinity of that Station to Chemundalum and his limited employment since the Garrison was withdrawn, had been ordered to give Medical aid to the 5th Regiment of Native Cavalry at Chemundalum Cantonment.—

The Commander in Chief desires to receive the opinion of the Medical Board on Mr. Duncan request for Batta and exemption from an important part of his Medical duty.

Mr. Surgeon Grant having applied for permission to proceed to the Presidency, preparatory to his application to proceed for the benefit of his Health to Europe, the Commander in Chief desires that the Medical Board will propose to him a proper Medical Officer to take charge of the 2d Battalion 18th Regiment Native Infantry.

I am

Sir,

Your very obedient Servant

Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Fort St. George
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To

The Adjutant General of the Army
Fort St. George

Sir,

Having seen the General orders of the 29th Ultimo directing me to take Medical Charge of the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry Stationed at Chemundalum. I take the liberty of stating for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that as the distance from the Town of Cuddalore to the Cavalry Cantonment is five English Miles, I trust His Excellency will be pleased to take the Circumstance into consideration, and grant an order for full Batta being allowed, to enable me fully to discharge the duties required at that Station, as considerable Expence must be incurred for conveyance beyond my present Establishment.—

I have also to request that His Excellency the Commander in Chief will be pleased to release one from the duty of writing Medical Journals while so employed, as my time will be fully occupied in Medical attendance at the Hospitals in Cuddalore and the Cavalry Cantonment, besides occasional visits to the Civil Servants and Sick Officers residing at new Town who require Medical assistance.—

Cuddalore
4th November 1805

Signed J. Duncan
Garrison Surgeon

To

Fort St. George 15th November 1805.

To the Adjutant General of the Army

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 11th Instant enclosing one from the Garrison Surgeon of Cuddalore and to say, that in their opinion Mr. Duncan may be considered entitled to draw the difference between half and full Batta during the time he may continue to give Medical aid to the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry at the Chemundalum Cantonment.—

2. The Medical Board have at the same time instructed me to state to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that as they have the utmost reliance on Mr. Duncans detailing to them every importance occurrence connected with his Professional duty that he may for the reasons he has assigned also be excused forwarding to them the usual Medical Journals.—

3. Relative to a proper Medical officer to take charge of the 2d Battalion 18th Regiment of Native Infantry vice Mr. Surgeon Grant. I am directed by the Medical Board to suggest Mr. Assistant Surgeon Macdowall, now doing duty at the General Hospital.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board.

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
15th November 1805

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Fort St. George
18th December 1805

Sir,

I have been directed by the Commander in Chief to request that you will make known to the Medical Board His Excellency's wish that Mr. Stannay the bearer of this Letter may be put through the necessary Examination to ascertain his qualifications for the situation of an Assistant Surgeon in His Majesty's Service.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Campbell
Actg. Dep. Adjt. General

Wm. Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to Medical Board

Fort St. George 20th December 1805.

To Major J. Campbell
Acting Deputy Adjutant General
His Majesty's Troops

Sir,

I have received and submitted your Letter of the 18th Instant to the Medical Board and they have in consequence directed me to say, if you will have the goodness to request Mr Bunnay to attend at this Office on Monday Morning at Eleven O'Clock that they will then put him through the necessary examination towards ascertaining his qualifications for the Situation of Assistant Surgeon in His Majesty's Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obedient Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Secretary to Medical Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
20th December 1805

Fort St. George
December 20th 1805

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will acquaint me for the information of the Commander in Chief whether Mr. Assistant Surgeon Bunnay has been relieved from his Medical Fillechary.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Signed Tho.s Reynell
Military Secretary

Wm Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the
Medical Board

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Fort St. George
December 23d 1805.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 21st Instant to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Bunnay and am now desired by the Commander in Chief to request that you will be good enough to inform me what Officer has been ordered to relieve him by the Medical Board and at what time it is likely that Mr. Bunnay may be at Liberty to return to Bombay.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
humble Servant
Signed Tho.s Reynell
Military Secretary

Wm Horsman Esqr.
Secretary Medical Board

To

Fort St. George 24th December 1805

To Major T. Reynell

Military Secretary to

His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter Dated the 23d Instant which I duly laid before the Medical Board who have now directed me to say, for the information of the Commander in Chief, that by the last Return from the Superintending Surgeon of Malabar received yesterday, and dated the 15th Instant, Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hewitt appears still to be in charge of the Medical Duties at Tellicherry.—

The Medical Board have at the same time directed me to state that considering themselves yet unauthorized to appoint or remove any Medl. officer they have not taken upon themselves to order any one to replace Mr. Hewitt at the abovementioned Station towards which however they will be happy to have it in their power to fulfil His Excellency's intention, as soon as they are informed that, that Gentleman may on the Ground of public expediency be at liberty to return to Bombay.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
24th December 1805

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Fort St. George
December 25th 1805

Sir,

In reply to your Letter, which I had yesterday the Honor to receive, I have the orders of the Commander in Chief to state, that the Bombay Government have applied some time since for Mr. Hewitts Return to their Presidency and that this Government have acceded to his Departure from Tellicherry whenever an officer is appointed to fill his duties there.—

The Commander in Chief desires me further to request that you will be pleased to represent to the Medical Board the necessity of Mr. Hewitts being immediately relieved of his removal can be effected without Injury to the Service, and you will oblige Me by making me acquainted with the Name of the Officer appointed by the Medical Board to replace Mr. Hewitt in his Duties at Tellicherry.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

Signed Thos. Reynell

Wm. Horsman Esqr.

To

Fort St. George 27th December 1805.

To Major Reynell
Military Secretary to His Excellency
the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I duly received and laid your Letter Dated the 25th Instant before the Medical Board and they have now directed me to state to you for the information of the Commander in Chief that as the readiest way to relieve Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hewitt at Tellicherry without injury to the Service they would recommend Mr. Assistant Surgeon Boyd to be appointed to and instructed to proceed to take charge of the Medical Duties of that Garrison and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stephenson from the Garrison of Seringapatam to be appointed to and ordered to join the 1st Battalion 6th Regiment Native Infantry at Panacottah in Wynaad vice Dyer.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
27th December 1805

To

Fort St. George 3d January 1806

To Major J. Campbell
Acting Deputy Adjutant General
His Majesty's Troops

Sir,

Agreeably to the Commander in Chiefs directions communicated to me in your Letter Dated the 18th Ultimo – I have the honor to inform you for His Excellency's information that Mr. John Hannay has been put through the necessary Examination before the Medical Board, and that he has been found duly qualified to fill the Situation of an Assistant Surgeon in His Majesty's Service.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
3rd January 1806

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Fort St. George 3d. January 1806.

Wm. Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the
Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose an application from Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy, with the Commander in Chiefs Requests to the Members of the Medical Board, that they will be pleased to Report upon the Merits of the Case as His Excellency, should it concur with their opinion) is disposed to view it in a favorable light.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
Signed Thos. Reynell
Military Secretary

Madras
8th January 1806

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To His Excellency Lieutenant General
Sir John F. Cradock K.B.
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

Under a strong conviction of the propriety of doing away, if possible, the impression under which it would appear to me, that the rejection of a late application of mine to Government has been dictated, I trust I shall be excused for having in justice to myself, used the liberty of transmitting to your Excellency, a Copy of an application made by me, through the Medical Board under date 4th August last, for some indemnification, for the Expense of Administering Medical aid to the staff of this Force and also copy of the Reply communicated to me by the Military Auditor General under Date 12th October intimating that His Lordship in Council being satisfied that I had not any Claim to Remuneration for attending the staff Officers of this Force, had rejected my application accordingly.

To appeal from the decision of such high authority, might well be deemed a presumption of which I have not the most distant intention of being guilty; But being altogether unreformed of the Grounds upon which my want of Claim may rest I am induced from your Excellency's Well known impartiality to hope, that notwithstanding the refusal, I shall incur no blame, by submitting to the consideration

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of your Excellency, the grounds upon which my application was founded.—

I assumed the two following principles, which I trust will readily be granted to me.—

1st. That these are various duties and services, to be performed in attending Sick Officers the execution of which is not expected from any Medical Gentleman, and on account of which the Employment of Servants, who have been previously instructed, becomes absolutely necessary.—

2d. That these are various Expenses, inseperable from practice and officional prescription, which though each by itself may appear trifling, yet by their constant recurrence amount in the course of the Month, to a charge so considerable that Government have hither to deemed it only just that the personal Income of every Medical Practitioner should be relieved from it.—

To meet these demands, a Dispensary is established at the Presidency—certain allowances are granted to Garrison Surgeons in charge of Staff and families, and to the Medical Gentlemen appointed to Civil Stations and to Courts of Judicature, while Officers attached to Corps are drawn for upon the Strength, and assisted by their respective Regimental Establishments—For these reasons also was a Medical allowance granted to Mr. Surgeon Conolly when appointed to the Medical charge of the Staff of General Harris's Army, which allowance was upon Mr. Conolly's quitting the Field, continued to Mr. Superintending Surgeon Anderson, till that Army was broken up, and afterwards renewed to him, while that Gentleman served as Superintending Surgeon with

with General Stewart's Army in the Doab.—For these reasons also was an allowance granted to myself, when appointed Staff Surgeon to the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force in the year 1798, but which, as stated in my Letter of the 4th. August last, has been discontinued since the 27th. April 1804.—

Having I hope shewn, that the General Grounds have hitherto been universally admitted, it remains only to apply them to my own case. I may first however observe, that since my promotion there has never been any other Medical Officer in this Force, by whom the duties in question, could possibly have been performed, and that if there had at any time been a disposeable Medical Gentleman, upon whom the Commanding Officer might have chosen to devolve these duties, the very claim which is stated in my Letter of the 4th. August, would as a matter of course, have arisen in another quarter—Though I therefore have always cheerfully performed the duty, my doing so or not, has never at any time, even till this moment been at all a matter of option.—

Were if not possible that the decision of Government in the present case, might have turned upon the word "Emolument" from which Superintending Surgeons are pointedly excluded, it might appear superfluous to notice the discrimination that ought to be made, between two things so distinct as Emolument and Reimbursement for Expences unavoidably incurred in the discharge of an important public duty, Exclusion from professional Emolument may be presumed to be connected with exemption from professional Expences; but though the latter has not been my situation my application was nevertheless strictly limited, to such indemnification

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for actual proof, of all the Documents, as might have appeared requisite to Government, and to which it did not occur to me that exclusion from Emolument could possibly be deemed any Bar.—

My Letter of the 6th August accordingly states that I had performed the Medical duties for the Staff of this Service, entirely by own private Servants, that I had under all the necessary Establishment at my own private Expence, and that I had also at all times been provided with Carts and a Detachment of Bullocks and Instruments, as the discharge of those duties required, and which were carried by an Establishment of my own — with the respect to all those points, I can confidently appeal to the personal Knowledge of the Commanding Officer of this Garrison, I may even also refer to the Testimony of the Commanding Officer of this Garrison, having served the Department of Medical Stores afforded to the Staff Officers of this Staff in the same manner and by the same means. To what I formerly stated it is pertinent I trust to be added that drawing upon the public Medical Stores, to be provided for other purposes, I have never applied to them for any Article that could be purchased in the Bazars and for the few Articles that could not be procured in the Markets I always paid the regulated prices to the Deputy Medical Storekeeper & agreeably to Paragraphs 15 & 17 of the existing Medical Regulations for the Army in the E. Indies by Government 15th January 1803.—

That a special Appointment of Purchaser to the Medical charge of the Staff of this Force, with such Allowances as have usually been granted to Members, would by no means have been a Sinecure or merely Nominal Situation, your Excellency would probably not hesitate to believe, by calling to mind the many changes that have lately been arranged among those Officers by discharge — Some only

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I had only alluded to the unusual Number of Sick Certificates, for the Embarkation for Europe, and to the deaths which have unhappily occurred, almost since a new set of Officers, upon the general Staff of this Force.—

Even upon the supposition of your Excellency being pleased to allow to this Statement the greatest Weight towards possibly such it to produce, I should even hesitate after the decided Opinion which this application has already met with, from much less delicate a Step in preferring to your Excellency any Request to present the same dictated to a Board devoid to the consideration of the Right Honble the Governor in Council — But should your Excellency be of opinion that in this advanced Stage of the business, such a Step is not to be usually forbidden, or that it may be overlooked upon such Grounds as I consider the perfect Deference and Respect, entitled a favorable Construction, I should rest without any more to Explanation, as I should be most fully gratified in the opportunity of recommending my Claim, from the Impossibility of stating accurately the Number of Officers known to have been Returned as unusual & unprecedented and unfounded &c.—

Pamphr. Rowdale
16th December 1805

Signed Alex.r Kennedy
Superintending Surgeon
Fort St. George & Public Dispensary &c.

(to

Fort St. George 3d. January 1806.

To, Major J. Reynell
Military Secretary to
His Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive your Letter Dated the 8th. Instant, accompanied with one from the Superintending Surgeon of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, bearing Date the 16th. ult.o both of which I duly laid before the Medical Board, who have now directed me to express the Satisfaction they experience in forwarding the documents authorized by His Excellency to be laid before their Honors and the Subject of the Letter and documents referred to, by the Superintending Surgeon Kennedy.

The Medical Board are not particularly informed on what principle the Appointment of the Superintending Surgeon Kennedy's Services to Balla - and the order for his Attending that Detachment on which the said Services are founded - first came under the Consideration of the General Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors, Dated 26th. August 1801 - on which it is to be stated that the increased Salaries of the Medical Board, and Superintending Surgeons are "to be in full of all Emoluments".-

It appears to the Medical Board however that the Situation of Mr Kennedy, bears no Relative resemblance to that of the Superintending Surgeons within the undisturbed Limits of the Honorable Company.-

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To those Superintending Surgeons distant from the Seat and personal Inconveniences of War having recourse to the Command of those Services and not subject to any material Carriage expence, or Loss of Baggage, in performing those Marches to and from Stations they would with more justice perhaps be considered in full of all Emoluments - and it is most Reasonable to presume that His Honble Court, in so declaring the Paragraph alluded to, had nothing in their Contemplation beyond a Peace Establishment &c.

The Situation of Mr Kennedy as altogether different in the first Instance, attached to a Force which is not found requisite to keep at all Stations equipped for actual Service where every Officer is obliged to support an expensive additional Establishment of Followers, Cattle &c. entirely for Conveyance and Consequently is on full Batta - and where the Superintending Surgeon of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force is in the opinion of the Medical Board equally entitled to that Batta of his Relative Rank, when detached on the Commands assigned by his Superiors would rather appear in the Light of an Indemnification than an Emolument.-

The present Appointment of Mr Kennedy, for from resembling that of Superintending Surgeons in ordinary Stations was Locally made as it was told by the Officers Considering on the Field Medical Departments attached to the Armies for nearly twenty under the Generals Sir Eyre Coote - Sir William Medows - Marquis Cornwallis - Sir Alex.r Campbell

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Medical Board trust, that Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy may be considered to have a reasonable claim to the allowances which appear to have been almost invariably given in like situations.—

The Medical Board do not by any means take upon themselves to say that Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy has a direct pretension to any allowances above those of his corresponding rank. But as the Batta of the Superior Ship, is frequently granted to officers of all descriptions, selected for arduous and responsible services and as it appears by the enclosed Extract No. 1 that the late Mr. Alexander Anderson had when when with the Army against Seringapatam the salary of the Rank of a Superint. Surgeon or Head Surgeon — with the Batta of a Lieutenant Colonel they are hopeful that the distinguished merits of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy, in the ability, zeal, perseverance, and the universal satisfaction with which, under peculiar disadvantages, in a distant famished and depopulated country, he has conducted his department, may obtain him the same indulgent consideration from the Commander in Chief.—

The Medical Board have accordingly instructed me to say that they do not hesitate to recommend to His Excellency that Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy be allowed the Batta of a Lieutenant Colonel from the date of his late promotion together with the staff allowance, which agreeably to the accompanying Extract No. 2 was also drawn by the late Mr. Alexander Anderson in the exigence of service — And that Mr. Kennedy be permitted to continue to draw the allowance for the General Staff of the Army in the field, until a Medical Officer can be specially appointed to the professional executive duties of that essential part of

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of the service.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
13th January 1806

No. 1

Extract of a General Order By Government

Dated 2nd January 1799.—

Mr. Alexander Anderson appointed Head Surgeon to the Army in the field with the usual salary of that rank and the Batta of a Lieutenant Colonel.

By order of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) J. Webbe

Secretary to Government

True Extract

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

No. 2

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No. 2

Extract of a General Order By Government

Dated 11th September 1799

The Commander in Chief is pleased to direct that Mr. Alexander Anderson Head Surgeon with the Army be permitted to draw the allowance formerly granted by Government to Mr. Conolly, as Surgeon to the Staff, from the date of that Gentleman's quitting the Army. — He takes this occasion of returning his thanks to Mr. Anderson for his constant attention to the duties and arrangements of the very important Department to the Head of which he has been placed which the Commander in Chief has particular noticed and highly approved. —

(A true Extract)

(Signed) G. Buchan

Sub Secretary

(A true Copy)

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

To

Fort St. George 24th January 1806

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To the Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir,

Mr. Sub-Assistant Surgeon Patterson being at Arcot, and unemployed, the Commander in Chief is desirous that the Medical Board should state where its Services are most required, that he may be employed. —

Adjt. Genl. Office
Fort St. George 16th January 1805

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

To the Adjutant General
of the Army

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter relative to Mr. Sub-Assistant Surgeon Patterson who the Medical Board have desired me to say to you for the information of the Commander in Chief may in their opinion be employed with advantage to the Service in the Ceded Districts, and accordingly recommend his being directed to put himself under the Orders of the Superintending Surgeon of that Division. —

I have the honor to be

Sir.

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
24th January 1805

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Fort St. George 29th January 1806

Fort St. George
27th January 1806

Sir,

I have to request that you will acquaint the Medical Board with its being the wish of His Excellency the Commander in Chief that a Report should be made for His Excellency's information of the Number of Sick of His Majesty's Regiment De Meuron, who are not in a State to embark with the Corps for England.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) J. Campbell

Asst. Dep. Adjt. General

William Horsman Esqr.
Secretary Medical Board

To Major Campbell
Deputy Adjutant General H. M. Troops Fort St. George

Sir,

I duly received your Letter of the 27th Instant in reply to which I have now the honor to enclose for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief a Report from the 3rd Member of the Medical Board relative to the Sick of His Majesty's Regt. De Meuron.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
29th January 1806

Fort St. George 29th January 1806

Fort St. George 27th January 1806

Dear Sir,

Will you have the goodness to submit the enclosed Memorial from the Assistant Surgeons of Cavalry (which has been transmitted to me by Lieut. Colonel Lang, Commanding the Subsidiary Force) to the Gentlemen of the Medical Board, and favor me with their opinion for the information of the Commander in Chief.—

I remain Dear Sir,

Your's very truly

(Signed) Thos. Reynell

W. Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c.

To Major Reynell
Military Secretary to His Excellency
the Commander in Chief

Sir,

1 I had the honor duly to receive your Letter Dated the 27th Instant enclosing for the opinion of the Medical Board a Memorial to His Excellency the Commander in Chief from the Assistant Surgeons of the Cavalry Regiments, on Service with the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force under the Command of Lieutenant Colonel Lang.—

2 The Medical Board after giving the subject of the Memorial

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Memorial from Messrs. Assistant Surgeons Lowrie, Moore, Wyllie and Mackenzie, their fullest consideration, have enabled me to return it to you, with a Request that you will have the goodness to express to His Excellency their hope that on the occasion originally pointed out the expediency of advancing the Pay and allowances of an Lieutenant of Cavalry over those of a Lieutenant of Infantry may now obtain relative to the difference to be observed between the Assistant Surgeons of the former, and those of the latter Regiments.

3 It appears fully evident that the Assistant Surgeons of Cavalry are, on their Joining and duty under the weighty of encountering an equal expense with the Lieutenants of that Corps and independently of having the same Claims to genteel, and the same Title Duties allowed, they are frequently called on during their Duties altogether unknown beyond what can be fulfilled with Due Honor to an Individual may be asked on their having gratuitously pursued and to a Liberal period of Life a more expensive Education to qualify them for their Profession al Services.

4 The Medical Board leave for their Reasons, little difficulty in submitting to His Excellency the Commander in Chief their opinion that the Assistant Surgeons of Cavalry should, on points of Pay and allowances, be placed in every particular on the same footing as the Officers with whom they hold a correspanding rank in that Corps — as they do not think the more confidence as the Medical Officers thus circumstanced, are to incur double in Numbers; as to make the difference to be granted one object of public Economy, while it will be giving a due encouragement to the Profession

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31st January 1806

Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Wm Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

To Major J. Reynell
Military Secretary to
His Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Fort St. George 5th February 1806.

men of Zeal and activity, who have hitherto embraced the Cavalry Service with Reluctance, owing to the severer greater fatigue to be undergone in it — and to the inadequate footing on which they at present stand in regard to the Regimental Officers with whom they are in every Situation obliged to encounter the same respectable appearance to serve, and to associate.

Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Wm Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

To Major J. Reynell
Military Secretary to
His Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir,

Doctor Hamilton the Physician General having been for some time unwell for a considerable time past it has been deemed advisable for him to try a change of air and situation which will require his making a journey of some length — The Medical Board have therefore directed me to request that you will be pleased to state the circumstance to the Commander in Chief for the purpose of his obtaining the Doctor His Excellency's permission and the Gov[ernment]s to be absent from the Presidency for the space of Six Months on account of His Health.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th February 1806

Fort St. George 21st February 1806

My Dear Sir,

Will you be good enough to refer the enclosed application from Dr. Greaves to the Medical Board for their opinion how far that Officer is entitled to an allowance for the Duty he alludes to at the Station of Ellore.—

Very sincerely yours
Signed Thos. Reynell

6th February 1806

William Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c.

To Major Reynell

Sir,

In reply to your Letter Dated the 6th Instt. and its several enclosures the Medical Board have instructed me to request that you will be pleased to state to His Excellency the Commander in Chief their opinion that Mr. Surgeon Greaves may reasonably be permitted to draw Pagt. 15 ℔ Month for Medical Expenditure and the regulated allowances for the Number of European and Natives Troops at Ellore, as granted by the 17th Para. of the existing Regulations to the Senior Regimental Surgeons in the Garrisons of Chicacole, Palamcottah, Madura, Dindigul and Chittledroog.

I take the liberty of returning you the Letters of General Smith, Major Maitland and Mr. Surgeon Greaves

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Greaves — and I have the honor to be

Sir,

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
21st February 1806

Yours most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secretary Medical Board

My Dear Sir,

Will you favor me with the opinion of the Medical Board upon the enclosed applications.—

The General thinks it just that Mr. Allerdyce should have received allowances for the period he solicits

Yours very sincerely
Signed Thos. Reynell

February 23rd 1806

William Horsman Esqr.
&c. &c.

To

Fort St. George 3d March 1806.

To Major Reynell

My Dear Sir,

I duly received your note of the 23d Ultimo with the enclosures from Colonel Kennedy and Mr. Aldridge, which I submitted to the Medical Board, who have made enclosed to me their opinion to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief. I am by an order of Government bearing date the 22d December 1804, no Officer from this Corps, on Field Service, can be permitted to continue to draw Field allowances beyond the space of two Months from the day of his arrival at the Presidency at which he intends to reside for the re establishment of his health which he intends to reside for the re establishment of his health which he is only to be authorized to receive Field allowances from this longer period of two Months after his arrival at Bombay.—

The Medical Board however considering that Mr. Aldridge had the command of the Governor of Bombay to carry the Duke of Kinsay to Calcutta, and that his subsequently obtained the authority of the Governor General in Council to remain with him in the Capacity of Surgeon to the Mission are of opinion that he is fully entitled to Allowances adequate to those he would have drawn had he continued on Field Service or to such other advantages as might have been granted to any other Surgeon appointed to any Public duty of a similar nature.—

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
3d March 1806

I have the honor to be
Your very humble Servt
Signed, Wm. Roxburgh
Secretary Medical Board

I have the pleasure to return the Papers

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My Dear Sir,

I have enclosed a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Long, enclosing an Official Statement from Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy to the Deputy Adjutant General of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, which you will keep before the Medical Board, and favor me with their sentiments upon it.—

I am Dear Sir
Your sincerely Obedt
Signed Wm. Reynell

10th March 1806.

Wm. Thorsman Esqr.

Camp at Saundlee 26th February 1806

To His Excellency the Commander
in Chief &c. &c. &c. Madras

Sir,

Being satisfied of the anxiety which Mr. Superintending Surgeon Kennedy takes for the securing some Establishment for the Mercurial preparations required in this Force, I beg you will do me the favor to lay the enclosed Letter before His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and as it comprehends a full and plain Statement of the utility of the arrangement, Mr. Kennedy recommends, I trust His Excellency will excuse me for the liberty I have taken in submitting it to his consideration.—

I am Sir
Your most obedt Servt
Signed, Rich. Long Lieut. Colonel
Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force

Head Quarters
Hyd. Sub. Force

Enclosed
Signed Wm. Thorsman
Dy. Adjt. Genl.

Fort St. George 3d March 1806

To the Deputy Adjutant General
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of this day, calling upon me for a Statement of the Establishment and Expenses of the Deputy Medical Storekeepers Department, and of the Establishment for a Field Hospital, and desiring me to point out the Reductions proper to be made, when the Force returns into Cantonments.—

The Regular Establishments of Carriage for the Medical Stores, as prescribed by the Military Auditor General in his Letter Dated 2d June 1804 Consists of

One Maistrie at 2 Pagodas 21 Fanams & Six Coolies at 2 Pagodas each	14	21
Two double Baggage Carts at 15 Pagodas each	30	
Total Star Pagodas	44	21

all of which, being by the same Letter, "allowed only when on actual Service, against an Enemy in the Field" will fall to be discontinued when the Force returns into Cantonments.

Besides the above, it has since been found necessary, to add a Spare Tumbril with Nine Bullocks, for transporting the Medicines, and also to furnish from 30 to 35 Bullocks from the Spare Bullocks of the Provision Department, for the Carriage of the Field Hospital Stores & Cloathing — these will be no longer necessary, but as being all included in the Department

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Department of the Agent for Public Cattle, I need not enter into any particulars regarding them.—

Regarding the disposal of the Liquors and Cloathing &c. carried by the above Bullocks, as Stores for the Establishment of a Field Hospital, I shall be ready to obey the Commanding Officers instructions respecting them, either by disposing of such part of them as may be Saleable, to the Medl. Gentlemen, at the regulated prices, or by consulting the Medical Board, as to the disposal of the whole of them.—

The Public Establishment of Medical Servants kept up for a Field Hospital, as it now stands, is as follows.—

2 Compounders at 8 Pagodas p. Month each Star Pagodas	16
7 Fomentation Coolies at 4 Pagodas each	28
4 Mortar Coolies at 4 Pagodas each	16
19 Ward Coolies at 3 Pagodas each	57
1 Lamp Lighter	3
6 Sweepers at 3 Pagodas each	18
3 Toaties at 5 Pagodas each	15
Total Star Pagodas	153

All these, as being Extra to the Regular Establishment, fall to be discharged, unless perhaps His Excellency the Commander in Chief from the consideration of the following Circumstances, may be pleased to sanction the retaining part of the Mortar Coolies upon a modified Establishment.

These People since their arrival in June last have been employed at Hydrabad in preparing the Cream of Quicksilver for use, by manufacturing it into Mercurial Ointment

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and Pills — Of the Ointment there has been supplied from the Residency since the 1st of January 1805 — lbs 95

and from Hydrabad since the Month of June — lbs 116

of the Mercurial Pill none has been received from Madras and the Manufactory at Hydrabad has furnished — lbs 44

Making the whole amount of these Preparations 255 Pounds, Part of these still remains in Store but as the Supply has only been adequate to the Expenditure, Since the Mortar Coolies arrived, the annual Consumption cannot be fairly esteemed at less than the whole of the above quantity. — For the ensuing half Year, the Supply of these Articles from Madras as per the Medical Storekeepers Invoice is as follows. —

Mercurial Pill none

Do. Ointment 24 Pounds on at the rate of less than Fifty Pounds for the whole year, while the Supply of Crude Quicksilver amounts to 120 lbs which requires to be manufactured before it can be of any use. —

Since then it appears from the above Statement of what great public use, the Mortars Coolies have already been, I anticipate considerable inconvenience to the public Service from being altogether deprived of them — at the same time, I am of opinion that every thing necessary might be accomplished, by fewer than the present Number, and that we might perhaps be able to entertain three Hydrabad People for the same or even less pay than is now allowed to two of the Madras people. — These might be subjected to regular Monthly Muster, and I hope I may be permitted to add that it appears to me most clearly, that

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that the Benefit that would thereby be seemed to the Service, it would far outweigh so trivial an Expence the Reduction would then stand thus. —

Carriage of Medical Stores	Star Pagodas	44. 21
Establishment of Field Hospital Servant		153. —
		197. 21. —
Say three Mortar Coolies were retained @ 2½ Pag. each subject to Monthly Muster		7. 21. —
The Reduction amounts to	Star Pagodas	190. —

exclusive of the Nine Draft Bullocks for the Tumbril above mentioned. —

Camp 25th January 1806.

(Signed) Mexr. Kennedy
Superintending Surgeon
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Dear Sir,

The enclosed is an Application from Mr. Garrison Surgeon Prichard upon which the General is desirous to have the sentiments of the Medical Board. —

Fort St. George
15th March 1806.

Your's very truly
(Signed) Thos. Reynell

To Wm. Horsman Esqr.

To

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To His Excellency Lieutenant General
Sir John Craddock K.B.
Commander in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Sir,

May I take the liberty to represent to your Excellency the peculiar disadvantages attending the situation of Garrison Surgeon of Vellore.—

Under the former Regulations the situation of Head Surgeon of Vellore as he was then styled, was one of the most eligible in the Medical Department, a consequent House contiguous to the Hospital was allowed him, and the emoluments derived from the Station were a reward for length of Service. But by the Medical Regulations adopted in 1802 the Garrison Surgeon was allowed only 20 Pagodas p. Month for "Medical Establishment" and subsequent to that period the House which had for so many Years been appropriated to the use of the Surgeon was sold by Government and the emoluments have been daily decreasing at the present time the small sum of 20 Pagodas p. Month is all the Surgeon receives for this public and expensive Station, which sum is found inadequate to the expence of keeping up the Establishment of Servants Hospital Clothing &c. &c. necessary in case of sick being sent into the Garrison Hospital other pecuniary disadvantages might be stated, but I will not intrude further on your Excellency's attention, than to entreat you will be pleased to take into consideration the smallness of

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of the present Medical Establishment & to grant the Garrison Surgeon of Vellore the same Garrison allowance as the Garrison Surgeon of Fort St. George and that he may be permitted to draw for the Lascars and Native Pensioners who frequently require Medical aid at the usual rate of 4 Pagodas p. 100 men and indulgence which is granted to the Surgeon at Tripassore.—

Should this request receive the Sanction of your Excellency, it will be some compensation for nearly fourteen Years actual Service and greatly oblige

Sir

Your most obedient and
very humble Servant
(Signed) Wm. Prichard
Garrison Surgeon

Vellore
March 11th 1806

To Major Thomas Reynell
Military Secretary to
His Excellency
The Commander in Chief

Sir,

I had the honor to receive your Note of the 15th Instant accompanied with an Official Letter from Mr. Surgeon Prichard to His Excellency the Commander in Chief Dated the 11th Instant which I duly laid before the Medical Board and in Reply to which they have instructed me to request that you will state to His Excellency their not being at all aware of any peculiar disadvantages attending the situation of the Garrison

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Garrison Surgeon of Vellore.—

At the period, and under the former Regulations alleged to by Mr. Surgeon Prichard Vellore was not simply a Garrison as at present, but the Head-Quarters of the then Western Division of the Army—where a General Hospital was and had been long established—and where the Senior Medical Servant necessarily maintained under the designation of Head Surgeon, a rank superior to Mr. Prichard's and corresponding with that now held by the Superintending Surgeons of Divisions.—

When it was the pleasure of Government in their orders Dated the 3rd August 1802 to discontinue all General Hospitals (the General Hospital at the Presidency excepted) Vellore was put upon the same footing, as the other principal Garrisons of Masulipatam, Trichinopoly, Seringapatam, Cannanore and Ballary, as specified in the 4th and 5th Paragraphs, of the Medical Regulations now in force, and Dated 5th January 1803—the smallest deviation from which the Medical Board do not find themselves at liberty to recommend in favor of the Surgeon of any one of those particular stations.—

The Medical Board have further instructed me to say, that if the Surgeon at Tripassore is allowed to draw for the Store Passers there at the rate of 4 Pagodas pr. 100 men, as stated by Mr. Surgeon Prichard it is altogether without their knowledge—and a measure which, in its general adoption, would in their opinion involve

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involve an expenditure of Money, much beyond any public benefit, that could possibly be derived from it.—

When European Invalids and Pensioners, Natives, Invalids, or other Troops, require Medical assistance they are received into the Garrison Hospital—and the Surgeon permitted to draw on their account, the allowance granted in the Regulations above referred to—and, as Mr. Surgeon Prichard draws Tent allowance, it does not appear that he can have any just claim to Houserent—or to being furnished with any House by Government.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secretary Medl. Board

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
31st March 1806

P.S.

I have herewith the honor to return &c Mr. Prichard's Letter.—

To

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir,

For the information of a Committee now sitting at Seringapatam of which Major General Macdowall is President the Commander in Chief desires that you will intimate to the Medical Board his desire to be furnished with the best & possible delay, with a List or Statement of the Casualties which have occurred at each of the Principal Stations of the Coast Army for the last two Years according to the accompanying forms.

Adjt. Generals Office
23rd April 1806

(Signed) P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

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His Excellency has directed Mr. Haynes, who had proceeded from Trichinopoly to Vellore with the 2nd Battn. 20th Regiment to join the Detachment of the 69th on its march, and proceed with it to Trichinopoly; but as he cannot reach the Corps for some days, His Excellency desires that an Assistant from the General Hospital at the Presidency may be ordered immediately to join the Detachment, now encamped beyond the Mount, and to do duty with it until Mr. Haynes relieves him. The Commander in Chief also requests measures may be taken to ensure proper medical attendance to the party of the 69th Regiment at the Presidency, so long as the Assistant Surgeon of the Corps is unable to afford it, from indisposition.

Fort St. George
6th Septr. 1806.

Signed P. A. Agnew
Adjt. Genl. of the Army

Medical Board
8th Septr. 1806.

1. The Medical Board have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army Dated the 6th instant, stating by desire of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, the want of Medical Assistance to a Detachment of his Majesty's 69th Regiment, then encamped beyond the Mount; and requiring that an Assistant Surgeon, from the Presidency General Hospital, should be immediately ordered to join, and remain with it, until relieved by Mr. Assistant Surgeon Haines, from Vellore.

2. The Medical Board have now the honor to report, that agreeably to the above instructions, they, the same day, directed Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hunter to join the above mentioned

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mentioned Detachment, that they have also instructed Mr. Surgeon Ord, to take Medical Charge of the Sick of the 69th Regt., left in the General Hospital - and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dean, being now unemployed at the Presidency, they consider, on account of his experience, and greater readiness to move in a confirmedly provided state, recommend his being ordered to join the Companies of the 69th Regiment remaining here, said to be also under orders to march, for Trichinopoly, and the common Regimental duties of which, are at present provided for, by one of their Assistant Surgeons now quartered at the General Hospital, under the direction of Mr. Surgeon Ord. -

(Signed) Terence Cahagan M D K
Sal Richardson
3 Members Med Board

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Sir,

I beg leave to return the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 8th instant as the arrangement therein proposed exclusively belongs to the Commander in Chief, and it is totally unnecessary that they should be submitted to Government. -

The Commander in Chief approves of the measures on which Medical assistance is to be afforded to the 69th Regiment on its march to Trichinopoly, and the Adjutant General has received directions to appoint Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dean to do duty with the Detachment of that Regiment, now at Fort St George.

I Have &c
(Signed) W. Thomson Esqr

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To the Secretary of the Medical Board

Sir

I am directed by the Commander in Chief to request you will submit the enclosed application which he has received respecting Medical allowances for the Garrison Invalids and Pensioners of Tripassore, to the Medical Board, whose opinion on the expediency of recommending such allowance, he is desirous to receive. -

Fort St George
21st November 1806.

(Signed) D. A. Agnew
Act Gen. of the Army. -

To the Assistant General of the Army -

Sir

I had the honor duly to receive, and to lay before the Medical Board your letter with its enclosure from the Assistant Surgeon of the 1st Battn 19th Regiment - and I am in consequence directed to request, you being pleased to state to his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that Mr Smith in their opinion is fully entitled to the Medical Allowances for the European and Native Invalids & Pensioners at Tripassore agreeably to the existing Regulations - and as drawn by Mr Surgeon Pritchard and Mr Assistant Surgeon Campbell, during the different periods, they were in charge of the Company of Cadets at that Station. -

I herewith return the Letter from Mr Assistant Surgeon Smith to Lieutenant Colonel McCally - and

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
26th November 1806.

I have the honor to be
Sir Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Thomson M.D.
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