Surgeon General's Office
Library
Vol —
No.

Gift Request

Surgeon Spu
Reed
1st-19

1st-19

B.S.G
4/7/93

Fort St. George 2d January 18

To the Military Secreta

to His Excellency the Commander in C

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to y

the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical

under date the 31st Ultimo for the consideration

of His Excellency the Commander in Chief a

Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Humble

Signed Will.m Hossmon

Surg.n & Med.l Bd.

To the Secretary of the Medical

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the inspection

of the Provincial Hospitals, my general Abstract of the

Returns of Sick in the Civil Districts for Novemb.r

together with the Medical Boards and a List of

Surgeons serving on the Peninsular

Six Extra Resident for European

Medicines having been sent to the Head Storekeepers

at the Presidency on the 2.d November, I suggest

the Medical Board will be pleased to give directions

for

Fort St. George 4th [illegible] 1811.

for its being complied with as speedily as possible, the Nation being much distressed from the want of European Medicine of every description. —

Sam,
Sir,
Your most
Obedient Servant
(Signed) J. Duncan
Supg Surgeon &c.

Bellary
24th Decemr 1810 —

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Ceded Districts
Bellary

Sir —

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 22d ultimo, and to inform you, that the Patamar Indent therein mentioned, was duly complied with, and the Medicines despatched for Bellary on the 18th ultimo. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Freeman
Surgn Mad Establ

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
6th January 1811

2

Fort St. George 6th January 1811.

To the Commissary General
Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a letter from the Surgeon of His Majesty's 78th Regiment for your information. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Freeman
Surgn Mad Establ

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
4th January 1811

To
The Secretary to the Medical Board
Madras

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 7th instant I have to request you will inform the Board, that not being aware of the intention of Government to send any Wine to this Station for the use of the Sick, I have a short time ago received a supply from Bombay, which I conclude will be equal to the demand to the Months of June or July next. But as after that period I may have to Indent on the Commissary, I calculate that according to the present rate of expenditure of Wine, therefore the Hospital of the detachment at Bombay, and detachment at Chowly expected to join, no less than [illegible]

4

Fort St. George 5th January 1811.

a Pipe of Madeira will be required quarterly for the use of the 78th Regiment.

Have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) J. Macandie
Surgeon 78th Regt.

Goa 22d Decem.r 1810

True Copy
Signed) W.m Horsman
Lieut. Mast.r Gen.l

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterday's date, No. 1 & 2 the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency and Government.

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

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
5th January 1811.

To

5

3

Fort St. George 5th January 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a Letter from the Adjutant General of the Army, respecting Lieutenant Swaine of H. M. 33d Regt. now in the Presidency General Hospital and stated to be laboring under mental derangement, and request that the Board will cause Lieutenant Swaine to be visited by one of its members that he may undergo the necessary examination.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) R.t Barclay
Major

To
The Town Major
Fort St. George.

Sir,

Lieutenant Swaine of His Majesty's 33d Regiment having arrived at the General Hospital, and stated to be in a state of Insanity. I am directed by His Excellency the Commander

in

3

Fort St. George 7th January 1811.

To

The President & Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

In consequence of Letters received from the Adjutant General of the army & the Town Major bearing date the 2d Instant, respecting Lieutenant Swaine of H. M. 33d Regement now at the General Hospital, and stated to be laboring under mental derangement - Sway, in consequence of this, I yesterday visited Lieutenant Swaine with whom I held a conversation of considerable length, regarding the time of his residence in the country, the state of his health, & attacks of disease he had been subject to during that period -

2 To all those enquiries, I received such clear, rational & well connected answers, as left no doubt in my mind, of the soundness or perfect Sanity of Lieutenant Swaines Intellects. At Hydrabad & subsequently at Seringapatam, he had severe attacks of Fever, from which he has but recently recovered, & the debilitating effects of which he still labors under. But as far as I could judge from a judgement, from what passed between

Fort St. George
Adjt. Generals Office
2nd January 1811.

To The Town Major
of Fort St. George

Sir,

In reply to your letter and its enclosure from the Adjutant General of the Army, under date the 2nd. instant, I am directed by the Medical Board, to furnish you, with the accompanying Copy of a Report from their 2d. Member exploring Lieutenant Swaine of H. M. 33d. Regiment now on the Presidency General Hospital -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servant
(Signed) T. Hunt Conway
Adjutant General
of the Army

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
7th January 1811.

To The President & Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

In consequence of Letters received from the Adjutant General of the Army & the Town Major bearing date the 2d Instant, respecting Lieutenant Swaine of H. M. 33d Regement now at the General Hospital, and stated to be laboring under mental derangement - Sway, in consequence of this, I yesterday visited Lieutenant Swaine with whom I held a conversation of considerable length, regarding the time of his residence in the country, the state of his health, & attacks of disease he had been subject to during that period -

2 To all those enquiries, I received such clear, rational & well connected answers, as left no doubt in my mind, of the soundness or perfect Sanity of Lieutenant Swaines Intellects. At Hydrabad & subsequently at Seringapatam, he had severe attacks of Fever, from which he has but recently recovered, & the debilitating effects of which he still labors under. But as far as I could judge from a judgement, from what passed between

Fort St. George 7th January 1844.

Between Lieutenant Cousins & me, his disease appears to be rather a debility than a momentary one—

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your very

Obedient Servant

Signed / Alex.r Watson Lieut.

2.d Member Med.l Bd

Superintending the Vaccine

Establishment

Madras
5th January 1844—

To

The President & Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen

I beg to receive your instruction on the subject referred to by Mr Norman in the enclosed Letter—

2 Whether I am to supply him with quantity of Capsicum and Opium applied to meet the demand from H.M Regiments & the Company's Corps or if any other mode is to be adopted for the purpose—

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your most obedient

Humble Servt

Alex.r Watson

Lieut.

Fort St George
7th January 1844—

Fort St. George 7th January 1844.

John Goldie Esqr.

Medical Storekeeper

Sir

The Surgeons in charge of Kings Corps have embodied Opium and Camphor in their Indents for this Year. I will thank you to inform me whether I am to receive those Arts = cles from you or to purchase them—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed / Jeremiah Norman

Garrison Surgeon

Seringapatam
9th January 1844—

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

In reply to your letter of this days date, I am directed by the Medical Board to refer you to Para. 6 of the Government General Orders, bearing date the 9th of October last—by which you will observe, that Camphor & Opium shall in future be considered as European Medicines and issued on indents by you, to Medical Officers charged with the attendance of European Troops—

You

5

10

Fort St. George 7th January 1811.

Sir

You will accordingly be guided by the Regulation in the Supply of Hospitals and Offices, and when you think of those Articles as essential in Medical practice appear at any time to be getting low, you will be pleased to adopt such means as will best insure an adequate supply of them to the public Service.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servt
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy to Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
7th January 1811

To the Acting Superintending Surgeon of the
Jaffnapatam Division

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Copy of Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department, and to express the satisfaction the Board have, in transmitting it to you.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servt
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy to Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
7th January 1811

Copy Letter from the Secretary to Government Judicial Department dated 7th December 1810

11

Fort St. George 8th. January 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterdays date N.s 1. & 2. the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, & the latter for the consideration of His Excellency, and Government.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secry to Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
8th January 1811.—

Circular
To The Secretary
Medical Board

Sir,

Enclosed is a Copy of a Circular Letter from the Accountant General in the Military Department under date the 30th November last and have to request you will forward to that Office such claims of Pension from your Establishment as soon as practicable.—

(Signed) W. Greenhill
Paymaster

Fort St George
8th January 1811

extract

12

Fort St. George 8th January 1811

Extract of a Circular letter from the Accountant General
in the Military Department to the Asst Paymasters
Fort St George dated 10th November 1810 —

Read

Government having been pleased to direct
that the application for Pensions on the Native Fund
shall be made in future on the form of the enclosed
Register and that they shall be submitted thro'
the Board of this Office, I have to request that
the form may be adopted accordingly, and that
you will forward to me Copies of all pensions
belonging to your Establishment who have Claims
on the Fund at the Time.

2d

It having been of importance
to ascertain at an early period the amount of
the Pensioners on the Fund, I beg to request that you
will except Pensions to expedite the submission of the
Claims from your Establishment and that care may
be taken to collect any Claim that is not at
present coming —

3d

I am also to request that you will send
to me a list of the Pensions that have been absol-
ved to the Death of your Annuitants, to enable
me to prepare the Certificates mentioned in the 12th
Clause of the Regulations of the Fund. —

Your

13

Fort St. George 8th January 1811

4th

You will be pleased to apply to the
Asst Treasurer for Payment of the Pensions belonging
to your Establishment forming this Monthly
with an account of them on the accompanying
form —

5th

You will acknowledge the Receipt of this letter
may be acknowledged by the earliest Conveniency

(A true Extract)

(Signed) J. Greenhill
Paymaster

14 Fort St. George 8th. January 1811.

15 Fort St. George 8th. January 1811.

No. 2

Account of Pensions on the Native Fund for the Month of ——— 181.

To what Establishment belonging	Particulars of the Certificate held by the Pensioners. No.	Date	Amount due for the Month of	Remarks
			Pr. f. Ch.	

(Signed) George Garrow
Accountant General

(A true Copy)

16

Fort St. George 2d. January 1811.

To The Military Paymaster
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th. instant, and to inform you, that there are not yet any Claims on the Native Invalid Fund, from the Establishment of this Office —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Hble. Servt.
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secy. to Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
2d. January 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division
Arcot

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will be pleased to forward the accompanying Letter to the Surgeon Dait of the 2d. Reg.t Native Cavalry —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secy. to Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
11th. January 1811

17

Fort St. George 11th. January 1811.

To the Surgeon of the 2d. Regiment Native Cavalry
Trichinopoly

Sir,

Para 1 I am directed by the Medical Board to return to you the accompanying Letter, as it contains reflections which prevent any public use being made of it.

2. I am however, at the same time instructed to acquaint you, if you wish your peculiar situation to be brought to the notice of the Honble. the Governor in Council, that you may write such a Letter as the Medical Board can with propriety submit with their recommendation to the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and Government.

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

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
13th. January 1811

To the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Com.r in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Med.l Bd. of yesterday's date N.o 1 & 2 the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief & the latter for the consideration of His Excellency and Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed.t Servant
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secy. to Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
12th. January 1811

4

To

18

Fort St. George 12th January 1811.

To the President and Members
of the Medical Board
Fort Saint George

Gentlemen

Since the commencement of the
cold Weather consequent to the Cessation of the Monsoon
on the Coast, an Intermittent Fever has been
prevalent in His Majesty's 34th Regiment at
this Station.

The Type has been chiefly Tertian
and though not particularly fatal it has strongly
yet from the numbers attacked and the obstinacy
to relapse the efficiency of the Regiment has been
very much affected.

A change of Air and exercise
seeming to be proposed by the Regimental Surgeon
and myself for the Cantonment on the Ground
set forth in the Correspondency Consultation I have
thought it best to lay before your Board
the number of Cases which from
Jan. 1st to the Corps has augmented. The Sick List
during the last month to an average of two hundred
or nearly one fourth of the whole
The Result of this Expedient with

19.

Fort St. George 12th January 1811.

what further observations may occur to me on the subject
shall be duly communicated.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Alexr. Boswell
Supg. Surgeon H.M. 34th

Camp at Saulnah
2d January 1811.

To A. Boswell Esqr.
Superintending Surgeon
Saulnah

Sir,

I must sometime back the honor
of requesting your attention to the prevalence of an
Intermittent Fever in H. M. 34th Regiment, and
during your frequent visits to my Hospital you have
seen that the disease is readily checked and for a
time removed by the use of Bark and Calomel.

With a view of preventing returns
of the disease, a plan for the Establishment of a
Convalescent Room was, as you Know, submitted to
and approved by the Officer Commanding the Force
at Saulnah, as well as by my immediate Commander
every Officer, and for the last five weeks all men

Convalescent

20

Fort St. George 12th January 1811.

Convalescents from fever have been removed to the Convalescent rooms. The Convalescents have been exempted all duty and consequent exposure to extremes of either heat or cold, and due attention has been paid to the maintenance of order and sobriety amongst them. —

I regret however to acquaint you that little good effect appears to have been derived from the adoption of the above plan. A reference to my Returns will shew the admissions of fever cases during December to amount to about two hundred, of which number about sixty four, or one third of the whole are relapses.

I need not urge the expediency of all means for the purpose be devised of preventing relapses of fever; and I therefore beg leave to submit to your consideration that a change of scene may sometimes be productive of the desired effect. Should this suggestion meet your approbation, I beg you will be pleased to lay it before the proper authority that should it be finally approved it may be acted upon as soon as convenient. —

I have the honor to be
Your most obedt Servant
(Signed) Jno. Abercrombie
Surgn 84th Regt

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Hew Bagwell
Secretary to Govt

Hyderabad
31st December 1810. —

21

Fort St. George 12th January 1811.

To Colonel Conran

Commanding the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force
Jaulnah

Sir,

I have the honor to submit for your consideration a Copy of a Letter from the Surgeon of His Majesty's 84th Regiment on the subject of a temporary removal of the Convalescents of that Corps for the benefit of a change of air. —

Mr Abercrombie having fully stated the Grounds of his proposal little more remains for me to add than my entire approbation of the Measure. —

Though the Intermittent Fever that has lately been prevalent in the Regiment, has not proved of a particularly fatal nature, yet from the number of Men at present under its influence, and the tendency shewn in those once attacked with it to relapse, the Effective Strength has been so much reduced as to render advisable something more than the mere application of Medicine. —

Under this impression I am led to hope that the proposal in question will meet your approbation, and in that event I beg leave to recommend as follows. — That these Convalescents about sixty in

22

Fort St. George 12th January 1811.

no months may be moved with their Tents as soon as circumstances will admit and with, the Assistant Surgeon Jones now doing duty with His Majesty's 33d Regiment in Medical charge to a distance of forty or fifty Miles from this Station, and kept moving in that distance for a period of six weeks or two Months with an occasional approach to the vicinity of this Place for the purpose and convenience of receiving such other Men as may over a similar Position

Thirty completely equipped Tents will be necessary for the Duty with the full Establishment from the Hospital and Invalid Depots.

The proportion of Staff Commissioned and Non Commissioned required for this Duty must of course rest with your Judgment.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

Signed Alex Bowell

Depy Inspr

Pulicat

2d January 1811

A True Copy

Alex Bowell

Depy Insp Genl

23

Fort St. George 14th January 1811.

To The Superintending Surgeon

Hyderabad Subsidiary Force

Jaulnah

Sir,

I am directed by the Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, and the Enclosure, and to express their approbation of the measures recommended by you to check the tendency to relapse, of the Fever prevalent in His Majesty's 34th Regiment.

I am also directed to request that you will forward to this Office, for perusal and full details of such has been found beneficial, or otherwise, in the cases referred to.

I am further directed to request that you will be pleased to state, whether the men of the 34th Regiment are already provided with, and use the habit of wearing flannel. as, should that not be the case, it will if deemed necessary be recommended by the Medical Board with a view to prevent the injurious effects, of the vicissitudes of heat and cold.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

Signed Wm Thackeray

Secretary to the Board

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
14th January 1811

12

10

12

24

Fort St. George 14th January 1811.

To Terence Finnegan Esqr. P.S. Present

and Member of the Board of
Madras

Gentlemen.

Enclosing for the Consideration of your
meeting the enclosed application from Mr Surgeon Wheeler
for leave of absence to visit the Presidency on
private affairs of an urgent nature, which I hope it will
be in your power to allow for some time. I have the
honour of the Office Commanding the Corps to
say that Mr Wheeler is in Charge of the Corps
from which he is desirous of being absented
for a few weeks.

Options Pote was willing to grant
him the Superintending Surgeon's certificate
every last Corps were opposed on Account of the
Superintendence of the Corps in Travancore
authority granted and which stipend will be
attended with additional expence, considering the distance
of my present Corps and that the Natives would
object me to get the Services of the present Dr
altogether.

I also take the opportunity of
requesting that you will have the goodness to inform
me, whether by the late Medical Regulations

13

25

Fort St. George 14th. January 1811.

It is intended, that His Majesty's as well as the Company's Surgeons are included in those Clauses, directing that the Senior Regimental Surgeons shall take charge of all European details as well as afford Medical aid to the Northern and Southern Circuit Courts. —

Should these orders be literally adhered to, they will, at this place, give Mr. Pearse Surgeon of His Mr. 30th. Regiment immediate charge not only of the European details of the Company's troops but of the Circuit Court of this Division, until the arrival of Mr. Pott, or in case of Mr. Pearse's becoming Senior at any future period here. —

An early reply to this communication will oblige. —

Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wheeler Assistant

Surgeon &c

Trichinopoly
30th December 1810. —

13

26

Fort St. George 14th. January 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division.

Sir,

Para 1. I am desired to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 30th. Ultimo and to acquaint you that the Medical Board had previously to the receipt of it, recommended that the Medical duties of Travancore should be conducted under the authority of the Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division in consideration of the facility afforded by the roads which have been lately made between the two Countries.

2. I am also directed to inform you that Government have been solicited to supply on the want of a Surgeon of His Majesty's Service being the Station at which he may be that One to have charge of the details of the Honble Company's Troops.

3. On receiving of these papers you will have the Board get ready any reply from the Honble the Court

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Edward Hall Secretary
Secretary to Hall

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
14th. January 1811

27

Fort St. George 14th. January 1811.

The Secretary, Medical Board,
Fort St. George

Sir,

Para 1. I am instructed to forward to you for the information of the Medical Board at Fort Saint George, the accompanying List of Medicines, Instruments and necessaries, supplied from this Presidency, for the use of the Troops stationed at Jaulnah, agreeably to the Annual Indent, transmitted by Mr. Boswell.

2. I am further directed to inform you, that the Indents for Malabar, Canara, and Goa, are under preparation, and will be forwarded by the first opportunity, of which due intimation will be afforded. Owing to these Extra demands, the state of our Stores has not admitted of a Compliance with those Indents, to the full extent required, of some Articles, the Board have however been anxious to Meet the Demands, in respect to all the Most useful Medicines, which they trust will prevent any inconvenience to the public Service, from the limited Issue of the Other Articles.

I have the honor to be
Your very Obedient Servant.
(Signed) George Keir
Secretary to Med. Bd.

Bombay
Med. Bd. Office
5th. January 1811.

List

28

Fort St. George 14th January 1811.

List of Medical Stores &c. for the Despatch Sentinel, Sprung from the Medical Stores at Bombay, January 2. 1811.

	No.		No.
Acet. Distillat.	6	Hydrarg. Murias. Corros.	3
Acid. Muriat.	4	Chirurg. Fortior.	25
Balsm. Peruv.	26	Chirurg. Mitior.	5
Calomelas	0	Purgat.	60
Ammon. Phosphat.	4	Kali Acetat.	4
Antim. Sulphurat.	4	Purgat.	15
Tartarizat.	8	Tartarizat.	7
Aqua Ammon.	12	Vitriolat.	0
Ferri	2	Lapis Calaminar.	5
Hydrarg. oxidat.	19	Linimt. Saponac.	36
Argent. Nitrat.	1	Spermaceti Ointment	12
Bals. Copaiv.	6	Myrrh.	6
Peruv.	4	Aloes	10
Cantharidum	16	Antim. Oxyd.	20
Capsic. Vitriolat.	1	Rhei	10
Emplastr. Cantharidum	26	Camphor.	28
Hydrarg.	6	Scammon.	47
Hydrarg. Comm.	20	Rhei	5
Resinos.	63	Aloes	2
Flor. Sulph.	4	Catechu	200
Extract. Gentian.	5	Cort. Peruv.	8
Glycyrrh. comp.	4	Digitalis	4
Opii	3	Ipecacuanh.	9
Hyoscyam.	3	Opii	1 Bottle
Jalap.	1	Scammon.	6
Ferr. Rubig.	1	Sulphur.	8
Vitriolat.	1	Tart. Emet.	0
Flor. Chamomil.	2	Red Gentian.	1
Calomelas	35	Rhei	1
Jalap.	50	Scammon.	2
Ipecacuanh.	3	Scrupellat.	2
Rhei	3	Sulphur. Aurat. Antim.	2
Hydrarg. Murias. mit.	1	Rhei Pulv.	12
Calomel.	1	Sulphur.	0
		Sulphur. Hyposulphurat.	1

29

Fort St. George 14th January 1811.

	No.		No.
Semin. Sinæ	8	Tinct. Opii	106
Sperm. Cti	0	Camphor.	20
Spirit. æther. Nitros.	56	Rhei. Aquos.	3 8
Vitriolic.	4	Serpent. Virg.	2
Vini Rectificat.	66	Valerian. ammoniat.	8
Tinct. Asafœtidæ	4	Vini Antimonial.	0
Benzoes. comp.	4 8	Ipecacuanhæ	3
Columbæ	0	Unguent. Alb.	106
Cinchonæ	6	Citrinum	6
Digitalis	6	Hydrarg. Fort.	226
Ferri Muriat.	5	Lapis Calamin.	169
Gentianæ comp.	6	Resin. Flav.	130
Guiacæ Volat.	8	Zinc. Calcinat.	3
Lavend. comp.	10	Vitriolatum	0
Myrrhæ	2		

Instruments and Med. Stores

Argent. Nitrat.	2	Instrument. Trephining	Case 1
Bistouries Crooked	No 2	Lithotomy	Case 1
Straight	No 4	Lancets Bleeding	No 48
Bullet Knives	No 14	Pompholyx	No 6
Boxes Pill	10 Paper	Leather Skins	No 24
Bottle Corks	Gross 6	Lint. Opt.	60
Bougies Common	Case 12	Measures Graduated Glass	No 6
Elastic Gum	No 6	Ounce Bottles	No 2
for Catheters	No 7	½ Ounce Do.	No 5
Catheters Male Elastic	No 4	Mortars & Pestle Brass Large & small	No 2
Male Flexible Silver	No 1	Glass Small	No 2
Male Silver	No 2	Marble Large	No 1
Funnel Glass	No 6	Marble Small	No 6
Tine	No 7	Needles Crooked	Case 4
Flannel	110 Yards	Seton	No 6
Gally Pottes	6 Dozen	Paper Sacking Brown	Quire 14
Instruments amputating	Case 2	Slithering	No 6
Couching	Case 1	Packing white	12 Quire
Cupping	Case 1	Pens	8
Common Pocket Case	Case 1	Pens Red	No 3
Teeth	No 2	Pipes & Oyster Spare	No 9

Fort St. George 11th January 1811.

		£55	£56
Probes Spare		No 4	Sponges Fine Assorted	No 6
Pyrate Common		6 Dozen	Probes	No 12
with Gilt stiffners		3 Dozen	Pair Blades	No 3
Corks		65 Dozen	Probes Pyrates	No 5
Boulpots		Case & Tyes		12 Dozen
Scissors Curved		No 7	Thread	5
Scales and Weights Brass		6 Brass Scales Custom Steel		1 Case
Scales & Weights Brass		2 Brass Rummagate Brass		No 7
Scales and Weights Round		3 Steel	Steel	No 3
Spatulas Fine		No 6	Surgeons Register Common	No 20
Syphons Elastic		20 Little Size Brass		7
Lancets		10 Setts Brass		15
Steel		6 Setts Pyrate Pocket		No 6
Sponges		2	Thread Lace	No 1

Bombay
Med. Bd. Office
January 1811

Signed Geo. Kerr
Secy

To the Secretary
Medical Board
Bombay

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter with the enclosed Bill for Medicines purchased for the Hospital Establishment at Bombay from the Bombay Merchants, and to request you will be pleased to forward, under the Surgeons Receipt thereto.

I have

Fort St. George 11th. January 1811.

2. I am also directed to state to you, that the Medical Board at this Presidency, entertains a great sense of the necessity of the Bombay Medical Board to meet the wants of the Troops in Malabar, Canara, and Goa - under a dispensing of Medical Stores the Board there are aware that the demands may not be completed exactly to their full extent - and that an adequate proportion, of the most useful articles is accordingly as much as can be reasonably looked for.-

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
11th January 1811

Signed Wm. Horsman
Secy. to Med. Board

To M. Surgeon, Trincomalee

Sir,

I am directed to desire, that you will deliver over the Nursing Department, to the charge of the Senior Surgeon at Manilipatam - being, in the opinion of the Medical Board, connected with the duties of the Circuit, as well as the Collate Board; and conformable to the Government Order, bearing date the 9th October last.-

I have the honor, to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Humble

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
11th January 1811

Signed Wm. Horsman
Secy. to the Board

Circular

Fort St George 16th January 1811.

Circular.

To the Superintending Surgeons

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Board to transmit herewith for your information Extract of a Letter from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

2. I am also authorized to desire that you will call the attention of the Hospital Staff under your superintendance to the necessity of their strictly complying with the orders contained in the Extract, in transmitting to the Board the Returns of the Sick at the proper time.

3. I am further ordered to desire that you will cause to be made the Medical Report to accompany the Returns of the Sick, which ought invariably to be written from the Journals of the Hospital under your charge, and that you will at the bottom of the Medical Report specify whether the Journals of such Hospital Officers as you may not have received, and the reasons given for their not having forwarded to you.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Wm Horsman
Secy to the Board

Extract

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
16th January 1811

Fort St George 16th January 1811.

Extract of a Letter from the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, to the Secretary of the Medical Board dated the 14th January 1811.—

"The Commander in Chief has "desired me to express his expectation that measures "may be adopted to accelerate the transmission of "the monthly returns of the sick of the Army, "so that the returns of the one Month may reach "Fort St George in the course of the next following "Month."

True Extract

(Signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

To William Horsman Esqr
Secretary to the Medical Board.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 16th Instant, enclosing an Extract of a letter from the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief dated the 14th Instant.—

In compliance with the instructions conveyed

94

Fort St. George 18th January 1811.

Sir

I am directed by the Medl. Bd. to transmit herewith a copy of a Letter from the Medical Board, dated the 15th Instant, and to request that you will be pleased to call upon the Medical Officers attached to the Centre Division to furnish the Returns specified in the above Letter, with the least possible delay.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Alex. Watson M.D.
Secy to the Medl. Board

To
The Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division

Fort St. George
Medl. Board Office
18th January 1811.

95

Fort St. George 18th January 1811.

Sir

I am directed by the Medl. Bd. to transmit to you the accompanying copy of the Resolution of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council, dated the 8th instant, which they request you will be pleased to communicate to Mr. Asst. Surgeon Martin.

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

To
Mr. Asst. Surgeon Martin
Madura
18th January 1811.

Sir

I am directed by the Medl. Bd. to transmit herewith a copy of a Letter from the Medical Board, dated the 15th Instant, and to request that you will be pleased to call upon the Medical Officers attached to the Centre Division to furnish the Returns specified in the above Letter, with the least possible delay.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Alex. Watson M.D.
Secy to the Medl. Board

To
The Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division

Fort St. George
Medl. Board Office
18th January 1811.

Sir

I am directed by the Medl. Bd. to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a Resolution of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council, dated the 8th instant, which they request you will be pleased to communicate to Mr. Asst. Surgeon Martin.

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

To

36 Fort St. George 15th January 1811.

To

The President and Members

of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen

I have received the enclosed letter from the Superintendant of the Dispensary in consequence of a Complaint made to him by Mr. Assistant Surgeon Underwood of a mistake in the prescription of a Medicine which was particularly stated in the letter which I also transmitted to the Board.

Having satisfied myself that the mistake alluded to occurred in the compounding of Medicines by the Dispensary Servants I recommended that the Native Apothecaries should be taken more particularly than ever to task for inattention and I have at length obtained the consent of that Department that any future well founded complaint of the nature will cause the Steward Lascars or Compdar from the rolls of the Honorable Company.

Fort St. George
16th January 1811.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedt Servt
(Signed) Thos Sergeant
Supt Dispensary

37 Fort St. George 15th January 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a letter from Mr. Underwood, on the subject of inattention on the part of the Native Apothecaries, after repeated remonstrances on my part, I feel it a duty to recommend that an example be made of the Person in question, (Ramaswamy Senior) frequent causes of complaint having occurred in other prescriptions, and fallen under my own observation. —

16th January 1811

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servt
(Signed) Thos Sergeant
Supt Dispensary

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Sergeant
Dispensary

Sir,

The complaints of the want of accuracy, in the persons employed at the Dispensary, in the compounding of Medicines are so frequent, that I have repeatedly informed them I should be obliged to make it the subject of an official statement, and accordingly I submit to you, to be laid before the Medical Board, the following instance of inaccuracy in some person in your department. —

R

Fort St. George 18th. January 1811

A few days ago a parcel was delivered for Mr. Underwood, consisting of Infus: Rosæ 3vij & ℥ xv alumina. The one properly made but being soon expended a further supply was sent for on the same morning. When it arrived it was not immediately examined but on Mr. Underwood opening some of the Parcels it was found to differ wholly in both Colour from that prepared the Morning. It being at the time was mistaken and imagining that if further delay might be made of by the messenger she declared having any prescription at the Dispensary. The convenient manner of the Parcels of the Draft also confirmed most strongly in the physician which I was intended to which was made before morning and ordered to be delivered

On opening the Draft I found that the Tincture was wholly omitted. How are planning at the Dispensary was informed by Native, was to those that the mixture of the and was known I had written for Infus Rosæ, whereas had ordered Tinct: Rosæ the ordered would have been perfectly

Fort St. George 18th. January 1811.

proceeded from ignorance that Infus: Rosæ & Tinct Rosæ are the same medicines, some Measures should certainly be taken to oblige them to examine the pharmacopœia before they compound any medicine whatever, as the most formidable Disorders may arise if they are allowed to exercise their faulty judgments & imperfect memories on these occasions.

As I was requested by you on making a personal complaints of the above instance of negligence, to put the same in an official form in order to get the sanction of the board for the discharge of such persons as shall be found thus inattentive, I have accordingly done so and not from any wish of my own to have made any reference except to yourself on the subject of misconduct in your Department.

I am, Sir,

Your Most Obed.t Servt

Sd/ D.l Underwood

Asst Garrison Surgn.

To

Fort St George

18th January 1811

40

Fort St. George 15th. January 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 10th instant, with its several inclosures, and to request you, for the information of the Superintendant of the Dispensary, that Ramaswamy Jamun, against whom a complaint for malversation in making up Medicines was preferred by the Medical Storekeeper, has been sent for and heard by the Board, in presence of his father, that any fresh complaint of a similar nature coming against him, or any other of the Dispensary Servants will inevitably be followed by a recommendation to Government, to remove them from the Native establishment upon their being found unworthy to hold—

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

Fort St. George
Medical Office
15th January 1811

41

Fort St. George 15th. January 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force —
Jaulnah —

Sir,

Para 1. As the Medical Board are anxious to report to Government, the present uncommon sickly state of His Majesty's 34th. Regiment they have directed me to request, that you will call upon the Surgeon of that Corps, to state his opinion as to the probable causes of such prevalent sickness, to report particularly whether the Soldiers have a facility in obtaining Country Arrack, or other spirituous liquors, calculated to induce debility, and susceptibility to fever, whether they are much exposed on night duties — and if so, whether those Men have in particular suffered from fever; it having been formerly reported, by the late Superintending Surgeon of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, that much Febrile disease was prevented in His Majesty's 33d. Regiment by the discontinuance of night Pickets. —

2 The Report of the Surgeon of His Majesty's 34th Regt. on these points, the Medical Board trust, will be forwarded to them, with such further information as may have come to his knowledge, also, with his recommendation of what may be advisable, as to the best means of preventing the access to Country Arrack

the

41

Fort St. George 19th January 1811.

the discontinuance of freight Packets the way of Bengal - the removal of the Regiment, or such other means, we will strive on the part of the Medical officers an anxiety to ascertain, and to correct the causes producing a disease seemingly of so grievous a tendency -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servt
Signed Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
18th January 1811

To the Military Secretary
of the Excellency the Commander in Chief
Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterdays date with its papers for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency the

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servt
Signed Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
19th January 1811

42

Fort St George 21st January 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Returns of Medicines supplied for the Troops on this Establishment from the Public Stores at Bombay; which the Medical Board request, you will be pleased to keep under a distinct Head, in order that reference may with the more facility be made to them when at any time necessary.

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

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
21st January 1811.

To the Acting Superintending Surgeon
of the Mysoor Divisions.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 10th ultimo I am directed by the Med Bd to transmit to you the enclosed Extracts from the Resolutions of the Honble the Governor in Council bearing date the 11th instant for your information. I have the honor to be Sir

Signed Wm Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
21st Jany 1811.

44

Fort St. George 21st January 1811.

The Secretary Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am instructed to acquaint you for the information of the Medical Board at Fort St. George that an annual supply of Medicines &c. for the Provinces of Malabar and Canara agreeably to the Invoice annexed hereto, and carefully packed in twelve Chests addressed to the Deputy Storekeeper at Cannanore, have been this day delivered to the Marine Department, to be conveyed on a Government Boat with the least possible delay.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very Obedient Servant
(Signed) George Kerr
Secy. Med. Bd.

Bombay
Med. Bd. Office
7th. January 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board
Bombay.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 7th. instant with its enclosure, my list and to express to you the satisfaction of the Medical Board here at the ready attention

43

Fort St. George 21st. January 1811.

which the Bombay Med. Bd. have given in directing to be prepared and forwarded the annual supply of Medicines &c. for the Provinces of Malabar and Canara.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
21st. January 1811.

To Mrs. Anna Veitch.

Madam,

I am directed by the Med. Bd. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 11th. instant and to intimate to you that Government have deemed it inexpedient to grant the monthly allowance solicited by you.

I am
Madam,
Your Most
Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
21st. Jany. 1811.

To

Fort St. George 21st January 1811.

To

Terence Jahagan Esqre P.G. President
and Members of the
Medical Board
Madras.

Gentlemen

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 16th Instant and shall on consequence lose no time in taking such steps as may enable me if possible to have my Monthly Abstract at the Medical Board Office by the 15th of every month at the same time I must say that considering the great distance of some of the Stations of this division from Head Quarters and the majority there occasionally is of sending back Medical Returns to individuals for correction I should have been better pleased if more time had been allowed. Will you therefore excuse me for the liberty I now take in suggesting that the 20th in place of the 15th should be the latest period of the Month for receiving the General Monthly Abstracts at the Medical Board Office. —

In the second paragraph of your letter to me I am desired to state the reasons which

Fort St. George 21st January 1811.

have hitherto prevented me from sending my Medical Vouchers at the proper time, to this I can safely reply, that I am not conscious of having on any one instance neglected dispatching my Official papers one day later than the time which I ever understood was allowed. viz the 9th day of the second month. —

In a very few days more I expect to have it in my power to transmit to you a full and particular account of the Lepers at Tranquebar thrown into the form of a Table, under fourteen distinct heads, and which I hope will prove satisfactory to you. —

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedt Servant
(Signed) Whit.e Ainslie M.D.
Supg Surgeon S.D.

Trichinopoly
10th January 1811.

To

T. Jahagan Esqre P.G. President &
Members of the Medical Board
Fort Saint George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward to your Board, the annual Indent for Medicines Instruments

48

Fort St. George 25th. January 1811.

Instruments &c &c for the Troops in Mysore Malabar and Canara for the year 1811.-

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) J. Howard

Senior Surgeon

Mysore Division

Bangalore
19th January 1811.-

To the Senior Surgeon

Mysore Division

Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will be pleased to return the accompanying Indent, to the Garrison Surgeon at Seringapatam - and that you will instruct Mr Scannon, to make out one for the Troops in the Mysore Division only - the supplies of European Medicines &c for the Provinces of Malabar and Canara having been made up at Bombay, and dispatched from thence, to the Deputy Med! Store Keeper at Cannanore, soon after the 9th instant.-

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Surg. Med! Bd

Fort St. George
Med! B. Office
25th Jan! 1811.-

25

49

Fort St. George 25th. January 1811.

To

The Secretary to the Medical Board

Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to transmit you a letter with enclosures this day received from the Brigade Major of Kings Troops, respecting a Private Soldier Green of His Majesty's 34th Regt supposed to be labouring under a Mental Derangement, and request that the Board may be apprized of the circumstance with a view to his examination.-

He will be directed to be sent to the Medical Board Office at 10 O'Clock on friday forenoon.-

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) R. Barclay

Major

Town Majors Office.
Fort St. George.
23d January, 1811.-

To

Fort St. George 21st. January 1811.

(Copy)

To the Deputy Adjutant General His Majesty's Troops
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to state to you for the Information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, that during the Present Sessions Private Soldier Green of His Majesty's 59th. Regiment was tried for Murder and Acquitted on the ground of Insanity, but the Court directed he should be detained in Prison, until otherwise provided for as might be meet to set a Man at large, Labouring under Mental derangement.

It being usual, when others are acquitted at the Supreme Court, to discharge them which practice would have been observed in this Case had not the Judge recommended it otherwise

I beg you will be pleased to inform me if I shall send Private Green to your Office to be dealt with as His Excellency the Commander in Chief may be pleased to direct.

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
Signed Hetherow Sheriff

Sheriffs Office
Madras
21st. January 1811.

A true Copy
Signed J. M. Sylden
A. D.

Deputy

Fort St. George 21st. January 1811.

Deputy Adjutant Generals office
Fort St. George
23d. January 1811

Sir,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to inclose you the accompanying Copy of a letter from the Sheriff and to request that you will Cause Private Green to be examined by a Medical Board in order to have him Admitted into the Lunatic Hospital.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
Signed J. M. Sylden
M. B.
Kings Troops

Lieut. Col. Barclay
Town Major

To the Town Major
of Fort St. George

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 23d. inst. and it's enclosures from the Brigade Major of Kings Troops I have the honor to transmit the enclosed Certificate from the Physician General and President of the Med. Bd.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obed. Servt.
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surgeon
Sec.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
26th. Jany. 1811

Fort St. George 25th January 1811.

I do hereby Certify that I examined Private Solomon Green of His Majesty's 34th Regiment and to be in a State of derangement, I therefore recommend him to be sent subject for the Lunatic Asylum.

Fort St. George
26th January 1811.

(Signed) James Gahagan
Physician General & Pres.
Medical Board

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th ultimo, and in reply to the same have directed to transmit to you, the enclosed Extract of a Letter, from the Assistant Adjutant General of the army, dated the 24th instant for the information of Mr. Surgeon Cousins.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. office
28th January 1811.

Extract

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

Extract of a Letter from the Asst. Adjt. General of the Army, Dated 24th January 1811.

Mr. Cordiner of the 2d Battalion 5th Regiment has the permission of His Excellency the Commander in Chief to proceed to join his Corps, via Bombay.

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

To the Secretary of the Medical Board.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose a General Return of Sick of the Troops and Corps of Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons, doing duty at Goa, for the Month of December 1810.

I also forward Mr. Andrew's Quarterly Return and Issues of Medicines with the Vouchers.

I beg leave to State for the information of the Medical Board, that from the low state of the Medical Stores here, it is probable we shall be in want of Medicines to assist us in complying with the Indents for the second Quarter of the present year, and to meet emergencies. This can be best done from the Stores

as

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

as from many information the Bombay yearly supplies of Medical Stores arrives there in the China Fleet in all June or July and consequently may not be to forward our yearly supplies from that Presidency to until after the rains in October or November next. —

Hope the Medical Board have anticipated this request. —

1 Battalion of Native Infantry was ordered some days ago to be held in readiness to march to the Mahratta Frontier. This includes a compliance with an Indent for Medicines on as liberal a scale as can possibly conduce to prevent any distress when far from all towns of this kind. —

From the Return of our Medical Men the Board will see that so far from having any Dispensaries we are short of our complement and the state of Mr Assistant Surgeon Swaney's health is such that he must leave this the moment he appears convalescent. He has suffered severely from repeated attacks of Fever and Liver. —

In the event of more calls for Medical aid I shall refer to Agouada and do Duty there myself informing the Board of this move and requesting from them what further may be necessary

The Troops are on the whole healthy. —

Goa 16th Jan. 1811. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Jas Gilmour
Staff Surgeon

To

55

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

To the Staff Surgeon
Goa. —

Sir,

I am directed to intimate to you, in reply to your letter of the 16th. instant that by a letter from the Medical Board at Bombay dated the 18th. instant the Annual supply of Medicines Instruments &c. for the Troops at Goa was then under preparation and to be forwarded to you with the least possible delay. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) William Horsman
Secretary, Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
20th. January 1811. —

To

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

To

Terence Finlagan Esqr. P.C. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

The present scarcity of Medical men at this station, and the great sickness which has lately prevailed in some of the Districts have put it out of my power to proceed to Tranquebar at the period I proposed, yet anxious at the same time to forward your requisition respecting the Lepers of that town and district, I judged it expedient to transmit to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stewart, certain queries in the form of a Table under fourteen distinct heads which I begged him to fill up from the personal examination of every individual he could find, labouring under the Coastum or Elephantiasis. Mr. Stewart has in consequence sent me the accompanying communication, and I am happy to say, that I am pleased with the correct manner in which that Gentleman has obeyed my orders. Mr. Stewart in his letter to me of the 8th Instant says that he

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

he believes there are still many Lepers in the district of Tranquebar, whom he could not procure a sight of; he also informs me that there are a few respectable Malabar families, tainted with the Malady, but who would neither consent to see him, nor give him a description of their condition. Some of the Danes themselves, he tells me, have been affected with this Lepra, but as it is by no means uncommon in their mother country, it becomes a question whether they might not have brought the seeds of the disorder with them from Europe.— There is I think little doubt but that the abolition of the Hospital which the Dutch had for Leprous persons at Negapatam, is one of the great causes of the frequent appearance of this dreadful disease along that part of the Coromandel coast; as the patients on being freed from confinement, became thereby at liberty to marry and so spread the mischief.—

After a careful perusal of the accompanying Table, comprehending a minute examination of thirty unfortunates, there may I think be drawn the following conclusions.—

1st That women are more liable to

suffer

Fort St. George 28th. January 1811.

suffer from the Costum than men.—

2nd. That the Disease is most certainly hereditary

3rd. That its being in any degree contagious is extremely doubtful.

4th That every Leper suffering from an advanced stage of the disorder, doubts the possibility of his being able to get a child.

5th That a fish diet is by experience found to render every symptom worse.—

and 6th That poor living—want of cleanliness—exposure to cold, and mendicant misery, are but the too constant attendants of this sad calamity.

Upon the whole it may perhaps become a question worthy the consideration of your Board

Whether or not it might be advisable to recommend the receiving into an Hospital every person that can be found afflicted with this Leprosy with a view to prevent as much as possible the further spreading of the disorder.—

As also whether, as a fish diet is so generally observed to render the symptoms worse it would be advisable to have such an Asylum immediately on the sea Coast, or, farther inland where vegetables fruits, Mutton &c. &c. can be more

Fort St. George 28th. January 1811.

more easily procured.—

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most, Obedient Servant,
Signed/ Whitlaw Ainslie M.D.
Superintending Surgeon &c. &c.

Trichinopoly
21st January 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division

Sir,

1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 21st. instant and to intimate to you, that, although the statement accompanying it, is satisfactory on some points it does not afford to the Medical Board, that full information, which a subject so particularly brought forward, would seem to them to call for.—

2. The Board are very desirous that you should ascertain whether there are now more Leprotic patients than formerly at Tranquebar—whether they have been entirely Residents at that place—or from other stations—whether there are any certain means of proving that Leprosy is becoming more prevalent at Tranquebar—whether the diet of these unfortunate people has not been principally of

Fish—

60 Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

Fish - whether such fish has generally been from the sea, or fresh waters - whether it has not been often used when in a decayed state - whether on the general scale of investigating the phenomena of this Cathsome disease, there may not be found facilities of throwing light on the subject, at Negapatam - Tutocoreen - and other places on the sea coast, more to the Southward, within your superintendence, to shew that bad food, and other causes on those situations, operate more than hereditary disposition or infection. -

You will therefore be pleased to take the most favorable for elucidating this important enquiry, the Medical Board hope that your best endeavours will be exerted to that effect - and that you will also as further satisfactory, adopt the best means of contrasting the situation of the Natives on the Sea Coast, where this disease appears, with the Natives of the Villages in the interior parts of Southern India.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt
Signed Walter M Gorman
Secretary to Med Bd

To

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
28th January 1811 -

Return of Buildi

Store Department at the

Medical Store Department.

		Sqr of the Apartment in Feet	No.	Appropriation
1st Class	1st Room	794	14	1	Medical Stores
	2d "	594	14	1	Do Do
	3 "	363	21	1	Do Do
	4th "	484	21	1	Do Do
	5th "	414	17	1	Packing and Timber Room
2d Class	1st Room	324	14	2	Office of the Medical Store Keeper
3d Class	1st Room	244	14	3	Medical Stores
4th Class	1st Room	164	14	3	Use of the Medical Stores The Laboratory
	2d Room	137	17	3	Do
	3d Do	154	11	3	

Dispensary.

2d Class	1st Room	304	15	2 Dispensary Room
3 Class	1st Room	283	20	2 Superintendants Quarter
4th Class	1st Room	196	13	2 Dispensary Room
	2	164	13	2 Superintendants Quarter
	3	132	11	2 Do Do

61

Fort St. George 25th January 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterday's date, for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and Government.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
29th. January 1811.—

To
The President and Members
of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I herewith send you Copies of a letter received from the late Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Jaulnah and of a Receipt from the Paymaster at that Station for Star Pagodas 1769. 34. 24 being the proceeds of Country Medicines sold to the Surgeons of the Subsidiary Force on the Honorable Company's account — Also an account

of

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

of Male by Public outcry of a Medical Stores at Jaffnah on the 10th January last amounting to Four hundred and forty three Star Pagodas four fanams and fifty Cash. By this sale I am happy to say the Company have realized a sum of one hundred and 16 Pagodas 8 fanams and 50 Cash only which on considering the perishable nature of many of the Medicines must be deemed very moderate indeed. —

I also enclose a letter from the Assistant Surgeon Mather respecting the remaining at Trulon and request you'll favor me with your further Instructions regarding them. —

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient Hble
Signed/ John Goldie
Med. Storekr

Fort St. George
1st February 1811. —

To
John Goldie Esqr
Medical Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Sir

In reply to yours of the 9th inst. I have to state, for the information of the Med. Bd

Fort St. George 28th January 1811.

that I do not find, on enquiry, there is a probability of disposing of the Port Wine in Store to either any of the Mysoreans or of the Persees at this place; at even a lower rate than the valued prices; as Port of the first quality may be purchased at Bombay for Six Pagodas pr. Dozen, at the most, with a trifling additional expence only in carriage &c. I shall therefore await your instructions as to what further measures it may be thought proper to adopt. —

I beg leave to mention that as in case of the Port Wine being publicly sold at an inferior price, the Castor Oil, Instruments &c. would remain unsaleable, I will take the liberty of suggesting for consideration the plan of sending round by Sea to Madras the whole of the Med. Stores now remaining; which I conceive would be the one the least likely to be attended with loss to Government. There are at present in the Stores two large wooden Chests well adopted to the purpose, the carriage of which by Sea would be inconsiderable. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obed. Servant
Signed/ G. Mather
Asst. Surgeon in charge of Med. Stores

Trulon
31st Dec. 1810. —

A True Copy
Signed/ Jno. Goldie
Med. Storekeeper
To

64

Fort St. George 1st February 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Med.l Bd to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the date and to desire that you will instruct Mr Assistant Surgeon Mathie to forward to the Presidency the Country Medicines sent to Bellary in the way suggested by that Officer as the best mode of disposing of these articles unsuitable there.—

2 If these stores cannot be sold at Madras they are to be carried to the credit of the Company on your Issues for the use of the Dispensary.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd Office
1st February 1811.—

Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Sigd W. Horsman
Secretary to Bd

65

Fort St. George 1st February 1811.

The Secretary Medical Board

Fort St. George

Sir,

1 I am instructed to transmit to You, for the information of the Medical Board at Fort Saint George, the accompanying List of Medicines, Instruments, and Necessaries, Supplied for the Troops at Goa, in Conformity to the annual Indent, preferred by the Medical Storekeeper at that station, under date the 5th of November last, and to advise You, that these Supplies, Carefully packed in fifteen Chests, have been this day shipped on a Government Boat for Goa, to the address of Mr. Andrews, or the Medical Officer in Charge, at that place.—

2. Altho the Indent from Goa, does not appear to have been before the Board at Madras, a Copy was no doubt forwarded from Mr. Andrews, with Statements of expenditure and balance in store, on which the demand was founded, as the Board under this Presidency, have no means of judging of the extent of

Mr. Andrews

Fort St. George 1st February 1811.

Mr. Andrews finds they hope that on future occasions when it may be deemed advisable to forward Medical supplies from Bombay, on account of any station under your Government, that the Board will have the Goodness to direct the demands to be examined and proportioned to the probable wants of the public Service.

3 The Board have been furnished with Lists of Medicines delivered over to Mr. Andrews by Mr. Marden, as well as the Amount furnished in September, which with the present supply, forms a large Stock of all useful Medicines, altho it has been impossible to Comply with Mr. Andrews Indent to the full extent which in some articles as Bark, Salts, Instruments &c. have appeared unusually great, they trust the present supply will be received in good order, and will prove adequate to the wants of the public service for the estimated period, in case of necessity however our Communication by sea will continue open, and admit of supplies being forwarded, until the 1st of May.

I have the honor to be
Your very obedient Servant
Signed George Heer
Secy Med. Bd.

Bombay
Med. Bd. Office
24th January 1811.

35

Fort St. George 1st February 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board,
Bombay.

Sir,

1 I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 25th ultimo, and to state to you, for the information of the Medical Board at Bombay - that the Medical Board here, have expressed to this Government, as well as to you, by my former letters, the just sense which they entertain of the attentions paid by your Board, to the demands of medicines made from this Presidency, for the use of the Troops at Jaulnah - Malabar and Canara - and Goa. -

2 I am also directed to inform you, that the Indents for the above mentioned supplies, were in the first instance, forwarded to this office, and by the Board to Government, for transmission to Bombay. -

3. These supplies being now furnished in sufficient quantities for a Certain period - the Medical Officers will, on all future applications, be directed to forward copies of the documents accompanying their Indents, in order that the Bombay Medical Board may (should their

Fort St. George 4th February 1811.

their Stores not be equal to the demands) be enabled to proportion in due quantities, the medicines most essential to the wants of the sick.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
4th February 1811.—

Circular

To the Superintending Surgeons
at Saulnah &c. in the Province of Malabar
and Staff Surgeon at Goa.—

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Med. Board to request that you will on all your future demands for European Medicines for the use of the Troops under your Superintendence take care to have specified the quantities received upon last regular Indent as well as upon Extra Indents the quantities expended the quantities remaining in the quantities wanted, and for what time and these to be accompanied with Returns of the average monthly effective strength of both the European

Fort St. George 4th February 1811.

European and Native Troops together with the monthly averages of disease.—

2 I am also directed to desire that these documents may be forwarded in Duplicate, in order that one setts may accompany the Indent to Bombay.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed Wm. Horsman

Secry Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
4th February 1811.—

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

Gentlemen,

In pursuance of the communications with which I had the honor to address your Board on the 2d Instant, One hundred and Sixty Men of His Majesty's 34th Regiment in a state of Convalescence moves from hence on the 6th following on the proposed experiment of a change of Air.—

Their movements by easy stages for the first few days produced apparently a good effect

Fort St. George 4th February 1811

effect, and on consequence on the 25th Instant
when I accompanied the Surgeon of the Regiment
to visit them. Twenty one more Cases of slight
fever and relapse that had occurred on the inter-
mediate time were ordered to join the Party -

The entire therefore of the Casualties
under this head amounts to One hundred and
Seventy seven exclusive of the Sick in Hospi-
tal, and which as you will perceive by the
last Returns exceed the usual proportion
from the Medical Officer with the Convalescents
have not been altogether favorable. Several relapses
and some new attacks of fever among the Men
have occurred; but sufficient time has not yet
elapsed for any conclusions to be drawn with
regard to the efficacy of the Measure -

It is therefore still to be hoped
that the change of situation will be productive of
a good effect among the Convalescents and I am
sanguine in the expectation that the approach-
ing hot Weather will operate as a check to
the Intermittent prevailing in the Regiment
as I have never observed fevers of that
description

Fort St. George 4th February 1811.

description frequent among the Troops during that
Season -

Every attempt on my part and in
communication with the Surgeon of the Regiment to
assign some specific Cause for this sudden and serious
increase of Sickness in His Majesty's 34th Regiment
has hitherto proved fruitless -

But I have judged it expedient
thus far to apprize your Board and should you
think proper His Excellency the Commander in
Chief - of the present State of His Majesty's 34th Regt.
as in the event of the Measure adopted for the
Convalescents not succeeding, and the Sickness in
the Corps increasing - I may have occasion to sub-
mit to the Officer Commanding this Force
further and more important Medical suggestions
relative to the European Troops in advance -

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Alex. Boswell
Supg Surgeon H.M.F.

Paulnah
18th January 1811 -

To

72

Fort St. George 4th February 1811.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter with the enclosed Extract of a Letter from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief to which due attention shall be paid.

The delay in the transmission of Medical Vouchers in this Division has hitherto arisen from the Surgeons awaiting themselves of the Time specified in general orders for giving in their Journals and Returns, it shall now have my best endeavours that they are sent into me (if possible) by the 6th every month, to ensure the reception of my abstract at your Office on the 15th of the month.

I herewith transmit for the information of the Medical Board my general Abstract of Returns of Sick in the Ceded Districts for the month of December last, together with the Medical Vouchers and a List of Surgeons serving on the Establishment and also a Duplicate of the Fort Hospital Bill annexed to the Returns of Patients for December.

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Jos. J. Duncan
Dep. Surgeon G.S.

Fort St. George
22d January 1811.

To

73

Fort St. George 4th February 1811.

To the Physician General
and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to enclose you the Medical Journals & Reports, of the Medical officers under my superintendance, for the month of December 1810, I have also the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's Letter under date the 16th January 1811; covering an Extract from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief; Every thing in my power, shall be done to enable the Med. Board, to meet the wishes of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and if possible, to dispatch the Journals and Sick Reports, so as to reach your office by the 15th of each Month.—

The causes which have hitherto prevented me from forwarding the Medical Vouchers of my Division, at an earlier period, were that, I always understood, that the Board had granted an indulgence to the 20th of the Month, for the different Medical Officers, and to the 27th to the Superintending Surgeons— The distance of some of the Stations here, will hardly admit of the Returns reaching me by the 6th or 7th of the Month,

and

174

Fort St. George 6th February 1811.

and during the Monsoon, (which continues for 6 Months) pending the arrival of the Medical Stranals 15th. every - instance; but every thing in my power shall be done to accelerate their arrival, by the 15th. of each Month-

The removal of all the Medical Officers in my Division, just now, has caused much confusion, and a great deal of trouble, but I hope in a short time every thing will be properly arranged-

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) Geo. Balfour
Superintending Surgeon
Malabar and Canara

Cannanore
25. January 1811.

To the Acting Superintending Surgeon
of the Mysore Division

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a letter, from the Secretary to Government, in the Judicial Department and to return to you for the purpose of getting them paid, the Bills of the two Native Practitioners which you forwarded to the Medical Board, in your letter of the 6th December last -

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Hennessy
Secy. to the Bd.

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
6th February 1811.

39

75

Fort St. George 6th. February 1811-

To

Terence Jahagan Esqre. P.C. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

Accompanying I have the honor of transmitting to you a Letter which I have just received from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Samuel Cotton of the Pensioned Establishment -

A few days ago the Commanding Officer of this Division having consulted me regarding an application he had recd. from Assistant Surgeon J. Bordman, as to the probable time of his being relieved from the Medical charge of the Garrison of Sankerrydroog, I wrote & send you an Extract from my letter to him in reply, which will inform you of what I have recommended on this occasion -

"With regard to Mr. Bordman's
"application for information respecting the probable
"time of his being relieved, I really hardly know what
"to say - In the late regulation Sankerrydroog is
"not provided for, which has perhaps been from
"some oversight; neither is Ramnad provided for, I

"do

76

Fort St. George 6th. February 1811.

do not like the principle of detaching Medical men from their specific charge of Corps, when it can possibly be avoided, as it is not only attended with the greatest inconvenience when the Corps are ordered to march; but is also the occasion of this further serious evil, that by separating Medical Officers from their Battalions and the Officers belonging to them, they are prevented from becoming acquainted with their individual constitutions, and consequently from deriving those advantages from that knowledge which would prove so beneficial to their charge.

I would therefore recommend to the consideration of General Wilkinson, whether considering the great distance the Stations of Ramnad and Sankerydroog are from the Head Quarters of this Division, and for the further reasons I have above mentioned, it would not be advisable to beg that Government would make specific appointments for the Medical duties of those two Stations.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Whal. Hamilton M.D
Superintendg Surgeon

To
Trichinopoly
30th January 1811.

77

Fort St. George 6th. February 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division.

Sir,

I am directed to return the accompanying letter from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cotton, and to express to you the Surprize of the Medical Board, at your forwarding such an application to them, unattended with any opinion from yourself - more especially as Mr. Cotton is placed on the Pensioned Establishment which precludes his being employed on any Active Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Wm. Horsman
Secry. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th February 1811.

To

78

Fort St George 8th Febuary 1811.

To the President and Members
of the Medical Board
Fort St George

Gentlemen

In the expectation that Mr Macdowall the late Appointed Deputy Medical Storekeeper to this Force, would join from Hydrabad in the Course of this Month, and Mr Henry being a family Man and having a long Journey to perform he was at first dirn earnestly Allowed to deliver over the temporary Charge of the Medical Stores to Mr Assistant Surgeon Henderson and proceed to his Station on the 12th. instant.—

Enclosed I have the honor to forward to your Board Mr Hendersons Receipts for the property in Store with Copy of a Letter from the Staff Surgeon at Secunderabad stating that in Consequence of indisposition Mr. Macdowall is unable to proceed and take charge of the Office.—

I hope this temporary arrangement will not appear Objectionable, and in the event of Mr. Macdowall declining the appointment

79

Fort St George 8th Febuary 1811.

Appointment or not Joining soon, I do not think the Situation could be better filled than by Mr Henderson.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obed. Servant
Signed A Mer. Boswell
Supg Surgeon H.S.F.

Camp at Saulnah
24th January 1811.—

To A. Boswell Esqr
Superintending Surgeon
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

Having waited thus long in expectation of being relieved by Mr Assistant Surgeon Macdowall, but being informed that he is still at Hydrabad and as my detention here is attended with considerable inconvenience, in consequence of having disposed of my House and furniture a Month ago— I therefore hope that you will have no objection to Mr Assistant Surgeon Henderson taking temporary charge of the Medical Stores at this Station until Mr Macdowall's arrival.—

I should

Fort St. George 8th. Febuary 1811.

Should this arrangement meet with your Approbation, Lists of the Stores shall be made out with Mr. Henderson's Receipts. —

I have the honor to be

Your Obedient Servant

Signed T. Hendry

Deputy Med. Board

H. S. F.

Camp at Jaulnah

10th January 1811. —

/True Copy/

/Signed/ Henr. Boswell

Supy. Surgeon H.S.F.

To The Superintending Surgeon

Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Macdonell is at present unable to proceed to Jaulnah in consequence of a severe attack of Intermitting Fever. —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your obedient humble Servant

/Signed/ Arthur Connell

Asst. Surgeon H.S.F.

Secundrabad

16th January 1811

/True Copy/

/Signed/ Alexr. Boswell

Supy. Surgeon H.S.F.

Fort St. George 8th. Febuary 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon

Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Jaulnah

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 24th. Ultimo and to intimate to you, that the Medical Board approve, your having allowed Mr. Assistant Surgeon Hendry to proceed to his station — and also, your having nominated Mr. Assistant Surgeon Henderson to the charge of the Medical Stores at Jaulnah, until Mr. Assistant Surgeon McDowall shall arrive at that station. —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George

Med. Bd. Office

8th. February 1811. —

To William Horsman Esqr.

Secretary Medical Board —

Sir,

I have the honor to Report the arrival of European medicines & Instruments from

Fort St. George 8th February 1811.

from Bombay for the use of the Troops serving in these Provinces and I inclose a list of them for the information of the Members of the Med.l Board.

I have the honor to be Sir

Your most obedient Servt

Signed W.m S. Anderson

Acting Garr.n Asst. Surg.n

Cannanore

20th January 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon

of the Provinces of Malabar & Canara

Cannanore

Sir,

I am desired by the Medical Board to request, that you will inform Mr. Assistant Surgeon W. S. Anderson, that they have received his letter of the 29th ultimo that the note in which he has forwarded it is irregular and that you will admonish him to convey in future all his official Communications to the office through you as his immediate superior.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servt

pd. signed H. Norman

Secy. to Med. Bd.

Fort St. George

Med.l Bd.s Office

8th February 1811.

Fort St. George 8th. February 1811.

T. Cahagan Esqr. P. G. and

Members of the Medical Board

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

Herewith I have the honor to transmit you, a Return of the Sicks of the Troops in Mysore, the Journals and Returns of the Medical officers in the Mysore Division for December 1810. a List of the Medical officers Accompanies.-

I have &c.

Signed S. Heward

Surgeon

Bangalore

1st February 1811.

To the Senior Surgeon

Mysoor Division

Bangalore

Sir,

1. I am directed to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter dated the 1st. instant. with the Journals &c.a accompanying it. and to intimate to you; that the Medical Board have derived much satisfaction from perusing at different times the Journals and Meteorological Statements of Mr. Surgeon Scarman. as also

Li

Fort St. George 8th February 1811.

his communications relative to the diseases of Seringapatam, which you will be pleased to signify to that Officer.—

2. You are also requested to thank, in the name of the Medical Board, Mr. Lawe the acting Surgeon of H. M. 33d Regiment for his Statement of the diseases of Seringapatam for his review of the sickness of that Corps for last year, and for his account of such Cases as were of importance to detail.—

3 I am at the same time directed to request that you will express the approbation of the Medical Board to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Dawes of His Majesty's 25th Regiment of Light Dragoons and to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Davidson of the 2d Battalion 6th Regiment N.I. and that you will yourself accept the thanks of the Board, for your continued account of the diseases of Bangalore their Causes and the State of the weather.—

4 I am further instructed to communicate to you, that the Medical Board will on all occasions be happy to notice with their approbation, papers elucidatory of

Fort St. George 8th February 1811.

such subjects.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most obedient Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secry. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th February 1811.—

To the Secretary to the Medical Board

Bombay.

Sir,

I am directed to intimate to you, for the information of the Medical Board at your Presidency, that the Medical Board here have received intelligence of the safe arrival at Bombay, of the annual supply of European Medicines and Medical Stores, specified in the list accompanying your letter to me, dated the 7th Ultimo.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most obedient Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secry. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th February 1811.—

To

Fort St. George 8th. February 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Med.l Board to transmit to you the accompanying three Lists of Medicines and Medical Stores, lately received from the Superintending Surgeon of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, and to desire that they may be kept by you for reference, when such may be necessary, relative to these supplies for the Troops at Jaulnah.

2. I am also instructed to forward to you the accompanying list of European Medicines and Medical Stores, received from Masulipatam.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Hersman
Secretary Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
8th. February 1811.—

To

Fort St. George 8th. February 1811.

To

The President and Members
of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to inform you that for several Days past, I have been extremely ill with a severe attack of Fever, and that I am still unable to move out, which has hitherto prevented me from joining my Station at Salem.

I have to request that you will be pleased to permit me to remain at the Presidency for a Week or ten Days, or till my health is so far Reestablished as to enable me to proceed to join with Safety.—

As Mr. Surgeon Smith has received previous permission to remain at Salem, I should hope the Public Service will not suffer any inconvenience by my request being complied with.—

I remain
Gentlemen
Your very obediently
Signed Ramsay Baker
Assistant Surg.n

9th. February 1811.—

To

88.

Fort St. George 9th February 1811.

To W. Assistant Surgeon Mawson

Sir

I am directed by the Med. Bd. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 7th instant and to state to you, under the circumstances which you represent, that the most regular mode will be for you to transmit, to your Superior at Salem, a regular Certificate of your illness, in which will be stated the cause of your not being able to join your Station.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
9th February 1811

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Bd. of yesterday's date for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed. Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
10th February 1811.

89

Fort St. George 11th February 1811.

Sir

The Quarterly Meeting of the Medical Board at the Hospital for Lunatics is directed to take place, on Friday the 15th instant at 10 o'Clock in the forenoon - at which time the 2d Member, Superintending for the Quarter, is requested to direct the attendance of the Superintendent of that Asylum.

By order of the Medical Board.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
11th February 1811.

(Signed) William Horsman
Secretary

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Bd. of yesterday's date for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and Government.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
12th February 1811.

To

Fort St. George 12th February 1811.

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

Gentlemen,

In reply to your Secretary's letter of the 16th instant with enclosure, I have the honor to furnish you with the accompanying Correspondence by which you will perceive that my endeavours were not wanting to ensure an early transmission of the Monthly Medical Returns.

The delay has hitherto been owing to my Waiting for the Returns from Hydrabad and I do not Consider it by any means unreasonable that a Surgeon of a European Corps and who has many Sick should be allowed a day or two in the succeeding Month to Complete the Reports of the former.

On a retrospect to the period at which my Returns have in general been dispatched from hence, they ought in common course of Post to have reached your Office several Days before the expiration of the succeeding Month. Those of last Month were I believe a day or two later than on any former occasions.

The

Fort St. George 12th February 1811.

The usual Tappal from Hydrabad to this place is five days and from hence to Madras Eleven or perhaps in some seasons the tenth day; at least this is the rate at which the Madras Tappal arrives here. It would therefore be next to impossible or at all events doubtful, for the Returns to reach your Office at the period Specified, Should the present mode of the Hydrabad Returns being first sent here to be included in a general one, be Continued.

I have therefore directed the Staff Surgeon at Hydrabad to forward the Returns from that Station direct to your Board; and by this arrangement I trust you will in future be in possession of these Official Documents by the period of the Month you have fixed, and your Orders on this Occasion fulfilled.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Alex.r Boswell
Asst. Surgeon H.C.S.

Jaulnah
30th January
1811.

To

92

Fort St. George 12th. Febuary 1811.

To the Staff Surgeon

Secunderabad

Sir,

You are directed to intimate to the Surgeon of His Majesty's Royal Regiment that considerable inconvenience has been occasioned in consequence of the late period in the Month at which he usually transmits his Medical Journals

All Medical Returns from Secunderabad must be dispatched so as in the common course of Despatch to reach my Office by the 10th of the succeeding Month, otherwise they will be excluded from my General Return and no Certificate granted.

Camp at Jaulnah
26th. May 1810

[Signed] Alex. Boswell
Supy. Surgeon H.S.F.

[A True Copy]
[Signed] Alex. Boswell
Supy Surgeon H.S.F.

The

93

Fort St. George 12th. Febuary 1811.

The Superintending Surgeon
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 26th. Ultimo and agreeably thereunto have intimated to the Surgeon of His Majesty's Royal Regiment the inconvenience which has been occasioned in consequence of the late period in the Month at which he usually transmits his Returns - And I shall endeavour for the future to dispatch all Medical Returns and Journals from this place on the 5th. day of each Month, that they may reach your Office by the 10th.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
[Signed] Arthur Connell
Staff Surgeon Secondd

Secunderabad
1st June 1810.

[True Copy]
[Signed] Alex. Boswell
Supy Surgeon H.S.F.

Secunderabad

Fort St. George 12th February 1811.

Secunderabad 8th June 1810

Dear Sir

I herewith enclose the annual Returns of Sick &c of the 2d Battalion Royal Regiment for the month of May, which I trust will be found correct.

I request you will have the goodness to represent to the Superintending Surgeon that I shall do all in my power to have the Returns sent in by the 5th of the month, but must at the same time take the liberty of observing that the time appears to me much too limited, and that should my Sick List increase it will be utterly impossible for me to give them in at so early a period.—

Yours truly

To Arthur Connell Esq.
Staff Surgeon

Signed James Davidson

True Copy

Signed Alex. Boswell
Asst. Surgeon R.S.F.

Fort St. George 12th February 1811.

To

Terence Gahagan Esqre. P.G. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

It has given me no small concern to perceive, by your letter of the 28th Ultimo, that the various long, and particular communications I have had the honor of transmitting to your Board, on the subject of Leprosy, should not have afforded you the full information you require, especially as to me of the diseases of India, with which I had flattered myself, that I had taken no common pains to become acquainted.— The Table which I forwarded to you it was my chief study to make of so comprehensive a nature, that you should find in it, every minute peculiarity of the Disorder, as it appeared in no fewer than thirty different cases embracing its usual aspect, the time of life it commonly attacks at, at what village and in which district, each individual Leper was first seized with it— The sex oftenest assailed by it, its most frequent causes; the Effects it produced on the General habit &c. &c. &c.

I can

96

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

I can only now assure you that as I have in this instance failed in giving you the satisfaction you expected, it has proceeded more from want of ability than zeal, as no man could be more anxious to merit your approbation than I am.—

When I visit the Southern parts of the peninsula in the course of my circuit the various paragraphs of your last letter to me I shall strictly attend to.—

I remain

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed William Minchin

Surgeon

To the Accountant General

Fort St. George

Sir,

Agreeably to the instructions contained in the Extract of your letter in the Military Department, dated the 20th November last and forwarded to this office by the Military Paymaster, I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the enclosed application for a Pension from the Native

97

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

Native Fund, for the Widow and family of the late Luis De Silva, Apothecary in the Dispensary and to request that a Monthly allowance of 3½ Pagodas be granted towards their support from the 1st of January last.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed Willm Horsman

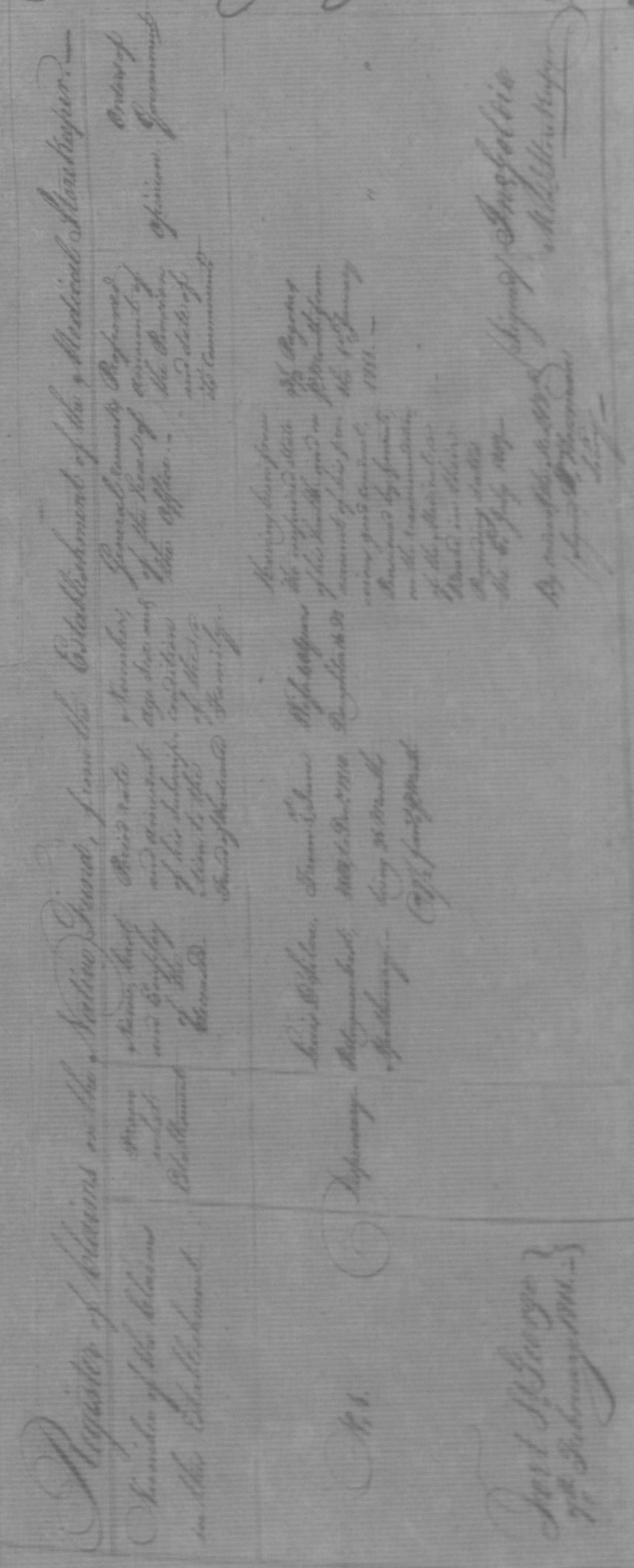
Secry Med. Bd.

Fort St. George

Med. Bd. Office

15th February 1811.—

Fort St. George 15th February 1844.



Fort St. George 15th February 1844.

To

The President and Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Inconformity to instructions contained in a Letter from the Superintending Surgeon Hydrabad Subsidiary Force under date 28th January last of which the accompanying is a Copy, I have the honor to transmit direct to your Board a General Return of the Sick of the several Corps and details at this Station for the month of January 1844.-

I have the honor to be

Secunderabad
5th Feby 1844.-

Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servt.
Signed Arthur Connell
Staff Surgeon Secund

Copy of a Letter from the Superintending Surgeon Hydrabad Subsidiary Force to the Staff Surgeon Secunderabad

Sir,

"You will observe by the enclosed that "it would be next to impossible for me to fulfil the Order "of the Med. Bd. by a continuance of the present mode of the

"Monthly

100

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

"Monthly Returns of Sick from Hyderabad having first
"sent to be included in my General one from hence.
I shall therefore inform the Board that
"unless a further period of a few days be allowed for the
"Returns reaching their Office the only way in which
"their Orders can be fulfilled, will be for you to send
"your Returns direct to the Board, and more to
"include only the Troops at that Station. Such
"Journals as you may receive to be forwarded to me as
"usual, and the above mode of transmitting the Monthly
"Abstract to be observed until further advice."

I am,
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Signed Alex.r Boswell
Supr Surgeon H.M.S.

Jaulnah
20th January 1811.-

/A True Copy/
Signed Arthur Connell
Mastr Surgeon Army

101

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

To The President and Members
of the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

Having in furtherance of your Orders transmitted to the Surgeon of H. M. 34th. Regiment Copy of your Letter of the 18th Ultimo I have now the honor to forward his reply, and to remain, Gentlemen.-

Your most obedient Servant
Signed Alex.r Boswell
Supr Surgeon H.M.S.

Camp at Jaulnah
2d February 1811.-

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force
Jaulnah

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th Ultimo giving cover to that of the Medical Board requiring my opinion of the causes &c.a of the fever now prevalent at Jaulnah in H. M. 34th Regiment.-

In attempting to offer an opinion on this subject, I shall first state that the disease in question has been peculiar to no rank, and that since its first appearance in October, four Commissioned officers,

three

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

three staff Sergeants, a large proportion of the most orderly non-commissioned officers, the European Women and children from five to ten years of age have suffered as well as the less cared private soldiers. The disease too has prevailed equally among the boys of the regiment lately employed on service and afterwards quartered during the monsoon in tents, as among a party of one hundred recruits landed in India in June last and which did not arrive at Saulnah till the 30th November following.-

From the above statement of the indiscriminate prevalence of fever in H.M. 34th Regt. its origin and cause must I apprehend be of a very general nature, and such as would I fear elude any attempt of mine to explain - I shall therefore confine myself to the details of facts as they have occurred trusting that with your farther elucidation the Medical Board may be enabled to form a satisfactory judgment on this subject.

The fever first appeared to an unusual extent in the month of October, at the close of the monsoon and the setting in of the cold weather, prior to which Fever rarely unconnected with flux or other visceral affections, had but rarely occurred. During October there were admitted

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

into Hospital 42 recent cases of fever exclusive of relapses - during November 87 cases - during December 135 Cases - and during last month January 132 Cases. The greatest prevalence of fever appears to have been in the first few days of January when the average daily admissions were eight men - from the 25th to the 30th of the same month the admissions have decreased to the average daily number of four and a half. -

The type of the fever has been uniform, and almost without exception distinctly Intermittent. For this fever I have seen a comparatively very small number of cases of fever occur every season after the rains of July and August for the last five years that the 34th Regiment has been stationed in the higher latitudes of from 15 to 25 degrees north, and this disease has as regularly disappeared on the setting in of the hot months of February and March. Here I think it however necessary to mention two exceptions to the above position which have come within my own knowledge, and in which Intermittent fever prevailed during hot season - In the Months of March April and May 1802 Intermittent fever prevailed to such an extent in H.M. 19th Dragoons, then stationed at Sea in Myrore as to render necessary the Removal of the Corps to Arcot - the other exception to which I allude occurred in the case of an Officer and twenty seven of the Artillery marching from the mount by the route of Goody to Bellary - a few days previous to their arrival on the 30th April 1802 at Goody, the Officer with five of his party were attacked with the most severe Intermittent I have ever seen and were left in my

Fort St. George 15th Febuary 1811.

my charge at Poorty.-

I have now to reply more immediately to the queries of the Medical Board as to extinguishment and exposure to cold being causes of fever at this Station during the rains and whilst the men were incessantly exposed on their duty to the inclemency of the weather, an opinion very generally prevailed among them that the free use of Spirituous Liquors was the surest method of preserving health, and a consequent immoral degree of indulgence was the result

For remedy thereto with the concurrence of the supplies of arrack even beyond the limites brought to account by the Officer commanding the Station, and with a further to encourage sobriety among the Soldiers the Rolls of the companies were ordered to be called every three or four Hours during the day and all men found under the influence of liquor were placed immediately in proper restraint - this system is still in force, and altho I do not know that there is anything to be particularly boasted of in the sobriety of the 34th Regiment, yet I have no reason to attribute to an intemperance the prevalence of fever among the men -

For other causes assigned to, but rejected as to Cold, I have in some but comparatively very few instances found to be the immediately existing cause of fever, and to remove this source of disease you will remember having on every occasion with urgency recommended that two thirds of the Doors and windows of the Barracks should be built up, that the parade of the Regiments for exercise should not

Fort St. George 15th Febuary 1811.

not take place till after sunrise, and that the men should be obliged to wear their warm clothing of cloth boats and Pantaloons during the evenings and mornings and on all duties. The Picket of the 34th Regiment at which rounds every morning has its station on one of the Barracks, and is consequently not more exposed than the other men, and the total number of Sentinels on night duty has been from Sixteen to twenty. -

In reply to the query respecting the use of Flannel I shall beg leave to refer to the copy of my Letter already forwarded by you for the information of the Medical Board, and which Letter I addressed to my Commanding Officer when the subject was agitated by him and the Officer Commanding the Forces at Trichinopoly. -

I only now beg leave to notice the last suggestion proposed by the Medical Board, Viz.t the probable advantage that would arise from the removal of the 34th Regiment to another Station - From what I have stated it will appear that I think it probable the progress of the fever will be arrested by the setting in of the approaching best weather, but in the event of this not being the case and the fever continuing its progress it occurs to me as highly advisable that such an arrangement should be made as would authorize the immediate and final Removal of the Corps from Vellore on your seeing it necessary that a recommendation such a measure. -

I further beg to mention that altho the inquiries

Change

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

change may take place, the progress of the fever may be arrested. And in cases may not appear, yet the change of diet may not produce an equally good effect on the actual sick and Convalescent.—

Should therefore so large a proportion of the Regiment, as at present, continue Non effective, and the removal of the Corps from Jaulnah not be deemed advisable, I would propose that such authority be granted to you as shall eventually warrant the removal of the Convalescent and Non-effective part of the Regiment to Bombay or some part of the Sea Coast.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Obedient humble Servant

(Signed) Jno. Abercrombie

Surgeon 36th Regt.

Jaulnah
15th February 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Hyderabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

Secundrabad.

1.

In consequence of having received by your authority a letter, and a Return of the Sick of the detachment of the Subsidiary Force at Hyderabad sent from the Staff Surgeon at that Station. I am instructed by the Medical Board to intimate to you that, that mode of transmitting these

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

Vouchers is irregular and contrary to the orders laid down by Government.—

2. This you will be pleased to communicate to Mr. Staff Surgeon Connell, in reply to his letter addressed to the Medical Board under date the 5th instant.—

3. You are requested at the same time to direct that Officer to transmit to you his Returns &c. on the 8th of every Month agreeably to the Government Order bearing date the 29th Ultimo so that, they may be included in your General Monthly Returns of the Sick of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, as heretofore.—

4. In reply to your letter of the 2nd instant with its enclosure, I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will express to Mr. Surgeon Abercrombie the satisfaction they have derived from the perusal of his letter on the subject of the unusual Sickness in His Majesty's 36th Regiment.—

5. You are also requested to intimate to Mr. Abercrombie that as the prevailing Sickly state of his Corps, does not appear to be influenced by the Causes enumerated in my letter to you, dated the 13th Ultimo, it is the intention of the Medical Board to defer their Report to Government, until they learn what benefit, or other change is produced, by the movement of the Convalescents and the approach of the Hot Season.—

6. I am further directed to request that you will be pleased to make frequent Reports

to

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

to the Board, on this subject.—

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th February 1811.

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

To

The Secretary
Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a Return of Sick of the Troops and list of Medical Officers doing duty at Goa for the Month of January 1811.—

All the official papers of the Corps of this Force are received - excepting Journals of the Sick of the Portuguese Grenadier Battalion - 2d Batt.n 10th Regiment N. I. and 2d Battalion 2d Regt N. I. The two first were in charge of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Ewing, whose state of health during most part of the Month prevented his regular attendance on the Sick under his charge - and Mr. Adams Assistant Surgeon 2d Battalion 2d Regiment N. I. who acted for him, the only Medical Officer at Agada, had so much to do in the performance of the

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.—

various Medical duties of that post, that he has been unable to transcribe Journals or give minute details of the diseases of those Corps.—

The Return will shew how few interesting cases occurred - and that we had only four (two Europeans and two Natives) casualties during the month.—

In consequence of the Medical Board's instructions communicated to me in your letter of the 16th Ultimo I have desired the Surgeons to send in their official papers and Returns earlier in the month than they have hitherto done.—

I found it likewise necessary to circulate copies, and request strict attention to the Board's letter of instructions to the Medical Staff of the 8th May 1809; which letter appears never to have been received or known here.—

Enclosed is Mr. Andrew's Vaccination report for January - and the journal of the Mr. 70th Regiment. Also forward for the Medical Board's information, a list of Medicines and instruments &c. received from Bombay.—

Besides the two Corps at Goa - a Detachment of a large proportion of Troops being

ordered

Fort St. George 15th Febuary 1811.

ordered for foreign Service.—

We are ignorant whether this Force may not be on a smaller scale. Be this as it may, I trust the Medical Board may consider my earnest wishes to be again actively employed.—

I hope the Board will excuse and consider my wish, and should they see opportunity, or think proper on this occasion to bring my request to the notice of Government, I shall be grateful for their recommendation.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Goa
4th February 1811.—

Your very Obedient Servant
Signed Jas. Gilmour
Staff Surgeon

To the Staff-Surgeon
at Goa

Sir,

1. I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 5th instant and to express the satisfaction which the Medical Board, have derived from the measure taken by you to expedite the transmission of the Returns of the sick and for the attention paid by you, in giving full accounts of

Fort St. George 15th Febuary 1811.

of uncommon or severe cases of Sickness.—

2. With regard to your wish to be employed on active Service I am instructed to say, that the Board cannot with propriety at present notice it, no official intimation having been given to them, relative to Medical Staff, for the intended expedition.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th February 1811.—

Your most Obedient Servant
Signed H. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

To the Assistant Surgeon
Zillah of Chingleput.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Copy of a letter from Mr. Van Odyk a dutch Officer and Prisoner of War at Madras and to desire that you will afford the advice and assistance therein required.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
Signed H. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th February 1811.—

112 Fort St. George 13th February 1811.

To

Doctor Horsman

Secretary to the Medical Board.

Fort St. George.—

Sir,

I was anxiously waiting your arrival here from the South, only of consulting about my misfortune but the Pauren Keepers, to whom I desired to inform me but it they never did, so I am very importunate on that account this few lines about my sickness etc hope that you will forgive me, and beg to have the goodness after considering to give me any Remedy and to send the necessary Medicine; also the Medicine which I request by this, to cure the long continuing Sickness which is as follows. —

1st I am often troubled with Wind in my Stomach which causing there all my body than faint and make me vomit

2nd I am always plagued with bilee.—

3rd The Piles.—

4th When either the New or full Moon are near at hand the change of the Weather, than I feel pain through my body and heavy headach and betwixt my breasts and some times stops the Water; there are the principals I have to mention therein. I have a poor appetite and puking sometimes in a day but moderately. Chicken, Fish, Beef and

113 Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

and Rice, but Madeira Wine or any other Strong Liquors is intirely not good for me, but Claret will do good but I must leave it off for I cannot buy any on account of my trifling subsistance of Pagodas 12 37 1/2 allowed by Government, I drink a dish Coffy in the Morning and a dish Tea in the afternoon, and Sleeps from 10 in the night to 4 o'Clock in the Morning and Bathe 2 days after. My age is 68 years and 40 years in India, Lieutenant of the Marine and late Master Attendant on the Dutch Establishment of Pulicat, I will Keep my diet agreeable the instruction, albeit it may be with a piece of dry bread, rice and water.

You will do a great favor Gentleman by taken in Consideration about this and to give me such remedy and send the necessary Medicine.—

As we are preparing here Physic, according the instruction of Doctors Jeffrey and Latouch, requesting the undermentioned Medicine also a clyster pipe, which we use with Congy water and oil, I am unknow if you can assist me with it —

Jalap, Cremtartar, Rhubarb, Camamile flowers, Liquorice, Aniza Oil, for the belly ach, Conserve, Spiritus Woynary and Nitri dosis, Alkali for the bite of Snake.—

I humbly entreats you to Excuse me with this Liberty of troubling you and leave myself

in

Fort St. George 16th February 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board under date the 15th instant for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and Government

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

To

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
16th February 1811.

Sadras 17th February 1811.

Sir,

I am in your Generosity and have the honor to be

Your very Obedient &
humble Servant
(Signed) P. Van Cuyck

The bearer of this is my Servant and
request to send the Medicine with him
who will bring it carefully —

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

Fort St. George 16th February 1811

To The President and Members
of the Medical Board

Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward the Monthly Return of Sick, and List of Medical Officers at this Station — With a Letter from the Surgeon of H. M. 34th Regiment explanatory of his reasons for not having furnished a Journal of Practice —

Out of the Number One hundred and fifty Nine Specified in the Accompanying Return, fifty are Now Convalescent and a further Whole Sum of opinion that the Sick of that Corps have Within the last few days very much improved —

The Convalescents as stated in my Letter to your Board of the 10th Ultimo are now Eighty Miles from hence and the late Reports from the Medical Officer in Charge are so favorable that I have every reason to suppose the greater proportion of them will be fit for duty by the time they relieve to this Place, and which I have recommended shall be about the 20th instant when the Weather in this Climate will become hot in Tents. —

After

Fort St. George 18th. February 1811

After their return I shall submit a Report on the result of the experiment which I trust will prove to have been of Essential benefit not only to those immediately concerned but as a guide on the treatment of European Troops who may be so circumstanced at this Station hereafter

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Alex. Bonnett

To the Superintending Surgeon
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you the Returns of Sick of His Majesty's 22nd Regiment for January 1811.—

In the absence of both my Assistant Surgeons, and during the present prevalence of unusual Sickness on the Coast, it is not in my power to forward to you a Journal of Practice, but as soon as the duty will admit, due attention shall be paid to the Regulations on this subject

I have &c
Signed Alex. Bonnett
Surgeon 22nd Regt
Superintending Surgeon Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Camp at Jaulnah
4th. February 1811.

Jaulnah
5th. February 1811.

Fort St. George 18th. February 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Jaulnah

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 4th instant, and to intimate to you, that the Medical Board approve your having recommended the return of the Convalescents of His Majesty's 22nd Regiment to Jaulnah, for the reasons you have stated and the Board hope, that the Report to be hereafter made to them by you will bear satisfactory testimony to the present favorable circumstances, have led you to anticipate.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Secry Medl Bd

Fort St. George
Medl Bd Office
18th February 1811.—

To
The President and Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward for your approbation Mr. Johnson Student for European Medicines

118

Fort St. George 15th February 1811

Medicines wanted for the use of the Horses of the 25th Regiment Light Dragoons for the Months of January February and March 1811, Mr Ord's Order Indent for European Medicines wanted for the use of the General Hospital.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient Servt
Signed Wm Goldie
Medical Storekpr

To the Medical Storekeeper
Sir

In reply to your letter of the 18th instant, I am directed to inform you that the Government Order dated the 10th June 1807 only entitles Regiments to which there are Veterinary Surgeons to receive Medicines for the Horses of the Corps, it is therefore necessary previously to the Medicines being issued by the Medical Board that you ascertain and state to them the situation in which Mr Thomas Johnson stands, whether he does not rank himself a Veterinary Surgeon—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Signed Wm Horsman
Secry Medical Board

Fort St George
Medical Board Office
18th Feby 1811.—

Fort St George
Medical Board Office
19th February 1811.—

119

61

Fort St. George 19th February 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to You the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board of yesterday's date for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and Government.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Secry Medical Board

To the President and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I herewith send you copies of a letter received from the late Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Jaulnah and of a Receipt from the Paymaster at that Station for Star Pagodas 1269 3½ 24 being the proceeds of Country Medicines sold to the Surgeons of the Subsidiary Force on the Honorable Company's account—Also an account of Sales by Public outcry of Medical Stores at Jaulnah on the 10th January last amounting to Four hundred and forty three Star Pagodas four.—

Janam

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

fanams and fifty Cash. By this rate I am happy to say the Company have incurred a loss of one hundred and 16 Pagodas 8 fanams and 55 Cash only - which on considering the perishable nature of many of the Medicines, must be deemed very moderate indeed -

I also enclose a letter from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Mather respecting the Stores remaining at Pulicat and request your further Instructions regarding them -

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Jno. Goldie
Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. George
15th February 1811 -

To

J. Goldie Esqr.
Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. Georg.

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you duplicate of a Receipt for Money lodged by me in the Pay office at Jaulnah, for Country Medicines issued to Medical Officers at that Station previously to receiving your Instructions to dispose of Medicines under that head amounting to Pags. 1269. 34. 24 Cash

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

Pagodas Twelve hundred and sixty nine, Fanams thirty four, and Cash twenty four; the original receipt is lodged in the Deputy Medical Storekeepers Office at Jaulnah, as directed in your Letter of a former date. -

I have also the honor to enclose a List of Country Medicines Sold by public outcry on the 11th Instant and also list of a few articles which could not be disposed of, there being no bidders, and altho' some of the Articles did not fetch the value as fixed in the price list, I trust that the rates which they sold for in general, will meet your approbation -

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Henderson of the 5th Regt. N. I. has been Appointed to take charge of the Medical Stores until Mr. McDowals arrival and when the amount is Collected He will remit the same to you. -

I have the honor to remain
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) T. Hendry
late Deputy Medical Storekeeper
Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Pentoor
30 Miles from
Saulnah
16th January 1811. -

I must request the favor of you to acknowledge the receipt of this Letter, which will find me at Hydrabad, about the 1st. -

Statement

Fort St. George 15th. February 1811.

Statement of different Sums Remitted from the Medical Officers at Jaulnah previously the Country Medicines being Sold by Outcry.—

From Mr. Surgeon Abercrombie	250	22	1
Do. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Deane	97	25	60
Do. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Brodie	1	10	33
Do. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore	219	10	32
Do. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Conran	1	20	16
Do. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Bruce	2	31	23
Do. Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore	21	3	15
Do. Mr. Surgeon Abercrombie	310	15	20
Total Pagodas	1260	24	25

The Amount paid into the Pay Office at Jaulnah the 12th. January 1811.

(Signed) T. Hendry
A. S.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Wm. Goldie
Med. Storekeeper

L 1156

Fort St. George 15th. February 1811.

List of Field Hospital Stores &c. Sold by Public Outcry at the Medical Stores at Jaulnah on Thursday the 10th. of January 1811.—

Lots		Articles &c.		Purchasers Names	Rs.	F.	C.
No. 1	2	Dozens of Port Wine		Mr. Conductor Wilson	35	"	"
2	25	Dozens and 9 Bottles of	Do.	Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore Mully	450	8	60
3	1	Dozen of Castor Oil		Mr. Do. Do. Brodie 1st. N.C.	20	"	"
4	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Conran 20th. N.I.	17	"	"
5	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Anderson 5th. N.I.	17	"	"
6	1	do.	do.	Colonel Conran 7th. Do.	16	"	"
7	1	do.	do.	Capt. Mc Leod Dep. Do. Mc Pherson	16	"	"
8	1	do.	do.	Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore	16	"	"
9	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Moore	16	"	"
10	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Conran	15	"	"
11	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Moore	14	"	"
12	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Moore	14	"	"
13	1	do.	do.	Ram Chitty	10	"	"
14	3	do. & 10 Bottles		Mr. Surgeon Abercrombie 74th. Regt.	56	"	"
15	1	Dozen of Vinegar		Colonel Conran	9	"	"
16	1	do.	do.	Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore	9	"	"
17	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Conran	9	"	"
18	1	do.	do.	Mr. Conductor Wilson	9	"	"
19	1	do.	do.	Mr. Assistant Surgeon Moore	9	"	"
20	1	do.	do.	Do. Do. Moore	9	"	"
21	½	do.	do.	Do. Do. Conran	4	"	"
22		Pieces B of Bandage Cloth		Mr. Conductor Wilson	29	"	"
23		do.	do.	Captain Lee	30	"	"
24		do.	do.	Mr. Assistant Surgeon Conran	33	"	"
25		do.	do.	Pioneer Bailie 9th. N.C.	30	"	"
26		do.	do.	Mr. Conductor Wilson	29	"	"
27		do.	do.	Pioneer Bailie	30	"	"
28		do.	do.	Tailende	33	"	"

Fort St. George 15th February 1811.

29	Pieces	Bandage cloth	Settah	35	
30	do	do	do	35	
31	do	do	Mr. First Surgeon Brodie	35	
32	do	do	Settah	35	
33	do	do	Mr. Conductor Wilson	34	
34	do	do	Alexander Trounce for the year	35	
35	do	do	Settah	35	
36	do	do	Mr. Conductor Wilson	34	
37	do	do	Mr. First Surgeon Moore	34	
38	do	do	Surgeon Young Cotterell	34	
39	do	do	Corporal Dingle 4 Sons	35	
40	do	do	Settah	35	
41	do	do	Surgeon Young	36	
42	do	do	Settah	36	
43	19	Do	do do	Settah	36
44	2	Lbs	of Rhubarb	Ready Cash	12
45	do	do		Mr. First Surgeon Moore	5 7 20
46	do	do		Do Do Conran	5 7 20
47	do	do		Do Do Anderson	5 7 20
48	do	do		Do Do Brodie	5 7 20
49	do	do		Colonel Conran	5 7 20
50	2	Lbs	of Columbo Root	Captain M. Leod	5 7 20
51	do	do		Mr. First Surgeon Moore	3 2 40
52	do	do		Do Do Conran	3 2 40
53	do	do		Do Do Anderson	3 2 40
54	do	do		Do Do Brodie	3 2 40
55	do	do		Colonel Conran	3 2 40
56	1	Lb	of Senna	Captain M. Leod	3 2 40
57	do	do		Mr. First Surgeon Anderson	1 7 —
				Do Do Ditto	1 11 —

Fort St. George 16th February 1811.

58	1	Mof	Senna	Mr. First Surgeon Brodie	10
59	2	Lbs 13 oz	of Gamboge	Mr. Conductor Fowler	4 6
60	6	Lbs 12 oz	of Jalap	Mr. First Surgeon Moore	5 —
61	5	Lbs	of Aloes	Colonel Conran	1 6
62	Do	Do		Colonel Conran	1 6
63	6	Lbs 14 oz		Mr. First Surgeon Brodie	2 —

Rupees 1550 11.

Star Pagodas four Hundred and forty three, Fanams four, and Cash fifty

N.B. The following Articles remain in the Store unsold.—

Rhubarb ..... lb. 40
Columbo root ..... lb. 62 oz 12.
Senna ..... lb. 10 oz 10.
Country Cinch. ... lb. 158 oz 8.
Bees Wax ..... lb 98 —
White Wax ..... lb 45 —

Camp at Jandnah
12th January 1811.

(Signed) T. Henchy
D. M. G.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) Jno Oldie
Mid. & Storekeeper

Received

Fort St. George 12th. February 1811.

Received from Thomas Henry Esqr. Deputy Medical Storekeeper Hyderabad Subsidiary Force the sum of Star Pagodas One Thousand two Hundred and Sixty seven, fanams Twenty four and Cash twenty four, on account of Country Stores issued to the Surgeons of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force at Jalnah.

(Signed) J. Morrow
Dpy

Pay 1267. 34. 24.

Dpy Office H. S. F. Camp Jalnah
12th. January 1811.

Stamboy

(Signed) Jno. Goldie
Med. Storekeeper

To John Goldie Esqr.
Medl. Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Fort St. George 15th. February 1811.

Sir,

I beg leave to acquaint you for the information of the Medical Board that the Port Wine, Castor Oil, Instruments &c. &c. now remaining in Store to either any of the Stores of the Port at this Place at even a lower rate than the annexed prices, at which Port of the first quality may be purchased at Bombay for the Pagodas per Pipe, at the most will be a saving of per cent.

Quilon
31st. Dec. 1810

I am sorry to give you the trouble of this reference, but as the Port Wine being publicly sold at an inferior price, the Castor Oil, Instruments &c. &c. would remain unsaleable, I will take the liberty of suggesting for consideration, the plan of sending round by sea to Madras, the whole of the Medical Stores now remaining; which I conceive would be the one the least likely to be attended with loss to Government. There are at present in the Stores two large wooden Chests, well adapted to the purpose, the carriage of which, by sea, would be inconsiderable.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very obedient Servant
(Signed) G. Mather
Assist. Surgeon in charge
of Medical Stores

Stamboy
(Signed) Jno. Goldie
Med. Storekeeper

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St. George

Sir,

I am reply to your letter to the Medical Board of the 1st. Instant and to the last Para of the Letter to which it gave cover

128 Fort St George 22d February 1811.

Copy from Mr Assistant Surgeon Mathie dated the 21st Inst.
Copy forwarded to the Secretary of the 25th Instant

I have directed to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council, bearing date the 8th Instant &c.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Hunneman
Secy to the Board

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
22d February 1811

To the Secretary
to the Medical Board
Fort St George

Sir,

I request you will be pleased to acquaint the Board that the Medical Stores at Bellary are again deficient in several of the most material Articles of European Medicines particularly Calomel of which there is not an ounce in Store and the Residents of one of the Corps not yet completed with a

The amount of Indents having been sent down and Duplicates last year I have to request the Medical Board will be pleased to give the Medical Storekeeper at this Presidency directions for rectifying the deficiencies with as early a supply as possible and also to forward with the Stores by Sea Vessel for our present annual Indent.

I have
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) A Duncan
Assistant Surgeon 6th

Bellary
18th February 1811

129 Fort St George 25th February 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Ceded Districts

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 18th Instant and to intimate to you, that the Medical Storekeeper has been instructed to forward without delay the European Medicines specified in your annual Indent a proportion of which was dispatched on the 4th instant.

2 I am also directed to inform you that 10 Bbls of 6 which will from this day be forwarded to you by Sea Vessels in such quantities as will be received at, and dispatched from the General Post Office.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm Hunneman
Secy to Med Board

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
25th February 1811

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying Copy of Letter from the Superintending Surgeon of the Ceded Districts - and to desire, if his annual Indent has not already been forwarded, that it may be immediately complied

Fort St. George 25th February 1811.

complied with, and the Articles dispatched without delay.

2 I am also desired to request that you will be pleased to forward the 10 Rs of the amount deposited by Surgeon Stewart, in such quantities as will be current at, and applicable by, from the General Post Office.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signd) Wm Horsman

Secy to the Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
25th February 1811

To the President and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit for your consideration, an application from the Surgeon Stewart attached to the Board of Enquiry and Appeal of the Garrison Division, for a furlough to leave of absence from his Station to enable him to arrange his own private affairs.

The above Medical Officer having passed before the accompanying Examination of the Board for the purpose of obtaining the furlough, I would recommend it to the favorable consideration of the Board of Government.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your very Obedient Servant

(Signd) Alex Mahon M.D.

Pt Member Medical Board

Superintending the 6 Division

Madras
25 February 1811

Fort St. George 25th February 1811.

To the 2d Member Medical Board

Superintending the Garrison Division

for the present quarter

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 23d Instant with its enclosures - and to intimate to you, for the information of Mr Surgeon Stewart, that as he is, in the General Orders of the 15th instant appointed to the Medical Staff of the Force under orders for foreign Service, the application for his leave to visit the Presidency is in consequence unnecessary.

2. I am accordingly directed to return to you the accompanying Letters.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signd) Wm Horsman

Secy Medical Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
25th February 1811

To the Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to state to you for the information of the Medical Board that Lieutenant Swaine of H. M. 25th Regiment, now in the Presidency General Hospital, and who

Fort St. George 26th. February 1811.

who was visited by a Member of the Board about seven o'clock
age, has become so extremely outrageous that the Surgeon of
the Hospital has intimated to me that Lieutenant Swaine
appears to be deranged.

I have accordingly to request that the Board
depute one of the Members to visit that Officer immediately
in order that he may undergo the requisite examination with
a view to his removal to the Asylum for Lunatics.

I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Signed R. Dowse
Mayor

To the Town Mayor
of Fort St George

Sir.

I have to acquaint you that I have
requested by the Medical Board to recommend to you the
accompanying Certificate of the 2d Member of the Board
the Presidency for the present purpose.

I have the honour to be
Sir.
Your most obedient Servt
Signed Hon Harrison
Secretary to the Board

Fort St George
Medl Bd Office
26th February 1811

Fort St George
25 February 1811

Fort St. George 26th. February 1811.

I do hereby Certify that, in compliance with the
representation, and request of the Town Mayor, conveyed to the
Board in a Letter of the 25th. Instant, I have visited Lieut.
Swaine of His Majesty's 33d. Regiment, and that after the most
mature and deliberate examination, I found him in a state of
perfect composure and sanity, nor was any symptom of
bodily disease discoverable except that he complained of pains
in his Legs and Thighs, and shewed a slight blister on the
right side of his Tongue, Yet in course of my inquiry into the
state of his health, Lieutenant Swaine voluntarily confessed
that he had been delirious and deprived of his senses a day or
two before; which he was declared, by those about him at the
time, to have been very violent and outrageous.

The Official Report of Mr Surgeon Orr, of this date,
states his having been called upon to attend Lieutenant
Swaine, on the 20th Instant when he found him in a state
of the most complete mental derangement and labouring
under a succession of convulsive attacks, which appeared to
him to be the immediate consequence of excessive Inebriation.

The following morning Mr Orr found him perfectly
incoherent, and that he neither knew him, nor any other person
about him; and on further inquiry, that Lieutenant Swaine
had not been sober for many days before. He gives his opinion
at same time, that he does not believe Lieutenant Swaine
to be a Maniac, but that excessive drinking never fails to
produce a temporary derangement of his intellects, and has

the

Fort St. George 28th February 1811.

he cannot refrain from it, unless kept under restraint, Mr. Ord thinks, that a few Months Confinement in the Lunatic Hospital, would be the most likely means of saving him from utter ruin. As I entirely accord with Mr. Ord in opinion relative to the case of Lieutenant Swaine, I would recommend his immediate removal to the Asylum for Lunatics. —

Madras
28th February 1811. —

Signed / Alex.r Watson, M.D
2.d Member Medical Board
Superintendg the Dispensary

To

The President and Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I herewith forward a letter from the Superintendent of the Dispensary, which I hope may meet with due consideration and support from your Board. —

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your obedient Humble.t
Signed / John Goldie
Med.l Storekeeper

Fort St. George
8th Feb.y 1811. —

To

Fort St. George 1st March 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper.

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated the 8th ultimo and its enclosure, I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract, from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council, under date the 19th ultimo which you will be pleased to communicate to the Superintendant of the Dispensary. —

By In the Proceedings of the Mad.a Board 1st March 1811

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed / Wm Horsman
Secry Med.l Bd

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd Office
1st March 1811. —

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division. —

Trichinopoly.

Sir,

Para 5. I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will be pleased to return the enclosed letters to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Revere, with intimation, that his having forwarded them direct to me was irregular — and that his official communication with this Office, can only be made through the Medium of his immediate Medical superior. —

I am

Fort St. George 2d. March 1811

I am at the same time directed to request, that you will inform Mr. Assistant Surgeon Browne, that the Med.l Board do not find themselves at liberty to make any observations on the appointment conferred on him by Government, if he has any ground of dissatisfaction to represent, it will be necessary for him to make his appeal, through the prescribed channel, to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Sec.y to Med.l Bd.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterday's date, & 182 the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency and Government.

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

Fort St. George
Med.l Board Office
1st March 1811.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd. Office
2d. March 1811

Fort St. George 2d. March 181-

(Duplicate)

St. Helena 20th June 1810

Sir,

I enclose for the information of the Board a Certificate of the State of my health and request that it may be laid before Government with my application for an extension of my Leave of Absence.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Hugh Dove
Surgeon 6th Regt. N. I.

To
William Horsman Esqr
Secretary to Med.l Board
Fort St. George

St. Helena 19th June 1810.

These do certify that Mr. Hugh Dove Surgeon on the Madras Establishment is still labouring under Phthysis Pulmonalis & it is my opinion that a longer residence here is necessary for the recovery of his health.

(Signed) Adam Baildone M.D.
Surgeon to the Garrison
of St. Helena

To

Fort St. George 6th March 1811

To

Mr. Surgeon Dove of the
Fort St. George Establishment
St. Helena.—

Sir,

Para. 1. I am directed by the Medical Board, to acknowledge the receipt of your [duplicate] letter of the 20th of June last, with its enclosure Certificate, and to intimate to you, as you have been recommended, to prolong your residence at St. Helena, which the Board are concerned to find is rendered necessary on account of your ill health, that Government were pleased, in their Resolutions of the 9th of September last, on the Proceedings of the Medical Board dated the 4th of the same month, to grant the permission solicited for you by the Board.

2. Instead of the 6th at Bangalore, you now stand appointed to the 2d Regiment of Native Cavalry at Jaulnah.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
6th March 1811.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Goldie
Med. Store Keeper

To

Fort St. George 6th March 1811.

To

The President and Members
of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Three Chests of Patna Opium having been sent to my Office from the Board of Trade for the use of the Medical Store House to request that a Committee be appointed to examine and ascertain the Quantity of pure Opium contained in them.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Goldie
Med. Store Keeper

Fort St. George
Medical Board Office
6th March 1811.—

Fort St. George
6th March 1811.—

A Committee consisting of the 2d Member Medical Board Mr. Surgeon Davis and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Underwood, to assemble at the Medical Storekeeper's Office, on Wednesday next the 6th instant, at

Fort St. George 5th March 1811.

at Eleven Clock in the Forenoon to examine and to report upon three Chests of Patna Opium lately received from the Board of Trade.—

The Medical Storekeeper will be pleased to attend.—

By Order of the Medical Board

Signed Wm Horsman

Secy

To the President and Members of the Medical Board.—

Gentlemen,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to request, that you will be pleased to examine the bearer Mr. H. Love, and to report whether he is in your opinion properly qualified for the situation of Assistant Surgeon to one of His Majesty's Regiments.

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedt Servant

Signed P. P. Bateman

Spl. Aydt Genl of the Army

Adjt Gens Office
Fort St George
4th March 1811.—

To

Fort St. George 5th March 1811.

To the Adjutant General

of the Army.

Sir

In conformity to the desire of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, contained in the Assistant Adjutant Generals letter of Yesterdays Date, I am directed to intimate to you, that Mr Hugh Love, has been duly examined by the Medical Board, whose Certificate of his professional qualifications, I have herewith the honor to transmit to you, for His Excellency's information.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed Wm Horsman

Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
5th March 1811.—

We the Members of the Medical Board of Madras having at the request of His Excellency the Commander in Chief examined Mr. Hugh Love as to his Medical Education & qualifications for the Situation of Assistant Surgeon to one of His Majesty's Regiments and having found that he has had an Adequate Education at the University of Glasgow has had the sole charge of Sick on two Voyages to India during

which

Fort St. George 5th March 1811.

which his practice appears to have been peculiarly from the success attending it. and Mr Love having answered the questions we have put to him shewing a competent knowledge, of Anatomy, Surgery, & Medicine we are of Opinion that Mr Love is qualified for the appointment of Assistant Surgeon in any of His Majesty's Regiments.—

(Signed) Terence Finnegan
Physician General
& President of the Medical Board
Alexander Watson M.D.
2d Member Medical Board
Andrew Berry
3d Member Medical Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
4th March 1811.—

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterday's date N.o 192 the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief & Government.—

March 5th 1811

(Signed) Wm Thornton
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St. George 5th March 1811.

To

The Secretary.
to the Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to transmit to you, for the purpose of being laid before the Medical Board, the accompanying letter from the Magistrate at Trichinopoly with an enclosure, reporting a Discharged Sepoy from the 1st Battalion of Pioneers, reported to be labouring under mental derangement, whom I will desire to attend Your Office at 10 o'Clock tomorrow morning, in order that he may undergo the requisite examination.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt
(Signed) R Barclay
Major

Town Major's Office
Fort St. George
4th March 1811.—

To the Town Major
Fort St. George.—

Sir,

Herewith you will receive a discharged Sepoy from the 1st Battalion of Pioneers who

144

Fort St. George 5th March 1811.

who by the Copy of the enclosed Letter from Captain Hughes dated 11th Instant, is reported from his Outrageous Conduct not to be in his senses. He appears to me, to be a fit Person for Confinement in the Lunatic Hospital.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Humble Servt
(Signed) John Byng
Magistrate

Trichinopoly
Jellicoh Court
15th February 1811.—

Magistrates Office

To the Magistrate at Trichinopoly.

Sir,

I have to request that you will take Charge of a Discharged Soldier from the 1st Batt. of Pioneers. He is insane, and although not at all times violently raving, may, if irritated to Commit some act of violence, having not long since made an attempt to murder a Sentry whom I have placed over him. He is a Native of Cuddalore.

I have thought it my duty to make this representation to you, and trust I have

145

Fort St. George 6th March 1811.

have not made a request which the Regulations of the Service may prohibit your complying with.—

I am,
Sir,
Your very Obedient Servant
(Signed) R. F. Hughes
Captain Commg 1st Batt. 1st of Pioneers.

Camp Trichinopoly
11th February 1811.—

P. S. I beg to be favored with a reply.

(A true Copy)
(Signed) John Byng
Magistrate

To the Town Major of Fort St. George

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 6th instant, and its enclosures from the Magistrate at Trichinopoly, I have the honor to transmit the accompanying Certificate from the Med. Board.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Workman
Surgn. & Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
6th March 1811

Madras

Fort St. George 6th. March 1811.

Madras 5th. March 1811.

I do hereby certify that in consequence of a letter from the Town Mayor dated the 4th. Instant, I have just visited a discharged Sepoy of the 6th. Battalion of Pioneers at the Medical Board Office reported to be labouring under mental derangement, and that after the most attentive and strict examination, I found him to be in a state of total privation of reason as much so in fact that he could not tell his own name to what Corps he belonged or from whence he came.

To various other queries, that were put to him he answered equally incapable of giving a rational answer.

I am therefore decidedly of opinion that he is a fit object for the Lunatic Hospital.

(Signed) Alex.r Watson
Ex.r Member, Medical Bd.
Deputy to the President

(Signed) Terence Jahagan
Deputy Surgeon General
& President
Medical Board

Andrew Berry
Ex.r Member, Medical Bd.

Fort St. George 6th. March 1811.

To Terence Jahagan Esq.r D.P.S. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

The nomination of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Haines to accompany the Expedition about to leave Madras having deprived the 2nd. Battalion 15th. Regiment Nat.l Infantry of that Gentleman's Medical aid, I have the honor to inform you, that until such time as the pleasure of Government shall be known, I have recommended that Mr. Hunter Assist.t Surgeon of the 3d. Regiment Native Cavalry should afford Medical aid to the 2d. Battalion 15th. Regiment Native Infantry.

I have moreover the Honor of informing you, that Mr. Assistant Surgeon Stewart having joined the 1st. Battalion 11th. Regiment Native Infantry at this place, there are now two Assistant Surgeons Standing appointed to that Corps, Viz.t Mr. Gillespie and Mr. Stewart, the first of these Gentlemen is now in charge of four companies of the 2nd. Battalion 25th. Regiment Native Infantry detached to Dindegul, during the absence of Mr. Wastie, whom I am sorry to say, I have had no Tidings of whatever since his nomination vide G.O. to the 2d. Battalion 25th. Regiment Native Infantry.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Whitt.e Ainslie M.D
Dep.y Surgeon Gen.l

Trichinopoly
26th. February 1811.

To

Fort St. George 6th March 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 26th ultimo, and to state to you, that as all nominations to and removals from Corps, rest with His Excellency the Commander in Chief the Medical Board cannot take upon themselves to interfere - They therefore recommend your writing to the Officer Commanding the Southern Division on the subject of the appointments you reported in your letter, so that they may through that Channel be Confirmed or Genral Orders -

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt
Signd William Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
5th March 1811.

To Doctor H. Harris
Superintending Surgeon

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Copy of their Proceedings of the

Fort St. George 6th March 1811.

the 28th Ultimo, with the Resolution of the Honorable the Governor in Council thereon -

2. The Medical Board have at the same time, desired me to express to you, the peculiar satisfaction which they derive, from being thus enabled to convey to you, as the most honorable testimonial of your Public Services, the Recorded approbation of Government; which, you will be pleased to Communicate also, to the Officers composing the Medical Staff, who conducted themselves so much to your satisfaction, when employed under your Superintendence, on the late successful Expedition against the French Islands -

3. The Medical Board in addition to this agreeable part of their duty, have instructed me to request, that you will be pleased to transmit to them, your Remarks Surgically, on the Climate and diseases, of Rodrigues, Bourbon, and Mauritius; the treatment generally adopted, as well as your Genral Hospital arrangement, at those several Islands; which, is the intention of the Board to preserve, as an useful Record in this Office -

4. If you cannot complete those details, without the aid of your Report, on the Medical Stores and Expenditure, the Board request, that they may accompany that Report, when you are prepared to furnish them with it -

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

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
8th March 1811.

To

Fort St. George 8th March 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division

Sir

Para 1. I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will be pleased to return the enclosed letter to the Assistant Surgeon Gillespie with intimation that it has been irregularly and improperly forwarded to them by him not transmitting it through you as his immediate Medical Superior.—

2. The Medical Board are directed to state to Mr. Gillespie for information that the subject of the present letter would most suitably be referred to the Military authority the Medical Board not deeming themselves authorized to interfere in the appointment of Medical Officers to Corps.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th March 1811.—

Fort St. George 8th March 1811.

To the Commissary General

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extra Indent for Madeira Wine, from the Surgeon of His Majesty's 14th Regiment for the present Month.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt. Servant
Signed William Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th March 1811.—

Camp 28th February 1811.

Extra Indent for Wine for the use of the Sick of H. M. 14th Regiment for March 1811 Strength of Regiment 1000.—

Madeira	18 Dozen.
Port ditto	6 Do.

To
Major Morrison
Commissary General

Signed Thomas Jackson
Surgeon H. M. 14th Regt.

By Order of the Medical Board
Signed W. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

To

Fort St. George 9th March 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 8th instant No 182. the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief & the latter for the consideration of His Excellency & Govr

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) William Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
9th March 1811.

(Circular)

To Superintending Surgeon
of Division & Staff Surgeon

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to intimate to you, that it is the intention of Government, to attend to such Upper boys of the Native Dresser from the Military Male Asylum Fort School, who when properly qualified as to be considered first dressers and regularly

Fort St. George 9th March 1811.

orders will be hereafter given for reports of their attention and improvement.

2. There being already three of this description, to be posted to Battalions, you are requested to ascertain and to report to this Office what Corps in your Division, are most in want of native dressers, in order that the Medical Board may be enabled to judge, how they can be most advantageously distributed.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) William Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
9th March 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Northern Division

Sir,

I am directed to inform you, that the Medical Board, in forwarding their General Abstract of Returns of Sick for January last, have been obliged to apologize to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and Government, for the lateness of its transmission owing as they have stated, to the very late arrival of the Returns from

the

Fort St. George 11th March 1811.

the Northern Division —

I have been entrusted to make the
communication to you on the hope that the late
regular transmission of your documents, will not
render any circular report necessary. —

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Humble
Signed Wm Hardwicke
Assistant Surgeon

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
11th March 1811.

To J. Gahagan Esqr
Physician General

Sir

I have the honor to enclose you an Extract
of the Retrenchment made by the Military Auditor General
from my Disbursements for the Month of November 1810,
amounting to Pagodas 60 — — which sum you will be
to G. O. of the 8th July 1795 I request you will order
to be paid —

Fort St George
8th March 1811

Signed J. Greenhill
Payr

Extract

Fort St. George 11th March 1811.

Extract of the Retrenchment made by the Military
Auditor General from my Disbursements for the Month
of November 1810

General Staff
Medical Department

132 The House Rent drawn by Mr. Gahagan Physician General
Mrs. Watson and Berry Members of the Med Bd Page 66
Which is inadmissible in consequence of the special orders
of Government conveyed in a Letter from the Chief Secretary to
the Military Auditor General Dated 2nd November 1810
which directs that the increased Salaries granted by the
G. O. of the 9th of October preceding to be in full of all
allowances whatsoever — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 60 — —

Pagodas 60 — —

True Extract Signed J. Greenhill Esqr

To J. Greenhill Esqr
Paymaster Fort St. George

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter
of the 8th instant, claiming a Refund of Pagodas 60 from the
Members of the Board for House Rent drawn for the Month
of October in consequence of the increase of the Monthly Salaries
by the General Orders of the 9th October last being inclusive of
all

Fort St. George 11th March 1811.

all allowances

2 I request you will inform the Military Board that that increase was denominated Salary in the order of Government, which has not hitherto been considered inclusive of such an allowance as House Rent, and as the Letter from Government restricting the whole to the Salary specified, is dated the 2d November and transmitted with a Letter from the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief under date the 7th November long after the monthly Pay Abstract had been completed and correspondent to every former usage of the Service, I assure that the Members of the Board are of opinion that the Restriction cannot with any Justice be considered in force until at least the 2d of November when the limitation was ordered and on this principle they wish a Remitt to separate Conviction that the Military Auditor General will see the propriety of what is urged.

I am, Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) Terence Gahagan
Physician Genl.

Fort St. George
11th March 1811.

Report

Fort St. George 12th March 1811

Report of Orders

Detachment H. M. 14th Regt.

Two Detachments of H. M. 14th Regt. the one to consist of 150 Men, and the other of 100, with a proportion of Officers, have been ordered to Embark at 5 P. M. tomorrow Evening. The former Detachment will Embark on H. M. Ship Minden and the latter on the Doris.

D. A. G. General's Office
Fort St. George
11th March 1811.

(Signed) Wm. Bijs
D. A. G. General.

To The Secretary
of the Med. Bd.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Board, of Yesterdays date, No. 1. and 2. the former, for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief; and the latter, for the consideration of His Excellency, and of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secry. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
12th March 1811.

Report

Fort St. George 15th March 1811.

Report of Orders

R. M. Fus.	2	1	24
24 do.			9
78 Fus.			7
24 do.			7
69 do.			1
69 do.	3		27
Total	7	1	175

The Detachments of Recruits stated in the Margin have been ordered to proceed from Egmore this Sunday Morning for the purpose of being Embarked on the Ships Alexander for Bengal

D.M.Gen.l's Office
Fort St George
15th March 1811

(Signed) Wm Bps
D.M.Gen.l

To the Secretary
to the Medical Board

To the Senior Surgeon Member of the Medical Board

Sir,

I am directed to request you will have
prepared Copy of the Resolutions of the Medical Board
at Council having reference to the 8th Instant for your Information
and Guidance.

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

Fort St. George 15th March 1811.

To the Senior Member of the Medical Board
Superintending the Centre Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will inform the Surgeons of the Corps under orders for Foreign Service, that their Indents for European Medicines to the amount of three Months Expenditure, will be immediately complied with by the Medical Storekeeper, who will also furnish such Country Medicines, as may be necessary, on their paying for the same.

I am at the same time instructed to request that you will desire the Regimental Surgeons to send along with their men, when embarking, a proportion of Rolls Cloathing equal to one eighth of their number with a double proportion of Pillows for the purpose of being stuffed with Straw when required - and that you will direct them to make out their Indents for Madura Mixt in order that such Indents may without loss of time, be transmitted to the Commissary General for Compliance.

I am further directed to request, that you will direct the Surgeons of Corps proceeding on foreign Service, to report to the Medical Board, through your Office the particulars of the Supplies, which they may have been furnished for their use.

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

D.M.Gen.l's Office
Fort St George
15th March 1811

180

Fort St. George 11th March 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to send to you the accompanying copy of Government order, dated the 8th Instant, and to desire, that you will comply with the Wants for European Stores when presented on a requisition equal to three months expenditure — and that you will supply such Country Stores as by the accompanying Order may be wanted, charging the same to the Regiments of the Regiment to which the Detachments belong —

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th March 1811

To the Military Secretary
to the Government of Fort St. George
Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you herewith the proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterday's date, No 1 to 4 inclusive, the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and the latter for the consideration of the Honble the Governor in Council.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th March 1811

181

Fort St. George 11th March 1811.

Fort St. George 11th March 1811.

Sir,

I request you will obtain the immediate examination by the Board of Mr. Ellis who will be brought to you with this Letter — in an apparent state of insanity. —

I am Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) R. Barclay
D. Major

To the Secretary to the Medical Board

To the Town Major
Fort St. George

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of the 11th Instant I have the honor to transmit the accompanying Certificate from the Medical Board

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
16th March 1811

Two

Fort St. George 15th March 1811.

I do hereby certify, that agreeable to the terms and Request made by the Senior Major, in a Letter of the 14th Instant, I have visited and Examined with the requisite attention, Lieut. Ellis said to be an Officer in H.M. 19th Regiment, and that I found him in a state of complete mental Derangement, being incapable of giving a distinct, Coherent or Rational answer, to any question that was put to him — so far as I have been able to gain information relative to him, Lieut. Ellis is an Officer of the above Regiment and was left behind when that Corps marched from Vellore fabled to embark upon foreign Service, but from what Evening to the Lunatic Hospital he drew and made a desperate to violence, and outrage as rendered it requisite and necessary for the safety of those about him, to commit him to close confinement in some — I cannot therefore hesitate on giving my opinion, that he is a fit object for Lunatic asylum.—

Madras
15th March 1811

Signed Alex.r Watson M.D
2d Member Medical Board
Superintending the Presidency

Signed Duncan Gahagan
Physician General

Andrew Berry
2d Member Medical Board

Fort St. George 15th March 1811.

To The 2d Member, Medical Board
Superintending the Presidency for the present Quarter

Sir,

I am directed to request, that you will be pleased to return the accompanying Indent for Madeira Wine to the Surgeon Genl. — and that you will inform that Gentleman, if he requires any authority from the Medical Board, to address them on the subject.—

I am further directed to state to you, for the information of the Genl. that the Medical Board have not in their proceedings of the Quarterly Inspection of the Presidency any Report of the Permanent Establishment, to which they are to allude.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Boorman
Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th March 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force
Jaulnah.—

Sir,

I am directed to acquaint you that the Medical Board have forwarded to the Excellency the Commander in Chief, a Copy of your Report to the Officer Commanding the Subsidiary Force at Jaulnah — together with Copies of the Letters

164

Fort St. George 16th March 1811.

Letters from Mr. Surgeon Abercrombie illustrative of the disease which has of late been so prevalent in His Majesty's 34th Regiment and that they have supported your recommendation of Europe Blankets being furnished, to prevent the effects of the sudden night Colds which are so apt to produce Fever.-

As you remark that the Artillery, similarly circumstanced at Jaulnah, have not suffered in like manner with His Majesty's 34th Regiment at that Station, the Medical Board request, that you will enquire whether this can be accounted for, either by Diet, Temperance, Exposure to Weather, or from other causes which have been productive of so much disease in the latter Corps; may as far as possible be ascertained and remedied.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Kennan
Surgn. Mus. Brigade

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
18th March 1811

To the Secretary to the Medical Board
Madras

Sir,

I beg leave to report to you for the information of the Surgeon General and Members of the Medical Board that I reached this Port on my return from Brigr. General Malcolm's Mission to Persia the 10th Instant and that I purpose joining the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry for which I stand appointed by the end of the present or Commencement of next month.-

I have &c.
(Signed) Wm. Colhoun
Surgn. 5th Regt. N. Cavy.

Bombay
16th February 1811.

To Terence Gahagan Esqr. &c.
and Members
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report to you that I reached this Island on the 1st Instant and joined the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry to which I found myself appointed on my return from Persia.

Not having adverted to the late Post Office Regulations when I reported my return to Bombay in a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Medical Board was the cause of my adopting that mode of address, which informality may I hope that you will have the goodness to excuse.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obt. Servant
(Signed) Wm. Colhoun
Surgn. 5th Regt. N. Cavy.

Camp Seroor
22 March 1811

165

Fort St. George 15th March 1811.

that I reached this Port on my return from Brigr. General Malcolm's Mission to Persia the 10th Instant and that I purpose joining the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry for which I stand appointed by the end of the present or Commencement of next months.-

I have &c.
(Signed) Wm. Colhoun
Surgn. 5th Regt. N. Cavy.

Bombay
16th February 1811.

To Terence Gahagan Esqr. &c.
and Members
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I beg leave to report to you that I reached this Island on the 1st Instant and joined the 5th Regiment Native Cavalry to which I found myself appointed on my return from Persia.

Not having adverted to the late Post Office Regulations when I reported my return to Bombay in a letter addressed to the Secretary of the Medical Board was the cause of my adopting that mode of address, which informality may I hope that you will have the goodness to excuse.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most Obt. Servant
(Signed) Wm. Colhoun
Surgn. 5th Regt. N. Cavy.

Camp Seroor
22 March 1811

16

Fort St. George 18th March 1811.

To the Surgeon of the 5th Regiment Native Infantry
Comg at Surat

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letters dated the 16th Ultimo and 2d Instant, and to inform you that your Returns of your Duty under the Quarantine Law have been duly communicated by the Medical Board to the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
(Signed) Wm Kerr MD
Secy to Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
18th March 1811.

To the Secretary
Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a General Return of Sick of the Corps and Dept of Medical Officers doing duty at Surat for February 1811.

All the Official Returns of the Corps of this Force are herewith.

We have again to enumerate but few Cases of this Disease which are entirely Sporadic & Lastly - having had no Cases last month

Fort St. George 18th March 1811.

month and only three Natives -

The great number of Sick of H.M. 78th Regiment was occasioned by the men having received arrears of Pay and extra indulgencies about the beginning of the year - and on their return to their Quarters a temporary increase of Sick - but they are now upon the Regimental Standard -

Convalescents and Convicted Men are directed their rest is very moderate - being only a Total of fifty five -

The number of Seamen Invalids received lately on a Detachment of this Corps from Bombay, has considerably diminished, and the obstinate cases described in my Letter to the Board of the 15th February have yielded with more facility, than we had occasion to expect -

Since my Letter of that date we have received the Napoleon small quantities in private gardens where it seems to have been preserved more as a curious than a useful Vegetable -

We are considering and arranging a plan to have a piece of Ground allotted for its Cultivation on a sufficiently large scale to ensure its permanent propagation, at a Sea Port so much frequented -

As the Sick of H.M. 78th Regiment now stands it will probably only leave Six or Eight men on its embarkation for foreign Service -

Of the three Casualties in the 2d Battalion 10th Regiment Native Infantry two were old Chronic and Dysentary Cases from the Corps going on Service, in the last Stage of the Complaint - and the other a decided case of

Delirium

168

Fort St. George 15th March 1811.

Sir,

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Jas. Gilmour

Asst Surgeon

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th March 1811.

To the Asst Surgeon

at

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 4th Instant, and to request you will state the support of Government to which you consider the Expence of a Depot plantation, that of your own, and the probable Monthly Expence — and also your opinion as to the utility of such plantation at Goa? that the Medical Board will represent it to the Honble the Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secy to Med. Bd

Goa 4th March 1811.

169

Fort St. George 19th March 1811.

To the Military Secretary

to His Excellency the Commander in Chief —

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board under date the 18th instant for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and Government —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
19th March 1811 —

To the Superintending Surgeon

of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Jaulnah

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, for your information, and for that of the Surgeons of the European Corps, under

x Vide Letter from the Military Secy of the 23d March 1811

170

Fort St. George 22nd March 1811.

under your Superintendence.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22nd March 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed to request that you will report to the Medical Board the Medical and Hospital Stores lately returned to you by the Deputy Medical Storekeeper to the late Expedition against the French Islands.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22nd March 1811.

Report of Orders.

The Embarkation of the Recruits of His Majesty's Regiments for Bengal, as stated in the Report of Orders, under date the 15th Instant has been fixed upon entitled the Morning of Monday the 25th Instant.—

D. M. Gen. Office
Fort St. George
18th March 1811.

(Signed) R. Blacker
Dy. D. M. Gen.

To the Secretary of the Medical Board.

True Copy
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

To

171

Fort St. George 22nd March 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division.

Sir,

1 I am directed to return the accompanying letter under date the 15th instant and to intimate to you, that it has not been usual to make any Report application to His Excellency the Commander in Chief for the leave of absence of Medical officers wishing to reside at stations within their respective Divisions.—

2 The Medical Board are accordingly of opinion, that it rests with the officer commanding the Southern Division, to grant permission to Assistant Surgeon Gillespie to proceed to Negapatam for the benefit of his health.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) William Horsman
Secry. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22nd March 1811.—

To

172

Fort St. George 22d. March 1811.

To Wm. Horsman Esqr.

Superintendent of Vaccination

Sir

As the Medical Board have not yet received a Report from you as to the State of Vaccine Infection which you stated in your letter of the 8th Inst. to have made its appearance at Madras and which the Board brought to the notice of Government on the same date upon Recommencing the arrangement and precautions which were deemed necessary on such occasions. I have to desire on Resident to the Board that you will not delay longer furnishing this report for the satisfaction of Government, as you have not yet noticed the intimation that was given to you of this necessity on the 15th Instant and that your Return of Vaccinations for February cannot be much longer delayed to be forwarded.—

I am,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed Terence Finlayson

Physician General & President

Med. Board &c

Fort St. George

Med. Bd. Office

22d. March 1811.—

173

Fort St. George 23d. March 1811.

To the Commissary General

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Indent for Madeira Wine wanted for the use of the Sick of the Establishment of His Majesty's 24th Regiment under the Commander in Chief & the latter for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council of Government.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George

Med. Bd. Office

23d. March 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon

of the Southern Division.

Sir,

1. At the time Mr. Assistant Surgeon Reviere wrote the accompanying letter, which you are requested to return to him, the Medical Board presume that he had not received the instructions conveyed in my letter to you, dated the 1st. instant.—

The

174

Fort St. George 23d. March 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 22d. instant. No. 182. the former for the Conscription of His Majesty's [illegible] Dragoons proceeding on Foreign Service.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
23d March 1811.

An Indent for Madeira Wine wanted for the use of the Sick of a Detachment of the 1st 22d Regiment Light Dragoons proceeding on Foreign Service dated 22d March 1811.

Madeira wanted ---------- 21 Dozen & one half

To
A. Watson Esqr. M.D.
2d. Member Medical Board
Superintending Centre Division

Signed Francis Edward
Surgeon 22d Dragoons

To

175

Fort St. George 25th March 1811.

To
The Medical Board have again &
directed me to request, that you will be pleased to
intimate to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Revere, if he
deems it necessary to make any Public Representation,
that it will be necessary for him to prefer it, through
the regular medium, to His Excellency the Comman-
der in Chief, as before pointed out to him.—

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

To the Commissary General

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board
to enclose to you the accompanying Indents for
Madeira Wine required for the use of the Sick &
of His Majestys 14th 59th & 69th Regiments for the
Months of April May & June. also an Indent for
Madeira Wine wanted for the use of the
Squadron

14th Regiment Dozens 48 April
59th " " 54
69th " " 4
" " 12

178

Fort St. George 26th March 1811.

Squadron of Horse Artillery under orders for
foreign Service.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed William Horsman
Secretary Med. Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
25th March 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief
&c. &c. &c.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you
the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of
the 19th instant No 182 the former for the consideration
of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and the
latter for the consideration of His Excellency and of
Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
Signed William Horsman
Secretary Med. Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
26th March 1811.

To

179

Fort St. George 27th March 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical
Board, to transmit to you, the accompanying copy of
Government General Order bearing date the 19th
instant, for your information and guidance.
I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
27th March 1811.

To The President and Members
of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen.

In the Orders of Government
Para. 5 Communicated to you on the 18th June 1808 and replied
to on the 1st July, it appears to be understood, that the
Judicial Allowances drawn by the Medical Officers at
Masulipatam, Trichinopoly and Tellicherry should cease
and that the Garrison Surgeons doing the duty should
receive an allowance of 30 Pagodas pr. Mansem and which
was

Fort St. George 27th March 1811

was afterwards confirmed upon the appeal of Mr. Surgeon
Hay in November 1808.

2d I request to be informed under what date
these orders were communicated to the parties interested that
the accounts may be checked in conformity to each other.

3d It appears also by your Proceedings
of the 6th July 1808 that the Zillah Surgeons of
Vizagapatam and Palamcotah were to be relieved and their
duty performed by the Garrison Surgeons. I have to request
the same information in respect to them, and the allowances
which you state in the 5th para to have been already
fixed for the latter.

Fort St. George
Civil Auditors Office
27th March 1811.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed John McDowall
Civil Auditor

To the Civil Auditor
Fort St. George

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 transmit to you the
accompanying copy of my letter to the Superintending
Surgeon of the Southern Division, and Extract
from my Circular letter to the Superintending Surgeon

Fort St. George 27th March 1811.

of the Northern Division and provinces of Malabar and
Canara as the best means of enabling you to judge of the
date under which the Judicial allowances drawn by
the Medical Officers at Trichinopoly Palamcottah
Tellicherry, Masulipatam and Vizagapatam should cease
and that the Garrison Surgeons doing the duty, should
in consequence receive an allowance of Pagodas 30 p
Mensem.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secry Medical Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
29th March 1811.

To
Doctor H. Harris
Superintending Surgeon to the late Expedition.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board
to return to you your letter of the 22d instant together
with its enclosures from Messrs. Assistant-Surgeons
Stephenson and Barrock, for the reasons stated in
the accompanying Extract of a letter from the
Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander
in Chief dated the 26th instant which you will be
pleased to communicate to these Officers.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secry med Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
29th March 1811.

To

Fort St. George 29th March 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Northern Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to return to you, your letter of the 15th instant, together with its enclosure, and to request that you will intimate to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Towill that it will be necessary for him to transmit his representation as well as all future appeals which he may have occasion to make of a similar nature to the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief agreably to the Government General orders bearing date the 5th [illegible]

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Secy Medl Bd

Fort St. George
Medl Board Office
29th March 1811.

To
Mr Surgeon A. S. Smith

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to inform you, that you are appointed a Member of a Committee, of which the Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division is President to enquire into the Causes of an Epidemic, or Endemic disease which has been prevalent and fatal in the Southern Provinces

and

Fort St. George 1st April 1811.

and that you will accordingly lose no time in repairing to Trichinopoly - there to place yourself under the orders of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Menzies, from whom you will receive your further instructions.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secy Medl Bd

Fort St. George
Medl Board Office
1st April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division.—

Sir,

Under date the 26th March 1811

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Copies of letters, and enclosures, from the Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department and to inform you, that you are as President, with Mr. Surgeon Smith, and Mr. Assist. Surgeon Christie as Members appointed a Committee to enquire into the Causes of that alarming Epidemic or Endemic disease which has proved fatal to so great a proportion of the Inhabitants of Coimbatore, Dindigul, and Madura.—

2. Mr. Smith has been directed to repair without loss of time to Trichinopoly - there to place himself, under your Orders - you will therefore be pleased to issue similar instructions to Doctor Christie -

and

Fort St. George 1st. April 1811.

and to Report to the Medical Board, the arrangement which you may deem necessary for the performance during his absence, of the temporary Medical duties at Madura.

3. The Medical Board have further directed me to acquaint you, that they expect you will proceed with the least possible delay to the several Districts mentioned - that you will there use every means to ascertain the nature of the disease in question whether caused by Food, exposure, Climate, or otherwise - and that you will point out what may appear to you best Calculated to remove or to alleviate the present Calamitous state of the people, in the Districts specified.

4. It being from a minute inquiry into particulars on the spot by which only the labours of your Committee can be of real utility - and as you have by the accompanying papers, authority to call for every source of information, the Medical Board rely on your exertions and communications, being attended with beneficial Consequences.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
1st April 1811.

Fort St. George 1st. April 1811.

To
Terence Gahagan Esqr. P.G. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras.

Gentlemen,

Accompanying I have the honor of transmitting to you, a communication for His Excellency the Governor in Council, together with a Catalogue, in the English, Tamool, Dukhanie, and Arabic Languages, of such articles of the British Materia Medica, as are either the produce of Hindoostan, are brought to it from some of the neighbouring territories, and to be found in our Public Bazars.

Should these papers meet with your approbation, you will oblige me by forwarding them to their addrs.

I am well aware that the List is far from perfect; but such as it is, I am induced to hope that it may not be considered as unworthy of your favorable notice; something of this kind has long appeared to me to be necessary, for the guidance of the Junior part of the Medical line, or for those even of longer standing, who may not have made themselves acquainted with any of the Native languages of India.

I shall detain you no longer at this time, than by observing, that whatever may be the demerits of this Catalogue, I cannot accuse myself of a want of care.

I have

Fort St. George 1st April 1811.

I have consulted every authority I could procure, that could in the least aid me in the research and have given no Article a place in it, that I either have not seen, in a Famed Druggists Shop or ascertained beyond a doubt & that the Hyrians and Hakeems were fully acquainted with.

I cannot conclude without acknowledging the assistance I have received on this occasion, from Mr. Hunter, an Assistant Surgeon of this Station; whose professional zeal is conspicuous, and who, by his exertions while lately at Madras, procured me information from the Bazars of that place, which was highly acceptable.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) Whitelaw Ainslie, M.D.
Ld. Surgeon S.D.

Trichinopoly
6th March 1811.

To the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit herewith the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 29th instant, Nos. 1 and 2 the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
31st March 1811.

Fort St. George 1st April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division.

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract from their Proceedings, dated the 18th ultimo together with the Resolution of the Honorable the Governor in Council thereon.

2. I am also directed to return to you, the Catalogue which accompanied your letter dated the 6th ultimo in order, that it may altered, in conformity to the suggestions referred to by Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secretary to Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
1st April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division.
Trichinopoly.

Sir,

In reply to your letter dated the 6th Ultimo I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honble the Governor in Council bearing date the 26th Ultimo for your information and guidance.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

To the Superintending Surgeon of the Southern Division dated the 1st March 1811

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
1st April 1811.

To

186

Fort St. George 1st April 1811.

To

Terence Sahagan Esqr. M.D. President
and Members of the Medical Board.
Madras.

Gentlemen,

Accompanying I have the honor of forwarding to you, a letter which I have just received from Mr. Surgeon James Senior Surgeon in Travancore addressed

Gentlemen,

your most obedient servant
(Signed) Whitelaw Ainslie M.D.
Inspr. Surgeon
of H.M.

Trichinopoly
27th March 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division.

Sir,

Trichinopoly

I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will return the enclosed letter to Mr. Surgeon James, with intimation that he may again forward it, if he deems it necessary, to the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, in the manner pointed out, in the Government General Orders, bearing date the 1st December 1809.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
1st April 1811.

To

187

Fort St. George 1st April 1811.

To the Superintendent
of the Military Male Asylum.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to intimate to you, that the undermentioned ten boys, from the Military Male Asylum Viz. Joseph Woodall - John King - William Kinsay - James Crisp - Daniel Pye - William King - William Smith - John Mason - John Hunter - and David Haliburton - are admitted on the Establishment of boys, to be educated as Native Military Corps - and to be eventually promoted to the Situation of Sub Assistant Surgeons.

Six of these boys are to be educated at the Presidency General Hospital, two under the Surgeon of the European Hospital at Poonamallee, and the remaining two under the Surgeon of Artillery at St. Thomas's Mount - and all upon an allowance of Pagodas 6 per Month for their subsistance and Cloathing.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th April 1811.

To

188

Fort St. George 1st. April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division.

Trichinopoly.—

Sir,

I am directed to request that you will report for the information of the Medical Board, whether any of the present Drafters to Depot Corps, in the Southern Division, can with the least detriment to the public Service, be dispensed with, in order that the Corps, one of the Eight persons mentioned in the Commander in Chief's General Orders dated the 25th. ultimo.—

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
1st April 1811.—

To

189

Fort St. George 1st. April 1811.

To the President and Members
of the
Medical Board.—

Gentlemen,

Mr. Surgeon McMullen of His Majesty's 59th Regiment having applied to me to have the Medicines required for foreign Service divided and packed up in four different Voyage Chests. I have to request the Sanction of the Board for the Extra Charges that will be incurred thereby.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Jno. Goldie
Med. Storekeeper

Fort St. George
1st April 1811.—

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St. George.—

Sir,

In reply to your letter of this date, I am directed by the Medical Board, to intimate to you, that you have their authority to divide, and to pack up, the Medicines required for foreign Service, in the more points out by Mr. Surgeon McMullen, if the packages in Store, cannot be appropriated to that purpose.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your Most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Dy. Secy. Med. Bd.

To

Fort St. George 3d. April 1811.

To the Commissary General

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to
request you will be pleased to issue the undermentioned Indent for Madeira Wine
required for the use of a Detachment of His Majesty's 87th
Regiment ordered on foreign service. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
2d. April 1811. —

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief —

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the
accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board, under date
the 1st. instant, for the consideration of His Excellency the
Commander in Chief, and Government. —

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
2d. April 1811. —

Medical

Fort St. George 3d. April 1811.

Medical Board
29th. March 1811.

The Superintendant should address the Board
in answer to the Secretary Gahagan's Letter of the 22d. March,
and state that the sum Charged for erecting an Hospital
for small Pox Patients has been actually disbursed for that
purpose this declaration is necessary in answer to the
reference from Government — and in regard to the allowance
of 10 Pagodas charged for the purpose of supplying Medicines
and dressings — the Board consider it unnecessary as some
one of the Native Practitioners may be allotted for that
purpose —

(Signed) J. G. D.
" J. H.
" J. B.

To the President and Members
of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

On the 8th. of February last, I deemed
it my duty to report to you, that the small Pox had for
some time prevailed and that it continued to prevail, in a
certain degree at, and in the neighbourhood of this Presidency —

Athen

Fort St. George 3d April 1811

I then also took the liberty of recommending that the small-pox Hospital, "discontinued in July last, "should be Reestablished" as one of the 1st steps towards Checking the progress and force of so destructive an Epidemic, - This Recommendation, appeared to meet with your support, in your Letter to the Honorable the Governor in Council, of the same date - and subsequently to be so, even with the approbation of Government - Since then, I have directions, for the reconstruction of the old Hospital near Egmore, on the Bye-and for the charges, on account of Small-pox Patients being made out, in strict conformity to the Rate, under which the Establishment, has been kept up -

These charges, for rooms actually occupied, in during the Months of February, and March last, I have now the honor to lay before you -

I beg leave to observe to you Honble Sirs, that the allowance of Pagodas 10 - charged for my Native Inoculators - Dressings - and Country Medicines, is unnecessary - and that hence one of the Native Establishments may be altogether, dispensed with - I have only observed that that charge has, Gradually for almost the whole of the last four years been considerably diminished - that hardly any of the Native Vaccinators have been employed in the act of Dressing - that the Native Vaccinators at the Presidency, never have on any occasion been employed - and I believe are Generally incapable of doing such duty - that the business of Dressing does, (more frequently) in various cases) appear to me to be of an offensive nature - for which reason, a salary

Fort St. George 3d April 1811.

salary of less than 10 Pagodas per month, has I believe been but seldom offered -

On the other hand, the pay of a Native Vaccinator, does not exceed 5 Pagodas per month - neither has he any allowance whatever, from which he can be expected to purchase dressings, or Country Medicines - Independently of which, since I have contemplated the benefit of Vaccination as this for obvious Reasons, ever been an object with me, to preserve the duties of the Vaccinator in as distinct and pure a state as possible - and carefully to detach him from wherever the Small-pox infection, might be said to prevail -

These facts I have deemed it incumbent on me to submit to you, in the hope that, after a due consideration of them, you will not withhold your sanction to the Retaining of a Servant whose, by previous Regulations I conceived myself authorized to engage - and without whose aid and skill, the most serious consequences may in my Humble Judgement, be frequently experienced. -

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen.

Your most Obedient and very humble Servant

(Signed) Wm Bowman

Supt Vacc. Ins.

Madras
1st April 1811

Fort St. George 3d April 1811.

To William Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the Medical Board
Madras

Sir,

1 I do the honor of your Letter of the 8th Instant with the Enclosures in reply to which I beg the Medical Board to believe that I have only delayed acknowledging it to the present day awaiting the arrival of the remaining Officers lately on my Staff from the Isle of France to whom I had to Communicate the contents in the 1st Instance - and in the next on which I sought to be enabled to furnish my Report at the same time for the Department of the Medical Store, appertaining to the Northward since last before me by Mr Jones late Dpty Medical Storekeeper to that Expedition -

2. As the Letter subject however appeared to me more properly to furnish matter for another Letter I must here confine myself to merely offering my most sincere acknowledgments to the Medical Board (and life in my own Name, those in that of the Gentlemen totally acting on my Staff) for the high honor we are on the very flattering testimony which they have been pleased to bear to our public conduct in the Proceedings as submitted to Government on the 18th Ultimo

3 We are duly sensible also of the favorable Value of the Recorded Approbation of Government on our

Fort St. George 3d April 1811.

our behalf to which those Proceedings immediately lead - and I beg the Board to be convinced that we do feel and appreciate accordingly by the additional Obligation conferred upon us by the whole Tenor and Terms of the same Letter from its Authority which gave cover to those Documents -

4 I beg you will be pleased to signify to the Medical Board moreover that in obedience to their wishes of being informed of my "Hospital arrangements" &c on the late Expedition I have thought it my duty to extract in sufficient Detail a Series of all such papers on the Official Records of my Office as I trust will be a Satisfactory Contribution to the Board and accord their every enquiry in a connected explicit and Regular way -

5 It commences some short time prior to the sailing of the late Expedition and concludes with the return of myself and Staff to India from it -

6 Should the bulk of these Sheets are already fairly transcribed - The whole will be followed by an Index to enable the Board to consult with more convenience any subject to which their attention may occasionally be directed to any future day -

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Lble Servt
(Signd) W.J. Harris M.D.
Superintending Surgeon
to the late Expedition

Madras
30th March 1811.

To

Fort St. George 3d. April 1811.

To

William Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the Medical Board
Madras

Sir

Accompanying I have the honor to cover to the Medical Board the Official Vouchers for his Department delivered in to my Office by Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Jones Deputy Medical Storekeeper to the late Expedition to the French Islands, which I trust will appear to the Board to be as correct and satisfactory as they are concise.

All the regulary Medicines Surgeon and Country Instruments &c. were delivered over to Mr. Phillips on the 16th December 1810 as per accompanying Copy of Official Letter from Major General Abercrombie to that Effect.

The Conduct of Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Jones on his late Employ demands my commendation from me whether I regard the promptitude & actively with which he constantly acquitted himself of every part of his Duties while he filled that Station, or the most becoming circumspection and care which he has constantly maintained when in Charge of the trust committed to him.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very humble Servant
(Signed) Henry Harris M.D.
Superintending Surgeon
to the late Expedition

Madras
30th March 1811.

Fort St. George 3d. April 1811.

To

Doctor Harris
Superintending Surgeon
to the Expedition

Sir

To prevent the possibility of any misconception in the Instructions which I had the honor to convey to you in a personal Conversation yesterday, I think it necessary to repeat, that you are clearly to understand, that it is my intention, the whole of the Medical Stores now under your Charge should be delivered over to Dr. Phillips the Superintending Surgeon, with the exception of a Small Supply which you will embark on board the Mary Transport, and calculated to provide for three thousand Europeans on their passage to Madras.

On your Arrival at that Presidency you will have an Opportunity of receiving an ample supply of every Article which may be required for the Service, upon which it is intended this Force shall be employed.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your very humble Servant
(Signed) J. Abercrombie
Major General

Port Louis
16th December 1810

(True Copy)
(Signed) Hy. Harris M.D.
Supt. Surg. to the late Expedition

To

198

Fort St. George 5th April 1811.

To Doctor Harris

Superintending Surgeon

of the late Expedition against the French Islands

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 30th Ultimo and to request that you will be pleased to direct Mr. Assistant Surgeon Jones, late your Deputy Medical Storekeeper to deliver over to the Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency, such European Medicines and Instruments, as he may have brought back from the Mauritius, with lists of the Articles officially signed by himself that he will also transmit his Returns of the issues of Medicines and Medical Stores accompanied with the Original Indents and Receipts, agreably to Para 11 of the Gov by Government, bearing date the 21st April 1810.-

With regard to the Bot Wine and other articles of Country supply, the Medical Board have addressed Government relative to their disposal, and as soon as they are favored with the answer on this point, they will direct the necessary instructions to be issued. In the mean while, you will have the goodness to desire Mr. Jones, to retain the charge of them.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) W. Horsman

Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th April 1811.-

199

Fort St. George 5th April 1811.

To the 2d Member Medical Board

Superintending the Centre Division.

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will be pleased to intimate to the Surgeons of European Corps under orders for Foreign Service, that there are 65 dozens and 9 bottles of Bot. Wine and 55 pieces of bandage cloth, returned into Store, by the Deputy Medical Storekeeper to the late Expedition - which they may, if in want of such articles, be supplied with, at proper prices, for the indemnification of Government.-

2. I am also directed to request you will inform Mr. Surgeon Fozer that he is appointed by Government to perform the Medical duties of the Zillah of Chittoor, during the absence of Mr. Surgeon Stewart on Foreign Service.-

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th April 1811.-

200

Fort St. George 5th April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Adjutant General of the Army and to desire, that you will conformably thereto forward to them the application for the leave of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Gillespie should his state of health still appear to require his being absent from his Corps beyond the period of making up the returns alluded to.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary to Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th April 1811.—

To Mr. Assistant George Anderson

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Secretary to Government, in the Judicial Department, under

201

Fort St. George 5th April 1811.—

under date 29th ultimo for your information and guidance.—

2. I am also directed to desire, that you will, conformably to these instructions forthwith provide yourself, with every thing that may be necessary, towards fulfilling the intention of your appointment to the Superintendence of the Vaccine duties, in the Presidencies to the Eastward.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary to Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th April 1811.—

To the Staff Surgeon
at Goa.—

Sir,

I am directed by the Med. Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 21st ultimo and to inform you, that its contents have been submitted to the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

To

202 Fort St. George 6th April 1811.

To the Commissary General

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to enclose to you the accompanying Quarterly Indents for Madeira Wine required for the use of His Majesty's 30th & 33d Regiments for the Month of April, May and June.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
5th April 1811.

To the Military Secretary

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, for the information of His Excellency the Commander in Chief the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of yesterdays date, for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm. Horsman

Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
6th April 1811.

To

103

203 Fort St. George 8th April 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to inform you, that a boy named Ramah Sawmy, has been five years, and reported to be well acquainted with the duties, at the Dispensary and that the Physician General is, in consequence solicitous, that he should be appointed to the first vacancy which may occur among the Servants of that Establishment.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Willm. Horsman

Secry. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th April 1811.

To the Commissary General

Sir,

I am directed by the Med. Board to enclose to you, the accompanying Quarterly Indents for Madeira Wine, required for the use of His Majesty's Royal and 89th Regiments, for the Months, of April, May & June together with an Extract of a letter from the Surgeon of the former Corps, to the Superintending Surgeon

Fort St. George 9th April 1811.

Surgeon of the Northern Division; the purport of which, the Medical Board have desired me to add, has been communicated to Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most obedient Servant
(Signed) W Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
8th April 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 8th instant Nos. 1 & 2 the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief & the latter for the consideration of His Excellency and of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
(Signed) W Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
9th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 9th April 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th and to state for the information of the Medical Board that the lateness of the Medical Returns for January, was occasioned by their having been thro' some mistake returned to me from Madras altho' I left instructions on my quitting the Presidency that they should be handed up to the Board. The returns for February were dispatched from hence on the 11th instant, and in future I hope to get them off at an earlier part of the Month.

Accompanying I have the honor to lay before the Medical Board, Copy of a letter from Mr Surgeon Davidson of His Mr Royal Regiment stating the necessity of his only Assistant Mr Ballingalls proceeding to sea for the benefit of his health. I take the liberty to recommend that Mr Assistant Surgeon Nevon lately attached to the 1st Battalion 10th Native Regiment at Masulipatam be appointed to do duty with the Royal Regiment during Mr Ballingalls absence.

I beg leave to submit Mr Davidsons Indent for wine, and to refer the Board to his letter to shew the great inconvenience which has resulted

Fort St. George 9th April 1811.

resulted and is likely to result from the Deputy Commissary at Masulipatam not having been furnished with Wine for the use of the Sick and beg leave to suggest that Mr Davidson's Indent may be immediately complied with from the Presidency and that the wine may be dispatched either by sea or land to Masulipatam as may be judged most expeditious.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Charles Fleming
Superintg Surgeon
& Hyd Division

Vizagapatam
27th March 1811.

To William Horsman
Secretary to the Medical Board

Madras

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 5th Instant in compliance to the Instructions conveyed to me in reply to the Medical Board's Deputy Medical Storekeeper to the Last Expedition that he is to furnish the Documents required of his Department to the Medical Storekeeper at the Presidency without delay.

Mr

Fort St. George 11th April 1811.

Mr Jones has also been desired by me to consider himself in charge of the Port Wine and other Articles of Comfort Supply which he has brought back with him from the Pinnacle Islands, till he is further advised by this Board.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Harris M.D.
Superintending Surgeon
to the late Expeditions

Madras
April 7th 1811.

To Mr Assistant Surgeon Hastie

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will proceed to join your Corps at Trichinopoly with the least possible delay.

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

Fort St George
Medl Office
11th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 11th April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that Mr. Hastie Surgeon Hastie is now at the Presidency - that he has been ordered to proceed without delay to join his Corps - and that he will probably be at Pulicat early, before the Members of your Committee can be assembled.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Sign'd Wm. Kennaway

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
11th April 1811.

To
Surgeon Gahagan Esqr & C
President & Members of the
Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 8th Instant (with its accompanying Letter and Extracts) and shall lose no time in immediately attending to the orders and instructions they contain. With regard however to providing Medical aid for Madras during the absence of Mr. Christy (2d Member of the

Committee) during our tour of inspection, I am sorry to say, that it cannot be done from Trichinopoly at this time, where there is already a great deficiency of Medical aid.

Mr. Hastie who stands appointed to the 2d Battalion 25th Regiment Native Infantry has not yet joined - Mr. Gillespie Assistant Surgeon of the 1st Battalion 14th Regt Native Infantry has gone Sick from Dindigal to Negapatam, and Mr. Haines Assistant Surgn of the 2d Battalion 15th Regiment Native Infantry left us some time ago to proceed on the Expedition, and no one has yet been appointed to that Corps in his room. The consequence of all this is, that there is no Medical Officer belonging to a Native Corps now at this station, who has not accumulated duties to perform. Will you therefore have the goodness to inform me how I am to act in this case, as I cannot make my final arrangements till I receive your reply.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant
Signed Whitelaw Ainslie M.D.
Supt Surgeon S.D.

Trichinopoly
5th April 1811.

To

Fort St George 13th April 1811.

To the Town Mayor
of Fort St George

Sir,

I have been favored with your letter of this date thereunto being however any Member of the Medical Board in the Fort I submit it to you whether James Patton who is certainly in state of mental derangement, should be immediately conveyed to the Lunatic Hospital or kept in some other place of security until he can be regularly examined.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servt
Signed W Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
10th April 1811.

To the Staff Surgeon
at Goa

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Military Secretary of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, dated the 11th instant, for your information and guidance.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servt
Signed W Horsman
Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
13th April 1811.

To

Fort St George 13th April 1811.

To Mr Assistant Surgeon W. Jones
Deputy Medical Storekeeper
to the late Expedition.

Sir

I am directed to request, that you will comply with all Indents duly authorized by the Medical Board for Port Wine, to the extent of the Public Stock, of that article now in your profession - that you will charge it, at rates sufficient for the reimbursement of Government together with the usual 5 pr Centage - and that you will pursue the prescribed mode of obtaining payment from the Medical Officers whom, you may have supplied with it.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Signed W Horsman
Secy Med Board

Fort Saint George
Med Board Office
13th April 1811.

Fort St. George 15th April 1811.

He seemed even apparently insensible of our presence & continued muttering to himself the whole time of his being interrogated by us. He exhibited also a wildness of countenance & manner, and a disposition to violence, which rendered it dangerous to leave him at liberty.

I am therefore of opinion that he is a fit object for the Lunatic Hospital.

Signed Alex. Watson M.D.
2d Member Medical Board

" Terence Cahagan
P.S. & President Medical Board

" Andrew Barry
3d Member Medical Board

To
The Secretary to the
Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to send to your Office for professional examination James Fallon Time expired man of the Honorable Company's Service who has been sent to this Dispensary & labouring under mental derangement, as will appear by the enclosed letter from the office Commanding

Fort St. George 15th April 1811.

Commanding that Station and the Medical Certificate which it covers.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) R. Barclay
Major

Town Major's Office
Fort St. George
10th April 1811.

Poonamallee 9th April 1811.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward to your Office under charge of a Naigue's Guard a Private Supernumerary James Fallon, who has been deranged in his mind for sometime; a Certificate from the Garrison Surgeon accompanies the above Man in order that he may be admitted a Patient into the Lunatic Asylum.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obed.t Servant
Signed C. W. Burdett
Major Commanding

To
The Town Major
of
Fort St. George

Poonamallee 9th April 1811.

This Certifies that James Fallon Time expired Soldier in the Honorable Company's service, has been under my care since the 2d of February

Fort St. George 15th April 1811

February 1844 during which period his conduct has been such, as to leave no doubt on my mind of his being completely deranged & a fit object for the Lunatic Hospital. Since the above period he has taken very few Medicines, from the impossibility of compelling him to do it, & my attention has been solely directed to his diet, & keeping him under restraint.

(Signed) W. Mackintosh
Surgeon

To
The Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have had the honor to receive Mr. Horsman's letter in reply to mine of this date intimating that the professional examination of James Fallon, a Lunatic, could not take place to-day

Having no place where the man could be lodged for the night, I was under the necessity of desiring Mr. Dalton to remove him into his Hospital, and have now the honor to request that the Medical Board will be pleased to depute one of its members to visit him there and furnish me with the requisite Certificate.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient humble
(Signed) R. Barclay
Major

Fort St. George
10th April 1844.

Fort St. George 15th April 1844.

To
The Secretary of the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I enclose for the information of the Medical Board a letter from Mr. McCaskill Assistant Garrison Surgeon of Ballary (who arrived here some days ago) requesting to be informed whether he is to be considered as having Medical charge of the Zillah and Vaccination at this Station - both these situations having been held by the former Garrison Surgeons.-

Although I am of opinion it would be most beneficial to the Service that those situations were permanently held by the Assistant Garrison Surgeon, yet being of a Civil nature over which I have no authority or controul, I can only submit Mr. McCaskills letter to the consideration of the Med. Board.-

Mr. Assistant Surgeon Norris of the 1st Battalion 21st Regiment N. I. who was accidentally placed in the temporary charge of the Zillah and Vaccination, is much junior on the list of Assistants to Mr. McCaskill.-

I am, Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.
(Signed) J. Duncan
Supt. Surgeon C. D.

Ballary
6th April 1811.-

To

Fort St. George 15th April 1811.

To

The Secretary of the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

In addition to, and in support of my letter of the 6th instant, I request you will be pleased to acquaint the Medical Board that the 5th Battalion 25th Regiment N. I. is now under immediate orders of march for Saulnah.—

In justice to Mr. McCaskill I think it proper to state, that he served under me two years in the 9th Regiment, and that I found him a steady attentive and intelligent practitioner.—

I remain
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) S. Duncan
Supt. Surgn. C.D.

Ballary
9th April 1811.—

To

S. Duncan Esqre
Superintending Surgeon C.D.

Sir

Having according to orders taken charge of the Medical Stores and native hospital of the Garrison of Ballary, I beg you will be pleased to inform me whether I am also to consider myself in Medical charge of the Gillah

Fort St. George 15th April 1811.

and, Vaccination, which duties were formerly attached to the situation of Garrison Surgeon of the Stations.—

In the event of your being unable to grant me a satisfactory answer, I request you will be pleased to state the circumstance (as also my being the Senior Medical officer of the Honble Company's Service present under you) to the Medical Board, in order that the pleasure of His Excellency the Commander in Chief or of Government may be known on the subject.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) A. McCaskill
Garrison Assistant Surgn
Bellary

Bellary
5th April 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Ceded Districts.

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the 6th and 9th instant and to inform you that, in the opinion of the Medl Board, the Gillah and Vaccination are by the orders of Government, equally with the duties of the Circuit Court, placed under the Senior Regimental Surgeon.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) M. Horsman
Secy Medl Bd

Fort St. George
Medl Bd Office
15th April 1811.—

Fort St. George 15th April 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 13th instant for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. Medl Board

Fort St. George
Medl Bd. Office
15th April 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Medl Board of the 15th instant for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most obedt Servt
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy Medl Bd

Fort St. George
Medl Bd. Office
16th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 15th April 1811.

To
The President and Members
of the
Medical Board
Fort St George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acquaint you, that, in consequence of my being appointed in General Orders a Member of a Committee, to investigate and report upon the causes of the mortality in the Districts of Dindigul and Madura, I have this day produced my passport to proceed to Trichinopoly, where I shall, on my arrival place myself under the orders of Mr. Superintending Surgeon Ainslie, agreeably to the tenor of your instruction.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) A. L. Smith.

Fort St George
15th April 1811.

To

224

Fort St. George 16th April 1811.

Masulipatam 10th April 1811

Gentlemen

About three weeks ago I wrote the Superintending Surgeon of this Division an official letter on the subject of the supply of Madeira Wine to the Sick of the battalion under my care for the purpose of being laid before you and which I hope has since informed me was done accordingly.

Hope the urgency of the case and a wish to save time will excuse this informality if my not addressing you a second time by the same channel.—

Referring to the Regulations of the Government Order of 10th October last which regulates the mode of supply of Wine for the Sick of European Corps I made no provision for any delay that might occur in carrying these orders into effect but since the 1st of January last have continued to purchase of the Europe Shops Madeira Wine at a very advanced price—Sorry to say that at this station I am now deprived of the means of resorting to them for a supply as their stock is completely exhausted. I enclose the Assistant Commissary General's return of my application of this morning.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) A. Davidson
Surgeon Royal Regt
Mys

To
Terence Callaghan Esq
President and the other Members
of the Medical Board

225

Fort St. George 17th April 1811.

My Dear Sir

In reply to your note which has just reached me I am very sorry to inform you that I have not yet received any wine on account of Government, nor have I had any advice of a supply having been sent from the Presidency—

Yours very truly,
(Signed) Henry A. Durchas

Gardens
10th April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Northern Division—

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will inform Mr Surgeon Davidson of His Majesty's 2d Battalion Royal Regiment that they have received his letter of the 10th instant with its enclosure and that you will also state to him that his former representation on the subject of Madeira Wine had been forwarded both to His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and the Commissary General.—

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Board

Fort St George
Med. Board Office
17th April 1811.—

To

226

Fort St. George 17th April 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will furnish them with a Statement of the Medical supplies provided by you for the Troops proceeding on foreign service and that that Statement may be, as nearly as you can make it, in the form of the accompanying one from Bombay which you will be pleased to return to me.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
17th April 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Copy of a letter from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief with its enclosure, and to desire that the extra Indents for Medicines mentioned in the former may be complied with the least possible delay.

2. I am also directed to furnish you with the accompanying copy of a Memorandum from the Military Secretary to His Excellency the

227

Fort St. George 17th April 1811.

the Commander in Chief to enable you to complete the Statement, for which you was called upon, in my former letter of this date.

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

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
17th April 1811.

	Europeans.	Natives.	Horses.
H. M. Ship Caroline	100	"	"
Mysore	90	30	90.
Anna	94	34	90.
Solymary	73	46	93.
Broadbridge	100	61	96.
Wellesley	314	50	"
Duncan	239	10	"
Mary Ann	200	10	"
Kanaroo	215	25	"
Charles Baily	92	9	"
Cornwall	94	54	90.
Sultana	"	154	"
Ann Selina	1	191	"
Mary	200	20	"
Arab Mary	"	20	"

The above is a Memorandum of Ships and the People they convey.

(Signed) D. A. Agnew
A. D. C.

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

To

Fort St. George 17th April 1811.

To

Doctor Gahagan

Physician General

and President of the

Medical Board

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Bd to furnish you with the accompanying Extract from the G.O. by Government bearing date the 20th Ult.mo.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt Servt

(Signd) Wm Horsman

Secy Med. Bd

Fort St George
Medl. Bd. Office
17th April 1811

Extract of Orders

The Detachment of H.M. 59th Regiment allotted to H.M. Ship Medusa has been ordered to Embark on that Vessel on Sunday Morning the 21st Instant.

(Signd) W. Bird
Lt. 59th Regt.

(True Copy)

(Signd) W. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd

Adjt. Gen.l Office
Fort St George
19th April 1811

To

The Secretary to the Med.l Board.

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

To

Mr. Surgeon & A. L. Smith.

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to express to you, their surprize, that you should not have taken your departure from Madras and proceeded to the Southward immediately after the receipt of my official letter to you dated the 8th instant.-

2 The Medical Board have again directed me to desire that you will forthwith proceed to join the President of the Committee to which you are appointed by Government, either at Trichinopoly, Dindigul, or such other place as from the calamitous state of the inhabitants and the very pressing nature of duty which he has in consequence been called upon to perform, to the Southward he may have found it necessary to repair to.-

3. I am further directed to desire that you will report to Mr. Superintending Surgeon Anstie, the day of your departure from this Presidency as well as the time that you will probably arrive at Trichinopoly, or Dindigul.-

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most obedient Servant

(Signed) W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd

To

Fort St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
19th April 1811.

230

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

To

The President and Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

All the Flannel in Store being expended I have to request the sanction of the Board for the purchase of 500 yards to meet the current demand for that Article.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) John Goldie
Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. George
18th April 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council dated the 9th instant, which you will be pleased to communicate to the Superintendant of the Dispensary.

2 I am also directed to intimate to you that you have the sanction of the Medical Board to purchase 500 yards of Flannel, provided it can be bought at a reasonable rate, otherwise a smaller quantity may be sufficient for immediate use, as great

231

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

great a proportion of the Troops for foreign Service having already embarked and taken their departure and as supplies of that article may soon be received by the expected Indiamen from England.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secry Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med Board office
19th April 1811.

To the 2d Member of the Medical Board
at present Superintending the Medical duties at the Presidency

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying two Extracts from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council, dated the 9th and 15th instant the former of which you will be pleased to communicate to the Surgeon of the General Hospital and the latter to the Widow of the late Sub-Assistant Surgeon Emmanuel.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secry Medical Bd

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
19th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

To

W. Horsman Esqr
Secretary to the
Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to request you will forward for the consideration of the Medical Board the following statement regarding my rank as an Assistant Surgeon on this Establishment.

On my return from the Isle of France I found myself nineteen lower down on the list of Assistant Surgeons than I was when I left this Presidency with the late Expedition against the French Islands. The mistake I should suppose partly originated from there being two Assistant Surgeons of the same name, but Messrs Johnston & Christy being appointed in the Country, were ordered from home to be placed at the bottom of the list of the season of 1803, in which season I was appointed, and of course in the Extracts of letters from the Honble Court of Directors published on G. O. so mentioned after me, as well as the date of her Counterpart.

Should the above statement prove correct, I trust it will meet the favorable attention of the Board.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant
(Signed) William Jones
Assistant Surgeon
& Deputy Medical Storekeeper
to the late Expedition

To

Madras
19th April 1811.

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

To M. Assistant Surgeon W. Jones
Deputy Medical Storekeeper
to the late Expedition.

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 16th instant - and to inform you, that your name appearing so low on the last printed list of Assistant-Surgeons, must evidentially have originated in a mistake, which on being mentioned will at once be rectified.

2. I am also directed to intimate to you, that, what you mention relative to Messrs Johnstone, Christie, and Ford, will be taken into consideration by those whose province it is to fix the rank of Assistant-Surgeons - until that is done, the Medical Board are of opinion that it would be premature in them, to bring forward what you have now stated on that subject - Should you however subsequently think that you have reason to be dissatisfied your complaint can then be made in a specific manner, and properly noticed.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedt Servant
(signed) Wm Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
19th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

To

Terence Finlayson Esqr. P.G. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of date the 4th Instant, returning to me as unfit for publication my Catalogue of such Articles of the British Materia Medica, as may be found in Indian Bazars, and conveying to me an order from Government to furnish another of a different description.

In forwarding to your Board, that Communication which I am sorry to find has not been approved of to the extent I could have wished, I had but one object in view, which was to render as I thought, a most essential benefit to my fellow, by pointing out in the different languages of this part of India, not only those Articles of our Materia Medica which might be procured in the markets of populous Towns, but many of the products of India that may be substituted for European drugs —

In conformity to the extended notion of the Materia Medica that has been adopted by Cullen and some of the latest French writers, I introduced a few articles of diet, I tended to render my Work the more useful to the young and

unexperienced,

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

unexperienced, added the Tamool and Dukhanee names of several things highly necessary to be known for the convenience of the Sick, and above all, I was particular in inserting the formula for making various preparations of Mercury, in use amongst the Native Indians (and taken from Tamool Works) because I knew well that they had never before appeared in an English garb —

With regard to the List that I am now requested to make out, I am concerned to say, that I have no Materials for doing any thing further in this way, having inserted in that already sent, every Country medicine that I am acquainted with — As to any enquiry that might be made into the Materia Medica of the Tamools, I must frankly own, that I have not skill enough in Botany, to do justice to such an undertaking; and therefore beg leave to decline an attempt, which I am well aware could not be followed by a happy success.

In my last monthly communication to your Board, I regretted that I had it not in my power to send Mr. Gillespie's public papers for Dindigul, for the month of February; they will accompany those for the month of March, which I hope to be able to dispatch in a few days — By these you will see that the Garrison of Dindigul suffers much from the

bowels

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

Endemic Fever that has for some time past raged, in certain tracts of the Southern part of this Peninsula, indeed the numbers now sick at that station, amount to so alarming a height, that I have deemed it my duty to recommend to the Commanding Officer of this Division, the withdrawing of the Regular Troops altogether for a time from Dindigul. A Copy of my Public Letter to General Wilkinson on this subject I have now the honor of forwarding to you. —

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your Most obt humble Servant
Signed J. White Assistt Surgeon &c
Supt Surgeon &c &c

To
Captain G. Jackson
Brigade Major
Southern Division

Sir,

Will you have the goodness to inform General Wilkinson, that since I made my last report to him regarding Dindigul, I am much concerned to say the sick of that station have been rapidly increasing, four days ago by inspection which Major Gurnell receives from Captain Beckett, it appeared that there were 80 men of all

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

all ranks in hospital, and by a Communication which I had last night from Mr Assistant Surgeon Stewart and dated the 6th Instant, I perceive that the numbers are now up at 113 at most alarming proportion out of an effective Strength of 233, Mr Stewart writes to me in the greatest distress, and moreover tells me, that all his Medical assistants are laid up with the Fever, and that he himself (with the whole duty of the hospital to perform) is very unwell. —

Did the unhealthiness of Dindigul proceed from local causes or mismanagement, one might in a great degree have the remedy within our reach, but sorry am I to say that this is not the case, With Mr Stewart's care and assiduities as a professional man, I am perfectly satisfied, and know well that he is now doing every thing that can be done for the sick under his charge; The unhealthiness evidentally springs from Endemic causes, proceeding from a particular state of the Atmosphere, and is not confined to Dindigul, but is spreading its mal influence over a wide tract of country, and is by all accounts occasioning great mortality amongst the Native inhabitants. —

Dindigul till within the last few months has ever been reckoned one of the healthiest stations in India, and I have no doubt will

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

will be so again, when these marbefic vapours have passed over it, but as in the mean time very serious mischief may be done to our detachments that are sent to that quarter, and the constitutions of many valuable Officers ruined for life, I conceive it to be now my duty to offer it to your consideration, whether it might not be advisable to recall for a time the regular troops from that Station.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Ainslie M.D.
Supr Surgn S.D.

Trichinopoly
9th April 1811.

To
Terence Gahagan Esqr P.D.
President and Members of the
Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen

I have the honor to forward to your Board herewith the General Abstract of Monthly Returns from Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons doing duty on the Southern Division of the Army accompanied with a list of Medical Officers attached to Corps and Stations within the range of my Superintendency for the Month of March 1811.

To

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

In answer to your Letter of the 11th Instant respecting the Native Drefsers I have to inform you, that the names of those Drefsers that can be spared from the different Native Infantry Corps in this Division with the least detriment to the public Service, are the following.

From the 1st Battn of Pioneers — Veloydum
" " 1st " 14th Regiment — Francis
" " 2d " 15th " — Chourry Mootoo
" " 2d " 19th " — Isaac Dormieux
" " 2d " 24th " — Mootoo Rungum
" " 2d " 25th " — Soobaroyah

I have as yet heard no tidings of Mr Smith the Senior Member of the Committee of which I am appointed President, but have written to him to join me without loss of time at Dindigul whether I am under the necessity of proceeding forthwith by order from Major General Wilkinson to enquire into the great sickness which now prevails in the detachment of the 2d Battalion 25th Regiment at that station.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Ainslie M.D.
Supr Surgn S.D.

Trichinopoly
11th April 1811.

To

240

Fort St. George 19th April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letters, dated the 9th and 11th instant and to inform you, that Mr. Surgeon Smith was, in an official letter from me, dated the 4th instant, directed to joins you at Trichinopoly without loss of time.—

2. In another official letter of this date, that order has been repealed to him, and he has also been instructed, to report to you the day of his departure from the Presidency, as well as the time that he will probably arrive at Trichinopoly or Dindigul.—

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

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
19th April 1811.

To

241

Fort St. George 20th April 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Board of the 19th instant Nos 1 and 2. the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency and Government.—

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

Fort St. George
Med Bd Office
20th April 1811.—

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to inform you, that there appears, by the Returns of the Deputy Medical Storekeeper of the late Expedition, to be 885 Yards of flannel remaining in his charge which you will be pleased to direct him to deliver over to you.—and as this quantity, exceeds that which you applied for permission to purchase, you will consider the sanction given to you in my letter dated the 8th instant, as now cancelled.—

I am

242 Fort St. George 22d April 1811.

2.

I am also directed to request, that you will be pleased to forward to this office, with as little delay as possible, the statement of the Medical supplies for the Troops proceeding on foreign service, as required from you in my first letter of the 17th Instant.

I have &c &c

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
22d April 1811.

Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W Horsman
Secretary medical Board

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force.

Sir

Sautoris

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 9th instant with its enclosure, and to inform you that they have communicated the subject it contains to his Excellency the Commander in Chief

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W Horsman
Secretary medical Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
22d April 1811.

To

127

243 Fort St. George 22d April 1811

To
Terence Cahagan Esqre &c &c
President and Members of the
Medical Board.

Gentlemen,

In my last communication to your Board, I informed you that by order of the Officer Commanding the Southern Division, I was just about to proceed to Dindigul to enquire into the great sickness that now prevails in the Detachment of the 2d Batt. 25th Regt N. I.

Accompanying I have the honor of transmitting to you, a Copy of my first letter to Genl Wilkinson, from this Station; together with a Present State of the Sick, furnished me by Mr Ogs Surgeon Stewart, whose labours have been, and are, too constant in his Hospital to admit of his visiting out cases, but I can with safety say, that I am altogether satisfied with this Gentleman's professional care & assiduity, as also with the great humanity he evinces in giving to the men in Barracks, the best advice with regard to the mode of living they ought to pursue, to preserve them if possible in health in this Season of General Calamity.

I have as yet heard nothing of Mr Smith, but I am losing no time in procuring from Mr Peter, Assistant Collector of this District, all the necessary information he can procure, for our General Report. by a List, which Mr P. has just furnished me, it appears that there are this day upwards of two thirds of the public Servants of the Collector's Cutcherry laid up with Fever or its consequences.

This Endemic, or I may almost say Epidemic, attacks in three different ways, as a Continued Fever (in which type Mr Stewart thinks that he has observed it to be contagious,

Fort St. George 22d April 1811.

contagious,) as a Remittent, and as a pure intermittent.—

In the first form, it is often very rapid in its progress & when the mouth cannot quickly be touched by Pills, compound the blue mass, & a small portion of Calomel; the Patient but too often sinks under the malady. In the Remittent, the Bark does not succeed so well as in the more regular Ague, as not only the Remissions are often indistinct, but from the quick commencement of the febrile symptoms, the stomach in such Cases is so much weakened, that it nauseates the Bark. I have therefore uniformly found that Fevers of this nature, should be treated as follows, the continues or nearly so, that is to say with mercury, & this practice seems to have been attended with considerable success. Deaths in these dwellings are very frequent, in some instances evidently occasioned by the debility consequent of repeated Relapses, at other times they appear to be brought on by congestions of the abdominal viscera when they are generally removed by small repeated doses of Calomel, squill pills, and the blue mass.—

The types of the Fevers we find are commonly changed during the course of the endemic, and it has been remarked that Remittents converted into Intermittents, seldom prove fatal, than the Fever which first assume the Intermittent form and finally became Remittents or Continued.—

I understand that orders have been issued here from Madras, to remove to Trichinopoly a great part of the Military Force that are now at Dindigul; which I sincerely hope is a preparatory step, to withdrawing for a time the Troops altogether from that pernicious unhealthy Station.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Whitelaw Ainslie
Supt Surgeon S.D.

Dindigul
15th April 1811.—

Fort St. George 22d April 1811.

To the Superintendent
of the Military Male Asylum.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to intimate to you, that of the boys admitted on the Establishment, by the Government Order of the 23d ultimo two are to be sent to Poonamallee, and two to St Thomas's Mount—and that they will be immediately received, and taken care of, by the Surgeons at these Stations.

The Medical Board accordingly request that you will be pleased to, favor them with the Names of the boys, you may propose sending to Poonamallee and the Mount.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secry Med Board

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
22d April 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th instant with its enclosures and to inform you, that they have solicited the attention of his Excellency the Commander in Chief, to the defective state of the

Barracks

Fort St. George 22d April 1811

Barracks and Hospital - as well as to the advantage that may be derived, by withdrawing for the present a part of the Garrison at Pendgal - and by removal of the Sick to where the Endemic fever does not prevail.

2 I am also directed to transmit to you the accompanying copy of letter from the Surgeon of H. M. 34th Regiment, to shew to you the mode pursued in the management of the Typhus prevalent at Jaulnah not that the Board consider it similar to that which has lately come under your Inspection further than that they are both in some instances continues, often remittent, but more frequently intermittent and are of opinion that what has been found useful at one Station, may afford hints for a successful treatment at another.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Hartman
Secy med Bd

Port St. George
Medl. Bd. Office
22d. April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force
Sir,
Jaulnah

I have the honor to enclose you my Register of Sick for the Month of March the last of both the Assistant Surgeons of the Regiment, and the perfectly non-effective state from regular Muster Roll of

Fort St. George 22d April 1811

of both my European and Native Waiter render it still impossible for me to prepare and transmit to you a regular Journal of my Practice - a circumstance which will I trust be considered the less material as you have constant opportunity during your Visits to my hospital of inspecting the Journals in which the case of every Man in Hospital is as fully detailed as the urgent nature of my duty will admit, and at sufficient length to enable you to appreciate and improve the practice -

Altho' I apprehend very little useful information can be conveyed by the detail, I shall here offer a short general Statement of the practice I have hitherto and still follow in the fever prevalent in the 34th Regiment -

In my letter of the 8th February I stated that the type of the Fever had been very generally distinctly Intermittent, and such till lately has been my uniformly the character of the disease - It has followed of course that there has been little of variety in the practice -

The patients are almost always brought to hospital under the influence of a paroxism of fever, the most sure and expeditious method of arresting which, I have found to consist in the exhibition of an Emetic immediately followed by a Cathartic - this practice I have indeed found in nine Cases out of ten to put a stop to the existing paroxism, when the Bark is immediately exhibited and in many instances prevents a second paroxism - in the event of a second paroxism coming on, the exact period of its commencement is marked

and

and the Bark exhibited as that no weight dis-
of it may be taken within four or five hours prior
to the next expected paroxysm.-

This practice is continued till those fur-
ther fits of attacks are averted, which I have generally
found sufficient completely to remove for the time
the disease.-

I may here notice that it is my invariable
practice to exhibit Calomel, in every Case where Bark is
taken, so that from three to eight grains of the former
may be used on every twenty four hours that the Bark
is given.- I have from much experience found the
combination of Calomel with Bark not only to
be fearfully useful but absolutely necessary as a
preventive of Fever and other visceral affections,
and as also the best means, combined with Opium
of maintaining a regular open state of the bowels. This
practice I have said has very generally for a time
removed the disease.-

Some patients indeed, but comparatively
very few in whom the fever was cured as above in
the months of November and December but have
never had any return, and in others after a lapse of
two or three Months the patients have relapsed
while by much the largest proportion of
the relapses has taken place in two or three weeks
from the period of the former attack.-

In giving trial to the effect of Mercury

in

in the cure of the fever I have found that on the system
becoming affected by the Medicine the disease has
always disappeared, but only for a time, again
returning while the System was still under the
influence of the Mercury.-

I have also had many Venereal patients
attacked with fever while completely under the
influence of Mercury- by the expression "Fever" I
mean the distinct and perfect Intermittent.-

I have hitherto spoken of the disease in
its most common form, and altho a good many instances
have occurred of less manageable cases, yet rapid fatal
terminations have rarely occurred- In my Register of
Sick for the last five Months only sixteen cases will
be found in which the Disease proved fatal before the
fifteenth or sixteenth day.-

Of those the greater proportion could never
be brought to intermit and scarcely to remit, the fever
ultimately becoming continued, and the patient
suddenly falling into a comatose state with a quick
full pulse and very hot moist Skin, rapidly succeed-
ed by extreme debility.- the remedies I have chiefly
trusted to in this description of case have been the
most active use of Mercury and repeated application
of blisters.-

In some Cases apparently favourable
for the practice of cold affusion I have given trial
to that Remedy, but with too little success to induce

me

Fort St. George 22d April 1811

me to make the practice at all general in my hospital

In consequence of the rapidly fatal cases the leading symptom has been one which I have never seen the fever was distinct quotidian or tertian the remission being perfectly complete and admitting the use of Bark but without effect in averting the return of the paroxism accompanied by great irritability of stomach and constant vomiting, increasing sudden and fatal debility. In many instances of this affection of the stomach the most decided benefit has been derived from the early application of blisters the use of Opium either in a solid form or combined with the Effervescent draught, and cooling Mixture the symptoms of this variety of the fever and those of Cholera are remarkably to be particularly similar, and the indication of cure to be exactly the same in both diseases.

I have now to notice the changes that have of late appeared in the form of the fever of remittents in the 34th Regiment, and which have tended considerably to increase the number of my Sick during last Month. The actual proportion of fever cases admitted appears to have been considerably greater during March than any former month and in the course of the last twelve or fourteen days the disease has been assuming more of the remittent and continued form than hitherto wearing also in many instances during last Month complicated with topical affections of the liver and Spleen and their concomitants Ascites and Dysentery I need not add that in this form the disease proves much

Fort St. George 23d April 1811

more tedious and difficult of cure than that I have described to prevail during former Months and that consequently the number of actual Sick have considerably increased.

I shall trouble you with but one more remark, which seems to offer a fair estimate of the tendency to fever which still prevails in the 34th Regiment. On the 1st March the number of Men of the Regiment who had hitherto escaped an attack of fever amounted to about three hundred of whom Eighty appear in the accompanying Register to have been admitted during March with Fever.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Jno. Abercrombie
Surgeon 34th Regiment

Saulnah
2d April 1811

(True Copy)
(Signed) Alex. Boswell
Supt Surgeon
H. S. F.

(True Copy)
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Surg. 34th Regt

To

Fort St. George 22d. April 1811

To the Superintendency Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir,

Secundrabad

I am directed by the Med. Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 9th instant with its enclosure and to inform you that they have communicated the subject it contains to his Excellency the Commander in Chief

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22d. April 1811.

To the Commissary General

Sir,

I am directed by the Med. Board to enclose to you the accompanying Indents for Madeira Wine required for the use of H.M. 22d Light Dragoons 78th Regiment for the months of April May & June - also an Indent for 2 Pipes of Madeira of the importation of 1810 for the use of the Sick in the Presidency General Hospital

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy med Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22d. April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 23d. April 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board of the 22. instant Nos 1 and 2. the former for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief and the latter for the consideration of His Excellency and Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secy med Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
23d. April 1811.

To M. Assistant Surgeon
William Jones Senior

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Med. Board to furnish you with the accompanying copy of a letter from the Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department, and to inform you, that you are recommended by them for the Medical charge of the Zillah of Tinnevelly.

2 I am also directed to desire, that you will, in consequence of the prevalence of a malignant fever and agreeably to the particular orders of Government, forthwith proceed with every public

despatch

Fort St. George 24th April 1811.

degree of expedition to Tinnevelly for the purpose of giving your earliest professional aid, in that Province.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
23d. April 1811

I have the honor to be &c.
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. and Pt.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division Presidency

of the Committee ordered to inquire into the Causes of the Epidemic Fever, prevalent in the Southern Provinces.

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Copy of letter from the Secretary to Government in the Revenue Department dated the 22th. instant together with its enclosures on the subject of the prevalence also, in the Province of Tinnevelly of that Epidemic fever which has lately proved so fatal in the districts of Dindigul, Madura and Coimbatore.—

2. Your Committee are accordingly directed to extend your inquiries to the Province of Tinnevelly without delay & with the strictest attention.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy. and Pt.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
24th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 24th April 1811.

To the 2nd. Members of the Medical Board at present Superintending the Centre Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to furnish you with the accompanying copy of letter from the Superintendent of the Military Male Asylum and to request that you will give the necessary instructions to Messrs. Surgeons Mackintosh and Hay to send each a proper person to take charge of the Boys named respectively, for Poonamallee and St. Thomas's Mount.

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

To
William Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir

In answer to your letter of Yesterday respecting four Boys to be placed on the Medical Establishment from this Institution, I have to observe for the Information of the Board, that the Boys which have been selected for this purpose are as follows—

John King and David Dye for the Mount Joseph Woodall and William McKenzie for Poonamallee—

You will be pleased Sir, to send a

Proper

256

Fort St. George 24th April 1811.

Proper Person to the Military Male Asylum to receive the Above boys and take charge of them to their Respective destinations.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Edward Vaughan

Superintendant

Egmore
23d April 1811.

True Copy (Signed) W. Horsman

Secy med Bd

To the Military Secretary

to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Med. Board of the 23d instant ..... for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obed Servant

(Signed) W.m Horsman

Secy Med Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
24th April 1811.

To

257

Fort St. George 24th April 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board

Fort St George

Sir,

I have the honor to forward you a letter, this day received from the Superintendent of the Moneghar Choultry respecting a man sent thither by Lieutenant Colonel Symons and who is represented to be labouring under mental derangement, and to request, that the Board may be apprized of the circumstance, with a view to his examination.—

You will be pleased to inform me whether the Man is to be sent to your office, or will be visited at the Choultry.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) R Barclay

Major

Town Majors office
Fort St George
23d April 1811

To Lieut. Colonel Barclay Town Major

&c &c &c

Sir,

A man whose name cannot be obtained, was sent to the Native Poor Asylum by Lieut Col. Symons, on the 20th Instant. He appears to be insane, and by dreadful cries during the night, alarms the whole place. I have therefore to request that you would be pleased to order his being examined in the usual

manner

Fort St. George 24th April 1811.

manner —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Chalmers
Superintendent

Monegar Choultry
23d April 1811

To the Senr Major
& Fort Adjt Gorg.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 23d instant I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will be pleased to desire, that the man sent by Lieut. Colo Lyman to the Monegher Choultry and supposed to be labouring under mental derangement, may be brought to this Office on Friday next at 11 o'Clock in the forenoon

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obt Servant
(Signed) W.m Boorman
Surg. Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med.l Office
24th April 1811.

To

Fort St. George 25th April 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division President of
the Committee ordered to enquire into
the Causes of the disease prevalent
in the Southern Provinces.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will, with the least possible delay, furnish them with a detailed account, of some well marked cases, of each form of the disease, now prevailing to the Southward — and that you will be pleased to answer, as soon as you can, in a satisfactory manner, the following questions. —

1st When and where did the disease first attract notice. —

2d Has its progress been in the direction of any prevalent wind. —

3rd And if so was the country wet at the commencement or did the winds blow from Countries where heavy or partial Rains had fallen.

4th Was the Disease in Tinnevelly at a later period than at Madura, Dindigul or Coimbatore. —

5th Has there been any general or unusual Disease among Cattle or other Animals since this Disease became alarming. —

Are

Fort St. George 26th April 1811

6th Are the Members of a Family generally attacked at once, or only after one of them has been taken ill.—

7th Are there Marks of Contagion in the Disease.—

8th What is its general period of Termination when fatal.—

9th Are the Bowels affected and whether at the commencement or termination of the Disease and is the Diarrhœa or Flux severe and whether attended with discharges of Blood.—

10th Has the Disease been general over the Provinces to the Southward, or in particular places and can its commencement be traced to returning Pilgrims or other intercourse of the Inhabitants.—

11th Has the Disease been most fatal among the huts of the poor, or equally prevalent in the more comfortable houses of the better People

12th Are the European Inhabitants attached with the same Disease.—

13th Has there been any change in the Grain or food of the Country, by Grain of diseased growth from the unusual fall of Rain or any other Cause of this nature that can be traced.—

These questions if fully answered will enable some conclusion to be drawn as to the nature of the Disease whether Endimial, Epidemic or

Fort St. George 26th April 1811.

or Contagious and may point out the Precautions that may be necessary.—

You will be pleased to make application to the Collectors and Medical Practitioners for the fullest information on these points in their Vicinity that with the information obtained from the Spot a satisfactory report may be made to Government without delay— You will also desire all Medical Officers to afford advice to the Civil Servants when called for and to give them all the aid that may be in their power for the relief of so much distress or to point out what the Collectors should do— but the Board have acquainted Government with these instructions.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obt. Servt
(Signed) Wm. Horsman
Secry Med. Board

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
26th April 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division—
Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will be pleased to return the accompanying letter to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Longdill, for the reason stated in the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Military

Fort St. George 26th April 1811

Military Secretary to His Excellency the Commander in Chief under date the 24th instant

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedt Servt

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Surgt 1st Bn

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
26th April 1811

To the Senior Surgeon in the Bryson Division

Bangalore

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honble the Governor in Council dated the 23d instant, which you will be pleased to communicate to the Surgeon of the 1st Batt 15th Regiment Native Infantry —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your Most Obedt Servt

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Surgn 1st Bn

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
26th April 1811

To the President and Members of the Medical Board

Gentlemen

After the separation of the pure Opium from the Husks in the three Chests lately received I have had the moist part of the Husk parted from the dry, which weighs about 1/100

Fort St. George 26th April 1811

and from a trial on a small quantity I calculate that this may produce 56 lb. of pure Opium to an expense of 150 lb of Spirit. I have the honor to be

Gentlemen

Your Most Obedt Servt

Fort St George
15th April 1811

(Signed) Wm Goldie
Med Storekr

Indent on the Medical Stores for Spirits of Wine required for the seperation of the pure Opium from the Husks, of the three Chests of Patna Opium, lately received from Calcutta

Spirit Vin 1/150

Fort St George
15th April 1811

(Signed) Wm Goldie
Med Storekr

N.B. It appears to me that good arrack might imployed for this purpose with propriety, and a great saving in point of expense — WG

To the Medical Storekeeper

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honble the Governor in Council, dated the 23d instant, and to request that you will report to them, your opinion, as to the most eligible mode of disposing of the Hospital Cloathing and Bandage Cloth therein mentioned —

I am at the same time directed to inform you, that the Medical Board have already suggested to His Excellency

Fort St. George 26th April 1811

Excellency the Commander in Chief the eligibility of sending these Stores on the Ships about to proceed on the Expedition, the Board believing that they may be required for the Hospitals, that must eventually be established if not they may always be disposed of to more advantage in these Countries to the Eastward where Cloth is not manufactured, and consequently an article of profitable trade.

3 The Medical Board have also recommended to his Excellency the Commander in Chief, that these Stores be placed in charge of the Senior Company's Medical Officer embarking, to whom you will be pleased to deliver them previously affixing their prices and the P. Centage to be charged, should this arrangement they have proposed meet the approbation of His Excellency —

4 In reply to your letter of the 15th instant I am directed to authorize you purchasing the quantity of 9 Arrack, which you have stated to be necessary for the separation of pure Opium from the Husks —

I have the honor to be —

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secy Med Bd

To

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
26th April 1811

265 Fort St. George 27th April 1811.

To the Commissary General

Fort St George

Sir

Mr Milne

I am directed by the Medical Board to inclose to you the accompanying Indent for Madeira Wine required for the use of a Detachment of His Majesty's 22nd Regt L Dr proceeding on foreign service. 378 Do

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obed Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman

To the Commissary General

Fort St George

Sir

Mr Waines

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit the enclosed Indent for Madeira Wine required for the use of a Detachment of His Majesty's 22nd Dragoons proceeding on foreign service —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Horsman

Secy Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
27th April 1811

To

Fort St George 27th April 1811

To the Military Secretary
to His Excellency the Commander in Chief
Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board of the 26th instant for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servant
(Signed) Wm Wesman
Lieut & Adjt

Fort St George
Med. Board Office
27th April 1811

Notification of Orders

Royal Artillery

2-2-1-6-1-11

The Detachment of Royal Artillery at present in Fort St George has been ordered to Embark on the Majesty's Ship Illustrious on the Morning of the 29th Instant.

His Majesty's 59th Regt

1 2 | 0 0 3 3 2 22 1 1 3 Rank
1 3 | 1 . 6 2 2 22 Drs & Men
. 1 | . . 2 2 1 23 In Illustrious

And at the same time the Remainder of His Majesty's 59th Regt on his Majesty's Ship Hector, Arthur, & Illustrious, in the proportion noted in the Margin.

(Signed) W. Bisset
A D M Gen

D. M. Gen.ls Office
Fort St George
27th April 1811

To the Secretary of the Medical Board

&c

Fort St George 27th April 1811

Commissary Generals office

To the Secretary to the
Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this days date giving cover to an Indent from Mr Assistant Surgeon Parrock, for 4 Dozens of Wine and 3 Gallons of Arrack for the use of the sick of a detachment of Pioneers proceeding on foreign Service.—

In order that the sanction may not at a moment like the present suffer any inconvenience, and as the quantity of Wine required by Mr Assistant Surgeon Parrock is so very limited, I have judged it advisable to comply with the indent, but at the same time I consider it necessary to lose no time in suggesting to the Medical Board my doubts of my being authorized to comply with demands of this nature, as the General Order of the 9th October 1810 appears to point out that it can only be issued to Surgeons of European Corps, and I have not been apprized of the Boards having received any authority to pass Indents for any other description of Troops, except it may be the patients at the General Hospitals.—

The

Fort St. George 29th April 1811.

the Commander in Chief, agreeably to the Government General Orders, bearing date the 1st December 1809, instead of adopting the irregular mode in which he has now addressed the Honorable the Governor

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secry, Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
29th April 1811.

Sadras 29th April 1811.

To
Doctor W. Horsman
Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Gentlemen

1 Agreable to your direction by your Letter Dated the 15th February last I have been to chingleput by Doctor McCally, who arrived thereon the 2d March and I undertook that journey on the 3d and arrived there on the 10th very much fatigued.—

2 Doctor McCally after Examination gave me some medicines which he had by him, and also a bottle of Medicine for the Worms &c. but I am sorry to say that it is of little use, about the Worms, till at heating's in my body, thereby since my returning from chingleput I am plagued very much with them Sticks through my body I have

no

Fort St. George 29th April 1811.

No Rest in day and Night times, & to get Rid of it I have used the Physic of Doctor McCally, but it was also in Vain. Dr McCally promised me more Medecines, but if he forgot that or not received as yet any, I am unacquainted for this reason I have not answered your kind Letter sooner, however I will do now, and Return my humble thanks to you to the Medical board, about the Generous attention towards Me, I recommend myself in the protection of the said board and hope that by your Recommendation I will be Recovered my complaints I take the liberty to Solicit you the following Medicines for Physic, Jallappa, Crementartey, Rhubarb, & Salt Glober, and any Spirits, also a bottle of Alkolie for the bite of Snakes, in 8 Days we killed two in my garden, I will stand my Self very much obliged by Sending them.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your very humble and
obedient Servant
(Signed) St. Van Odijk

Dr McCally has recommended me to use in Stead of Madeira & Brandy, one or two glasses of Gin every day, but I cannot do it for Reason that it is at present too Dear.—

Fort St. George 29th April 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper
Fort St George

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request, that you will be pleased to furnish for the use of M.r Van Ockyk Dutch Prisoner of War at Sadras such supply of the undermentioned articles of Medicine, as you may deem sufficient for the use of one person, for a reasonable time Viz.t

Calomel
Pulv. Jalap.
Crem Tartar.
Pulv. Rhei.
Sal Glaub.
Spt. Lavend Comp.
Spt. Lavend Comp.
Athal Vol. Caust.

I have the Honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Signed/ Wm Horsman
Surgn & Bd

Fort St George
Med.l B. office
29th April 1811

To Mr Van Ockyk

Sir

I have had the pleasure to receive your last letter, and to lay it before the Medical Board, who with one regret, that you have not yet ~~directed~~ derived from the assistance

Fort St George 29th April 1811.

assistance of Mr Macaulay, all the benefit to be wished for. By a perseverance however in that Gentleman's advice, the Medical Board hope, that you will soon be restored to a good state of health.

2 Accompanying I have the satisfaction to send you small quantities of the Medicines mentioned in your letter, with a few others some of which used according to the instructions you may receive from Mr Macaulay, I trust will prove of great advantage to you.

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

Fort St George
Med.l B. Office
30th April 1811

To
The Town Major of Fort St George

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of the 23d instant, I have the honor to transmit to you the inclosed Certificate from the 2d Member Medical Board superintending the Presidency.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Serv.t
Signed/ Wm Horsman
Surgn & Bd

Fort St George
30th April 1811.

I do hereby Certify, that in consequence of the receipt of the inclosed Letters from the Town Major, and Superintendant of the Monegar Choultry, dated 23d instant, I this day examined

274

Fort St. George 29th April 1811.

examined at the Medical Board Office the native man stated in them to be labouring under mental derangement, and that on the most minute investigation of his case, I found him to be in complete possession of his senses. The account he gave of himself was perfectly consistent, he is a Palanquin Bearer, who subsists himself by daily hire, and having been violently assaulted and robbed of his ear Rings and other Joys, he was crying and lamenting in a very noisy manner, the loss he had thus sustained near the Police office, when Colonel Symons ordered him to be seized and carried to the Mooregar Choultry, where by his own account, he continued the same violent and noisy lamentation for the loss of his property.- Satisfied from a due consideration of all the above circumstances, that the man in question, was in no degree deranged in his intellects, I directed him to be set at liberty.-

Signed Alex Watson M.D.
2d Member Med. Bd. Staff of the Presidency

To the Military Secretary to H.E. the Comr in Chief

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board, of this days date for the consideration of His Excellency the Commander in Chief.-

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
29th April 1811.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed Wm. Horsman
Lieut. and Sub

To

139

275

Fort St. George 29th April 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir

1 I have the honor to request that you will lay before the Medical Board the accompanying letter from the officer commanding Wallajahbad, with its enclosures, relating to Shaik Ally, a Naigue in the 1st B. 24th Regiment, reported to be labouring under mental derangement.

2 The man is now in attendance at your office and I have to request that the Board will cause him to undergo the necessary examination.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedt Servant
Signed R. Barclay
Major

Fort St. George
29th May 1811.

To the Town Major
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to inclose to you the copy of a letter this morning received from the Major of Brigade Centre Division of the Army and to inform you that the Bearer has the Naigue in charge the accompanying Guard.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your very Obedient Servant
Signed Dighton Lt Col
Comg

Wallajahbad
April 28th 1811

276

Fort St. George 29th April 1811.

To the Officer Commanding at Wallajahbad

Sir

The officer Commanding the Centre Division of the Army directs me to communicate to you, His Excellency the Commander in Chief's orders, that Shaikally Saigu in the 1st Battalion 24th Regiment stated to be labouring under a mental derangement, may be sent under the charge of proper persons to the Presidency for the purpose of being placed in the Lunatic Hospital.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed A Krone
Ma. B. to D.

Head Quarters
Arcot 26th April 1811

Shaikally Saig has been but a short time under my care yet from the account I have received of him from the Surgeon in previous charge; as well as from my own observation, I am led to conclude the derangement of his mind arises from an excessive use of Bang; the effect of which was particularly observable during the late Monsoon. Since the period that his actions have been confined, and that it has not been in his power to procure this indulgence his complaint has been greatly moderated

Wallajahbad
April 29th 1811

Signed/ W. D. Greaves
Surgeon

277

Fort St. George 4th May 1811.

To the Town Major of Fort St George

Sir

In reply to your your letter of the 1st instant, and its enclosures, I have the honor to transmit the accompanying Certificate from the Medical Board.

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

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
4th May 1811

Medical Board Office
3rd May 1811

This is to certify that in consequence of a Letter from the Town Major of Fort St. George dated the 1st Instant transmitting enclosures from the Brigade Major of the Centre Division and the Commandant of Wallajahbad with a Medical Certificate from the Surgeon of the 1st Battalion 24th Native Regiment relative to the state of Shaick Alli Saiger of the said Battalion reported insane, I have examined the said Shaick alli and find that though considerably recovered from a State of Fatuity that rendered it difficult to manage him and which was occasioned by an excessive use of Bang, yet as he has been above four months in this deranged state

278

Fort St. George 4th May 1811.

state I do not think him yet sufficiently recovered to be returned as an effective Sepoy to his corps. and that a temporary confinement in the Lunatic Asylum may be useful both for his perfect recovery, as well as a means of perhaps preventing him in future from indulging in the use of such a pernicious Drug. I therefore recommend his being sent to the Lunatic Asylum.

(Signd) Alex.r Watson
2.d Member of Med.l Bd.

(Signd) Andrew Berry
3.d Member of Med.l Bd.

To

Terence Cahagan Esq.r M.D
President & Members of the
Medical Board
Madras

Gentlemen,

On the 24th Instant I had the honor of addressing your Board, forwarding an application from Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cooke, for five months leave to accompany Mrs. C. (whose sick) to the sea side; since that period, Mr. Cooke himself has been seized with Fever which he caught at D'harapooram and has on that account sent to me the accompanying further address.—

Should

279

Fort St. George 4th May 1811.

Should his first request be complied with, it will of course be unnecessary to present what I now forward, but should he fail in obtaining leave for two months to remain with Mrs. C. at Negapatam, perhaps the more urgent motive of his own indisposition, may be the means of procuring for him what he now solicits.

Trichinopoly
28th April 1811.—

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen,
Your most obed.t Serv.t
(Signed) Whitt. Ainslie M.D.
Asst. Surg.n S.D.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 28th Ult.o with its enclosure and to inform you that copy of Mr. Assistant Surgeon Cooke's letter to you, dated the 27th Ultimo will be forwarded to the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

2 As Mr. Cooke however is unwell and his proceeding to the sea coast deemed necessary, it is expedient that he should appear absent from his station on Sick

Certificate

Fort St. George 3d. May 1811.

Certificate and that, Certificate, to be removed monthly as long as he may have occasion to remain at Negapatam on account of his health.

3 I am at the same time directed to intimate to you that the prevalent Sickness to the Southward, renders it of consequence that Mr. Cooke should return to his station which the Medical Board are confident he will be anxious to do, whenever he may be so far recovered in his health as to admit of his performing his professional duties.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
3d. May 1811.—

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. pro tem.

To
W. Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir,

I have the honor to forward to you, for your perusal, a letter that I received this morning from Mr. James Ross Sub assistant Surgeon attached to the 2d. Battalion 5th. Regiment Native Infantry, the Commissioned officer of that Corps, doing duty at this Station, having been ordered to Cannanore on a General Court Martial. I have therefore thought proper to forward

Fort St. George 3d. May 1811.

forward it to you, in hopes that you may have error corrected, which you will observe, on perusing the inclosed, on account of this mistake the person alluded to, is prevented from drawing any pay, he will esteem it an obligation if you will be kind enough to endeavour to have it rectified.—

I have the honor to be

Paulghaut
22d. April 1811.—

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
(Signd) E. E. Kenny
Captain 80th. Regiment
Commanding Paulghaut

To Captain Kenny
of H. M. 80th. Regiment
Commanding at Paulghaut

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 20th. ultimo And in returning the accompanying letter, they have desired me to request, that you will take the trouble to inform Mr. James Ross that John Ross mentioned in the G. Order dated the 29th. January last does actually exist and is at this time a Sub. Assistant Surgeon stationed at Trichinopoly.—

I have the honor to be

Fort St. George
Med. Board Office
3. May 1811.—

Sir,

Your most obed. Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy. pro tem.

Fort St. George 3d. May 1811.

The Secretary

Medical Board

Fort St. George

Sir,

As connected with the subject of my Letter under the 7th. of January last accompanied by list of Supplies forwarded to Saulnah in conformity to Mr. Superintending Surgeon Boswells Annual Indent, the Board deem it necessary to acquaint You that they have received an Extra Indent from Mr. Boswell, which they are concerned they cannot at present comply with to the extent required and to enable the Board at Fort Saint George, to Meet the pressing call there seems to be, for Bark particularly at Saulnah I now transmit to You, Copy of a Letter to Mr. Boswell and List of Supplies forwarded from hence this day.—

I have the honor to be
Your very obedient Servant
Signed George Keir
Secy. Med. Bd.

Bombay
Med. Bd. Office
19th April 1811.—

Copy

Fort St. George 3d. May 1811.

Copy

Alexander Boswell Esqre.

Superintending Surgeon

Saulnah

Sir,

1. I am directed to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter of the 6th. Instant, with Enclosures, and to inform You, that owing to the heavy extra and unforseen demands that have of late been Made On our Stores the Board most particularly lament their inability to Comply with Your Indent, to the Required extent, they have however Sanctioned as large a quantity of each Article, as the balance in Store admits of, and have this day, directed the same, Carefully packed, in Baskets well dammered, to be forwarded with the least possible delay to the Care of the Superintending Surgeon at Seroor.—

2. Under the pressing Necessity for a large Supply of Bark, the Medical Board of Your Presidency have been advised, of the very Sickly State of His Majesty's 84th. Regiment, that Measures may be taken, to meet your present urgent wants, from Madras or Hyderabad, the Superintending Surgeon at Seroor, has also been instructed, to Authorise the Storekeeper with the Force, to Afford immediate Compliance as far as he prudently Can, with any Requisition for any useful Medicine,

Fort St. George 3d May 1811.

Medicine, that the Continued Sickly State of the Subsidiary Force, may hereafter Make it Necessary to Apply for.—

3. I am further instructed to advise you, that in consideration to the Sickly State of your Force, and Several of our own Corps in the Guzerat, the Board have Sent to Goa to procure a quantity of Pale quill bark, Which they have been informed, has been Recently imported there from South America, in the event of Success a part will be immediately Sent You, our Regular Ships may also be looked for in the Course of May which will enable us to assist You, I inclose a list of the Small Supply now forwarded, which I hope will Reach you Speedily, and in good Order.

I have the honor to be
Your very Obedient Servant &
(Signed) George Heer
Secy Med. Bd.

Bombay
Med. Board office
19th April 1811.—

Fort St. George 3d May 1811.

List of European Medicines, Instruments &c. Supplied from Bombay for the use of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, on Extra Indent for the Remaining part of the Year 1811.—

	Remaining in Store on the 1st January 1811	Quantities Required	Quantities Supplied
	lb. oz. dr.	lb. oz. dr.	lb. oz. dr.
Acet Distillat	1 " "	20 " "	None
Aqua Ammon P.	10 7 "	20 " "	4 " "
Empl Cantharidum	9 8 "	50 " "	None
Kali pp	5 5 "	50 " "	4 " "
Lenement Anodyn	" " "	50 " "	20 " "
Magnesia Vitriol	137 8 "	60 " "	None
Ol Menth	1 14 "	5 " "	Ditto
Pulv Antimon	1 10 "	5 " "	Ditto
" Cinchona	136 " "	500 " "	60 " "
" Digitalis	" 3 "	1 " "	8 " "
" Salap	28 " "	15 " "	5 Bottles
Rad Gentian	4 " "	10 " "	None
Sal Corn Corr	2 10 "	6 " "	1 " "
Spt Ether Vitriol	5 15 "	6 " "	1 " "
Tartar Crystal	6 " "	100 " "	6 " "
Tinct Myrrh	" " "	6 " "	6 " "

Instruments &c.

Gallipotts	2 Doz 87	Dozens 20	Dozens 2
Leather Skins	No 20	No 50	No 10
Phyals Common	Dozen 7	Dozens 30	Dozens 2
Impost hume Lancet	No 2	No 6	No 2
Twine fine	------	95 " "	5 " "
Pannakins Tin	No 4	Dozens 4	None
Pins Papers	38	Papers 10	" 8 "
Sewes Cypress Lawn	------	No 6	None
Needles Straight	------	Papers 12	Ditto

Fort St. George 3d May 1811.

To the Secretary to the Medical Board
Bombay.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 19th ultimo with its enclosures, and to express to you, the just sense which the Members of this Board entertain of the attention of the Medical Board at Bombay in so readily supplying the Medicines and Medical Stores for the use of the Troops at Jaulnah, as well as in so reasonably communicating their inability to comply with the last Extra Indent from the Superintending Surgeon Borswell to the extent required, so that the deficient articles may be supplied from this Presidency.—

2. I am also directed to intimate to you for the information of your Board that the removal of H. M. 33d Regiment to Hyderabad will render unnecessary any further supplies of Medical Stores from Bombay to Jaulnah.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy, Med. Bd.

Fort Saint George
Med. Bd. Office
3d May 1811.—

To

Fort St. George 4th May 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief.

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board dated the 3d instant for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort Saint George
Med. Board Office
4th May 1811.—

To The President and Members
of the Medical Board
Fort Saint George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to intimate that Mr. Surgeon Trotter and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Henderson have proceeded from this Station with the 8th Regiment Native Cavalry and 2d Battalion 7th Native Infantry Agreeably to the appointments of these Medical Officers in General Orders.—

Mr. Assistant Conran from the 20th N. I. has joined the 7th Cavalry vice Trotter.—
Mr. Assistant Brodie from the 8th Cavalry has joined the 5th Native Infantry vice Henderson, and Mr.
Assistant

Fort St. George 5th May 1811.

Assistant Bruce from the 7th Native Infantry has joined the 20th N. I. vice Conran Until the arrival of the Surgeons belonging to these Corps.

These Arrangements have been carried into effect on my Suggestion by the Officer commanding this Force in Consequence of the march of the two above Mentioned Corps, with a view to the Convenience of the Individuals Concerned, and the furtherance of the Public Service; trusting the same will Meet your approbation.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Alex.r Boswell
Superintending Surgeon
Hr. L. F.

Camp at Jaulnah
21st April 1811.—

To
Terence Jahagan Esq.re P.C. President
and Members of the Medical Board
Madras.

Gentlemen,

I have this moment been favored with your letter of the 26th Instant, conveying to me queries and instructions regarding the fever which is now so prevalent in the Southern provinces, all of which shall be strictly attended to as soon as possible. I hope in the course of a very few days more, to be sufficiently

Fort St. George 4th May 1811.

sufficiently Recovered to proceed to Bodanic to join Mr. Smith.—

In your communication just received I perceive that you are desirous amongst other things that Medical officers should advise the Civil Servants, what they ought to do in this time of public distress, to avert as much as possible the evils arising from the distempered state of the Atmosphere. I have in consequence, deemed it expedient, without loss of time, to transmit to each of the Collectors of Coimbatore, Madura, and Tinnevelly a copy of the rules and precautions that in my last communications to your Board, I recommended should be sent to them, and this I have been induced thus promptly to do, from motives which I trust cannot be displeasing to you, a humane consideration for the sufferings of thousands of our fellow creatures, and a conviction, that in cases like the present, the loss of a few days is often attended with incalculable evil.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Whit.e Tindlie m.D.
Super.g Surgeon S.C.

Trichinopoly
30th April 1811.—

To

290

Fort St. George 6th May 1811.

To the 2d Member of the Medical Board
Superintending the Presidency and
Centre Divisions.

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to Request, that you will be pleased to instruct the Medical Officers under your Superintendence in the Presidency and Centre Divisions, to address all their official communications in the following manner. Viz. "To the 2d Member of the Medical Board at present Superintending the Presidency and Centre Divisions."

"Medical Board office
"Fort Saint George
I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient
Signed W. Horsman
Secy"

Fort Saint George
Med. Bd. Office
6th May 1811.

291

Fort St. George 6th May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force.
Jaulnah.

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 25th ultimo with its enclosures and to inform you, as Orders have been issued from authority, for the Removal of H. M. 34th Regiment from Jaulnah to Hydrabad, that they have forwarded copies of your present communications to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief, with their recommendation also, that the movement of that Corps be directed to take place, as soon as a favorable state of the weather and other circumstances will admit; believing that by easy marches and a consequent diffence of climate, that a change in the form of the fever and an amelioration in the General state of health of the Regement will soon after be effected but should that not be found to be the case a further removal to the sea coast, may then be deemed necessary.

2. In the opinion of the Med. Board will the Sick of the 34th Regiment capable of being moved with safety, should proceed with their Corps which will they hope, when on its

mared.

D.
This letter has been forwarded to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief
6th May 1811.

Fort St. George 8th May 1811-

march, accompanied with the most ample supply of Doolies, and such other conveniences, as will afford the poor men laboring in Sickness the least means of Recovery.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
6th 7th May 1811.-

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division-

Sir,

1 I am desired by the Medical Board to acknowledge the Receipt of your letter dated the 29th ultimo relative to the fever prevalent to the Southward and to acquaint you, that they have forwarded copy of your letter, and Recommended to Government, that the means which you have so readily and laudably pointed out for the mitigation of the disease in the Southern Provinces, be followed up with the closest attention.-

2 I am also directed to inform you, that Doctor Christy has forwarded privately to the Secretary of this Board, copy of a Report which he intends laying before your Committee, Relative to the Sickness at Madura and its vicinity and as it appears that this Report should be communicated to Government without

This letter has been transmitted to Government in the letter of the 8th May 1811.

Fort St. George 8th May 1811-

without delay, they have this day forwarded it, with the view of calling the earliest attention of the Honorable the Governor in Council to the means suggested, and seemingly the most essential towards the much to be prayed for Relief.-

3 It by the Report above mentioned, the wretchedly poor condition of the Cultivators of the land, is strikingly apparent, the Board are desirous that you would make out for their early inspection, a statement of the diet of the Ryots, constrasted with that of the inferior Casts, who have not suffered so severely from the prevalent Endemic- which may serve to point out, the most expedient measures to be pursued. This you will be pleased to communicate to Doctor Christy.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Willm. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort Saint George
Med. Board Office
6th May 1811.-

To the Military Secretary to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Medical Board of the 6th instant, for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief.-

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obedient
Signed W. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
8th May 1811.-

To

Fort St. George 8th. May 1811.

To

The President and Members
of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander in Chief to refer for your consideration a Letter from Lieutenant Colonel Gore commanding His Majesty's 33rd Regiment enclosing a Certificate which has been given to John Kingdom a man employed under the Surgeon of the Regiment, and who the Lieutenant Colonel strongly recommends for the Situation of a Sub Assistant Surgeon in the Honorable Company's Service.

The Commander in Chief requests You will report whether John Kingdom can be admitted on the establishment and if his Services are required.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) T. H. S. Conway
Adjutant General
of the Army

Dy. Adjt. Generals office
Fort St. George
8th. May 1811.

I request the Enclosures may be returned to me &c.

To the Adjutant General of the Army.

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board, to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, dated the 8th instant and

Fort St. George 10th. May 1811.—

and agreeably to your request thereon contained, to return to you the accompanying letter from Colonel Gore, with its enclosed Certificate.—

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
10th. May 1811.—

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board, to transmit to you, the accompanying copy of letter and original Statement, from the Accountant General and to request that you will examine, and report upon the latter as required, without delay.—

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
10th. May 1811.—

To

The Secretary to the Medical Board.—

Sir,

Para 1. I have the honor to enclose to you an original Statement received from Bombay of the Quantities & values of different articles of Medicines & Stores issued by that Presidency on account of this, & to request that you will cause the same to be examined

Fort St. George 10th. May 1811.

examined and, if found correct, adjusted in the Books of the Medical Storekeeper.—

2. I beg to request that you will report to this office the result of the examination of this Statement, in order that the Presidency of Bombay may be duly credited for the value of these Supplies, on the General Books of this Government.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) George Garrow

Accountant General

Fort St. George
Acct Genlt Office
8th. May 1811.—

[True Copy]

(Signed) William Horsman

Secretary Med. Board

To

Alexander Watson Esqr.

Vice Member Medical Board

Sir,

Having an inclination to enter into the Matrimonial state and as it is to take place immediately I have to request that you will have the goodness to grant me permission to proceed to the Presidency for six days as their is not any person in a dangerous state at this station at present.—

Palicat
8th May 1811.—

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Mc Intire

Sub Assistant Surgeon

Medl Charge

Fort St. George 10th. May 1811.

To the Member of the Medical Board
at present Superintending the Presidency
and Center Divisions.—

Sir,

1. I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you, the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council dated the 30th. ultimo which you will be pleased to forward, to the Surgeon of the General Hospital, for his information and guidance.—

2. I am also directed to request, that you will be pleased to inform Sub-Assistant-Surgeon Mc. Intire, that, having no patient in a dangerous state at Pulicat, he has the permission of the Medical Board to visit the Presidency, and to be absent from his station during the space of six days agreeably to his request.—

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
10th. May 1811.—

(Signed) William Horsman

Secy Med. Board.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Northern Division.—

Sir,

Para 1. Being informed by a Letter from the Superintending Surgeon, of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force, that he had, to meet the present Extraordinary sickness in His Majesty's 84th Regiment, forwarded

Fort St. George 10th May 1811.

To

The President and Members
of the
Medical Board
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit Copy of a Letter from the Secretary of the Medical Board at Bombay with a List of Medicines to be supplied from that Presidency in part of the Extra Indent lately forwarded from this Station and Copy of which was sent to your Board.

You will perceive by those Documents here inadequate are the Stores at Bombay to relieve our Wants. I have therefore Judged it expedient to try by this days Post What can be done for us at Masulipatam and Copy of my demand on that Depot is herewith enclosing some Articles of small Bulk and of which the 33d Regiment are most in want, I will endeavour to procure from Seroor by daily Tappal Mean; while allow me to request the favor of your instructions being forwarded to the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam that No difficulty may occur in complying with my Indent on this emergency.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Alex.r Boswell
Sen.r Surgeon H.C.S.

To

Camp at Jaulnah
25th April 1811.

Fort St. George 10th May 1811.

Forwarded an Indent on the Deputy Medical Storekeeper at Masulipatam received by the Medical Board to the Southward from which you will perceive the urgency under which that Department is labouring for Stores, and to be supplied without delay. I am also directed to request that you will explain the extent of the deficiencies to this Office in order that the necessary supplies of Medicines may be forwarded to you from this Presidency.

I am also directed to request that you will explain to make enquiry regarding Richard Davidson a young man who was formerly attached to the Madras European Regiment as Hospital Assistant and who as from the good character given of him by the late Mr. George Anderson was recommended by the Board, and in consequence admitted by Government, as one of the Native Surgeons who are eventually to be promoted to that Assistant Surgeons

Richard Davidson after his dismission from the Establishment, was with others recommended for Service but the Board not having had any Report from him, and not knowing where he is to be found have instructed me to request that you will cause enquiry to be made about him at Masulipatam, where they think it is probable he will be known.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Will.m Horsman
Secy to Med.l Bd.

To

Med.l Bd.s Office
10th May 1811.

300

Fort St. George 10th May 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force

Sir

Para 1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 26th ultimo with its enclosure and to inform you that they had previously received from the Secretary to the Medical Board at Bombay a communication exactly the same as that which you have now transmitted to them, and which they immediately reported to Government in order that your deficient supplies of Medicines might be made up in the most convenient and expeditious manner.

2. I am also directed to inform you that the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division has been instructed to sanction your Indent on Masulipatam as far as the state of its Stores there will admit and to report the deficiences to this office that a suitable supply may be forwarded to that station from this Presidency

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed William Horsman
Secry Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
10th May 1811

To

301

Fort St. George 13th May 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract of a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department dated the 1st instant relative to the Native Vaccinators at Ramnad which you will be pleased to communicate to Mr Assistant Surgeon Christy

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Wm Horsman
Secretary Med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
13th May 1811

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Ceded Districts

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract of a Letter from the Secretary to Government in the Judicial Department dated the 7th instant relative to the appointment of the Garrison Assistant Surgeon at Bellary to the Medical duties of the Zillah and the Superintendence of Vaccine Inoculation at that Station

302 Fort St. George 13th May 1811.

Station, which you will be pleased to communicate to the Mr Assistant Surgeon Mc Caskill.—

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed/ William Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
13th May 1811.—

To the Secretary Medical Board

Sir,

Letter from the late acting Deputy Paymaster General to the Kings Troops of the 30th ultimo with Extract of a Retrenchment. I herewith enclose you the Bill which has been retrenched, and request, that the Military Auditor General's requisition may be complied with & the Bill returned to me.—

I am
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed/ Geo. Garrow
Accountant Genl

Accountant Gen.l Office
Fort St George
9th May 1811.—

To the Accountant General

Sir,

Having by order of the Medical Board passed the accompanying Bill I have now the honor

303 Fort St. George 13th May 1811.

honor of returning it to you together with the copy of letter from the late acting Deputy Paymaster to the Kings Troops.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed/ W. Horsman
Secry. Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
13th May 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division.

Sir,

Para 1 I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Secretary to Government, in the Judicial Department, dated the 7th instant relative to the leave of absence of Mr Assistant Surgeon Cooke to the Sea Coast, for the benefit of his health, which you will be pleased to communicate to that officer.—

2. During the absence of Mr Assistant Surgeon Cooke, you are requested to provide for the Medical duties of Dharaporam, in the best manner you can, from the nearest military Station.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt.
Signed/ W. Horsman
Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
13th may 1811.—

To

304

Fort St. George 11th May 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will report to this Office the quantity of Flannel you have in store and whether in your opinion it is of a proper quality for Shirts for the men of H. M. 34th Regiment.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
13th May 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to the Offier Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir,

I am Directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 13th instant, No. 1 and 2 the former for the consideration of the Offier Commanding the army in Chief and the latter for the consideration of Major General Baty and of Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

Signed W. Horsman

Secy. Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
14th May 1811.

305

Fort St. George 15th May 1811.

To the Military Secretary to the Offier Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 13th instant for the consideration of the Offier Commanding the Army in Chief, and Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed. Servant

Signed Wm. Horsman

Surgn. & Sy.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
15th May 1811.

To

The Secretary to the Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have to request you will have the goodness to move as soon as possible a List of the Gentlemen of the Medical Department attached to the several Corps, Garrisons, Hospitals &c., including Sub Assistant Surgeons as they stood on the 30th April 1811 for the purpose of being included in the Military Statement transmitted Annually by Government to the Honble Court of Directors for the information of Parliament, and in order that that Document may correspond with the List of Surgeons and Assistants attached

306 Fort St. George 16th. May 1811

attached to Copy received from the Adjutant Genl's office, I request you will have the goodness to have it compared with the Adjutant Generals list before it is transmitted to me.—

Mily. Aud. Genl's office
Fort Saint George
16th May 1811.—

Signed D. Bruce
M. Auditor Genl.

To the Military Auditor General
Fort St. George

Sir

I have herewith the honor to transmit to you a List of the Medical officers of the Establishment as it stood on the 30th April last and which has been duly compared and found to agree with that of the officers the Adjutant General of the Army.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surgy med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
16th may 1811.—

To

307 Fort St. George 17th. May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Northern Division

Sir,

I am directed by the Med. Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council, dated the 10th. instant, relative to Palankeen allowance granted to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Jowell which you will be pleased to communicate to that Officer.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servt
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surgy med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
17th. May 1811.—

To The Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Med. Board to transmit to you the accompanying Indent which has been forwarded to this office by the Superintending Surgeon at Jaulnah and which you will be pleased to keep until the receipt of a Letter which is expected from the Superintending Surgeon of the Northern Division, relative to its contents, may enable me to instruct you further on the Subject.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed. Servt
Signed Wm. Horsman
Surgy med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
17th. May 1811.—

To

308

Fort St. George 17th May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force
Seaulnah.

Sir,

I am directed by the Med.l Board to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from the Resolutions of the Honorable the Governor in Council, dated the 9th instant, relative to a Staff Allowances granted to Mr. Surgeon J. H. Jones, which you will be pleased to communicate to that Officer.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed/ William Horsman
Secretary med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
17th May 1811.

To The President and Members
of the Medical Board

Gentlemen,

The Salap in Mooltan in my opinion damaged and unfit to be served out. I request a Committee may be appointed to examine it and that the Board will be pleased to sanction the purchase of a few pounds for the Current expenditure, till the arrival of the expected supplies from Europe.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obed.t Ser.t
Signed/ J. Goldie
med.l Storekeeper
&c.

Fort St. George
17th May 1811.

309

Fort St. George 18th May 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Med.l Board to intimate to you, that Mr. Surgeon Davies and Mr. Assistant-Surgeon Underwood, are appointed a Committee, to inspect, and to report upon the Hospital Cloathing now under your charge - and to request that you will fix with these Gentlemen, on an early time for meeting.

2 This Committee will also inspect, and condemn if necessary, the Jalap Powder which you have reported to be damaged - and I am instructed to inform you, that you have the sanction of the Medical Board to purchase a sufficient quantity of Jalap for Current expenditure, until the arrival of the supplies from Europe.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt
Signed/ W. Horsman
Secy med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
17th May 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to the officer Commanding the army in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceeding of the Med.l Bd. of the 17th instant for the consideration of the officer commanding the army in Chief and Government.

I have the honor to be &c.
Signed/ W. Horsman
Secy med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
18th May 1811.

310

Fort St. George 20th May 1811

To the Military Secretary
to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 8th instant. No 152 the former for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief & the latter for the consideration of Major General Pater & of Government.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Signed W. Horsman
Secry med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
20th May 1811.—

To the Commissary General

Sir

I am directed by the Med Bd to enclose to you the accompanying Indents for Madura Wine required for the use of His Majestys 80th Regiment and for the Detachment of artillery at Cannanore for the Months of May June & July 1811.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed Servt
Signed W. Horsman
Secry med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
20th May 1811.—

To the

157

311

Fort St. George 21st May 1811.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Med Bd at the Hospital for Lunatics is directed to take place on Friday the 24th instant at 10 o'Clock in the forenoon at which time the 3d Member Superintending for the Quarter, is requested to direct the attendance of the Superintendent of that Asylum.—

By order of the Medical Board
Signed William Horsman
Secry

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
13th May 1811.—

To the Commissary General
Fort St George

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to enclose to you the accompanying Quarterly Indent for Madura Wine required for the use of the Madras European Regement.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secry med Bd

Fort St George
Med Bd Office
25th May 1811.—

To

Fort St. George 21st May 1811.

To the Military Secretary
to the Officer Commanding the army in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Bd. of the 20th instant No 1 & 2 the former for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the army in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of Major General Dalzell, and of Government.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secry med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
21st May 1811.—

To the Accountant General

Sir,

I am directed by the med. Bd. to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 8th instant and to transmit to you as the result of the examination of the original Statement, which you enclosed to me, the accompanying Copy of Report from the Medical Storekeeper superintending this office that original Statement remains deposited.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secry med. Bd.

To

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. office
20th May 1811.—

Fort St. George 21st May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division and President of the Committee for investigating the causes of the disease prevalent to the Southward.—

Sir

1 I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the the 8th and 10th instant and to inform you that the Medical Board have transmitted to Government copy of your Circular letter to the Collectors in the Southern Provinces, in order that it may be officially forwarded to them through the Medium of the Board of Revenue.—

2 I am also directed to inform you that the part of your letter relative to Pondiguil, has been contracted and forwarded to the Officer commanding the Army in Chief - and that permission for Doctor Christy to accompany Mr. Parish has also been Recommended to the Honorable the Governor in Council.—

3. I am further directed to inform you that the Med. Bd. have recommended Mr. Dart, to be appointed a Member of your Committee, eventually on Dr. Christy being permitted to proceed in attendance on Mr. Parish.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obed. Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secry med. Bd.

To

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
20th May 1811.—

Fort St. George 21st May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division

Sir

I am directed by the Med.l Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 15th instant and to inform you that they have had much satisfaction in perusing the Postscript of that letter - and in forwarding a copy of it to the Honorable the Governor in Council, from the prospect which it holds out of arresting or of mitigating the alarming Endemic, prevalent in the Southern Provinces -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed.t Servant
Signed W.m Horsman
Secry med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
20th May 1811 -

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division -

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to request that you will inform the Surgeon of H. M. 2d Battalion Royal Regiment, that they have received his letter of the 18th instant and that they have in consequence submitted to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief the

Fort St. George 24th May 1811.

the expediency of further Medical aid being afforded to him -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servt
Signed William Horsman
Secry med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
20th May 1811 -

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying copy of Letter from the Secretary to the Medical Board at Bombay dated the 12th instant intimating that two hundred pounds weight of Bark had been ordered to be forwarded from that Presidency to meet the wants of the Troops at Jaulnah -

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W.m Horsman
Secretary Med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
24th May 1811 -

The Secretary Medical Board
Fort St. George

Sir

In reference to my letter of the 15th Ultimo, The Board direct me to advise you, that having

Fort St. George 24th May 1811.

having succeeded in procuring a supply of Bark imported from South America, to this Side of India, it affords them peculiar Satisfaction to be able to meet the Superintending Surgeons wants at Jaulnah & that they have ordered two Hundred Pounds weight, to be forwarded immediately.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your very obedient Servant

(Signed) George Keir

Secretary med. Bd.

Bombay
Med. Bd. Office
12th May 1811.

To

The Secretary of the
Medical Board
Bombay

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, bearing date the 12th instant, intimating that two Hundred pounds weight of Bark, has been ordered to be forwarded from your Presidency, to meet the wants of the Superintending Surgeon at Jaulnah.

2 I am at the same time instructed to express the great sense which is here entertained of the continued attention of your Board in directing with so much vigilance, Medicines to be supplied for the relief of the Troops serving under this Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
24th May 1811.

Fort St. George 24th May 1811.

To The Superintending Surgeon
of the
Northern Division.

Sir,

I am directed to intimate to you that, as two Hundred pounds weight of Bark, have been ordered by the Medical Board at Bombay, to be forwarded from that Presidency to Jaulnah, it will now be unnecessary for you to authorize any supply of that article for the use of the Troops at that Station.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
24th May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir,

1 I am directed to intimate to you, that the Medical Board have good reason to believe that Mr. Surgeon Fallowfield of this Establishment embarked for England, on board the Honorable Company's Extra Ship Glory in October 1808 and that Mr. Assistant Surgeon William Jones Senior now at Palamcottah can attest having seen him on

that

Fort St George 25th May 1811

that Vessel, on her finally quitting this Port.-

2. If the information is correct,- and that it is consistent with the knowledge of Mr Jones, the Medical Board are desirous that he should attest it upon oath, in order that they may be enabled to recommend the name of Mr Tallawfield as one of the unfortunate sufferers on the Glory, to be struck off the list of the Surgeons of this Presidency.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Horsman
Secretary to Govt

Fort Saint George
Med. Bd. Office
25th May 1811.

The President and Members
of the
Medical Board
Fort St George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to forward the Monthly Return of Sick and List of medical Officers of this Force for april.

Her Majesty's 34th Regiment marched this morning for Arcot leaving One hundred and twenty three Cases that could not with safety be moved in Hospital for the Medical Charge of the Senior Assistant Surgeon of the Corps Mr Grahame.-

Mr Abercrombie

Fort St George 26th May 1811.

Mr Abercrombie the Surgeon has marched with the Regiment having taken charge of the Slighter Hospital Cases and all the Convalescents.-

Mr Assistant Surgeon Jones who had for Sometime been attached to the Regiment from the Company's Service has received Orders to accompany it to Secunderabad and from thence to proceed to his Station.- But unfortunately a few days ago he was attacked with a very severe Fever which has rendered him Unable to move and he is now at my House in a very doubtful State.-

Mr Assistant Surgeon Brodies health having been for Sometime in a declining State he has been recommended to leave this Place on Sick Certificate and Mr Assistant Conran of the 7th Native Cavalry has been nominated by the Officer Commanding the Force to do the duties of the 5th Native Infantry in his room until the arrival of the Surgeon of that Corps.-

This Arrangement will not be attended with any inconvenience Mr Jamieson the Surgeon of the 7th Cavalry being hourly expected.-

The Journal from the 34th Regt for april with my observations on the Fever that prevailed and proved so fatal during that month shall be forwarded in a few Days.-

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient Servant
Signed Alexr Boswell
Asst Surg H. M. 34th

Camp at Saulnah
10th May 1811.

320

Fort St. George 22d May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force
Jaulnah

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of yours Letter, bearing date the 10th instant.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Surgn Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
22d May 1811.-

To the Military Secretary
to the Officer Commanding the army in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Bd. of the 20th instant Nos 1 and 2 the former, for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the army in Chief, and the latter, for the consideration of Major General Petrie and of Government.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Surgn Med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
25th may 1811.-

321

Fort St. George 25th May 1811.-

To the Secretary to the
Medical Board

Sir,

Mr. Surgeon Rogers Returns of the 1st Battalion 10th Regiment, and Garrison of Masulipatam and having been by some accident too late for inserting in the Division abstract for April. I have now the honor to forward them. I have the honor to submit to the Board an application from Mr. Surgeon Davidson of H. M. Royal Regiment for Asst. Assistant Surgeon Davidson to be attached to the Corps the reason stated in his Letter, doubts to being entertained of the exact limits of the duties of the Senior Regimental Surgeon and the Garrison Assistant Surgeon at Masulipatam and Mr. Assistant Surgeon Johnston having referred the matter to me by the accompanying Letter. I have to request that the Medical Board will have the duties of those officers distinctly defined as this subject appears at present under some degree of uncertainty.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Charles Fleeming
Superintending Surgeon
Northern Division

Vizagapatam
16th May 1811

382 Fort St. George 25th May 1811.

Sir,

I request you will make the necessary application to the Medical Board that Richard Davidson who appears in the Government Order of 2d. March as admitted on the new establishment for the education of young men to fill the situation of Sub-assistants may be allowed to be attached for the present as Drafter to the Royal Regiment.

I take the liberty to mention that previous to my knowledge of the above Regulations he had been engaged by me in that capacity and as his doing Duty with a European Corps will rather tend to increase his knowledge of the profession for which he is destined, I hope no difficulty will occur in complying with my Request.

I Remain

Your obedient Servant

(Signed) James Davidson

Surgeon Royal Regiment

Charles Fleming Esqr.
Superintending Surgeon
Northern Division

Masulipatam
20th April 1811

To

383 Fort St. George 27th May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir

I am directed to request that you will return to Mr. Surgeon Gardiner, the enclosed Letter and Certificate lately forwarded by him, direct to the Medical Board and that you will be pleased to convey to that Officer for his guidance, in again forwarding the latter, the accompanying Copy of a letter from the Military Secretary to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Surg. med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
27th may 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Northern Division

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 26th instant, I am directed to request that you will inform Mr. Surgeon Davidson that the Medical Board do not consider themselves authorized to Recommend Richard Davidson to be attached to His Majesty's 2d. Battalion Royal Regiment he being only in the capacity of a Drafter a description of Servant employed

Fort St. George 27th May 1811.

allowed for by Government, and consequently to be entertained at the expense of the Regimental Surgeon.-

2. Independently of the above consideration, it is expedient that Richard Davidson should agreeably to a late Resolution, be posted in the first instance, to a Native Corps.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) William Horsman
Secretary med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
27th May 1811.-

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

I am directed by the Medical Board to transmit to you the accompanying copy of letter from the Accountant General and to request, that you will forward to this office with the least practicable delay, the Statements & Memorandum &c. therein required.-

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

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
27th May 1811.-

To

Fort St. George 27th May 1811.

To

William Horsman Esqr.
Secretary to the
Medical Board

Sir,

With reference to your Letter of the 20th Instant, I have the honor to request that you will furnish me with a Statement in Abstract of the value of such parts of the Medical Stores mentioned in the Account recently handed to you, as are acknowledged by the report of the Medical Storekeeper, to have been already carried by Medical Officers of this Presidency, to the Public Account.- I beg that you will also send with that Statement one of the same nature for those parts of the Stores of which the returns have not been yet received. It will be necessary that a Memorandum shewing the differences stated by the Medical Storekeeper to appear between the Bombay Statement and the returns from Malabar and Canara, be subjoined to the Statement of the Stores of which returns have been received.-

For the value of this part of the Bombay Account, that Government will receive credit immediately. The remainder of it must continue in suspense until I shall be favored by you with intimation of the returns connected with it being received by the Medical Storekeeper: And

I

in order that no unnecessary delay be incurred in the adjustment of these returns, I request you will be pleased to require the Medl. Storekeeper to give early notice of the arrival of them in his office.—

I have the honr. to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) George Garrow
Accountant Genl.

Fort St. George
Accountt. Genl. office
23d. May 1811.—

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division—Committee for inquiring into
the Causes of the prevailing disease to the
Southward.—

Gentlemen,

Para 1.

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter, dated the 17th instant, and to acquaint you, that copy of that Letter has been forwarded to the Honorable the Governor in Council, principally to shew by the last para. that your Committee, justly attribute, in the opinion of the Medical Board, much of the mildness of the fever in the Carnatic to the Country, to what you have stated, of the labourers in those Districts, being well lodged well fed generally with Cumblies to cover them—and with Kindalls on their feet, when at work in the Fields.—

His

Fort St. George 27th. May 1811.

2 This Statement appears of more value, when contracted with Dr. Christy's late Report—and the Medical Board request that you will in all your investigations, advert particularly to the situations of the Poor with regard to food, and Shelter; and endeavour to ascertain how it happens that the labourers in one District, are better taken care of; or have surer means of resisting disease, than those in neighbouring Districts.—

3 I am also directed to inform you, that the Medical Board have recommended to Government, that immediate attention be paid to the distressed state of the Ryots, in the Maravar and Dindigul Districts—that they may have Cloathing—something to sleep upon and to keep them warm at night.—

4 The Board have also recommended, that proper Villages be erected, instead of their present miserable hovels which must always subject the poor inhabitants to disease, on any Return of unusual moisture.—

5 I have been further directed to transmit to you, the accompanying copy of letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, bearing date the 20th instant, together with copy of the Extract therein referred to from the Collector in Tinnevelly dated the 14th instant.—This detailed account given by Mr. Hepburn, the Medical Board consider of Value, as by investigation on the Spot, into the situation of the

Villages

Fort St. George 26th May 1811.

Villages and Inhabitants, where the Fever first appeared most fatal, the Causes of the mortality, may in some degree be ascertained, and made apparent.—

I have the honor to be,
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secretary med. Bd

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
27th May 1811.—

To the Military Secretary
to the Officer Commanding the army in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 27th instant Nos 1 and 2. the former for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the Army in chief and the latter for the consideration of Major General Pater, and of Government.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(signed) William Horsman
Secretary med. Bd

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
28th May 1811.—

Fort St. George 31st May 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Med. Board to transmit to you, the enclosed copy of letter from the Accountant General dated the 29th instant together with its accompanying account of Europe Medicines &c from Bombay which you are requested to examine and to report upon to this office in the manner pointed out by Mr. Farrow.—

2. I am also directed to transmit to you, the accompanying copy of letter from the Acting Secretary to the Fort Committee dated the 30th instant and to request that you will make out and forward to this office, without delay, the different Statements thereins Required.—

3 I am further directed to inform you, that you are required to cause the Jalap condemned by the late Committee, as wholly unfit for use, to be destroyed—and to be struck off the Returns.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(signed) Wm. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
31st May 1811.—

To

330

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

To

The Secretary to the Medical Board

Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 8th Instant, I have now the honour to inclose to you a further Account, received from Bombay of Medical Stores supplied by that Presidency to this, & have to request that you will cause the same to be examined by the proper officer & the result reported to this office in order that the values of the supplies may be adjusted accordingly on the General Books.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Geo. Garrow

Accountant General

(True Copy)

(Signed) William Horsman

Secretary med. Bd.

Fort St. George

Acct. Genl. office

29th May 1811.

Mint Committee

To

The Secretary to the

Medical Board

Sir,

I am directed by the Mint to write to request, you will furnish them with a statement of the quantity and different qualities of articles supplied from the Medical Stores, to the date of my letter from

331

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

from the 8th February 1809, to the 31st October 1810; also a continuation, but a Separate Statement of the same supplied to the Mint Master from the 8th February 1809, to the 30th April last, shewing their value at the Invoice price.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient Servant

(Signed) Geo. Garrow

Acting Secretary

(True Copy)

(Signed) William Horsman

Secretary med. Bd.

Fort Saint George

30th May 1811.

The Secretary

Medical Board

Fort St. George

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 3d Instant, & to advise you, that the Order for forwarding the Bark as reported in my letter of the 13th Instant, has been countermanded.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt. Servant

(Signed) George Keir

Secretary med. Bd.

To

Bombay

Med. Bd. Office

16th May 1811.

332

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

To

The Secretary to the
Medical Board
Bombay.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 16th. instant and to express the acknowledgements of the Medical Board at this Presidency, for the attention therein manifested.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secretary med.l Bd.

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
31st. May 1811.

To

The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 25th. instant with its enclosure - and to request that you will express to the Board of Revenue, the acknowledgements of the Medical Board, for the Statement which it so much in confirmation of what would appear by other accounts to have been the principal cause of the great Sickness and mortality in the Southern provinces - From the details given of the fort Saffernam of the Fever in particular villages, it is satisfactory in

167

383

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

in as far as it may enable the Medical Committee, to to throw more light on the subject and to suggest probable means for the early mitigation of the disease.

I am also directed to acquaint you, for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the Medical Board have forwarded to the Medical Committee, copy of your communications and that they have also reported the facts therein stated, to the Honorable the Governor in Council.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W.m Horsman
Secry. med.l Bd.s

Fort St. George
Med.l Bd.s Office
31st. May 1811.

To

Alexander Watson Esqre. M.D.
President and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

Accompanying I have the honor of transmitting to you, an address from Mr. Surgeon James, to his Excellency the Commander in Chief, in the manner laid down by G. O. Decemr. 1st. 1807.

Mr. James applies for allowances, for having, (as head Surgeon in Travancore) superintended the Medical duties in that district from the 1st. of Novr. 1810 till the month of March 1811. He no doubt had the superintendance during the period above mentioned

and

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

and it will rest with you, to recommend or not as you think proper his present application.—

I have also at this time the honor of forwarding to you, an address which I have received from Lieutenant Bowden Commanding Sankerry droog, begging that a Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon might be appointed to the Station — I am well aware that it has lately been Resolved on by Government that (for the present) there should be no Specific Medical appointment for that Garrison — But were it represented that Mr. Sladen is occassionally under the necessity of going from Salem to visit such Officers at Sankerry droog perhaps Government might permit him to draw some Extra allowance for his trouble. The distance between the two places being upwards of 20 miles.—

I cannot on this occasion help expressing a regret, that it was some time ago found Expedient to deprive several stations of the benefit of that Medical Aid which they had long enjoyed, a resolution however which I am at the same time fully convinced, would have never been formed, could Government have foreseen the sad visitation which is now committing such havoc in some of our fine Provinces — and which not only renders the fullest Establishment of Medical men necessary, but the very best exertions of every man at his post to mitigate as much as possible the

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

ills which surround us. Since I commenced this address to your Board I have learnt that the attendance of Mr. Sladen has not only been required at Sankerry droog, but at Pavanie also; where Mrs. Watts has been taken seriously ill, while her husband labours under fever at this place, and would have been without all medical aid but for the casual presence of Mr. Smith and myself.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your obedient Servant
(Sgnd) Whitt. Ainslie M.D.
Dept. Surgeon G. H.

Dharapooram
22d. May 1811

Alexander Watson Esqr. M. D.
President and Members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

We have now the honor of replying to your letter respecting the food of the natives, which at this time, we shall do, in as concise a manner as possible, deferring more particular details on this subject for our general Report.—

First, as to the Food of the higher ranks, such as Head renters, and the better sort of Ryots — The result of our enquiries is, that their Breakfast usually consists of boild rice, eat with Butter Milk or Tyre — or sometimes of Raggy or Cumbo

eat in the same manner.-

Their Dinner is commonly Rice, Cumbos or Raggy, with Doll Curry or Pepper Water.- Ghee and Butter milk or Tyre.-

For their Supper, they for the most part take rice or Cumbos with Ghee and Pepper Water- frequently with a Vegetable Curry, and three or four times a Week with one made of Fowl, Fish, or mutton.-

The general Diet of the common laboring people is as follows.-

About 6 or ½ after 6 in the morning they breakfast on Cumbo Cholum or Raggy, which has been boiled the Evening before- they then proceed to Labour, and about Mid-day they again eat the same grains, with some of the Country greens dressed- as Curry, and when they can afford it, fish or fowl.- Butter milk also is often used, and that Sometimes not of the best quality- on other occasions, they are under the necessity of confining themselves to the use of the poorest Country grains, simply Soaked in the water in which they have been boiled.-

For their Evening meal, they generally eat some of the grains abovementioned, which have been dressed at mid-day, with Tamarind Water and Horse Gram: frequently also with plain Butter milk.-

We

We are sorry to say, that it being necessary for Mr. Watts, Register of the Court, to proceed to Bhovany on account of a severe fever, which he has caught at this place, and as the distance is too great to permit of his being trusted alone, Mr. Smith is under the necessity of accompanying him.- This will unavoidably interfere for a time with the duties of our Committee, and is the more likely so to do, from this circumstance, that the Sickness which now prevails in Mr. Haw-graves family, at Salem, will prevent Mr. Sladen from giving that continued attendance at Bhovany, which the cases of Mr. and Mrs. Watts absolutely require- there being now no medical Assistance in the Zillah of Coimbatore, [illegible] soon to be, in consequence of Mr. Cooke's inability, from relapse of Fever, to quit Negapatam.-

With respect to the progress of the prevailing Epidemic in this place and its Vicinity, We will be enabled to report to you in a few Days- in the mean time we have only to add, that the health of this part of the Country has been improving for some Weeks past, and that the Strong land winds have now been blowing for several Days; in consequence of which, the Natives are of opinion, and we concur with them, that a favorable Change in the Climate will speedily take place.-

We have the honor to be
&c, &c, &c

Dharapooram
23d may 1811.-

Signed Wm. Ainslie
President
A. L. Smith
Member

Fort St. George 31st May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 22d instant, and to acquaint you that they have forwarded Lieutenant Dawton's letter to the officer commanding the Army in Chief, and recommended that there be either a Medical officer Appointed to Sankeridroog or that Palankeen allowance be granted to Mr. Assistant Surgeon Sladen, to enable him to visit occasionally, the sick at that Station.-

2 With regard to the application from Mr. Surgeon James for Pagodas 66 monthly, for medical expenditure, and 15 for Servants, the Medical Board are of opinion that the urgency for such allowances ought to be distinctly stated - and that the cause which may have occasioned Mr James to be called to a distance from his station, should be more particularly to appear - as the reasons for such application must be stronger than they at present seem to be, to authorize the Med. Board to forward it with their support especially as there are so many efficient Med. Officers in Travancore.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obed. Servt
Signed W. Honeyman
Secy. Med. Bd.

To

Fort St. Georges
Med. Bd. Office
31st. May 1811.-

Fort St. George 31st. May 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
Southern Division - President of the Committee
for the investigation of the Causes of the disease
prevalent in the Southern Provinces.-

Sir,

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letters dated the 23rd. and 25th. instant, and to inform you, that they have reported to Government such parts of these letters as relate to the amelioration of the state of health of the Inhabitants at Dharapooram - and to the sickness of the Medical Officers mentioned in them.-

2 I am also directed to inform you that the Med. Board have reported to Government, the probability of Doctor Christie having by this time joined your Committee - and the inexpediency, removing of Mr. Tait from Trichinopoly as well on that account as in Consideration of the very sufficient reasons which you have now urged for his remaining with the large Cantonment at the Head Quarters of the Southern Division, where his professional aid, must necessarily be very much required.-

3 The Medical Board will expect a Report from you, in due Course, after Dr. Christy shall have joined your Committee.-

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obed. Servant
(Signed) W. Honeyman
Secy. Med. Bd.

To

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
31st. May 1811

340

Fort St. George 1st June 1811-

To the Military Secretary
to the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Proceedings of the Medical Board of the 28th ultimo Nos 1 and 2. the former for the consideration of the Officer Commanding the Army in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of Major General Baker and Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most Obedt Servant

(Signed) W. Horsman

Secry Med. Bd

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
3d June 1811.

To the Medical Storekeeper

Sir

I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from the Proceedings of the Medical Board bearing date the 27th ultimo together with the Resolution of the Honble the Governor in Council thereon, dated the 31st ultimo for your information and guidance.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt Servt

(Signed) W. Horsman

Secretary Med. Bd

To

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
3d June 1811.

341

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the
Southern Division

Sir,

I am directed to return to you your Letter dated the 24th ultimo together with its enclosures from the Garrison Assistant Surgeon at Trichinopoly and to request you will inform Mr. Assistant Surgeon Longdill that as the subject of his present application was, on a former occasion discussed by the Medical Board, and decided on by His Excellency the Commander in Chief, the Board do not consider themselves authorized to bring it again under Public notice.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt Servt

(Signed) W. Horsman

Secry Med. Bd

Fort Saint George
Med. Bd. Office
3d June 1811.

To
Alexr Watson Esqr M. D.
President and members of the
Medical Board

Gentlemen,

In my last Communication to your Board I informed you that having procured a perfect intermission in Mr. Watts fever I thought it proper to send him to Bavanie, where his family

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

family is, and about whom he often expressed the greatest anxiety. - Mr. Watts left us under the care of Mr. Smith, on the evening of the 23d took his bark at intervals during the march to Noel; at which place, he Continued all day on the 24th quite free from fever, and taking his bark. On the evening of the 24th he left the Noel, and arrived at Bavanie about 7 in the morning of the 25th. It would appear that the fever had returned early on that day, as Mr. Garrow writes us that soon after Mr. Watts reaches him he evinced evident signs of delirium, and dreadful to be told! a short time after, having contrived to steal away from the Servants who were placed over him, drowned himself in the Bavanie every exertion was made by Mr. Staden to recover him but in vain. -

At the time Mr. Garrow's note was written, giving us this melancholy intelligence, poor Mrs. Watts had not been made acquainted with her loss - she is herself very ill; and Mr. Garrow has particularly requested that I should proceed to Bavanie to see her, and assist in Soothing her - it is therefore my intention to attend this call of humanity as soon as possible. -

I shall beg of Mr. Smith to go on to Dindigul, and make what further

enquiries

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

enquiries may be necessary there and in that District, in addition to there I made myself (while in that quarter) some weeks ago, respecting the Epidemic fever I shall as soon circumstances will admit join him at Madura -

I have the honor to be

Gentlemen,

Your Obedient servant

(Signed) Whit. Ainslie M.D.

Sup.t Surgeon &

President of the

Committee

Dharapooram

26th May 1811. -

P. S.

Will you have the goodness to excuse any incorrectness that may appear in this letter, written in great haste, and under much painful anxiety. -

To

Alex.r Watson Esq.r M. D.

President and members of the

Medical Board

Gentlemen,

I arrived this morning at Bhavany, and was happy to find Mr. Watts's fever considerably abated, which is entirely to be attributed to the kind care and skilful management of Mr. Staden. - Mrs. Watts is not yet acquainted with the dreadful fate of her unfortunate husband Owing to the nervous and irritable state she was

was, (and still is) in, they have properly concealed from her his death, and made her believe that he has been sent to Salem, on his way to the East- when she is stronger and better able to bear the shock, the melancholy tydings can be communicated to her, in a manner the least apt to prove injurious.

With regard to the particulars of Mr. Watts sad case, after reaching Bhavany; I have to inform you, that by Mr. Sladen's account, it would appear (however Cool and well Mr. Watts had been on the evening of the 24th at Noel) his fever had returned early on the morning of the 25th at six A. M. of that day Mr. Sladen first saw him; he then appeared agitated, and had a considerable degree of heat in his skin. however after taking a little of the Saline mixture, which also contained a small portion of the bitter purging salts; he became much easier and a gentle perspiration came out all over his body - From a certain wildness, which appeared in the expression of Mr. Watts countenance, Mr. Sladen took the precaution of placing two Servants over him with the strictest injunctions on no account to leave him; and Mr. Sladen himself sat by him till such time as he was quite composed, his skin soft and moist and her pulse moderate; It would seem that shortly after Mr. Sladen left the room, Mr. Watts sent for paper, pen and ink

Whether he went from Bharapooram in Chay of Mr. Smith

with from Mr. Watts apartment, and insisted on the boys withdrawing - Soon after this, he recalled one of them, and with his assistance dressed himself in the most deliberate manner; saying, in his usual tone of health, that he was going to see his horses, which he did, and gave orders about them, with so much deliberation, that neither the boy who followed him, nor the men at the Stable had the least suspicion of his situation - From the horse stable, Mr. Watts proceeded hastily along the rampart, towards the junction of the Bhavany and Cauvery, desiring the boy to go to his Mr. and wait for his return — Nothing further than this is known, till we then about 40 Minutes afterwards when a Servant of Mr. Garrow missing Mr. Watts from his room asked the man appointed to watch over him, where his Master was, he answered with simplicity that he had walked with his Clothes on, down to the point - On this Mr. Garrows boy immediately took the alarm and informed his Master, who with Mr. Sladen, ran down as fast as they could, to the confluence of the two rivers, where, melancholy to relate, they saw the body of Mr. Watts floating in the stream. It is needless to add that every thing was done that professional exertion, could do to restore the poor youth, but all in vain! On examining the body, there appeared, no less than five distinct deep stabs in his abdomen, in size exactly corresponding with

346

Fort St. George 2d June 1811.

with what could be made by the pen knife in the writing desk he sent for by which it would appear that Mr. Watts had during the short interval of the boys withdrawing, perpetrated an act sufficient in itself to have caused his death without drowning. —

I have related to you a horrid tale, and which I have conceived it my duty thus minutely to do, as well for your satisfaction as for that of any of Mr. Watts friends who may apply to you for information respecting his death. I shall only further add that no care or attention has been wanting on the part of Mr. Sladen under whose [illegible] Mr. Watts would have speedily recovered had he not committed the rash act. Blame attaches no where but to the Servants who blinded by the apparent sanity of their Master neglected to watch him in the manner they had been directed. —

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
(Signed) W. Kindlea Surg.
Supt. Surgeon S.D.

Dhavany
29th May 1811. —

To

347

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

17

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Southern Division
President of the Committee
for the investigation of the
Causes of the Fevers prevalent
in the Southern Provinces.

Sir

I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 29th Ultimo to express to you how much they lament the death of the late Mr. Thomas Watts of the Civil Service and to approve the full and distinct Report which you have given them of the dreadful fate of that unfortunate young Gentleman. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) William Horsman
Secretary med. Bd.

Fort Saint Georg
Med. Bd. Office
3d June 1811. —

To
The President and Members
of the Medical Board
Fort Saint George

Gentlemen

As I am not certain here what is Styled a Staff Surgeon stands with regard to Rank It may perhaps be proper having proposed Mr. Connell

Fort St. George 3d. June 1811.

Connell to officiate during My absence, to admit to the circumstance of his being Junior as a Surgeon to Mr. Abercrombie of the 34th Regiment. -

This Question will of Course be Solved by your Board and admitting it should be decided that Mr. Connells Staff Situation gives him no Rank he might Still I should Suppose Conduct the Superintending duties in a general way, and Mr. Abercrombie transmit his Returns either to me or direct to your Board. -

I have the honor to Acknowledge the receipt of your Secretary's Letter of the 10th instant and have the satisfaction to state in reply that the Supply of Medicines of which I have had intimation being on the road from Masulipatam will be fully Sufficient and in due time to relieve all our present wants. -

Messrs. Connell and Abercrombie have accordingly been instructed to take the Necessary steps for the 34th Regiment being supplied with what they may require when these medicines shall be passing Hydrabad. -

I have had further intimation from the Secretary of the Medical Board at Bombay that Two hundred Pounds of Peruvian Bark were preparing and about to be despatched to us. I wrote to him immediately that in the event of my Letter Arriving in time to Countermand

Fort St. George 3d. June 1811.

Countermand the Supply and not to distress themselves on our Account. -

I have the pleasure to inform you that the 34th are getting on very well towards their declination, and that with the exception of a few of the worst Cases that as might have been expected to drop off; their Sick in Hospital here are daily improving, and Recovering. -

Two days after the Regiment marched Mr. Abercrombie was Suddenly Seized with a Violent Spasmodic Affection in his Bowels and which threatened to lay him up but it fortunately proved of short duration and I am happy to say his Now quite recovered. -

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Alexr. Boswell
Superintendt Surgeon
Fort St. George

Jaulnah
25th May 1811. -

P.S.

Mr. Assistant Jones though some what better is not yet out of danger. -

(Signed) Alexr. Boswell
Superintendt. Surgeon

Fort St. George 3d. June 1811.

To

The President and Members
of the
Medical Board
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

I have the honor to transmit the Medical Journals from this Force for the month of April.

In the course of that Month you will perceive that the 34th Regement lost an unusual number of Men in consequence of the prevalence of a bilious fever of a continued form, and principally connected with intemperate living and the intense heat of the Weather.

The Average of the Thermometer at this Station during the last two Months has been from 98 to 100 in the Shade.

Some account of several of these cases will be found in the accompanying Journal for the Surgeon of the Regiment and it is to be regretted that he was prevented being more full in consequence of his multiplied duties and the administration of his professional functions to so great a number of Sick.

Mr. Jones was also instructed to note down daily an account of his practice and every circumstance worthy of remark but his position however has deprived us for the present of

Fort St. George 3d. June 1811.

of the benefit of his Observations.

It is not an easy matter to give a distinct and satisfactory account of diseases among Soldiers from the difficulty of ascertaining the exact period of attack, and it too often happens that in consequence of their not reporting Sick in time; in acute cases the greater part of the Mischief is effected before the Surgeon has an opportunity of prescribing for them.

In all my communications on this subject with the Medical and Commanding Officers where my duty lay, I have endeavoured to point out the serious consequences attending such neglect, and to inculcate among the Men an immediate application to the Surgeon on the very first Symptoms of disease, but this desirable object in the generality of Corps I am afraid is difficult to be effected.

The leading and prominent symptoms of the Fever in question and which proved so destructive in April and still in some degree prevails in the 34th Regiment were a heavy stupefying and fixed pain in the head - great and almost constant irritation of Stomach - with deep yellowness of the Eyes and Skin appearing about the 5th or 6th Day. It was also remarkable that in some of the Cases that proved fatal the Pulse and heat were not above the natural Standard.

In

Fort St. George 2d. June 1811.

In a few Cases something like a remission might be observed for a few hours, but certainly in no instance any entire intermission; and those Cases that had a fatal termination were generally from the 7th to the 11th day.—

Emetics and Laxatives were administered in the first instance according to circumstances. Blistering had a most wonderful and happy effect in relieving the head and it was also found the most efficacious remedy in allaying the irritation of the Stomach. The cold affusion in most cases procured an alleviation of Symptoms but the indication of cure and safety of the Patient depended on the habit being as quickly as possible saturated with Mercury combined with Antimonials in order to insure its more ready and effectual diffusion throughout the System.—

There was scarcely an instance where the disease was taken in time and where the Mercury took effect and occasioned a copious running at the Mouth about the 4th or 5th day that the above plan did not succeed.—

But in those Cases where the Mercury only caused Soreness, swelling and inflammation without that copious Salivation which merely indicates the other Secretions being promoted in proportion little or no benefit was derived. Heat, thirst, quickness of

Pulse

Fort St. George 3d. June 1811.

Pulse and delirium had their course in this as in other fevers. Wine, opiates and other palliatives were administered as circumstances directed.—

My purpose on the present occasion was merely to state what has come under my own personal observation regarding the most prominent Symptoms and general method of cure in this formidable disease in the 34th. Regiment and when the number of admissions for Fever amounting in that month to 276 is considered, the practice I am hopeful will be found to have been tolerably successful.—

Enclosed is also a Letter in further illustration of Mr. Abercrombie's Journal and so soon as Mr. Jones shall be able to arrange his Materials they shall be duly forwarded.—

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your most obed.t Servt
(Signed) A. Boswell
Sup.d Surgeon
H. S. F.

Jaulnah
22d. May 1811.—

To

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force
at Jaulnah

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose you a Register &c. of the Sick of His Majesty's 34th Regt. for the month of April, accompanied by details of Cases calculated to show the prevailing forms under which Fever appeared during the Month, and the practice followed in my Hospital.

Although not the general character of the Fever during April, yet a good many cases of Intermittent occurred particularly in the early part of the Month, and in the cure of these the practice alluded to in my Letter of the 8th ultimo has been found effectual, such are the Cases Nos. 1, 2, 3.

In by far the largest proportion of Cases admitted during April, the disease was under the form of Remittent or Continued Fever, and as will be seen by the Register, has to a very unusual extent proved fatal.

My success with the use of Bark in the Intermittent form of the disease induced me to give full trial to this Practice in the continued and remittent Cases, as soon as a distinct remission could be obtained, but in these last, I found the Bark so uncertain, and usually ineffectual in its operation, that I have laterally in almost

every

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

every instance, and from the commencement of the cure, had recourse to Mercury combined with Antimonials.

Several instances of a mild and manageable disease have occurred, such as the Cases Nos. 4, 5, 6, in which little more was required than the evacuation of the primæ viæ and a low regimen.

The Cases from No. 7 to 11 are detailed to show the disease in its more complicated form, and where it was necessary to affect the system with Mercury before the febrile action could be arrested. These Cases further exemplify the tendency to relapse while the patients are still under the influence of Mercury, the action of this Medicine however so far influencing the form of the disease that the relapse is very generally to a distinct Intermittent, in the cure of which Bark proves effectual, the action of the Mercury being kept up.

The Cases from No. 12 to 24 show the disease in its most formidable shape, and in which the very active use of Mercury with the occasional application of cold affusion and Blisters, have formed the practice with which I have been most successful. I have said the occasional application of cold affusion, because I have seen so little advantage from the practice that I have not been induced to place much Reliance on it, or to

consider

Fort St. George 3d June 1811.

consider it of further use than in giving a very temporary check to a paroxism.—

I have the honor to be
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) Jno. Abercrombie
Surgeon 34th Regt

Jaulnah
1st May 1811.—

(True Copy)
A. Boswell
Supg Surgeon
H. S. F.

To the Superintending Surgeon
of the Hydrabad Subsidiary Force
Jaulnah

Sir

1 I am directed by the Medical Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter & dated the 29th and 29th ultimo and to inform you, that they have forwarded to the officer Commanding the Army in Chief and Government, your application for six months leave of absence from your station, with their recommendation that it may be favorably attended to.—

2 I am also directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter bearing date the 29th ultimo, with its enclosures from Mr Surgeon Abercrombie, and to approve the account therein drawn of the form of the form prescribed in H.M. 34th Regt

Fort St. George 4th June 1811.

34th Regiment as well as the treatment adopted for its Cure.—

3 I am also directed to request, that you will report to the Medical Board, whether the Hospital of H. M. 34th Regiment was equally with that of the Artillery sheltered from the Vicissitudes of the weather at Jaulnah - and if not, whether in your opinion, exposure to sudden & chills, may not have had an influence in producing so great a difference in the men of the two Corps, otherwise similarly situated.—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy med. Bd.

Fort St. George
Med. Bd. Office
3d June 1811.—

To the, Military Secretary
to the officer Commanding the army in Chief

Sir,

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying Proceedings of the Med. Bd. of the 3d instant No. 1 and 2 the former for the consideration of the officer Commanding the army in Chief, and the latter for the consideration of Major General Pater, and of Government.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obed Servant
(Signed) W. Horsman
Secy Med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
4th June 1811.—

Fort St. George 9th June 1841.

To the 2d Member Medical Board
superintending the Centre Division
during the Current Six months —

Sir

I The Honorable the Governor in Council having Completed the Medical Board by the appointment of an Acting Second Member, I am accordingly directed to request that you will, as the Superintending Surgeon for the Current Six months, proceed in the course of the next Month on your tour of inspection through the Centre Division, and that you will report to the Board from each Station, the State of the Sick and their accommodation. The Board will also be happy to receive from you, such further remarks as you may deem it necessary to make, while on your tour. —

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Signed W. Newman
Secretary med. Bd.

Fort St George
Med. Bd. Office
7th June 1841. —

To