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Fort St. George 11th January 1787

Military Department

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General and
to the Members of the
Hospital Board

To The Honble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble President & Council to send you the enclosed Copy of your Proceedings of the 16th Instant, with the Observations of the Board thereon; also Extracts from a General Order published in Consequence.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedt. Servt.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy.

Fort St. George
24th January 1787.

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 11th Instant, and are with great Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl.
Colley L. Lucas C. S.
Thos. Davis H. Surgeon

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Hospital

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Hospital Board
January 11th 1787.

Read a letter from Mr. Gillispie Surgeon at Chinglepu accompanied by a certificate from Physician General representing Necessity of his returning to Europe on Account of bad health.

The Hospital Board having perused Mr. Gillespies letter with attention, are forcibly impressed with a proper sense of his Situation & think it a Duty incumbent upon them to lay the same before the Hon'ble President and Council.

When a Surgeon in this Service shall have executed his Duty with Zeal, and shall have established a good Character from length of Service in the Field, the Hospital Board are induced to believe he merits the same attention as Officers serving the same Hon'ble Masters, for agreeably to the Tenor of Mr. Gillespies letter, he

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A Paragraph will be inserted in the next General Letter to the Court of Directors, recommending to their favorable Consideration, the Observations of the Hospital Board on this Subject; in the mean Time, Surgeons & Surgeons assistants belonging to this Presidency, when reduced to the necessity of going to Europe on account of their health, will have their passage discharged in the same manner, as Officers of their respective ranks in the army.

Approved

he is a like exposed to danger and he labours in the same Veneyard. The President and Members of this Board are induced to hope that when the Hon'ble President and Council shall think proper to investigate the claims of Surgeons of Mr. Gillespies discription, they will be found to merit the like attention paid to Officers, who are compelled to Visit their Native Climate in order to reestablish that Health they lost in actual Service.

In compliance with the Orders of Government directing this Board to appoint an Assistant Surgeon to superintend the Apothecary Shop and constantly Sleep over the Medical Godown, the Hospital Board begleave to recommend Mr. Gifford be immediately ordered to relieve Mr. Vangham with the 4th Regiment of Cavalry in order that Mr. Vangham who is in every respect qualified for a Station of such Trust may repair to the Presidency without

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without loss of time.

Mr. Ferguson Assistant Surgeon with the 2d Regiment of Cavalry and Mr. Campbell Assistant with the 4th Regiment of Europeans having each requested a Removal from their respective Corps, the Hospital Board in order that they may accommodate both these Gentlemen recommend that Mr. Campbell be removed from the 4. Regiment of Europeans to the 2d Regiment of Cavalry and Mr. Ferguson appointed to the 4th Regiment in his room.

Approved

Domingo Vanelaster D'Roza who has been acting as Apothecary to the General Hospital here having been through mistake left out in the List of Subassistants transmitted to Government. The Hospital Board beg leave to recommend him to the Honble President and Council in order that he may be included in that number.

Approved

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The Hospital Board in order that they may ascertain the Expence of the Medical Department on this Coast have directed their Secretary to desire the Apothecary to transmit them without delay a particular account of his Disbursements from the 1st of May to the 31st of December, specifying the Articles for which each sum was disbursed.

The Secretary is also directed to desire the Surveyor to transmit to this Board an account of the Number of Coats Clothing &c. he has furnished with the respective sums for each from the 1st of May to the 31st of December 1796.

Approved

Signed Ard.w Berry
Secy.

By Order of the Honorable
The Governor in Council.
Signed) W.C. Jackson Secy.

Extracts

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Extracts from a General Order
published the 24th January 1787.

Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons who are under "the Necessity of returning to Europe for the Reestablishment "of their health, are in future to draw an allowance for "Passage Money, agreeable to their Respective Ranks in "the army.

Vizt.

"Physician General Ranks as Brigadier General
"Chief Surgeon . . . as Colonel
"Head Surgeon of an "Hospital of 3000 Men } as Lieut. Colonel
"Head Surgeon to all other Hospitals as Major
"Surgeons to Regiments as Captains
"Assistant Surgeons as Subalterns

"Mr. Gifford Assistant Surgeon appointed to do Duty "with the 4th Regiment of Cavalry in the Room of Mr. Vangham, "ordered to the Presidency.

Mr. Campbell Assistant Surgeon, appointed to do "Duty with the 2d Regiment of Cavalry, & Mr. Ferguson with "the 4th Regiment of Europeans.

True Extracts.

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sy.

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Extract of a

G. O.

Fort St. George
30th January 1787.

The Honble the President and Council are pleased to publish in General Orders, the following Sentence of a Court Martial lately held at Ellore, on Mr. William Mallet Surgeon, by Order of the Commander in Chief, which Sentence has been approved by Government.

Mr. William Mallet Surgeon to the Garrison of Condapillee, Ordered in Arrest by Major Thomas Trent Commanding the said Garrison on the 28th of September for the following Crimes.

For having asked leave of absence of him with a fraudulent intention, and with an intention to deceive him in the Route he meant to take, and under a pretence of Sickness and on a suspicion of having at different times sold Military Stores to a Country Power and for disrespect to him and contempt of Authority, in having interfered in a pointed manner, such as to undervalue him in the Minds of the Natives, in the means used of Supplying the Bazar with Provision.

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The Court having maturely and deliberately considered the Evidences, for and against the Prisoner, Mr. William Mallet together with what he had to offer in his Defence, is of Opinion — That he is Guilty of all and every part of the Charge and Charges exhibited against him — Vizt. For having asked leave of absence of him, with a fundulent intention to deceive him in the Route he Meant to take, and under a pretence of Sickness — and on Suspicion of having at different times sold Military Stores to a Country Power, and for disrespect to him, and Contempt of Authority, in having interfered in a pointed manner such as to undevalue him in the minds of the native in the means used of Supplying the Bazar with Provision which being a breach of the 5th Article of the 15th Section of the Articles of War — The Court doth Sentence him, and he is hereby Sentenced — To be dismissed the Honorable Company's Service.

(Signed) Geo Banks

(Signed) James Mackay
Depy Judge advocate

(Signed) Archibald Campbell.

Mr. John English appointed an

assistant

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Assistant Surgeon on this Establishment and to rank from the 1st of December last —

Mr. Surgeon Briggs permitted to proceed to Europe for three years.

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Extract

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dyfy

A true Copy
(Signed) Ant. Berry Jun.

To

Fort St. George 2d February 1787

To The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell KB
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 2d Instant together with the Returns therein mentioned and a List of what Stationary and other Articles may be wanted for twelve Months agreeable to the Orders of Government published in the Madras Courier.

We have the Honor to be with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Most Obedient and
Very humble Servants

(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
February 2d 1787

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Hospital Board
February 2d 1787

The Hospital Board beg leave to recommend that Mr. Charles Fleming Assistant Surgeon who was received into the Service as pr. Proceedings November 6th have rank from that date and be appointed to do Duty at the General Hospital here.

Approved

Mr. Whyte having applied for further leave of Absence for Mr. Blackrd. Order to remain at the Sea Coast for the recovery of his health, the Board have agreed to grant it as Mr. Reid is at present doing duty at Madura.

Approved

Government having been pleased to grant Mr. Gillespie three years leave of Absence to return to Europe for the recovery of his health.

Ordered the Secretary to acquaint him he has such permission without prejudice to his rank in the Service.

The

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The Hospital Board having received a particular account of Mr. Bulmans expenses from the 1st of May to the 31st December 1786, Observe with pleasure that though all his Majesty's Regiments have been supplied by him his disbursements amount only to Pagodas 8474. 16. 50.

Inclosed the Hospital Board have the honor of forwarding to Government an Abstract of the Number of Sick in the 4. General Hospitals and their dependencies for the Months of October November, & December and the Number of Sick of His Majestys Regiments the 31st of December 1786 together with the present State of the Medical Department on the Coast Establishment.

Approved

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Sy

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Jury

Stationary

Fort St. George 2d February 1787

Stationary, Servants, and other Articles wanted for the use of the Hospital Board for 12 Months.

Medium Quires		40
Demmi	Do.	20
Foolscape	Do.	40
Quarter Post	Do.	50
Blotting Paper	Do.	2
Cartrige		6
Tape pieces		16
Wafer Boxes		8
Pounce pounds		2
Ink powder papers		12
Red Ink		–
Ink Stands complete		2
Pen knives		4
Paper Ruler		2
Quills		1000
Wax Pounds		2
Paper folders		2
Scrapers		2
Green Cloth		2 Yards
Black Sand Measures		2
Leather &ca Articles for binding Books		

Servants

Writer	1
Peon	1
Muchy	1

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February 2d 1786.

(Signed) James Anderson M.D.P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thos. Davis H.S.

Abstract

Abstract of the Number of Dependences during

taken from the Returns

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Present State of the Medical Department on the Coast Establishment

Hospital Board

James Anderson M.D. } Physician General President
C. L. Lucas Chief Surgeon } Members
Thomas Davis Head Surgeon }

General Hospital Fort St. George

Thomas Davis Head Surgeon
Patrick Pringle First Surgeon — absent on leave
Mr. Thompson Senior Assistant
Mr. Berry Second Do — Surg. to the Hospital Board
Mr. Lipper Third Assistant

at Trichinopoly

Mr. Whyte Head Surgeon
Mr. Nicol Mein First Surgeon
Mr. Trotter Senior Assistant
Mr. Laird Second Do
Mr. Bell Third Do — detached Do

at Vellore

Mr. Duffin Head Surgeon
Mr. Gahagan First Surgeon
Mr. Lord Senior Assistant — absent on leave
Mr. Harris Second Assistant

absent on leave

at Masulipatam

Mr.

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Mr. Turing Head Surgeon
Mr. Weston First Surgeon
Mr. Miller Senior Assistant
Mr. Kincaid Second Assistant

Regimental Duty

1st Regt. Europeans { Mr. Howel Surgeon / Mr. Fowke Moore Assistant
2d Do Do { Mr. Fergusson Surgeon / Mr. Macmahon Assistant
3d Do Do { Mr. Rolle Surgeon — at the sea Coast for the recovery of his Health / Mr. Brae Assistant — Sick at Bengall
4th Do Do { Mr. Ruddiman Surgeon / Mr. Fergusson Assistant
1st Battalion Artillery { Mr. Anderson Surgeon / Mr. Corbet Assistant
2d Do Do { Mr. Watson Surgeon / Mr. Baird Assistant

Garrison Duty

Palamcottah no Surgeon — Mr. Laird Assistant
Madura Mr. Blackadder — Sick Mr. Reid Assistant
Chengleput Mr. Gillespie with leave to proceed to Europe for his Health

For Chiefships

Ganjam { Mr. Binny / Mr. Sewright Assistant
Vizagapatam { Mr. Ferriker / Mr. Charles Ogilvie Assistant
Cuddalore { Mr. Simones

Assistants Stationed at Residencies

Tanjore Mr. Stuart
Nagapatam Mr. Georg Ogilvie
Nagore Mr. Walker
Ingeram Mr. Bowie

With

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With Regiments

1st Regiment of Cavalry Mr. Ramsay
2d Do Do Mr. Campbell
3d Do Do Mr. English
4th Do Do Mr. Gifford

Fort St. George Medical Godown

Mr. Bulman Apothecary
Mr. Vangham Assistants

Total Stationed agreeable to the above arrangement

Surgeon General	Chief Surgeon	Head Surgeon	Brevet Surgeon	Assistant Surgeon	Garrison Surgeon	Chief Hospital Surgeon	Brevet Surgeon	Apothecary	Assistant Surgeon	Total
1	1	4	4	6	2	3	1	1	27	50

Not included in the above

Mr. Rain Black Town by appointment of Government
Mr. Gordon Do Do by permission of Do
Mr. Rorborough Samulcottah by appointment of Do
Mr. Richardson Asha till Assistant can be procured to the Sepoy Corps

Brevet Surgeon { Mr. Mein Wallajabad
Mr. George Anderson Engle
Mr. Alexander Anderson Committee of Circuit

On leave to Europe

Mr. Simpson & Mr. Briggs

NB Of the Assistants 16 be Hospital Mates

Total on the Establishment

Surgeon General	Chief Surgeon	Head Surgeon	Brevet Surgeon	Assistant Surgeon	Garrison Surgeon	Chief Hospital Surgeon	Brevet Surgeon	Apothecary	Assistant Surgeon	Hospital Mates	Assistant Mates	Total
1	1	4	4	6	2	3	1	1	2	7	16	11	59

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(Signed) James Anderson M.D.P.G.
C. S. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Extd.

Fort St. George 7th. February 1787

Extract of a General Order dated 7th. February 1787

Mr. Fleeming assistant Surgeon, to rank from the 6th. November last, and to Do duty at the General Hospital at the Presidency.

A true Extract.

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sy.

A true Copy

Signed Andw. Berry Secy.

Military

Fort St. George 11th February 1787

Military Department

To Docter James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the Governor in Council, to send you under a flying Seal for your Information, the accompanying Letter to Mr. Anderson, which after Perusal, you will be pleased to forward to him.

Fort St. Geore
11th February 1787

I am,
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

A true Copy
(Signed) W C Jackson
D Secy

Military

Fort St. George 11th February 1787

Military Department

To Mr. George Anderson
Brevet Surgeon
at
Ongole,

Sir,

I am directed by the Honble Governor in Council to inform you, that in Consideration of your exertions in encouraging the Manufactions of this Country in the District of Ongole Government have consented to your being fixed at the above Station, and have advised the Hospital Board accordingly.

Fort St. George
11th February 1787

I am,
Sir,
Your Most Obedt. Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

A true Copy
(Signed) W C Jackson
D Secy

To

Fort St. George 15th February 1797

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General &c. Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Hon'ble the Governor in Council, to send you the Enclosed Extract from the Minutes of Consultations 11th Instant, and to desire you will make an arrangement by which Mr. Ruddiman may be Stationed at the Presidency.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

Fort St. George
15th February 1797.

A true Copy
(Signed) M. C. Jackson
D.S.

Extract

Fort St. George 15th February 1797

Extract from the Records of the Military Consultations 11th February 1797.

The President informs the Board that the Nabob has intimated his wish to him that Mr. Ruddiman Surgeon to the 5th Battalion of Infantry may be Stationed at the Presidency His Highness made this declaration from his desire of availing himself of Mr. Ruddimans professional abilities, on this account the Nabob further requested that Mr. Ruddiman might be allowed to attend His Highness Persons & Family.

Agreed that Mr. Ruddiman be permitted to attend His Highness the Nabob, and that intimation of this resolution be given to the Hospital Board in Order to enable them to make an Arrangement by which Mr. Ruddiman may be stationed at the Presidency.

A true Extract
(Signed) M. C. Jackson D.S.G.

A true Copy
Signed And. Berry Secy

Fort St. George 17th February 1787

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &ca Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 17th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient and
very humble Servants

(Signed) James Anderson P. General
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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February 17th 1787

Hospital

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Hospital Board
February 17th 1787

Read a letter from Mr. Drummond Surgeon, stating that as His Majesty's 52d Regiment is to move in a Short time from Arcot he wishes to know if there is any allowance from the Honble Company for conveying the Regimental Medicines.

The Hospital Board direct their Secretary to desire Mr. Drummond to Transmit to Mr. Bulman without delay an account of what number of Coolies will be necessary for carrying these Stores, that he may lay the same before this Board for their approval.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. Horseman Surgeon to His Majesty's 71st Regiment complaining that his receipt for the Medicines as well as his original Indent is detained by the Apothecary, when perhaps not

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half complied with, also wether the Apothecary ought not to comply with the Indents as approved of by the Hospital Board.

Ordered the Secretary to write Mr. Horseman, that the Apothecary will be directed to affix to the different Articles, the quantity he can supply, or what he has not in store before he transmits to them any Indent for their Signature, by which all future Complaints of this kind will be obviated.

Approved

Received an Indent for 150 Cotts for His Majestys 71st Regt. under marching Orders to Walajaabaad.

As the Sick of this Regiment are at present in the General Hospital here and making use of those Stores, which will be required on the arrival of the Ships from Europe, the Board have ordered Mr. Garrow to supply them without delay.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. Fergusson

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Fergusson Assistant Surgeon, who was lately removed from the 2d Regiment of Cavalry at Arcot to the 4th Regiment of Europeans requesting to know if he will be allowed the Sum of Pagodas 50 as is granted to the Cavalry Officers for a Quarter he had built there.

To have the allowance granted to Subalterns provided the Quarter is given up to the Barrack Master and is deemed Sufficient.

The Hospital Board are of Opinion Mr. Fergusson should be allowed that Sum provided the Quarters are sufficient.

Read a letter from Mr. Chamier under date the 11th Instant and forwarded the Letter which was therein inclosed to Mr. George Anderson at Ongole agreeable to the orders of Government.

The Hospital Board beg leave to recommend to Government Mr. Alexr. Boiswel and Mr. John Bannantine as Assistant Surgeons on this Establishment, and hope the Honble Governor & Council will be pleased to grant them that appointment.

Read a Letter from Mr. Chamier

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Chamier inclosing an Extract from the Minutes of Consultations relative to His Highness the Nabob having solicited Government to allow Mr. Ruddiman Surgeon of the 4th Regiment to remain at the Presidency to attend His Highness and Family.

The Hospital Board

As there are Supernumerary Surgeons on this Establishment recommend therefore that Mr Alexr no appointment of full Surgeon Mein Barret Surgeon be promoted to the Rank of Surgeon, and appointed to do Duty with that Regiment and that Mr. Lepper Hospital Mate be Detached to relieve Mr. Mein at the Cantonment of Wallajabad.

Signed J. Andw Berry Secretary

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dpy

a true Copy
Signed Andw Berry Secy

Fort St. Geo.

Fort St. George 6th March 1787

Fort St. George 6th March 1787

G.O

Mr. Theodore Isac Tanner appointed to pay the Garrison of Permacoil. Vice Mr. Barlow resigned.

Mr. John Inglish Assistant Surgeon, to do Duty with the third Regiment of Cavalry. Mr. Alexander Boswell & Mr John Bannantine appointed Assistant Surgeons on this Establishment.

By Order of the Honble President in Council.
(Signed) John Chamier Secy.

A true Copy
(Signed) W C Jackson Dpy

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw Berry Secy

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Fort St. George 9th March 1787

To the Honble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs.

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 9th Instant, and we are with greatest Respect,

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient and
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.General
Colley L. Lucas C.S
Thomas Davis H.S

Fort St. George
March 9th 1787.

Hospl.

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Hospital Board
March 9th 1787.

The Honorable Governor in Council having been pleased to disapprove the Hospital Boards recommendation in their last proceedings of the Eldest Bengal Surgeon to supply Mr. Reddimans Vacancy in the 4th Regiment, and that upon the Grounds of there being Supernumerary Surgeons

The Hospital Board by their adverting to Proceedings under Date May 15th 1786 perceive that Government consider the First Surgeons to General Hospitals as Supernumerary, having been constituted with a View of accomodating them to the Service and to be in Readiness for any Emergency.

As there are three Vacancies therefore for Surgeons at present. viz. the fourth Regiment and the Garrisons of Chingleput & Palamcotta.

To lie on the Table for Consideration

The Hospital Board recommend the Surgeons to be stationed agreeable to their

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their Seniority and the order of Succession in the Service as follows.—

Mr. Patrick Pringle to the 2d. Regiment of Europeans.—

Mr. George Binny to the 4th. Do.

Mr. Nicol Mein to the 4th. Do.

Mr. Terence Gahagan to the 3d. Do.

Mr. Weston to the 1st. Battalion of Artillery

Mr. Ferguson to the 2d. Do.

Mr. Ferrier to the Garrison of Madura

Mr. Howel to that of Palamcottah

Mr. Adderton to Chingleput

Mr. Richardson to the Chiefship of Vizagapatam.—

Mr. Watson to Ganjam and

Mr. Blackadder to Cuddalore

In the above Arrangements the Hospital Board beg leave to observe that the only Surgeons not now stationed either by order of Government or agreeable to the present System are Mr. Rollo on account of a bad state of health and Mr. Simmes Supernumerary.—

Read.

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Read a Letter from Mr. Mallet late Surgeon at Condapilly which the Hospital Board have thought proper to return to him again in consequence of the information of Government under date the 30th. January, that he had been dismissed the Service by the Sentence of a General Court Martial, and therefore have directed their Secretary to write him he can have no claim on the Hospital Board.—

Read a Letter from Mr. Horseman stating a necessity of purchasing some Drugs which he urges, he could not be supplied with from the Store, although the use of them was absolutely necessary and as this is a circumstance that operates diametrically opposite to General Orders The Board have directed their Secretary to requaint him therewith, the Regiment however being under marching orders, they have ordered him to be reimbursed by the Apothecary of which they hope Government will not disapprove.—

Approved

Agreed

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Agreed to Direct the Secretary to transmitt copies of Doctor Russells first Fasciculus of 50 Plants to the Head Surgeons of the different Hospitals for the purpose of gaining useful information respecting them and of ascertaining of their Physical properties.

The Hospital Board having repeatedly called upon the Perveyor for a Statement of his Disbursements as well as a General Return of Cloathing issued since the Institution of this Board, are sorry to remark that it has not as yet been in their power to forward the same to Government. Although they were highly solicitous it should have accompanied the General Return of Sick transmitted to the Hon'ble Board on the 5th Ultimo.

The Perveyor to be written to on the subject, enjoyed a strict compliance with the request of the Hospital Board.

The Hospital Board recommend that Mr. Bonnantine Assistant Surgeon proceed immediately to Trichinopoly and there receive orders from Mr. Whyte.

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

(Signed) H. C. Jackson Secy

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secy

Fort St. George 16th April 1787

To The Hon'ble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B. Governor in Council Commander in Chief &c. Council.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 16th Instant, and are with greatest Respect.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient and Very humble Servants

(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl.
Colley L. Lucas C. S.
Thomas Davis H. S.

Fort St. George
16th April 1787.

Hospital

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Hospital Board

April 16th 1807.

Read a Letter from the Purveyor General under date 26th ult. accompanied by such Returns, as he says he has been able to Collect, which we have the honor to lay before the Honble President in Council.

The Purveyor at the same time informs this Board that from the indisposition of the Gentlemen at the out Garrisons who have done him the favour to act for him, he is not able to send the Returns of his Department compleat.

This Apology from the Purveyor General has been extorted in consequence of our Representation to Government on our last Proceedings by which the Members of this Board were not only to exculpate themselves from so great a defect in the Returns of this Department but also to point out that

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unless the Garrison obeys the Orders of the Board in their full extent and not the Request as particularized in the Remark upon the face of their last Proceedings it will be impossible that we can at all times answer the expectations of Government in forwarding the Returns of their Department in due time.

Read a Letter from Mr. Horsman Surgeon 1st Regiment Dated 20th March which we also lay before the Honble President in Council.

The Hospital Board have directed their Secretary in reply to Remark, that General Orders issued on July 26 1806 are sufficiently pointed out the proper mode for obtaining such Refreshment as are not in the Public Store by applying to them for permission to purchase them.

Read a Letter from Mr. Robert Irving Head Surgeon Masulipatam

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of General Orders it is expected he should as Head Surgeon to the General Hospital at Masulipatam Visit and inspect the Hospitals Subordinate to his Station. We have directed our Secretary to reply to him that when we deem it expedient for him to do so, he shall have proper notification from us.

Mr Turing also informs us of Doolies which he has constructed on an eligible Plan for the better conveniency of transporting Sick and Wounded, a Model of which we have directed our Secretary to desire him to transmit for our inspection and approval.

Signed Andw Berry Secy

Military

Fort St George 18th April 1787

Military Department

To Dr James Anderson
Physician General
& to the Members of the Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter & Proceedings of the 16th Instant and to inform you that the same have been approved.

With respect to that part of your Proceedings of the 9th March which relate to the Stationing of the Surgeons, I am directed to signify to you the Opinion of the Honble the Governor in Council, that the publick Service as well as the convenience of individual would be materially affected by a general removal of the Surgeons, who have long been Stationed at Subordinate Settlements &ca.

In Order however to determine with precision to what extent your recommendation may be adopted, Government desire you will lay before them a correct List, specifying the Seniority and present Stations of the Surgeons, with the proposed removals subjoined.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servt
(Signed) John Chamier Secy
Milit

Fort St George
16th April 1787

Fort St. George 25th April 1787

Military Department

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed to return a Copy of your Proceedings of the 25th Ultimo, with the Resolutions of Governments thereupon.

I am further commanded to desire you will make the necessary alterations in your proposed arrangements of Surgeons, in consequence of Messrs. Binny Ferrier, Adderton & Ferguson, being permitted to remain in their present Stations.

Inclose Copy of a General Order this day issued & am

Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedt. Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier Jun.

To The Honble. Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Commander in Chief
&ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 25th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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Hospital Board
April 25th 1787

Read a letter from the Military Secretary under date the 12th Instant conveying the Orders of Government that this board should lay before them a correct List, Specifying the Seniority and present Stations of the Surgeons with the proposed removals subjoined.

The Council are well Satisfied with the Justice and Impartiality of the Hospital Board in their last Arrangement of Surgeons according to their Seniority, and are persuaded that the same laudable Motives will inspire them to preserve the like regular Order of Promotion on every future Occasion.

There was an Original Error in the Proceedings of the Hospital Board, in calling Messrs. Pringle Mein Gahagan, and Weston Supernumerary Surgeons, because Messrs. Gillespie Blackadder Simons & Rudeman as the youngest Surgeons, ought in fact

The Hospital Board beg leave to Express their Satisfaction at thus having an Opportunity of explaining their motives for the removals which were recommended in their proceedings of the 9th March because whenever in support of Seniority a Surgeon is put to the inconvenience of moving from North to South, or indeed from an Eligible station to one that may be the Revers, the Members of the Hospital Board feel a repugnance in recommending the measure, but then on the other hand when there

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fact to have been the Supernumeraries of that Rank.

Had the Hospital Board given in a List of the Surgeons according to Seniority, specifying the Date of their respective appointments, this Error would have been early discovered, and the 2d Class of Rank specified in the Orders of the 30th of May, would not have been obtruded on the Establishment. That Class being now abolished it must henceforth be recorded, that the Coast Medical Establishment shall only consist of 4 Class in the following Order.

1st Class to comprehend the Hospital Board.

2d Do. Head Surgeons to Hospitals

3d Do. Surgeons to Regiments Garrisons & Chiefships

4th Do. Mates to Hospitals Regts. and Residencies

The Governor & Council conceive that the List of Surgeons given on the 25th Ultimo is agreeable to their Seniority in the Service but as there are no Dates specifying their appointment

Order are so clear and distinct from Government respecting promotion in the Medical line, it is almost impossible they can err, whilst the Right of the Individual is their object in view and Impartiality their guide.

In their general Instructions under date 14th April 1786 they are directed, that the promotion of Surgeons to a Hospital shall be from Regiments, and by the General Orders of the 30th May the rank of the Medical Gentlemen is particularly classed as pr. annexed Paper No. 1. and conformably to this Idea the Surgeons were arranged agreeably of their Seniority on the 17th June as will more fully appear by Paper No. 2 annexed, but when by the departure of Messrs. Simpson, Gillespie, and Briggs on leave to Europe and Mr. Ruddiman had obtained permission from Government to attend his Highness the Nabob Mr. Gordon also who had been stationed at Palamcottah being likewise permitted to reside in Black

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Surgeons, and as the want of such specific Documents is necessary for the Information of Government the Hospital Board is directed to give in such a List without Loss of time.

Mr. Binny having had the Permission of the Governor & Council to remain at Ganjam till further Orders, as has also Mr. Ferrier at Vizagapatam, Mr. Adderton to remain with the 2d Battalion of Artillery at the Mount, and Mr. Fergusson with the 2d Regt. at Ellore. The Hospital Board will be pleased to arrange the same accordingly observing at the same time that the Permission granted to these Gentlemen in this Respect, is not to Superside the Right of their Seniors to Hospitals, should Vacancies in that Line occur.

Black Town The 4th Regiment of Infantry, Palamcottah and Chingleput became Vacancies, which required to be filled.

The Hospital Board at that time had no other resource than recommending Mr. Alexander Mein to be promoted from a Brevet, and to do Duty with the 4th Regiment about to March; but when Government disapproved making a full Surgeon whilst it was urged there were Supernumeraries upon the List, and as the 3d Class, or First Surgeons to Hospitals were proposed by the Hospital Board, and approved because it will dispose of 4 Supernumerary Surgeons with advantage to the Service otherwise it would have been inadmissable, as it is contrary to the Orders of the Honble Court of Directors, and as they were not originally classed by Government, it became self evident that these were the Supernumeraries alluded to, and therefore it was resolved to recommend that

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that First Surgeons to Hospitals might be abolished, and from this Idea that as they were created in consequence of the recommendation of the Hospital Board to accommodate the Service at one Period, so at another, when their Utility did not appear — conspicuous to Government the Hospital Board thought it their duty to recommend that they should be done away; and thus originated the removals in the Proceedings of the 9th Ultimo.

By a comparative View of the List of Surgeons with the classes as enacted by Government in General Orders of the 30th May, & conformably to the intentions of the Honble Court of Directors as communicated to this Board, in their first Instructions, they trust it will be found, that they have acted cautiously & uniformly for the good of the Service, and that they have not recommended Gentlemen to be removed to great distancies, wantonly, but only in such cases where

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where the right of the Individual was to be supported by placing him in that Class & Station, to which he properly belonged & through which agreeably to the Tenor of our Instructions, his advancement in the line of his Profession must be established.

This premised, the Hospital Board have now the honor to subjoin the late proposed removals with their Remarks, or rather the Reasons, which operated with them in suggesting the expediency of each respective Surgeons Removal.

Upon the Idea then that First Surgeons to Hospitals were abolished, Regimental Surgeons are the first of the 3d Class for Promotion. Mr. Pringle therefore who is the first for a General Hospital, Mr. Binny who is Second Mr. Mean Do. Third, Mr. Gahagan Do. fourth, Mr. Weston Do. fifth Mr. Ferguson Do. Sixth are stationed to the Sixth Regiments of Artillery and Infantry with as nice an attention to the convenience of the Individual, as they could suggest + Mr.

+ Excepting that it would occasion less removal to appoint Mr. Pringle to the Second Battalion of Artillery & leave Mr. Ferguson in his present Station with the second Regiment of Infantry. —

(Signed) Jas. Anderson

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Mr. Turner who was out of his Rank in a Chiefship to a Garrison

Mr. Howel who had a Regiment before the First Surgeons to Hospitals became Abolished to a Garrison

Mr. Adderton Do. Do

Mr. Richardson who had no fixed Station, but was doing Duty occasionally at Arcot to a Chiefship

Mr. Watson who lost his Regiment, as Mr Howel and Mr Adderton, to a Chiefship and Mr Blackadder who was out of his proper Station at Madura to the Chiefship of Cuddalore; in the Room of Mr Simmons; whose age Infirmity, and growing Blindness, induced the Hospital Board to recommend him as an Invalid.

The Hospital Board having thus represented the proper Stations of the respective Surgeons according to their Seniority, conceived they had done their Duty by recommending the Removals to Government who alone have the Power to approve or disapprove.

Read

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Read a Letter from Mr. Duffin requesting leave for Mr. Ingles Assistant Surgeon with the Cavalry at Arcot to visit the Presidency on particular business

The Hospital Board recommend the above Request being granted.

Signed Fred. Wm Berry Secy

(Approved)

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Secy

A true Copy

Signed Fred. Wm Berry Secy

To

Fort St. George 1st May 1787

Military Department

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

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Hon'ble the President in Council, to send you the accompanying Copy of your Proceedings of the 1st Instant, with the Observations of Government thereon.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedt. Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier Secy.

Fort St. George
23d May 1787.

To The Hon'ble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Commander in Chief
&c. Council

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 1st Instant, and are with the greatest Respect.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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Hospital Board
May 1st 1787.

Read a Letter from Mr. Buvrette Assistant Surgeon taken at Gingee during the late War companied with Certificates from Officers, who Experienced his humanity and good Services when fellow prisoners with Tippoo Lail, which the Hospital Board have the Honor to forward to Government observing at the same time that Mr. Buvrette though a Capable Assistant & very fit for a Battalion of Sepoys, is not a person they wish to promote to a Surgeon on the Establishment.

Taking into consideration the Claims of the respective Surgeons for off Reckonings agreeably to the Orders of the 11th of August 1786

It appears that Mr. Pringle, Mr. Binny, Mr. Mallet (untill the 30th of January when he forfeited the Service by the Sentence of a Court Martial)

Mr.

The Report of the Hospital Board respecting the Situation of Mr. Buvrette will shortly be taken into Consideration.

An Allowance equal to Off Reckonings will be paid to the Surgeons recommended by the Hospital Board provided they bear a proportion to the member Captains of European Infantry receiving

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receiving it That is — Should there be 100 Captains and 10 Surgeons — and 10 of the former receive Off Reckonings — then one of the Letter will be entitled to a Similar allowance, to be paid in the same manner, and at the same Period —

Mr. Mein, Mr. Gahagan Mr. Weston and Mr. Ferguson are the seven Gentlemen to whom the Hospital Board are to grant Certificates, and also to Mr. Terrier from the 30th of January when Mr. Mallets dismission from the Service was announced in General Orders —

The Hospital Board have thought proper to report to Government the names of the Gentlemen who clearly stand entitled to Off reckonings by virtue of the General Orders before quoted —

They however esteem it their Duty to forward to Government two Letters from Mr. Raine and Mr. Gordon who have thrown in their Claims to Off reckonings, but the Letter of the General Order excludes them altogether, whatever the Spirit of it under the benevolent Influence of Government may extend to —

Read a Letter from Mr. Bulman

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Bulman stating that a Number of Europe Medicines not at present in the Honble Companys Stores and which are wanted for the Service may be procured in the Black Town —

The Hospital Board wish as much as possible to avoid giving their Sanction for the purchase of such Articles at all times, but as it appears the Service cannot be carried on without some few that are not at present in the Store —

They have directed Mr. Bulman to procure such Medicines as are indispensable —

Approved

They disapprove the Apothecarys purchasing Clarett to substitue in the Room of Port Wine, and therefore have directed that Madeira alone shall be supplied untill Port can be got —

Approved

(Signed) Andw. Berry Jun.r

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council —

(Signed W.C. Jackson Dy.

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The Honble the President in Council is pleased to direct, all Surgeons and Surgeons Mates under this Presidency to send to the Hospital Board, the Dates of their admission into the Service, and of their obtaining the rank of Surgeon on this Establishment that the same may be compared with the Records of Government, after which Regular Commissions will be sent to them from the Secretaryes Office.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Copy

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Secy

A true Copy

(Signed) A.B. Secry

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Military Department

To Dr James Anderson

Physician General

& to the Members of the

Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

Understanding that you have not been furnished with the Resolution of Government respecting the Commission allowed to Mr Bedman I beg leave to enclose an Extract from the Minutes of Consultations on the Subject.

I am

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient Servt

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

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A true Copy

(Signed) A.B. Secry

Extracts

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Extracts from the Minutes of Consultations
Dated 25th July 1786.

In consideration of the extraordinary labor attendant on the duties of Mr. Bulmans' office, and the attention, which he has uniformly paid to it is agreed that he be permitted to charge 15 p. Cent upon the past Disbursements, and to continue this Commission upon future Disbursements, exclusive of his present fixed Pay.

A true Extract
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

A true Copy
(Signed) W C Jackson
Dep. Secy

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To The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Commander in Chief
&c. Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 21st Instant, and are with greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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Hospital

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Hospital Board

May 25th 1787

The Hon'ble President and Council having resolved to abolish the Class of First Surgeons to Hospitals, and to station Mr. Binny at Ganjam, Mr. Ferrier at Vizagapatam, Mr. Ferguson with the 2d Regiment at Ellore, and Mr. Addison with the 1st Battalion of Artillery at the Mount.

The Hospital Board in conformity to the Orders of Government proceed to fill up the present Vacancies and accordingly recommend that.

Mr. Pringle be appointed to the 4th Regiment vice Mr. Ruddiman permitted to attend His Highness the Nabob and Family.

Mr. Mein to the 1st Regiment vice Mr. Howel recommended to Palamcottah.

Mr. Gahagan to the 3d Regt. vice Mr. Rollo to Cuddalore.

Mr.

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Mr. Weston to Chingleput vice Mr. Gillespie gone to Europe;

Approved

Mr. Howel to Palamcottah vice Mr. Briggs permitted to go to Europe.

Mr. Rollo to Cuddalore vice Mr. Simones recommended to be invalided in the Proceedings of the 23d Ultimo.

The Hospital Board recommend also that the Assistant Surgeon at present without any particular appointment be stationed as follows, where Medical Assistance with Sepoy Battalions appears most wanted.

Mr. Reid, relieved by the Return of Mr. Blackadder to Madura, to the 7th Battalion at Shivilypatore.

Approved

Mr. Bannantine to the 6th Battalion at Seryngham, as being at a distance from the Fort of Trichinopoly, and the river frequently impassable.

and Mr. Boisiwel to the 27th Battn. at Condapillie.

Countersigned

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Countersigned the Apothecarys Charges for April, being Pagodas 1596. 32. 15 for Medicines and Pagodas 239. 21. as his Commissions of 15 pr Cent on the above, in all Pags 1836. 11. 15.

The Hospital Board in answer to the Surveyors letter of the 18th Ultimo, have directed him to have always in readiness 150 Cotts and Cloathing for the use of each of the General Hospitals of Vellore Trichinopoly and Masulipatam, 50 Ds for his Majesty's 19th Regiment of Dragoons and 150 Ds for His Majesty's 71st Regiment, agreeable to the average Number of their Sick.

Read a Letter from Mr Watson Surgeon to the 2d Battalion of Artillery respecting the claims to Off Reckonings.

The Report of the Military Board dated the 18th Instant, and Confirmed by Government has settled this point.

Mr Watson's letter although it is penned with Fervor yet Speaks of Facts, some of which the Hospital Board cannot but admit, and therefore have resolved to forward it to the Honble

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Honble President and Council remarking at the same time that when the Surgeons upon the Establishment were recommended to Off Reckonings as per Proceedings of the 24th and 25th July 1786, this Board was fully impressed with a sence of the Hardships Gentlemen, without Off Reckonings and only 50 Pags per mensem would labour under Surgeons many of whom had served with reputation during late arduous war with Hyder ally, and had been in charge of Brigades, whilst some of the present Surgeons to His Majesty's Regiments were only Mates, and who now not only draw Off Reckonings, but are in the enjoyment of great many advantages the Honble Company's Surgeons are Strangers to.

The Advantages should be pointed out. Such an Act of Public Service, whilst it would equalize the Paymight lead to Improvements in the Medical Establishment.

The Honble Board also were pleased to remark upon the face of those Proceedings that Allowance equal to Off Reckonings will

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This Order was erroneous, and not conformable to the Meaning of Government.

will be given to the "Surgeons (not Supernumerary in "proportions similiar to those enjoyed "by the Captains of Infantry, that is "a certain number of Surgeons will "receive to the Amount of 500 Pagodas, "and the remaining consisting of "the youngest will not be entitled to "any more than the Pay and Gratuity of a "Captain.

Read a letter from Mr. Whyte enclosing an application from Mr. Howel for leave to visit the Presidency on particular Business.

Approved

As Mr. Laird assistant Surgeon is at present doing Duty at Palamcottah, to which Station the Hospital Board have recommended Mr. Howel, they hope his request will be granted.

Inclosed the Hospital Board have the honor of forwarding to Government

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Government a General Return of the Sick on the Coast for the Months of January February and March 1787.

(Signed) Andw. Berry Secry

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Copy

(Signed) A.B. Secry

Abstract

Abstract of the Number of Sick in the Hospitals during the Months of January February & March 1797 taken from the Returns of the Head Surgeons

		Scurvy	Scorbutic Dysentery	Flux	Diarrhœa	Fever	Obstructions	Dropsy	Venereal	Rheumatism	Gout	Epilepsy	Consumption	Cynanche	Erysipelas	Cynanche Maligna	Cynanche Parotidea	Scirrhus	Cancer	Ulcers	Wounds	Contusions	Fractures	Dislocations	Burns	Scalds	Frost Bites	Sore Eyes	Sore Heads	Itch	Lues Venerea	Remitting Fever	Intermitting Fever	Typhus	Total Remaining	Total Cured	Total Died	Total Invalided	Total Deserted	Total Rejoined	Total Discharged
January	Mr Davis	24	"	"	12	7	22	7	7	"	27	7	"	2	"	3	"	"	"	1	"	4	"	2	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	169	135	44	60	1	148	"
	Mr Whyte	"	116	"	27	15	72	30	"	2	74	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	28	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	17	"	"	8	3	"	22	463	159	304	268	3	192	135
	Mr Duffin	"	26	"	27	3	7	"	1	"	22	"	3	2	"	"	"	4	"	5	"	"	2	"	2	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	22	142	103	39	39	2	111	61
	Mr Turing	12	10	13	35	35	"	9	5	2	77	4	4	1	9	"	1	"	"	2	11	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	12	"	6	4	"	17	279	131	98	77	2	106	21
																																					Total						1052	668	485	360	6	637	166
Feby	Mr Davis	22	"	"	18	7	39	6	12	"	19	3	"	10	"	2	"	"	"	2	"	3	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	14	2	"	10	186	158	38	70	5	111	"
	Mr Whyte	"	150	"	25	17	22	"	31	2	36	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	33	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	20	"	38	6	1	"	46	428	192	236	300	1	147	65
	Mr Duffin	"	10	"	33	15	"	"	2	"	23	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	6	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	10	"	"	3	"	35	166	111	47	38	"	120	56
	Mr Turing	"	27	14	24	40	1	11	6	1	70	4	3	3	1	"	1	"	"	6	14	"	1	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	3	"	"	2	"	14	357	137	120	137	11	159	110
																																					Total						1057	637	420	437	11	659	110
March	Mr Davis	38	"	"	9	8	24	4	6	"	22	2	"	7	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	13	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	11	1	"	4	141	111	30	26	5	108	"
	Mr Whyte	"	78	"	24	28	70	"	32	1	36	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	6	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	30	"	37	5	3	"	72	435	147	293	299	5	141	34
	Mr Duffin	"	44	"	27	16	"	"	7	"	30	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	1	"	7	"	43	2	"	39	199	120	179	118	"	156	78
	Mr Turing	"	16	27	27	42	"	10	7	1	80	4	4	1	1	"	2	"	1	9	21	"	1	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2	"	"	3	3	"	3	"	"	"	14	1	10	7	"	23	335	131	144	110	4	211	14
																																					Total						1180	559	546	473	14	500	126
																																					Grand Total						3210	"	1446	1273	33	"	"

Abstract of the Number of Sick of His Majestys Regiment in Hospital not included in the above for the Months of January February & March 1797 Taken from the Returns of the Regimental Surgeons.

	1st Hanoverian Regiment	15th Hanoverian Regiment	36th Regiment	52nd Regiment	71st Regt	72nd Regt	Total
January	60	56	34	92	159	120	541
February	50	36	30	70	136	25	407
March	68	57	36	72	90	88	411

A true Copy

(Signed) And.w Barry Surg.n

(Signed) Jas. Anderson P. Genl
Colby L. Lucas Surgeon
Tho.s Davis Surgeon

Stock

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G. O.

The Honorable the President in Council is pleased to direct that the following Arrangement for the Stations of Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons do immediately take place.

Mr. Pringle to do Duty with the 4th Regiment
Vice Ruddiman

Mr. Mein Do. the 1st Do.
Vice Howel

Mr. Gahagan Do. the 3 Do.
Vice Rollo

Mr. Weston appointed to Chingepert
Vice Gillespie gone to Europe

Mr. Howel Do. to Palamcottah
Vice Briggs to go home

Mr. Rollo Do. to Cuddalore
Vice Simones to be invalided.

Mr. Reid, Assistant to do Duty with the 7th Battalion at Shivilepatore.

Mr. Bannantine to do Duty with the 6th Battalion at Seryngham.

and Mr. Boiswell to do Duty with the 27th Battalion at Condapillee.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) John Chamier Secy
a true Copy (Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Sy

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Fort St. George 26th May 1787

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to send you the enclosed Extract from the Company's General Letter to this Presidency dated 22d December 1786 and to desire your strict attention to the Injunctions of the Honble the Court of Directors contained therein.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedt. Servt
(Signed) Robert Clerk Dy Sy

Fort St. George
26th May 1787

Extract

Fort St. George 26th May 1787

Extract of General Letter from England Dated 22d December 1786.

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Mr. Ruspine having presented us a Pamphlet on Virtues of the Styptic Solution with a request that some of it might be sent to the East Indies we have determined to send five small Bottles to Fort St. George on each of the Ships Houghton, and Glatton, by way of Experiment with printed Case and Instructions for the use of it: you will therefore give the most positive Injunctions to your Surgeons to allow this Styptic a fair Trial, in order to determine on its efficacy in those Cases, where it appears to have been so much extolled and direct them to send to you the result of their Proceedings with their Opinion thereon: which you are to transmit to us properly Authenticated Number in the Pakets that we may be enabled to judge of the beneficial Consequences to be expected from the use of this Styptic, and how far it may be proper to give suitable encouragement to the Inventor, by sending annually such supplies of it to our different Settlements as may be found necessary.

A true Extract
Robert Clerk Dy Sy

A true Copy
(Signed) A.B. Jury

Military

Fort St. George 30th May 1787

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
& to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council, to enclose under a flying Seal, a Letter to the Head Surgeon of the General Hospital, which you will be pleased, after perusal to Deliver to him.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

Fort St. George
30th May 1787.

A true Copy
(Signed) A.B. Jury

* the Correspondence [illegible]

To

Fort St. George 31st. May 1797

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Hon'ble the President in Council to enclose to you Copy of a Letter from the Right Hon'ble the Governor General in Council, and to inform you, that the Gentlemen mentioned therein, being arrived at this Presidency, are to be examined by you, and to be admitted on the Establishment, if found qualified.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obed. Serv.
(Signed) John Chamier Secy.

Fort St. George
31st. May 1797.

A true Copy
Signed A. Berry Secy.

Pub. Dept.

Fort St. George 31st. May 1797

The Honorable Sir. Archibald Campbell K.B.
President &c. Council
&
Fort St. George

Gentlemen,

The Royal and Intelligence Packets having been sped off on their arrival at this place, Mr. John Duncan, and Mr. Cameron, Surgeons of those Vessels, become out of Employ, and as you have made an application to us for Gentlemen of their Profession, we beg leave to recommend it to your consideration to appoint them Assistant Surgeons upon your establishment.

We have the Honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obed.
humble Servants

Fort William
the 21st. February 1797

(Signed) Cornwallis
Chas. Stuart
J. Shore

A true Copy
Signed W.C. Jackson Secy.

A true Copy
Signed A. B. Secy.

Military

Fort St. George 4th June 1787

Military Department

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General
& to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the Governor in Council to send you the enclosed Copy of your Proceedings of the 14th Instant with his Remarks thereon, Also Copy of a General Order issued in Consequence —

I am
Gentlemen
Your Most Obedt. Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

Fort St. George
10th June 1787 —

To The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. Council —

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 4th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect —

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.Genl
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thos. Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
4th June 1787 —

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Fort St. George 4th June 1787 —

Hospital Board
June 11th 1787 —

The Hospital Board have the honor to transmit to the Honble Governor in Council the answer of Mr. Davis Head Surgeon, to the letter and Inclosures from Government under date May 30th which they forwarded to him after perusal —

The Board having examined Mr. James Cameron and Mr. John Duncan Surgeons of the Royal and Intelligence Pakets agreeable to the orders of Government May 30th are happy to find them well qualified in their profession and therefore recommend them to the Honble Board as Assistant Surgeons on the Establishment to do Duty the first with the 15th Battalion at Amboor and the other with the 4th Battalion of Sepoys at Wallajabad —

Approved

Read a Letter from Mr. Vaughan Assistant at the Medicine Godown, which the Board beg leave to forward to Government —

Mr. Vaughan's attentions and assiduity give him a just claim to his request being complied with —

Mr. Davis Head Surgeon informs this Board, that as the Hannoverian

Sick

Fort St. George 4th June 1787.

Already ordered

Sick occupy on half of the Hospital there is not room for the Recruits that are daily expected, and therefore recommends that the Shed at the General Hospital be put in immediate repair for their accommodations.

The Hospital Board beg leave to represent to Government the great utility of this Shed and the necessity of its having through repair as it is capable of accommodating two hundred Sick in addition to the Hospital.

The Assistant Surgeons at Nagapatam and Nagore having represented to the Physician General some Melancholy Accidents which have lately happened in those Countries from the Bite of Mad Dogs and as the prevalence of these Animals on the Coast subjects the community to hourly danger which may be aggravated considerably by the heat of the present Season, the Hospital Board beg leave to recommend to the Attention of Government whatever mode may be most proper to prevent this evil Spreading farther.

An Order has already been issued for the destructions of all Payer Dogs, and a fanam as a Premium for the dead body of every such Animal as shall be produced to the Fort Major.

Having

Fort St. George 4th June 1787.

Having received from the Purveyor General the accounts of his disbursements from the 1st May to the 31st December last the Hospital Board beg leave to report to Government that the Amount of the whole is Pagodas 17573. 47 ps. 8 c.

Read a letter from Messrs. Ramsay and Campbell Assistant Surgeons with the Native Cavalry at Arcot which this Board have the Honor to forward to Government as those Gentlemen have not been able to draw the Allowance which was granted them on the 17th February last.

A Certificate of the Commanding Officer of the Contonment will answer every purpose.

The Hospital Board also beg leave to forward to Government a Letter from Mr. Burrette Assistant Surgeon.

Signed Andw. Berry Surgn.

Mr. Burrette can have no further Service from this Government and it is the height of effrontery in him to expect arrears of Pay as a Prisoner when it is well ascertained that he immediately entered the Service of the Enemy after his being Captured, and had continued with Tippoo till the hour of his desertion from him. To give Countenance to such acts of treachery to the Flag of the Company would be Hanging out extraordinary emoluments to those who could be the most abandoned in their Principles.

By order of the Honble. the Govr. in Council
Signed John Chamberlain Secy.

A type Copy
J. M. Surgn.

To

Fort St. George 5th June 1787

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

Herewith I have the honor to send you by order of the Governor in Council a Box containing the Styptic mentioned in the Extract of a Letter from the Court of Directors which accompanying my address to you of the 26th Ultimo.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servt
(Signed) Robert Clerk Dy Secry

Fort St. George
5th June 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) A.B. Secry

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Fort St. George 9th June 1786

G.O.

The Honble the President in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. James Cameron and Mr. John Duncan Assistant Surgeons on this Establishment.

Mr. Cameron to do duty with the 15th Battalion of Native Infantry at Amboor

Mr. Duncan to do duty with the 4th Battalion of Native Infantry at Walaujaabad

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Copy

(Signed) W.C. Jackson Dy Sy

A true Copy

Signed A.B. Secry

Military

Fort St. George 6th June 1787

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to enclose an Extract of a Letter lately received from the Honble the Court Directors and to recommend the contents to your particular attention.

I am
Gentlemen
Your most Obedient Servt
[Signed] John Chamier Secy

Fort St. George
6th June 1787

A true Copy
[Signed] A.B. Jury

Extract

Fort St. George 6th June 1787

Extract of a Letter from the Honorable Court of Directors 16th Feby 1787

3 We have sent one Chest of Port Wine, one
"board each Ship carrying eighty Recruits or upwards, and those
"belonging to His Majesty's Regiments serving in India or raised
"for the Company's Service, for the use of the Recruits in case of illness
"in such manner as the Surgeon may recommend, and as it is
"probable that the whole quantity will not be wanted for that
"purpose in the course of the Voyage, the Commanders are to
"account for the expenditure of the Wine, and in case any part
"shall remain the same is to be received into Store for the use
"of our Hospitals".

A true Extract
[Signed] W.C. Jackson Secy

A true Copy
[Signed] A Berry Secy

Extracts

Fort St. George 6th June 1787.

Extracts of a Letter from the Honble the Court of Directors 16th February 1787.

25th "Having received a Letter from Dr. Hawes Secretary to the Humane Society in London, accompanying fifty Tracts of that Society, also two Drugs and Apparatus for the purpose of recovering persons apparently drowned or lost by other causes of Suffocation, We have resolved to divide the said Tracts, Drugs, and Apparatus between your Presidency and that of Bengal, that the Drugs and Apparatus may serve as Patterns for making others — And being highly sensible of the beneficial consequences which the Community has already experienced, and expect to result from so benevolent an institution, and that the laudable views of the Society deserve suitable encouragement, We hereby recommend the said benevolent Institution to your particular notice — A Copy of Dr. Hawes's Letter you will receive herewith."

A true Extract
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Sy

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw Berry
Secretary —

January

Fort St. George 6th June 1787.

January 12th 1787

Thos. Morton Esqr.
Sect to the Honble East India Company

Sir,

I am directed by the Committee of the Humane Society to convey the following Resolution through your hands to the Directors of the Honble East India Company. — Resolved That as numerous fatal accidents happen by Water, as well as by other causes of Suffocation in every part of the Globe including those of Self. Murther; Therefore as the Territories of the East India Company are so extensive, in a Country where Rivers are so abundant, 50 Copies of the Tracts of the Society, in which the several means of Recovery made use of by the Society and its Medical Assistants, be sent to the Secretary of the Honble East India Company, requesting that one Copy may be sent out by Order of the Court of Directors by the Surgeon of each Vessel in the Company's Service, and the Two Drugs and One Apparatus be also sent to be disposed of as the Directors may judge most likely to answer the benevolent purposes of the Society. —

It is further resolved, that Twenty four Tracts be presented for the use of the Directors, requesting the favour of their acceptance. —

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Fort St. George 6th June 1787

The Committee flatters itself that the Directors will so far promote the Views of the Society, as to recommend its design to such of their Presidencies Residencies and Factories, not in the least doubting that such a powerful and respetable recommendations will have the most happy and extensive effects.

I have honor to be Sir with great respect

Your Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) W. Howes

Secy and Regester

Bury Street
St. Mary Axe

If more Tracts are wanted, my orders are to furnish the Company with them.

I must beg leave to add, by way of apology for the Committee, sending only two Drags and One Apparatus, that the Finances of the Society will not allow them to be more Generous.

A true Copy

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Sy

A true Copy

(Signed) Andw. Berry

Secy

Extracts

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Fort St. George 6th June 1787

Extracts of a Letter from the Honble Court of Directors

Dated 16th February 1787

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"Your Medical Indents have been received, and excepting in a very few instances of no great consequence fully complied As Medicines are Articles of considerable expense, we direct that your demands should be regulated by the strictest economy, and not made in larger proportions than your occasions render Absolutely necessary, The Surgeons Instruments sent p Francis were in too bad condition to be repaired.

A true Extract

Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Sy

A true Copy

Signed A. Berry Secy

To

Fort St. George 11th June 1787

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. Council

Honble Sir and Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 11th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt and
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
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The Ditch of the Fortifications as well as the Bed of the adjacent River having become highly putrid, are circumstances that the Hospital Board think it incumbent upon them to recommend to the Attention of Government in the hope that some means may be fallen upon to remedy an Evil so alarming at this hot Season, more especially as the deseases of the Sick from Europe are putrid.

It has been already attended to, and Steps taken in Consequence

Countersigned the Apothecarys Charges for May amounting to Pag.s 715. 24. 63 for Medicines, and Pag.s 107. 13. 27 as his Commission in all Pag.s 822. 32. 10.

Read a Letter from Mr. Riffin inclosing a Request from Mr. Lord Senior Assistant for leave to Visit the Presidency on particular business, and informing this Board, that he has obtained the consent of his Commanding Officer.

Approved

The Hospital Board from the above representation recommend his request to the Honble the Governor in Council.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sec.
a true Copy

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secy.

Military

Fort St. George 12th June 1787

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed to enclose under a flying Seal for your Information, a Letter to the Perveyor General, which you will be pleased to send to him after Perusal.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secry.

Fort St. George
12th June 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secry.

Military

Fort St. George 12th July 1787

Military Department

To Mr. Joseph Garrow
Purveyor General of the Hospital

Sir,

In reply to your Letter of the I am directed by the Board to inform you that in future you are to provide Country Beer, Rice Congee Water, Fire Wood &ca. for the use of the General Hospital, and are to be paid for the same upon the Head Surgeons Countersigning your Bills. For Country Beer at 18 fans. pr. Dozen, for the latter at Pagodas 12 pr. Month.

I am
Sir
Your most Obedt. Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier Secry.

Fort St. George
12th June 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Berry Secry.

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Fort St George 15th June 1797

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Hon.ble the President in Council to enclose a Letter addressed to Government by Mr. Pringle, to which the accompanying answer is given, which you will be pleased to send to him after perusal.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

Fort St George
15th June 1797

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Barry
Secy

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Fort St George 15th June 1797

Military Department

To Mr. Patrick Pringle
Surgeon

Sir,

In Reply to your Letter requesting to be appointed to Chicacole I am directed to inform you that the President in Council declines making any alteration in the Station allotted to you by the Hospital Board.

Whenever you may have occasion to address Government on the Subject of your Situation, you will be pleased to do it thro' the Channel of the Hospital Board.

I am
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

Fort St George
15th June 1797

A true Copy
(Signed) J. B. Secy

To

Fort St. George 18th June 1787

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &ca Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 12th Instant, and are with greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. and
Very humble Servants
James Anderson P.Genl.
(Signed) Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Fort St. George
18th June 1787

Hospital

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Hospital Board
18th June 1787

Read a Letter from the Military Secretary enclosing one for Mr. Pringle under a flying Seal which they have pursued and forwarded directing him at the same time to proceed immediately to his Station agreeable to the tenor of the General Orders of 26th May 1787.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. Bulman expressing a necessity for purchasing Six gross of Phials which are offered for Sale at a moderate price, which the Hospital Board have approved his purchasing.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. Duffin accompany'd with an Account of the uses of some Plants mentioned in Doctor Russell's Fasciculus together with an Account of the Tabaxir a new Subject from the female Bamboo

Approved

As

Fort St. George 18th June 1787

As Mr. Duffin is the only person who has favored us in promoting Doctor Russells investigations we have directed our Secretary to Register the same as well for the information of Dr. Russell as to promote a Spirit of Emulation amongst the other Gentlemen of the profession, and we are happy to say the accounts he has given meet with our entire approbation.

Approved

(Signed) Chas. Fleeming
Actg. Secretary to the
Hospital Board

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dyfy

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

(Military)

Fort St. George 2d July 1787

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed to send you the enclosed Extract of a Letter from the Chief and Council of Masulipatam respecting Mr. Kincaid Assistant Surgeon.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier Secy.

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2 July 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secy.

Extract

Fort St. George 2nd July 1787

Extract of a Letter from Masulipatam
dated 18th June 1787

"In consequence of a letter from our Head Surgeon Mr. Turing, to the late Chief and Council Copy of which we also enclose, permission had been granted to Mr. Kincaid Assistant Surgeon at this place, for proceeding to the Presidency previous to the delivering over the chare of the Settlement to Mr. Hodges."

A true Extract
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sy.

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

To

Fort St. George 2nd July 1787

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief & Council

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 2d Instant, and are with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedent and
Very humble Servants
James Anderson P. Genl.
(Signed) Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thos. Davis H.S.

Fort St. George
2nd July 1787

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Fort St. George 2d. July 1787.

Hospital Board
2d. July 1787.

Read a Letter from Bulman accompanying an Indent from Mr. Irwine of His Majestys 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons which appears every extravagant in many Articles particularly Cinnabar of Antimony, Crude Antimony Sulphur, Rosin, Wax, Dammer, Soap Aloes, Rhubarb, Crude Sal Amoniac, Corriander seeds, &c. &c. have therefore directed our Secratary to write to him for an explanation of the same, before the Board can countersign his Indents which are also in other Respects irregular for want of a Return of Sick which should accompany them, and in the mean time to prevent the possibility of distress happening to the Regiment have directed the Apothecary to Comply with one thirds of the above Articles.

We have the pleasure to recommend Mr. George Baillie finding him well founded in the profession to be appointed an Assistant Surgeon

Approved

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Fort St. George 2nd. July 1787.

on the Establishment, and stationed at the Dispensary in the Fort Vice Mr. Vaughan gone to Europe.

Mr. Joseph Copeland who though he wants years, and experience yet being a young man of application, and desirous to acquire knowledge we recommend him to be appointed and Stationed at the General Hospital under the immediate Direction of the Head Surgeon Mr. Davis.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. Kincaid Assistant Surgeon requesting permission to go Home with a View of reestablishing his health which the Hospital Board approve of from a Conviction of the justness of his representation, and hope Government will acquiesce in the same.

Approved

Should Government approve of Mr. Kincaid's going to Europe Mr. Lipper from the General Hospital at Madras to succeed him at Masulipatam.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. Duffin requesting leave for Mr. Campbell Assistant Surgeon to the 2d. Regt. of Native Cavalry at Arcot to visit the Presidency for three weeks having previously obtained the consent of his Commanding Officer,

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Officer which the Hospital Board have no objection to, as his Duty can be attended to by the other Surgeons of the Cavalry and hope therefore it may be granted.

Approved

We have the Honor to enclose a letter from Mr. Pringle Surgeon to the 4th Battalion at Arcot representing the want of a proper place for the Medicines, and pointing out the means, by which it can be remeded at a small expence in hopes that the Necessary Orders will be given.

Approved

We have likewise the Honor to enclose a letter from Mr. Howel Surgeon at Palamcottah requesting leave to proceed to Europe for three years on account of family concerns which we hope will meet the approbation of Government.

(Signed) Chas. Fleemong
Acting Secry. Hospital Bd.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Lt. Gy.
A true Copy

G. O.

Fort St. George 2d July 1787

Fort St. George
11th July 1787

G. O.

The Honorable the President in Council, at the Recommendation of the Hospital Board, has been pleased to appoint Mr. George Baillie and Mr. Joseph Copeland Assistant Surgeons on this Establishment the former to be stationed at the Dispensary in the Fort.

Vice Mr. Vaughan gone to Europe, and the latter at the General Hospital, under the immediate Direction of the Head Surgeon, Mr. Davis.

Mr. Howel, Surgeon and Mr. Kincaid, Assistant Surgeon permitted to return to Europe for three years.

Mr. Lepper, Assistant Surgeon to do duty at Masulipatam.

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry.

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Lt. Gy. M. Genl.

To

Fort St. George 16th July 1787

To The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commanding
in Chief &ca Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 16th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
July 16th 1787

Hospital

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Hospital Board
July 16th 1787

Read a letter from Government desiring this Board to report on a letter from Nagore for Mr. Walker Assistant Surgeon obtaining leave of absence to visit the Presidency on particular business, and desiring them to inform Mr. Walker that his application should have been through the Medium of the Hospital Board.

See letter No. 101

They have the Honor to acquaint the Honble President in Council that Mr. Walker has also applied to them for this leave, and though he is fully in not Mentioning he had done so in his letter to Mr. Fallofield, yet believing it more an oversight, than any intention of not applying through the proper Channel, they recommend his request being granted, as there is an Assistant Surgeon in the neighbourhood to officiate in his absence.

Approved

Countersigned the Apothecary's Charges

Fort St. George 16th July 1787

Charges for June Amounting to Pagd 2035. 26

Ordered the Apothecary to divide the Medicines from Europe between the four General Hospitals in proportions similar to those directed in their letter to him of the 3d July 1786 and to send off that for the Hospital at Masulipatam as soon as possible, that the benefit of the present Monsoon for Sea conveyance may not be lost.

Approved

Read a letter from Mr. George Anderson Surgeon at Ongole soliciting leave to come to the Presidency for the reestablishing of his health, being on the recovery from a severe illness, and stating that he has obtained the consent of his Commanding Officer

From the benefit that Mr. Anderson has received on former occasions by coming to the Presidency the Board hope Government will acquiesce with his respect.

Approved

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy.

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

Fort St. George 16th July 1787

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the President in Council, to enclose Copy of a Letter from the Resident at Nagore with an Enclosure, and am to desire you will report thereon, at the same time advising Mr. Walker, that his application ought to have come before Government thro' the Channel of your Board

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secry

Fort St. George
12th July 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry Secry

Who

Fort St. George 16th July 1787

The Honble Sir Archibald Campbell K.B. &c. &c.
President and Governor in Council
at
Fort St. George

Honble Sir and Sirs

I have the honor to enclose you Copy of a Letter from Mr. John Walker, in which he requests the permission of your Honor &c. to proceed to the Presidency for a short time on account of his private Concerns.

I have the honor to be with greatest respect
Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Ernst W. Fallofield

Nagore
8th July 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sy.

A true Copy
Signed Andw. Berry
Secretary

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Fort St. George 16th July 1787

Ernst William Fallofield Esqr.
Resident &ca
Nagore

Sir,

Having some urgent business that requires my being at the Presidency, I should esteem it a favor if you would make application to the Honorable the President in Council on my behalf that I may obtain their permission for proceeding thither accordingly.

There being at present no Patients here under my care; my absence will be attended with no particular Inconvenience.

I have the Honor to be with respect
Sir
Your most Obedient humble Servt
(Signed) John Walker
Hospital Mate

Nagore
7th July 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) E. W. Fallofield

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sy.

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry Secy.

To

Fort St. George 30th July 1787

To The Hon'ble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. Council

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 30th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient and
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
30th July 1787

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Hospital Board
30th July 1787

Read a letter from Mr. Turing Head Surgeon with one enclosed from Mr. Ferguson, which the Hospital Board have the Honor to lay before Government being very much surprized, that these Gentlemen should not have represented the deficiency of Clothing in their Department, in time to have prevented the distress which has happened.

The Hospital Board have likewise to report, that if the Purveyor General had transmitted his Accounts and State of the Stores regularly every Quarter as ordered, but which they have only been able to procure up to December 1786 they would have it in their power to obviate the inconveniences complained of.

Read a letter from Mr. Irwine Surgeon of his Majesty's 19th Regiment of Light Dragoons in

Reply

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reply to one from our Secretary representing that his Indents were not only irregular for want of Returns of Sick but that the quantity of some Articles demanded was too extravagant to admit of being fully complied with.

The Hospital Board beg leave to transmit Mr. Irwines letter to Government, remarking at the same time that the Purveyor is not a proper Channel for a Surgeon of a Regiment to convey his state of Sick through to this Board, and to request that the Honble Board will be pleased to take such notice of it as shall be judged necessary to induce Mr. Irwine to act consistent with the Rules of the Service, observed by all the other Surgeons serving with His Majesty's Forces.

A Letter will be written to Mr. Irwine on the Subject.

Mr. Irwines Report of the bad state of the Medicines and delay in forwarding them to the Regiment at Chivilimodoo, is denied by the Apothecary, and we are induced to believe he would not issue Medicines of such a description which can never receive the Sanction of this Board.

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Fort St. George 30th July 1787

The Hospital Board have the Honor to forward to Government the enclosed letter received from Mr. Duncan Assistant Surgeon requesting to know whether he may not draw the Pay of an Ensign of Native Infantry when doing Duty with Sepoys.

All Assistant Surgeons to draw the pay of Ensign of European Infantry.

As the General Orders express nothing on this head the Board beg leave to submit it to the consideration of the Honble the Governor in Council.

Read a letter from Mr. Pringle which the Hospital Board have the Honor to forward to Government for their Orders thereon.

An Order to Acot will be sent respecting the Dispensary.

The Hospital Board have also the Honor to forward a letter from Mr. Lord Assistant Surgeon addressed to the Honble Governor in Council, and beg leave to observe that as they have no doubt of the justness of his Claims they hope his request will meet with a favorable consideration.

Mr. Lord is to draw his Subsistance during the time of his Absence His Claim for House Rent is inadmissible.

Read a letter from Mr. Fleeming Assistant Surgeon at the General Hospital representing that having been obliged to visit daily His Majesty's Recruits

Fort St George 30th July 1767

Recruits at St Thome since the 12th June
by order of the Physicean General, he has
been exposed to a considerable expence for
Conveyance, to support which his pay is
inadequate and requesting that the
Hospital Board will solicit Government
for some allowance for this purpose

The Hospital Board sensible

The usual Allowance for a of the necessity of this application hope the
Palankeen to be granted during Honble Board will be pleased to grant
the period of his attending the Sum an allowance equivalent to the Hire
Recruits at St Thome, which of a Palankeen.
period is to be certified by the
Physicean General

Mr Howel Surgeon who was
appointed to Palamcottah having obtained
from Government leave of absence for
three years to go to Europe.

Approved

The Hospital Board by
leave to recommend that Mr Winscombe
ordered from Chingleput to fill this
Vacancy and that Mr Richardson
at Arcot the only Surgeon not now
stationed, be appointed to Chingleput
but to remain at Arcot till he could be
relieved by an Assistant.

By Order of the Honble
the Governor in Council
(Signed) W C Jackson Dy Sy

A true Copy

(Signed) Andw Berry
Secretary

Fort St George 4th August 1767

Military Department

To
Mr James Irvine
Surgeon of His Majestys 19th Regt
of
Light Dragoons

Sir

The Hospital Board having laid
before the Honorable the Governor in Council your Letter
of the 10th Ultimo, I am directed by him to desire you will
in future strictly conform to the usages of the Service, on
all points which relate to your Stations.

The Governor in Council observes,
that the transmission of your Returns to the Surveyor is
exceedingly irregular, and must be discontinued - A
Reference of the General Order of the 8th July 1766 will point
out to you the regular Channel for the above purpose.

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secy

Fort St George
4th August 1767

A true Copy
(Signed) W C Jackson Dy Sy

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw Berry Secy

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Fort St. George 8th August 1787

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

Gentlemen,

Herewith I have the Honor to send you by order of the Governor in Council a Box containing the Styptic mentioned in the Extract of a Letter from the Court of Directors, which accompany'd my address to you of the 26th May last.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servt.
(Signed) Robert Clerk Dyff

Fort St. George
8th August 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

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To The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &ca. in Council

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 9th & 20th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your most Obedient and
Very humble servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
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Countersigned the
Apothecarys charge for Bazar
Medicines &c for the month of July
amounting to Pags 1135 5. 10. and
Pagodas 570 11 27 as his Commission
of 15 p.c Cent on the above — in all
Pags 1905. 16. 27.

Mr Duncan Assistant
Surgeon with the 11th Battalion of
Native Infantry having represented
the great want of a Medicines Chest
for the use of the Corps by which the
different Articles may be more easily
carried about, and that waste from
Vermin prevented, which at present
takes place.

Approved

The Hospital Board
have directed the Apothecary to
comply with his Indent. accordingly
August 22d 1787

Read a Letter from Mr
Whyte Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly
complaining of the great deficiency of
Instruments

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Instruments to supply the deficiency of
the Medical Gentlemen on this
Department.

Directed the Secretary to
inform Mr Whyte that some time ago
this Board ordered the Apothecary to
Divide the Instruments Medicines &c
received from Europe into Six equal parts
and forward them to the different
General Hospitals in proportions
similar to those before directed, and
have no doubt that his Quota will
arrive in due time.

Read a letter from Mr
Turing Head Surgeon at Masulipatam
stating a representation from Mr
Ferguson Surgeon at Ellore of the
want of another Assistant Surgeon
to perform the Duty of that Garrison
which the increased number of Sick
and their scattered Situation require.

Approved

Ordered the Secretary to write
Mr Turing that the first Assistant that
can be spared, will be recommended for
that Duty.

The Hospital Board
having received from Government both
the Boxes of Ruspini's Styptic sent from
England per the Houghton & Glatton
Indiaman

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Approved

Indiamen, have directed the Apothecary to take charge of them and issue to the different Surgeons such quantities as they may find necessary to indent for.

The Hospital Board having received the enclosed letter from Mr. Blackader Surgeon at Madura to Mr. Whyte Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly have the honor to forward it to Government with the following remark that as Mr. Blackader has for some months past had their permission to go to the Sea Coast for the recovery of his health and as he has not seemingly received any benefit there from, they beg leave to submit to the Hon'ble Governor in Council the propriety of his obtaining the request he solicits.

Ordered the Apothecary to transmit to this Board a particular account of his Disbursements from the 1st of January to the 30th of June both inclusive with the proper Vouchers without delay.

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

Government approve of Mr. Blackader having permission to go to England for the benefit of his Health.

By Order of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy.

A true Copy
(Signed) A. B.
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To

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To The Hon'ble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &ca Council.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs,

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 11th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect.

Hon'ble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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Read the enclosed letter from Mr. Whyte Head Surgeon at Trichinopoly concerning his Prison Batta which the Hospital Board have the honor to forward to Government as it is a subject they feel themselves incompetent to determine upon they must decline giving any Opinion.

Orders will be sent to the Military Paymaster General directing him to place Mr. Whyte upon the same footing with Mr. Raine

Mr. Davis Head Surgeon having informed this Board that Mr. Copeland Assistant Surgeon is not immediately wanted at the General Hospital, they beg leave to recommend agreeable to their resolution in the Proceedings of the 9th Ultimo, that Mr. Copeland be appointed to do Duty with the 2d Regiment of Europeans at Ellore under the direction of Mr. Ferguson Vice Mr. Macmahon whom they also recommend to be removed to the 17th Battalion of Sepoys at Ellore.

Approved

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The Hospital Board from the recommendation of the Physician General, who has received letters from the Gentlemen at Madipollam complaining of the want of Medical Aid, have the honor to propose to the Honble the Governor in Council, the removal of Mr. Walker Hospital Mate from the Residency of Nagore whose Assistance there is not so necessary from its Vicinity to Nagapatam & his appointment to Madipollam, they also recommend that Mr. Ogilvi be directed to do the Duty of Nagore & Nagapatam.

Approved

Countersigned the Apothecary's Bill of Disbursements for the month of August amounting to Pagodas 1967 2 55 for Medicines &ca. and Pagodas 295 2 45 as his Commission of 15 pr. Cent on the above, in all Pags. 2262 5 20.

Approved

The Hospital Board having received the enclosed Papers from Mr. Pringle Surgeon of the 14th Regt. of Europeans beg leave to forward them to

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to Government in the hope that the Hon'ble the Governor in Council will be pleased to issue Orders to prevent the like in future, for if any Assistant Surgeon can be directed by a Commanding Officer to leave his Duty, and take what he may think proper from an Hospital without acquainting the Surgeon, they foresee that it will be the case improper

The Ideas of the Hospital Board are correct and the interference was of course of opinion the Assistant should be entirely under the Surgeon and not subject to Orders except through his Medium.

The Hospital Board having at length received Reports from the different Surgeons relative to their standing in the Service take this the earliest opportunity of laying before Government the accompanying Return of their admission into the Service and present Rank on the Establishment which it has been impossible to

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execute sooner on account of some delay in the promulgation of the General Orders communicated to this Board in May last.

The Hospital Board think it incumbent on them fully to expose the grounds on which they have acted (Viz.t) That although several Gentlemen have had claims of holding Rank agreeable to their appointment at the India House, yet their appointments resting on the circumstance of their Services being required, they have necessarily come into the Service as youngest on the Establishment, and therefore the actual execution of Duty or landing in India has ever been held the Criterion of Rank amongst the Surgeons and constitutes the Basis of the Return.

Approved

The Hospital Board have the Honor of forwarding to Government a General Return of the Sick on the Coast as well

Approved

of

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of His Majestys as the Hon'ble Company's Forces for the Month of April May and June.

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

(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy Sy

(Signed) Andw Berry
Secretary

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Berry Secy

List

List of the Medical Establishment on the Coast.

with the Dates of admission and Promotion in the Service accompanied with the Remarks of the Hospital Board

When appointed Whom appointed Cause of being Dated on the Coast Remarks.

Dr. James Anderson
Colley Lyons Lucas
Thomas Davis

William Raine March 1764 Madras March 1764 Dr. Jan. 1765 Dated of Rank approved, but having declined coming forward to the Charge of a General Hospital he was promoted to the Black Town Duty by Government in consequence of his own Request.

William Gordon July 1759 Dr. July 1759 June 1766 Not having satisfied this Board with respect to his proposal whilst for the Charge of a General Hospital he was promoted by Government to Remain with the Black Town on his pay

James Whyte Dec. 1765 Dr. June 1765 March 1771 Approved

Robert Tilling Dec. 1764 India House 1st Aug. 1766 March 1771 Approved

William Ruffin July 1767 Madras July 1767 March 1771 Approved

Patrick Trengle June 1770 Dr. June 1770 Sept. 1770 Approved

Georges Reeves July 1770 Dr. July 1770 October 1770 Approved

David Sharpson

Nicol Moore July 1772 Madras July 1772 Jan. 1778 Approved

Terence Gahagan July 1767 Dr. July 1767 October 1777 Mr. Gahagan Dec. 1777 [illegible]

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Abstract of the Number of Sick in the

during the Months of April May and June 1797.

| | | Fever Simple | Fever Inflammatory | Fever Typhus | Fever Dysentery | Fever Catarrhal | Fever Remittent | Fever Intermittent | Fever Hectic | Fever Nervous | Fever Synochus | Fever Ephemera | Fever Varioloid | Fever Scarlatina | Fever Anomalous | Inflammation Phlegmon | Inflammation Erysipelas | Inflammation Ophthalmia | Inflammation Rheumatism | Inflammation Pleurisy | Inflammation Peripneumony | Inflammation Cynanche | Inflammation Parotis | Inflammation Gastritis | Inflammation Enteritis | Inflammation Hepatitis | Inflammation Nephritis | Inflammation Cystitis | Inflammation Hysteritis | Inflammation Phlebitis | Inflammation Carditis | Inflammation Arteritis | Inflammation Anomalous | Hemorrhagy Epistaxis | Hemorrhagy Hæmoptoe | Hemorrhagy Hæmatemesis | Hemorrhagy Hæmorrhoids | Hemorrhagy Menorrhagia | Hemorrhagy Hæmaturia | Hemorrhagy Anomalous | Exanthemata Variola | Exanthemata Varicella | Exanthemata Rubeola | Exanthemata Scarlatina | Exanthemata Anomalous | Spasmi Tetanus | Spasmi Trismus | Spasmi Epilepsy | Spasmi Chorea | Spasmi Hysteria | Spasmi Hydrophobia | Spasmi Anomalous | Paralysis | Dyspepsia | Cachexia Scorbutus | Cachexia Anomalous | Dropsy Ascites | Dropsy Anasarca | Dropsy Hydrothorax | Dropsy Hydrocephalus | Dropsy Spina Bifida | Dropsy Hydrocele | Dropsy Anomalous | Tumor Scirrhus | Tumor Cancer | Tumor Fungus | Tumor Anomalous | Ulcer Simple | Ulcer Callous | Ulcer Sordid | Ulcer Phagedenic | Ulcer Fistulous | Ulcer Anomalous | Wounds Simple | Wounds Contused | Wounds Punctured | Wounds Lacerated | Wounds Incised | Wounds Gunshot | Wounds Anomalous | Fractures Simple | Fractures Compound | Fractures Anomalous | Dislocations Simple | Dislocations Compound | Dislocations Anomalous | Contusions | Burns | Frost Bitten | Drowned | Suffocated | Poisoned | Anomalous | Total |
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Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson,
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council, to enclose Copy of a Memorial addressed to him by Mr Gahagan, and to desire, you will report to Government, whether Mr Gahagans Representation is correct as to the facts which he has Stated, and why the Memorial which he mentions to have addressed to you, was not noticed by your Board.

I am further commanded to desire you will lay before Government without loss of time your Report in consequence of the General Order which directed the Surgeons and Surgeons Mates in the Service to transmit to you the dates of their Admission into the Honble Company's Service.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier Secretary.

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A true Copy
(Signed) A.B. Jury

The

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The Honble Major
General Sir Archibald
Campbell K. B.
President in Council.

Honorable Sir,

In obedience to a General Order lately issued, requiring all Surgeons to inform the Medical Board of their admission into the Service, and the dates of their appointment as full Surgeons Informed the Medical Board "That I was a Surgeons Mate on this Establishment in July 1767 and that I was appointed a full "Surgeon at the India House in October 1777 and Signed Covenants "which particularly specified me as such".

As I do not find that the Medical Board have paid that attention to the above, as well as several prior and subsequent representations respecting my Rank, which my Standing and Services merited, I am obliged to address your Honor in Council, in the first instance, with the hope, that on a point of such importance to my future prospects, I shall not be deprived of the means of Redress altho' I have not the good fortune to have their Recommendatory Letter to Government on the occasion.

I will

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I will give a Detail of my Standing and Service, in a few Words as possible.

In July 1767 I was appointed a Mate in the Service, and ordered to proceed to Camp with a detachment of Europeans with whom I joined the Main Army under General Smith about fifteen days proceeding the Battle of Trinomalee, thence to the General Hospital with the Wounded, when I continued till the Hospital was removed to Vellore, and afterwards joined the Army at the close of the Monsoons where I continued till the War was over, when I was appointed to Poonamallee to take charge of the Sick of four hundred Recruits and after they were disciplined and incorporated into other Corps I was appointed to Trichinopoly where I remained till the Siege of Tanjore took place and soon after joined the Army employed in the Marrawar Country, under General Joseph Smith, who appointed me Acting Surgeon under Major Braithwaite when the Service was over I was left there as Acting Surgeon with Colonel Bonjours Detachment, in preference to many Seniors who pushed for it without having had the same Claim by active Service which had incurred it to me.

While in the Marrawar Country I heard that Mr Pringle Nephew to Mr Pasley, then, the Senior Surgeon in the Service, had been appointed above me in the List of Surgeons Assistants I addressed my

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my Commanding Officer on the occasion who forwarded my Letter to the Governor, and I had every assurance of not being Superceeded; but it was my misfortune to find that when my duty permitted my Return to the Presidency, the Governor Mr Dupree had returned to Europe, his successor, Mr Wynch promised his Countenance when a Vacancy happened, but required my attendance to my duty in the Interim — and as preparations were then making for the Second Siege of Tanjore, I joined the Army, and attended the General Hospital during the Siege, after which I was Stationed at Trichinopoly, till the end of 1775 when I came to the Presidency to push for my Rank, and was astonished to find Mr Pringle had some time before been appointed a full Surgeon, tho' he had never been announced in the General Orders sent to the Out Garrisons, I addressed the Council in consequence, and had their Consent to be reinstated in my Rank above Mr Pringle, and next below Mr William Duffin.

After waiting several Weeks in hopes of having my proper Rank Established, I fell ill, and in the Course of my Indisposition was advised by some of my friends to solicit permission to proceed to England, as well for the recovery of my Health, as to obtain that redress at the India House, which by some untoward means seemed likely to be withheld from me here; I accordingly addressed Council, who granted me leave to go home with a promise of a Recommendation to the Court of Directors in their next General Letter.

I embarked

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Embarked in Jimbarked in the Ankowych in February 1776 and as the Company's Board of Surgeons was dissolved I underwent a regular examination at Surgeons Hall and was admitted and Sworn into the Surgeons Company at London and received the Deploma in Consequence Thence I went to Doctor Hossack his Majesty's Physical Examiner, who examined me and gave me a Deploma also These Original Papers I lodged at the India House, and requested leave to return with my Rank, which was next below Mr Duffin; when called before the Committee at the India House they sent for a List of Surgeons and Assistants at the Presidency but non was to be found, — I then presented to the Committee, Letters from General Smith and Mr Petrie to shew that my Rank was as I had stated it next to Mr William Duffin, whereupon they assured me of a favorable Report in due time —

I soon afterwards took out my Covenants as full Surgeon, but was Surprized to find on my calling at the India House to take leave, that I was mentioned in the General Letter to rank as full Surgeon on my arrival at Madras —

Upon stating this Error, which was occasioned by Mr Hott, in Mr Secretary Mitchells absence, who had the Letters from General Smith and Mr Petrie about my Rank Mr Mitchell wrote to General Smith, that he would get the matter revised

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next Court day but as my Passage Money had been paid and my Baggage on Board, I could not stay and releyed on Mr Mitchells assurances as well as the favorable reception I had been Indulged with from the different Gentlemen in the direction. —

To my Misfortune, that point was omitted in the multitude of important Matters which at that period engaged their attention, being at the Eve of the French War nor have I ever to this hour pressed the revisal of a point which was not heretofore of any material Consequence. —

Circumstanced however as I now am with a large Family, and without the means of Provisions, and Considering the Serious Consequence of every Step, in point of Rank under the subsisting Regulations I could not suppress my Claims without injuring my future prospects in a great degree —

I therefore addressed the Medical Board in a Short and respectful Memorial, which they refused to forward to your Honor in Council, and I am consequence impelled to the necessity of this address in the first instance, every point of which I am ready to support by the living Testimony of many Gentlemen now in station here in the civil and Military Line who were Witnesses to most of the leading facts —

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I therefore beg leave to request that your Honor in Council, will be pleased to take into Consideration the Services of one who has been upwards of Twenty Years in your Employ, and who has never omitted an hours, duty in the Field on pretence of Illness, or any other causes whatever, and that I may be placed in the Service accordingly to my original standing therein namely next below Mr William Duffin.

I have the honor to be
Hon'ble Sir
Your most Obedient and
most faithful Servant
(Signed) Terence Gahagan

Vellore
Sept 5 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) W C Jackson
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To The Hon'ble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K B
Governor in Council Commander in Chief &c

Hon'ble Sir,

We have had the honor to receive your Commands under date the 11th Instant inclosing an adress to Government from Mr Gahagan Surgeon of the 3d Regt of European Infantry, and esteem it a Duty incumbent upon us to state at large the relative situation of Mr Gahagan's standing in the Service accompanyed with the Proceedings of this Board from time to time respecting him.

Mr Gahagan's Memorial appears upon our Records under date April 24th 1786, a copy of which we have the honor to annex.

As we conceived we were competant to decide upon the merits of Mr Gahagan's claims in that letter it will appear by our Proceedings under date April 30th 1786, that we transmitted to Government our Resolutions which were approved when returned by your Secretary on the 10th of May following, of this Mr Gahagan was informed and a Copy inclosed of such part of the Proceedings as related to him, to which he replied in a

Letter

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Letter dated 14th May a Copy which we have also the Honor to forward.

Mr. Gahagan's claim of Rank was fully and candidly investigated by this Board with the respective claims of the other Surgeons and Assistants agreeable to the General Orders of the 2d May 1787 and our Report transmitted to your Honble Board as soon as the several Letters could be digested & arranged by which it is evident that Mr. Gahagan has not in his address to Government under date the 5th Instant entered into a full and candid discussion of his case for it appears that some time in the month of Decr. 1775 Mr. Gahagan then an Assistant came forward to be examined as to his Professional Abilities and from some circumstances which were fully stated to Government at that period he was not adjudged qualified in consequence of this he obtained permission to go to Europe, and there pursued his Studies and acquired a sufficient knowledge in his Profession and came out as Surgeon to Indian His Rank in the service we are of opinion is clearly set forth in the Proceedings we had the Honor to transmit to Government on the 12th Instant.

We are with all due Respect
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient and very humble Servants

Fort St. George
September 16th 1787

(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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The Honorable the President in Council is pleased to order the following Removals in the Medical Line, agreeably to the recommendation of the Hospital Board.

Mr. Copeland Assistant Surgeon, to do Duty with the 2d Regiment of Europeans at Ellore Vice Mr. Macmahon, who is appointed to the 17th Battalion of Sepoys at Ellore.

Mr. Walker Assistant Surgeon, to do Duty at Madepollom, and Mr. Ogilvy at Nagore & Nagapatam.

All Assistant Surgeons acting under a Superior Officer in their professional Line, are by no means to leave their Duty, or take Stores from Hospital, but with the Consent of that Superior Officer, and Commanding Officers are enjoined to make application to the Surgeon whenever it may be requisite for an Assistant Surgeon to absent himself from his Station with a Detachment.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson Dyfy

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw Berry
Secretary

To

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Military Department

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c.

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Honble Sir

Gentlemen,

I return you by Order Copy of your Proceedings of the 8th Instant with the observations of the Board thereon, also Copy of a General Order published in Consequence.

The inclosed are our Proceedings of the 8th Instant which we have the honor to forward and are with all due Respect.

Honble Sir

Your Most Obedient and
very humble Servants
James Anderson P. Genl
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

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Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedt. Servant (Signed)
(Signed)
John Chamier
Secretary

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Countersigned the Apothecary's Bill of Charges for the month of September amounting to Pagodas 1497. 12. 70. for medicines and Pags. 224. 26. 40. as his Commission of 15 7/8 Cent in all Pags. 1721. 39. 80.

The Hospital Board beg leave to take the opportunity of informing Government of the imperfection and indeed total inutility of several of the medicines brought from Europe especially Contharides or blistering Flies, the efficacy of which is so considerable in many critical disorders, and the consequent disappointments so great that they think it their Duty to state the same to the Honble President in Council, that steps may be taken of informing the Honble Court of Directors of the abuse or of falling upon some Method to remedy such an Evil.

This Subject will be mentioned to the Court of Directors by the earliest opportunity.

Received the accounts of the

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the particular disbursements of the Apothecary from the 1st of January to the 30th of June both inclusive, which the Hospital Board have the Honor to inform Government amount to Pagodas 7880. 6. 48 including his Commission of 1575 Cent.

Approved

The Purveyor General having also been desired to transmit his Accounts to this Board from the 1st of January to the 30th of June, they are under the necessity of informing the Honble President in Council, that he has not as yet complied with that order, he transmitted on the 6th of August Copies of such accounts as he had received amounting to Pagodas 12294. 33.71. and promised the whole as soon as transmitted but they have never been sent consequently this Board have it not in their power to report to Government the whole of the expenditure.

An Extract of this will be sent to the Purveyor who will be directed to comply in future.

With

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With regard to the other part of his department, the Victualing as the Purveyor holds it by Contract, although placed under this Board by Government, he does not conceive himself responsible, they therefore are unable to acquaint Government of the Amount.

The Hospital Board think it incumbent upon them to submit this to the consideration of the Honble President in Council, as it never was their intention to place the Contractor for Victualling in so independant a situation, when they first recommended the Victualing of the Hospitals to be held by the lowest Contractor, and as it so materially infringes on what they deemed the intention of their Institution.

This Paragraph will also be sent to the Purveyor.

The Hospital Board are sorry to inform Government of the Death of two of the Surgeons on this Establishment Viz^t Mr. Thomas Weston Surgeon to the Garrison

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Garrison of Palamcottah from suppurations in his Liver, and of Mr. Alexander Mun Brevet Surgeon stationed at the Cantonment of Wallajahbad from Hydrophobia occasioned by the bite of a mad dog.

In consequence of the decease of Mr. Weston, and return to Europe of Mr. Blackadder for the recovery of his Health, there are only ten Surgeons to fill the twelve Stations ordered by Government, the Hospital Board accordingly recommend that Mr. George Ogilvie and Mr. Alexander Anderson now the oldest Brevet Surgeons since the death of Mr. Kein, have the appointment of full Surgeon granted them that the former be stationed at Madura, and Mr. Anderson with the 2d Battalion of Artillery Vice Mr. Watson whom they recommend to fill the Vacancy of Palamcottah occasioned by the death of Mr. Weston, that Mr. Laird Assistant Surgeon now at Palamcottah do the Duty of the 2d Battalion of Artillery

Approved

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Artillery till relieved by Mr. Anderson and that Mr. Bell Assistant Surgeon at Trichinopoly relieve Mr. Ogilvie at Nagapatam.

Read a letter from Mr. Baird Assistant Surgeon with the Artillery at Wallajahbad, soliciting the permission of this Board to come to the Presidency for the recovery of his health, and informing them that he has obtained the consent of his Commanding Officer.

The Hospital Board from a knowledge of Mr. Bairds Complaints, hope Government will be pleased to grant him the leave he solicits.

The Secretary having represented the want of a Machie to bind the Records, cut the Papers &ca. necessary for the use of this Board, they have the honor to forward his request to Government, in the hope that a requisition of so trifling a nature will be complied with.

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

Approved

Approved
With an allowance of 2 Pagodas pr. Mensem.
By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council
(Signed) W C Jackson Dy. Sy.

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The Honorable the President in Council at the Recommendation of the Hospital Board is pleased to direct that the following Promotions and Removals to take place.

Brevet Surgeons George Ogilvie, and Alexander Anderson, to be full Surgeons, Vice Weston deceased, and Blackader returned to Europe

Mr. Ogilvie to do Duty in the Garrison of Madura

Mr. Alexr. Anderson Do. with the 2d Battalion of Artillery at Trichinopoly

Mr. Weston Do. in the Garrison of Palamcottah

and Mr. Bell Do. at Nagapatam

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council

(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

A true Copy (Signed) W. C. Jackson Dy. Sy.

To

Fort St. George 24th October 1787

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General
and to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

In consequence of particular instructions from the Honble the Court of Directors relative to the expence of Stationary this Government have greed upon certain regulations to be observed in the future issues of that Article, and the Storekeeper here will advise you of the quantity allotted for your Department Government recommend the utmost Oeconomy in the expenditure of the supplies furnished you, and they prohibit any purchase being made by you, without their express Sanction —

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed)
Robert Clerk
Depy. Secretary

Fort St. George
24th October 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

Military Dt.

Fort St George 25th October 1787

Military Department

To Dr James Anderson
Physician General
&c members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed to send you the accompanying Copy of a General Order published this Day at the Presidency —

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servt
(Signed)
W C Jackson
Dy. Sec. Secretary

Fort St George
25th October 1787 —

Fort St George

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G O.

The Commissions for the Surgeon and Assistant Surgeons upon this Establishment being prepared, agreeably to the General Orders of the 2 May 1787 are now ready for delivering at the Military Secretary's Office.

The Fees upon them are regulated as follows —

To the Physician General Pagodas 40
For the Head Surgeon at the Presidency 20
Head Surgeon of General Hospitals 15
all other Surgeons 10 as Captains of Infantry
Hospital Mates 6 as Lieutenants
Regimental Mates 5 as Ensigns

All Surgeons and Assistant Surgeons are hereby directed to take up their Commissions immediately —

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council —

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Copy (Signed) W C Jackson Dy. Sec. Secry

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw Berry
Secretary

To

Fort St. George 9th November 1787

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council
Commander in Chief &c.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 9th Instant, and are with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.

Hospital Board
9th November 1787

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Hospital Board
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The Physician General having found it expedient to detach Mr. Davis youngest Member of the Hospital Board to Arcot on account of a Spasmodic affection of the Bowels which prevailed there and in consequence to order Mr. Lucas Chief Surgeon to attend the Hospital here till his return, has been induced by the same expediency of forwarding the Service to hold an Hospital Board with only one member besides himself, in consequence of several letters bearing their address as follows.

Approved

1. A Letter from Mr. Davis reporting the death of Mr. Pringle Surgeon of the 4th Regiment at Arcot, which the Hospital Board think it their Duty to communicate to Government, that a Surgeon may be appointed to the Regt.

They accordingly have the Honor to recommend that Mr. Maxwell Thompson, the next for promotion after Mr. George Anderson whom the

Honble

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Approved

Honble Board have been pleased to fix at Ongole, have the Rank of Surgeon granted and the appointment of Surgeon to the 4th Regiment. Mr Thompson was detached from this by the Physician General on the 1st Instant to assist Mr Davis, and has since taken charge of the Regiment they therefore hope his date of Rank and Appointment will commence from that period.

Approved

2d A Letter from Mr Whyte Head Surgeon of Trichinopoly, applying for leave to visit the Presidency on business of immediate concern to himself which the Hospital Board are induced to recommend a compliance with, being satisfied with the arrangement he has proposed for executing the Duty of that department [illegible] absence.

3d A Letter from Mr Ferrier Surgeon at Vizagapatam for leave to go to Europe for three years or if that cannot be granted for leave to go in such a manner as that he may return without prejudice to his rank in the Service.

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Approved

And it is agreed at the particular request of the Chief of Vizagapatam for the Appointment of Mr John Briggs to succeed Mr Ferrier as Surgeon of that Settlement, that the Hospital Board be desired to make such arrangement accordingly.

The Hospital Board however favorably they may look on Mr Ferrier as a Surgeon in the Service, yet think it no ways incumbent on them to act in direct opposition to the Orders lately published here from the Honble the Court of Directors, especially as they have much reason to believe the prospects of the Assistant Surgeons are founded on an adherence to these Orders, they are therefore of opinion, Mr Ferrier having permission to resign the Service unconditionally is very sufficient.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council

(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

(Signed) Andw Berry
Secretary

Military

Fort St. George 17th November 1787

Military Department

To Doctor James Anderson
Physician General &c and to the
Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to enclose to you Copy of a Letter this Day dispatched to Mr Farrier at Vizagapatam.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

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Military Department

To Mr Alexander Farrier
Surgeon

Sir

I am directed by the Board to inform you that you have permission to resign the Service and to proceed to Europe.

In justice to your Merit and long Services Government will make such Report to the Court of Directors will they trust enable you to return to the Service without prejudice to your Rank should you hereafter solicit such Indulgence.

I am further directed to inform you that your resignation will not be considered as having taken place until the 31st December next.

I am
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

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17th November 1787.

A true Copy
(Signed) W. Jackson Dy Secretary

To

Fort St. George 20th November 1787

To the Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. &c.

Honble Sir

The inclosed [illegible]
Proceedings of the 20th Instant, which
we have the honor to forward, and are
with the greatest Respect

Honble Sir
Your most Obedient and
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P.G.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
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Countersigned the
Apothecary's Bill of Disbursements
for October amounting to Pagodas
663. 4. 25 for Medicines and
Pags. 99. 20. 55. as his Commission
in all Pags. 762. 25.

The Hospital Board
having now received the Purveyor General's
accounts for Cotts Cloathing &ca.
complete to the 30th of June have
the honor of informing Government
that the sum total for that part of
the Purveyor's Department for 6
months is Pags. 15. 178. 50.

Approved

The Hospital Board
have the honor to acknowledge the
receipt of the Letter from Government
relative to the consumption of Stationary
to which they will pay particular
attention.

Read a letter from Mr.
Gahagan

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Gahagan having claim to rank before Mr. Mein notwithstanding the opinion of the Hospital Board delivered to Government on the 11th and 12th September when every pains were taken to investigate the respective claims of these Gentlemen, and which they had thought sufficiently clear to establish Mr. Meins rank prior to Mr. Gahagans; Mr. Mein having been appointed a Surgeon here in January 1778, whereas Mr. Gahagan was only appointed at the India House in October 1777 and did not arrive here till after Mr. Meins promotion to Surgeon.

Approved

Received a Voluminous application from Mr. Gordon soliciting the encountenance of this Board which they have ordered their Secretary to return and at the same time to inform Mr. Gordon that the Hospital Board having already forwarded their sentiments of his claims to Government cannot take up any fresh matter he has to propose

Approved

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propose, unless he shall think proper to come forward and shew himself qualified to act in the profession of Surgeon, and as he has declined so doing they cannot take further cognizance of the letters of recommendation he wishes to adduce in support of his being qualified.

The Hospital Board having received a letter from Baillee assistant Surgeon stationed at the Dispensary complaining of the insufficiency of his Quarters to protect him from the inclemency of the Weather as there are neither Doors or Windows beg leave to represent this to the Honble Board as orders were formerly given for the repairs of these Quarters.

Will be referred to the Committee of Works, and the necessary Directions given

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Dy. M. Secretary

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

A true Copy

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secretary

Military

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Military Department

To Dr. James Anderson,

Physician General &c.

Members of the

Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to inclose Copy of a Minute delivered in by the President, and am to desire you will without loss of time Conform to the Recommendations Contained therein.

I am

Gentlemen,

Your Most Obedient Servt.

(Signed) John Chamier Secy

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Presidents

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Presidents Minute 20th November 1787

As the new regulations for this Settlement are far advanced and probably will be ready for publication early in the next year, the President begs leave to propose, that a letter be written to the Medical Board, directing them to draw out a plan for the management of the Sick in the field, accompanied with a list of the Servants and Carriages together with an estimate of the expence, — Informing this Estimate they should also be directed to adhere strictly to the spirit of the present system for the other Hospitals.

In the proceedings of the Hospital Board no remarks have been made on the late supplies of Medicine from Europe, expect in the Artillery of Cantharides, If the supplies of last year have been unexceptionable in all respects the Hospital Board ought to report accordingly, that a continuance of like supplies may be requested from home, but if on the contrary, any Alterations, or Additions are Necessary, the Hospital Board ought to specify the same, that the necessary Indent may be got ready by the first Ships of the Season. —

(Signed) A. Campbell

A true Copy

(Signed) W. C. Jackson

D. M. Secretary

Fort

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G. O.

The Honorable the President in Council at the Recommendation of the Hospital Board is pleased to appoint Mr. Maxwell Thompson full Surgeon on this Establishment, vice Pringle deceased date of rank 1st November 1787.

Mr. Thompson to be Surgeon to the 4th Battalion of European Infantry.

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

A true Copy

W. C. Jackson

Deputy Military Secry

To

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Military Department

To The Honble Major General Sir Archibald Campbell K.B. Governor in Council Commander in Chief &ca &ca

To Dr. James Anderson Physician General & to the Members of the Hospital Board

Honble Sir

Gentlemen,

The enclosed are our Proceedings of the 29th Instant which we have the honor to forward, and are with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir

Your Most Obedient and Very humble Servants

James Anderson P. Genl.

(Signed) Colley L. Lucas C.S.

Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board

November 29th 1787

Hospital

I am directed to return to you a Copy of your Proceedings of the 29th Ultimo, approved by Government, and to send you a Copy of a General Order published in consequence.

I am

Gentlemen,

Your most Obedt. Servt.

(Signed) John Chamier Secry

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Hospital Board
November 29th 1787

The Hospital Board having examined Mr. Morris Fitzgerald with respect to his professional qualifications as an Assist. Surgeon, have found him well educated, and fit for the Service they therefore beg leave to recommend to the Honble. Board his being appointed an Assistant Surgeon on this Establishment, and stationed at the General Hospital till further Orders.

Approved

From the promotion of Mr. Thompson to Surgeon, there is a Vacancy in the List of Hospital Mates, the Board will therefore recommend that Mr. Baird, who is at present sick at the Presidency, should be promoted to that rank and stationed at the General Hospital

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Approved

Hospital, and that Mr. Gilford who has solicited to be removed from the 4th. Regiment of Cavalry, relieve Mr. Baird with the 2d. Battalion of Artillery at Wallajahbad.

The Hospital Board have the Honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Orders of Government relative to their drawing out Regulations for the Field Service, and reporting on the last supply of Europe Medicines, to both of which they will pay immediate and particular attention.

A Disease having in October last prevailed at Arcot similiar to an Endemic that raged amongst the natives about Paleconda in the Amber Valley in 1769/1770 in an Army of Observation in January 1763 and the Bengal Detachment at Ganjam in 1761 and several other places at different times as well as Epidemic over the whole Coast in 1763, under the

appearance

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appearance of Dysentery, Cholera Morbus or Mardexym but attended with Spasms at the Procordia and Sudden pro-prostration of Strength as Characteristic marks. —

Seeing this Board is ordered to be a Record the Physician General recommends as a guide to future Practitioners, that a Letter from Mr. Thompson Surgeon of the 4th Regiment containing an Account of the dissection of one of the Patients, who died of the Disease, describing the state of the Viscera, may be entered on the face of the Proceedings together with two letters from Mr. Duffin Head Surgeon at Vellore, and one from Mr. Davis Member of the Hospital Board containing an account of the Causes, Symptoms and successful treatment of the Sick by the use of the Hot Bath and Fomentations supporting the Vis Vitae with Wine &ca and removing the putrid Colluvies from the Intestines. —

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Approved

The Hospital Board sensible of the advantages that may result to the Service from the mode proposed by the Physician General direct their Secretary to enter the letters he has mentioned, as follows.

(Signed) Andw. Berry Secry.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council. —

(Signed)
W. C. Jackson
Deputy M. Secry.

A true Copy
(Signed) A. B. Secry.

Mr.

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Mr. Andrew Berry

Secretary to the Hospital Board

Sir

I returned yesterday from Arcot where I had an opportunity of seeing the Situation of the Sick. The Cholera Morbus rages with great violence, with every Symptom of Putrescency, and so rapid in its progress that many of the Men are carried of in twelve hours illness. I have recommended to Mr. Pringle who is indefatigable, the free use of Castor Oil, which I have found the only effectual remedy in like cases repeating it whenever the Spasms return, and during its Operation allowing the patient to drink liberally of warm Wine and Water, mulled Wine or in great Depression and prostration of Strength Warm Brandy and Water, abdomen, or what is better the warm Bath, whilst the constant fomentations to the Spine is rubbed with a Solution of Opium in warm Brandy.

I have had many cases under my care which were mostly treated in the manner I have described and I am happy to say I scarce ever lost a Man as the disease is an accumulation of highly putrid Bile which acts on the System like the most deleterious Poison — the first intention is to evacuate it as speedily as possible, & I have found no Medicine equal to the Castor Oil,

as

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as it carries off the putrid Colluvies without irritating the intestinal Canal, which even the mildest purgatives in same measure do, whereas the Oil Sheaths the internal Coats, and blunts the irritating Matter, I have always observed the Spasms to abate when the Oil has Operated, but frequently it is necessary to repeat the dose two or three times in a day when the spasms return. — Opiates which in most cases where the Nervous System is affected are found useful, but in the Cholera they ought to be used with great caution, and never whilst there is the least apprehension of Putridity, and as long as the spasms continue, there is a certainty of offending Matter in the Primæ Vis, which is locked up by Opiates even for one hour, too often a fatal mortification ensues.

I have thus thrown together my Suggestions on the prevailing disease, and mode of treatment which I submit to the Superior Judgment of the Hospital Board, but as Mr. Davis will be shortly at Arcot, he will be able to Communicate more minutely the state of the Sick, and I hope more satisfactorily respecting the treatment of their Complaints.

Mr. Fergusson returned from Wallajahbad two days ago and has relieved Mr. Pringle from an immensity of fatigue both of Body and mind — I understand Collonel Kelly proposeses

moving

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moving the effectives to some Choultries at Trivallum north of the River which I think is a very necessary and ~~prudent~~ measure, as both Barracks and Hospital are become very offensive and certainly tends to Spread the Contagion. —

I had not an Opportunity of speaking to him on the subject as he removed some days ago with his Family to Timmery to avoid the infection, but I recommended the place to his Quarter Master and beged him to acquaint the Colonel. —

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

(Signed) Willm. Duffin

Vellore

October 26th 1787 —

P. S.

Since my return to Vellore we have had Six men Seized with the Cholera attended with violent Spasms, they are now on the recovery the second dose of the Oil freed them entirely of every alarming Symptom. —

A true Copy

(Signed) Andw. Berry Jun.

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To James Anderson Esqr.

M. D. Physician General

Dear Sir

I received your letter of the 30th Ultimo and am very thankful for the Judicious Suggestions therein, and the open and Candid manner in which you have explained your Sentiments on the prevailing Disease. —

In my letter to Mr. Berry which you mention I thought it no further necessary than saying in general terms that the disorder at Arcot was the Cholera Morbus whose Symptoms unless there were something unusal in them, I thought it unnecessary to discriminate, but as you very justly observe it is the business of the Faculty to trace out the causes, which being determined, the removal of the disease becomes easy, having been deficient in my first letter on that Head, I beg leave to offer my Sentiments on the predisponing causes of the Cholera now so Epidemical. —

The moist and warm atmosphere so prevalent all the Month of September in the day time, and the thick fogs which rose every Evening with putrid exhalations from Filth which shamefully

abounded

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abounded at Arcot attended towards morning with cold heavy Dews which checked perspiration & all tended to bring on an irregularity and putrescency of the different Secretions, and as a bad Air has a great influence on the stomach and Intestines it generally occasions a loathing & Indigestion Exercise therefore of either eating or drinking on undue Mixtures in the Stomach will often bring on the Cholera in such a Situation. — That the private men and natives are more subject to the Disease from their mode of living, than the Officers, whose diet and lodging are better is very evident, Yet such has been the noxious quality of the Air at Arcot, that we have fatal experience of every precaution being insufficient to exempt from the Infection — The removal therefore of both Sick and well from the deleterious Miasmata became the first Object and which I recommend to be done when I visited the place — The Symptoms were generally pretty much the same in all I have seen only the violence of the spasms were greater according to the Stamina of the Patient and the quantity of putrid matter in the Prime Viæ They generally are Seized with a Nausea, frequent hicks & Chills, a dryness of the Skin and numbness and uncommon Sensation as they express it in different parts of their Body — Then come on the Loads, Severe gripings, and mostly a purging of Bilious

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Bilious Colliquies, appearing often in a ferment like yeast and not unlike in Colour with a putrid offensive Small gushings to Stool often bilious, and at other times scarce any thing is brought up but the liquor that is Drunk, an Intense thirst Oppression on the Precordia with difficulty of breathing frequently the Spasms begin with the first attack, tho sometimes they only appear as the Disease advances, and then generally affect the lower extremities, afterwards the Abdominal Muscles, and the whole System becomes convulsed, The Pulse from the first feels and at times is scarce to be felt profuse clammy cold Sweats and a pallid hue over spread the Body, the Countenance ghastly, the Eyes Sunk, and the Voice scarcely to be heard, with great dejection — The tongue in general moist, till near the Close of the Disease when it becomes dry & foul, and the Breath offensive the Urine generally pale and in small quantity.

The severe gripings and the putrid evacuations shew a Morbid matter in the Intestinal Canal which nature is struggling to get quit of, and till it is evacuated antispasmodics and Cordials can be of little use, further than supporting the Patient during the Operation of the purge, as a Cordial therefore Warm wine is all that I have found necessary, the hot Baths are of the most essential use, with partial frictions, and fomentations, and Pails of boiling Water placed under the Cots, purging Glysters are also very necessary. — There

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There is not a doubt that the Noxious Air Acts as a ferment to the Bile and Gastric juices already diseased, and occasions those dreadful Symptoms I have described, similar in some measure to what somtimes happens by Verdegrease mixed with food dressed in Copper Vessels. I therefore think with submission that mere Inanition, Atonia and Irritation, may be accounted for, without looking for remote Causes, and those Horripelations and Stupor from which the patient Slowly recovers are occasioned by the use of Opiates in the first Stage of the desease. Vomits I think unnecessary in most cases, the Stomach in general is too much Irritated and they add to the Spasms without carrying off much of the morbid matter. As I have already in my former letter mentioned the Practice in use here, and the Success attending it I shall only beg leave to transmit Mr. Pringle's letter the day before Mr. Davis arrived, to shew the benefit the Sick had received from the free use of Castor Oil, the short time I had been with them, and I am sorry to say we have had these two Days past too much Occasion for the use of it, but Evening no less than 13 Men were Seized with the Cholera, many of them on the Parade, and on the different

Guards

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Guards as well as in the Barracks some by the time they were carried to the Hospital were much convulsed and scarce able to speak they are all however at this Period out of danger and the Spasms entirely left them. every precaution is taken by the Commanding Officer to have the mens Barracks Privy's kept clean which I hope will be a means of the Disorder not raging with such violence as it has done at Arcot, but there is some thing in the Air which I cannot describe the sensation it occasions, in the Evening particularly, which both Officers and Men indeed every one in the place are sensible of, a Cold damp Chill pervades the whole Body and a listlessness and want of appetite is complained of by all. We have every reason to wish for the setting in of the Rains, which alone will free us of the Noxious Miasmata.

I have thus my Dear Sir laid my sentiments before you without any reserve, and knowing your Candour and liberal way of thinking I have not hesitated in giving my Opinion, even were it should differ from such respectable Authority as your own being persuaded you would rather encourage enquiry than damp the endeavours of those who wish to benefit by your Advice & Instruction.

Since

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Since I began this Letter I have been called away to see Lieut. Taylor of 2d Battalion who is attacked with the Cholera I have given him a dose of the Castor Oil which I hope will put a Stop to the spasms getting to any height — We have this day 128 Men in the Hospital, between thirty and forty of them came in with the Cholera.

I shall take the liberty of writing you occasionally, should any unusual Symtom appear to request your advice if the disorder continues I fear we shall have occasion for more Medical help than we have at present but I hope the best and that we shall be able to get through it. I am My Dr Sir with the highest Esteem

Vellore
November the 3d 1787.

Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W. Duffin

P.S.

I have this moment received a summons to visit Captn. Meule at Trevallum where the 4th Regt. is now moved to, but from the account I have of him I fear I shall be too late — my stay can only be a few hours as we have too much on our hands in Vellore.

William

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William Duffin Esqr.
Head Surgeon General Hospl.
Vellore.

Dr. Sir,

Mr. Davis is not yet arrived and it is now 12 o'Clock This morning early we lost one man who you may recollect lay in the center of the Ward and was very ill when you saw him, all the rest I think are upon the whole considerably better only one man Mr. Fergusson told me came in in the course of last night and one this morning which I was visiting the Hospital, I have no report since from which I conclude, that all is well.

I am
Dr. Sir
Very truely yours
(Signed) Patn. Pringle

Arcot 27th October 1787.

A true Copy
Signed Andw. Berry
Surgn.

James

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James Anderson Esqr. M.D.
Physician General &c.

Dr. Sir,

I arrived here on Friday about 12 O'Clock in the forenoon and immediately waited on Mr. Davis who I found at Captain Youngs in the Cavalry lines. Mr. Davis informed me that Mr. Lord was in Charge of the Regiment at Trivallum (about 8 miles N. west of Arcot) in a high and dry situation the Pagoda in which the Men are lodged is said to be large enough to contain 500 Men.

Yesterday morning a private of the 4th Regiment European Infantry died in the Hospital in the Fort of Arcot, when Immediately opened his Body in presence of Messrs. Ferguson Campbell & Cameron the appearances on dissection were the Gall Bladder exceedingly distended with Bile so much so as to appear protuted some Inches below the Liver and to contain near six Ounces of Bile no marks of Putrescence in any of the abdominal Viscera the Urinary Bladder quite empty and contracted to the size of Walnut the Stomach and Duodenum both empty of Bile and no appearance of Inflammation in any part of the Intestinal Canal or Peritoneum.

I have

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I have not as yet had an opportunity of treating a Patient in this Spasmodic affection from the first seizure since my arrival here, but, shall munite down the effects of the different remedies made use of for the relief of such as many be taken ill of this disease.

Captain Multh of the 4th Regiment Infantry died in 12 hours illness he had greatly fatigued himself in Shooting on the day in which he was taken ill, and had been under a Course of Mercury as well as Mr. Pringle late Surgeon to the Regiment.

This disease is exactly the same as prevailed at Trincomallee in months of April & May 1782 when the season was very hot and chill the winds blowing from the land and reching some leagues out to Sea the Weather here at present is the same as I experiend at Trincomallee.

I am
Dr. Sir
Your most Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Maxwell Thompson
Surgeon 4th Regt. Infantry

Arcot
5 November 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Berry Secry.

James

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James Anderson Esqr. M.D.

Physician General

Sir,

I take occasion to represent that upon my arrival at Arcot on the 29th Ultimo I found, in what was called the Epidemic Hospital three different diseases Viz.t Patients labouring under the Cholera morbus, an Inflamatory Fever with universal Cramps and a spasmodic affection of the nervous System distinct from the Cholera morbus I understood from the Regimental Surgeons that the last disease had proved fatal to all who had been attacked with it, and that, he had already lost Seven and twenty Men of the Regiment in a few days.

Five patients were then shewn me, with scarce any circulation whatever to be discovered, their Eyes much sunk within their orbits, their Jaws apparently stiff, their bodies universally cold, except at the Præcordia and their extremities livid. Mr. Prengle observed that these five Men were attacked on the 26th that Mr. Duffin had seen them, and had recommended Castor Oil to be administered, Fomentations, Frictions and a Chasty of hot Coals to be put under each Mans Bed, that the Oil had not operated but was rejected by the Stomach

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Stomach. He then administered hot Wine with spices, observing at the same time that one and all of those Men seemed somewhat relieved by these means, but that in the course of the last night, the spasms had returned, and the Patients were reduced to the state I then saw them.

Proceeded to my interrogatory Mr. Prengle as to his general intention of relief in these cases I directed that five Anarch Cask. should have their heads taken out immediately, and large quantities of Hot water be prepared, and without loss of time impregnated with Anarch (and such Aromatic herbs as could be procured) in the proportion of One Gallon to Ten, and to put me and all of those five objects into as hot a Bath, as I myself could bear, directed them to be rubbed with strong manual frictions whilst they were in the Bath; the good effects of which was so obvious in Three of the Five that, in the space of Ten minutes I was enabled to administer to each of them, half a Pint of hot Wine with some grated Ginger, and this was repeated every quarter of an hour, untill each patient had drank three pints; during all which time the manual frictions were continued heated bricks applied to the feet, and bags of hot salt to the hands

the

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the Spasms, at intervals, returned, and some of the Bile was ejected from the Stomach, but as the inspiration became more and more established, the Spasms grew less & restlessness then ensued, and an oppression at the Precordia. I then administered to each forty drops of Laudanum, had them covered up with bed cloaths, and fumigated all round them Cloths with Benjamin and Franchincense, the Laudanum had a happy effect in procuring about two hours sleep to each, in the course of which, the perspiration from being partial cold and clammy became general and free flowing on the day of their attack the Rectum had discharged its contents in the action of straining to vomit, without being able to bring any thing up, I directed a stimulant injection to each of these patients which produced a Copious discharge of Feces without any bilious induration whatever; and as the Spasms continued to return at intervals of twenty or five and twenty minutes, I directed the application of Opium infused in Brandy to the region of the Stomach, and a scruple of Musk in a glass of wine five to be repeated pro re nata, from all which, I had the pleasure to observe that in a Four & twenty hours after my first Visit the Spasms had totally subsided the Patients Case which, all along had been so

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as scarce to be heard, was returned almost to its natural state, the pulse that was imperceptible full and even. My object was then to procure a free passage through the Alimentary Canal, and the spasms being then taken off, I found an Ounce of Sena, infused in three Ounces of Water, and ten drops of Oil of Aniseed was the purpose as well in one of these patients, as five and twenty grains of Rhubarb and three grains of Calomel in Another, and ten drachs of Castor Oil in the third.—

I attended to the operation of these purgative medicines and could discover no bilious indication in the whole System.—

Two, of the five men that were patients the Bath procured no benefit there from; but expired in a few minutes after they were taken out upon dissection the Duodenum was found distended with pulped Ass, the other Intestines empty except the Colon and Rectum, in which latter there were indurated Feces, the whole Viscera sound the Gall bladder rather turged but not diseased.—

Two patients labouring under an inflammatory fever, with universal cramps, were immediately relieved by being immersed in the medicated Bath; but as they complained of a tightness of the Abdomen with a costive habit, they were purged with the common preparation of Salt Manna or Sena, and next day were

next

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sent into the Convalescent Hospital. Six other patients with the Cholera Morbus, Spasm of the Procordia, and cramps of the extremitys with a bilious Dientery and a copeous discharge from the Stomach of a green Yellow, and dark coloured bile; received the greatest benefit from the Baths in the first instance were greatly restored by Hot Negus with grated Ginger & obtained some rest from a few drops of Laudanum, and nature seemed not to require any Cathartic Assistance to throw off the disease, Nevertheless as soon as the Stomach was able to retain Medicine, judged it Necessary to administer a dose of Castor Oil, beat up with the Yolk of an Egg, and a few drops of the Oil of Peppermint and encouraging its operation with Chicken Water. This description of Sick continued for some time in a Convalscent state, but the Plethoric patients labouring under Cramps, were abroad on their duty in the course of four days, nor did I find it necessary to keep the Spasmodic Cases in the Hospital much longer than the Plethoric Ones.

During my residence at Fort upwards of Sixty patients under the above three discriptions of disease, were received into the Hospital, and were all successfully treated in the same manner except the Drill Serjeant of the Regiment a Robust Man in the prime of Life, who Accidently saw in a state of intoxication on the

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the 2d Instant about 10 o'Clock in the forenoon; he was not so beastly drunk but he could laugh at me for my admonition in exhorting him to care of himself, but about 3 o'Clock in the afternoon he awoke out of this intoxicated Sleep, with universal Cramps, Spasms at the Procordia, Costiveness, and a great desire to make water without the ability. This was almost the only instance, wherein the Bath did not prove efficacious, for he expired in three Hours Lamented that my own indisposition would not admit of examining this Body; for I myself was at that period reduced to the necessity of using the Bath, from a slight oppression at the Procordia, and Cramps in my extremities, all which vanished upon my going into the Hot Water, and taking a large draught of hot Negus with grated Ginger in it, which produced a considerable degree of exultation that relieved me Indeed I always observed in the Spasmodic Cases, the predesposing symptom to relief, was a considerable discharge of Wind both from the Stomach and Intestines. This was so singularly marked, in the case of Lieutenant Jennings that the nurses who attended him in order to convey to me a favorable change in my Patient, reported, that he had spoke wind like thunder all night.

I have

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There was another instance of the efficacy of the Medicated Baths joined to my other medical Intentions of Relief in the case of the Barrack Serjeant this man was an old Soldier who was suddenly seized with Spasms at the Precordia, an unusual inclination to vomit, great anxiety a retention of Urine, cold clammy sweats, the Eyes sunk, and the voice almost lost, the Spasms at the Precordia were relieved by the Bath, Mush and Opium, the voice was pretty well restored and the Pulse good, but no medical Intention of mine could alltogether restore the structure of the Bladder, As Stimulating injections had been repeated and after the Bath, and the use of Cordials, Castor Oil has sufficiently opened the Alimentary Canal, what small quantity of Urine he did make, was turpid, but it was so trifling it could scarce be examined

Fumes of Tobacco were injected up the Rectum, Mustard Garlic and Opium applied to the lower region of the Abdomen, but here let me lament the unpardonable omission of those whose duty it is to supply the Presidency with Medicines, for I has not any Diuretics nor no Cantharides that could spare a single Vesicle

The patient however on the third day was greatly recovered, still however I dreaded the return of the spasms among I could not remove the Evidence of

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of the Bladder, and on the 5th Coming of the disease he was suddenly seized with Spasms of the Abdomen, which carried him off before I could reach him

There then was a fair for Anatomical investigation and Mr Thompson, who had by this time joined me proceeded in the dissection with the utmost attention, the Stomach was found in its natural state as was indeed the whole Alimentary Canal the Liver and Vesica fellis without any appearance of disease, as were also the Kidneys and Ureters, but the bladder was most singularly contracted, and did not exceed an ounce a large Nutmeg, yet without inflamation or any apparent disease except its contracted state.

I confess I never before had seen any thing like it and it is worthy of remark that this Patient had a degree of Thirst beyond any Case which presented itself, whilst I was at Arcot, and tho there was no restraining him from gratifying this desire to quench it, and there was no convulsion of the Stomach, nor any profuse sweats for Eight and forty hours previous to his final Dissolution. Still however we could not trace a single vestige of the large libations he had imbibed, nor was there in the whole Corpse the least sign of Putrescence.

I flatter myself in this brief account of the diseases I had to combat with at Arcot you will agree

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agree with me in opinion that the true Cholera Morbus, was not the cause of the great mortallity in the 4th Regt but a Spasmodic affection from an Irritability of the Nervous System, no doubt excited by a Putrid Miasma arising from the situation of the place itself, in so extraordinary a Season, and greatly heightened by intemperance & in the Soldiers improper diet perhaps sleeping exposed to the putrid vapours with which the Atmosphere was loaded, or, else what was as bad in a Crouded, filthy, and close Barrack. —

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your very Obedient
humble Servant
(Signed) Thomas Davis
Head Surgeon

Madras
29th November 1787. —

A true Copy
(Signed) A Berry
Secry

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G. O.

The Honble the President in Council is pleased to admit Mr. Morris Fitzgerald, an Assistant Surgeon on this Establishment, to be stationed at the General Hospital till further Orders. —

Mr. Baird promoted to the Rank of Hospital Mate, and stationed at the General Hospital — Mr. Gifford to relieve Mr. Baird with the 2d Battn. of Artillery at Wallajahbad —

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council. —

(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Deputy Mr. Secry

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry Secry

Military

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Military Department

To Dr. James Anderson
&ca. Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council to desire you will send into the Military Secretary's Office, at the End of each Year, the Proceedings of your Board, that Reference may be made to them, by the superior Board when Occasion may require.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obdient Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier Secry.

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7th December 1787

A true Copy
(Signed) A. Berry
Secry.

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To The Honble Major General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &ca. Council

Honble Sir,

Inclosed we have the Honor of forwarding our Proceedings of the 10th Instant, and are with the greatest request.

Honble Sir,
Your Most Obedient &
Very humble Servants
(Signed) James Anderson P. Genl.
Colley L. Lucas C.S.
Thomas Davis H.S.

Hospital Board
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In conformity to the Orders of Government to draw out Regulations for the care of the Sick in the Field a matter of the utmost moment to the welfare of the Service, the Hospital Board feel much pleasure in submitting to the consideration of the Honble Board the following Arrangements to serve as Regulations in addition to the standing General Orders.

Let it be supposed there is an Army of 10000 Men in the Field 4000 of whom are Europeans the most Native, three things come under consideration Viz.t

Carriage Cover, and Hospital Staff

The carriage for many reasons but chiefly that of practicability ought to consist of Doolies and Waggons.

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It has ever been found, that Carriage bearing the proportion of less than 8 Men to the 100, upon actual Service has been insufficient to convey the Sick with the Army, and carry them to places of Shelter, and where the distance from a fixed Hospital is more than a hundred Miles, a greater proportion will perhaps be necessary, but as his Majesty's and the Honble Company's European are now, it is hoped inured to the Climate, this number may prove sufficient for Carnatic Service.

The Doolies should be six feet long, two feet six Inches wide, Rattaned in the bottom, the Bamboo three feet above the Rattaans and the Feel six Inches high, it should be furnished with a Bed, two Pillows and a Quilt, covered with a Bulker of painted Canvass, and carried on the shoulders of five Bearers.

The Body of the Waggon should be four feet wide and Six long which

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which will be found capable occasionally of carrying four men, to be slung on four Steell Springs and run on four Wheels, covered with a Bulker on Awning of painted Canvass & the bottom rattaned and covered with a Paillas. Each Waggon should be drawn by four Bullocks with proper Drivers

It is intended by the above distinction of Doolies and Waggons that the worst cases should be carried in the Doolies the rest in the Waggons. —

According to the foregoing Calculations, there should be 320 Doolies with 1600 Bearears and 120 Waggons with 480 Bullocks. —

A Mastry and four Assistants should superintend the Doolies. —

An expert Serang and four Tindals who have been accustomed to wheel Corriage should attend the Waggons. —

A Mastry Smith and

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and Carpenter with each ten Workmen should be appointed for the repair of the Doolies and Waggons as well as Rattan men and Taylors.

That the whole of this part of the arrangement be properly conde[illegible] an Officer commissioned for the purp[illegible] should be appointed to command them

2d. Cover for the Sick and Wounded. —

For this purpose it is recommended that six Field Office[illegible] Tents with six Necessary Tents for accommodation of the Sick, and two Markees for the preparation of Medicines and Medical attendants to Sleep in, be distinguished as a Feild Hospital. —

When the Army halts as many Doolies as may be found necessary to have the Bamboo taken out, and placed in the Tents to serv[illegible] as Cotts for the Sick. —

3d. Hospital Staff

As it is presumed that [illegible] Corps

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Corps will have its own Surgeon or Assistant Surgeon, and is supplied with Medicines, upon taking the Field yet it appears necessary there should be —

One Surgeon General of the Army with a Secretary.

One Head Surgeon of the Field Hospital with six Hospital Mates 12 Nurses —

6 Servants for fomentation and Glysters —

6 Toties, and

6 Massaulgies

One Apothecary with two Assistants and 6 Helpers —

One Victualler with a Baker and 6 Cooks —

The Apothecary and Victualler to be each allowed 10 Carts for carrying their respective Stores.

The Surgeon General and Head Surgeon each a Mastry and 12 Coolies for their Different apparatus and the Hospital Mates each 4 Coolies for Carrying their Instruments —

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All Medicines and dressings to be prepared by the Apothecary and Articles of Cookery by the Victualler agreeable to the orders of the Surgeons for Hospital use —

As it has already been supposed that every Corps is to have its own Surgeon and that he is supplied with medicines and Instruments when he takes the Field, it is necessary that a Mastry and 12 Coolies be allowed every Regimental Surgeon for the purpose of carriage, but as that number will not be sufficient to carry all the Stores that the Surgeon of an European Regt. will find necessary, he should indent to the Apothecary in Camp for Wine Spirits and other bulky articles from time to time —

An Assistant Surgeon with a Native Corps should be allowed 6 Coolies and should indent to the Apothecary in Camp for similar Articles —

Having

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Having thus gone through the Medical arraingment for Field Service, it remains with the Hospital Board now only to draw out an Estimate of the Expence attending it agreeabbly to the Orders of Government but as the Nature of the Service is such, the Hire of Bullocks and the Pay of Drivers Coolies &c.a so complicated that it is difficult for the Hospital Board to ascertain the actual Expence, they are therefore induced to hope that Government will be satisfied with having brought into one point of view the Arrangement itself, by which those familiar with Field Calculations, the Pay of Field Servants and the hire of Carriage will be enable to do it with precision.

The Hospital Board beg leave to acquaint Government that they have received a letter from Mr. Muir Surgeon with the first Battalion of Europeans a Trichinopoly informing them, that a Malignant kind

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of Small Pox had appeared there and been fatal, but having found one patient with the benign sort he proposed to General Horne the necessity of inoculating the Regiment which the General approved of.

Mr. Muir therefore from this Patient, after preparation in Baron Dimsdales method inoculated Twenty of the Soldiers, and gives hopes of the best Success, as when his Letter was dispatched the Inspection had taken place and the part showed favorable signs.

The Hospital Board having received a Letter from Mr. Gahagan soliciting leave to come to the Presidency, and specifying that he has obtained the consent of his Commanding Officer, have the honor of recommending his request to the Honble Board.

Mr.

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Mr. Whyte Head Surgeon having left Trichinopoly agreeable to the leave he obtained the Board have directed Mr. Mein Surgeon to the 1st Battalion of European to receive all returns and make out the monthly report to them till further orders & hope Government will be pleased to publish this in General Orders.

Mr. Thompsons promotion from Hospital Mate in charge of Medicines at the General Hospital at Madras having left that appointment vacant In consequence of Mr. Harris having declared that the publication of his Dictionary will not interfere with any part of this Duty the Hospital Board beg leave to recommend that Mr. Harris be appointed to fill that Station.

The Hospital Board in their Proceedings of the 10th Ultimo having stated their Sentiments on Mr. Ferriers obtaining leave to proceed to Europe, and Government having been pleased to direct that Mr. John Briggs should be put on the effective list and succeed

Mr.

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Mr. Ferrier as Surgeon of Vizagapatam they have made an arrangement accordingly and recommended the same being made public in General Orders.

The Hospital Board have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a Letter from Government relative to their furnishing the Superior Board with a Copy of their Proceedings at the end of every year, the Secretary having informed them that his executing this Duty will prevent his attending and even make it impossible for him to keep up the Records of the Board the Correspondence and accounts of the Apothecary and Purveyor &ca. without an additional Writer, as he has at present only one they hope his request will not appear unreasonable, and that Government will be pleased to allow him another Writer.

(Signed) Andw. Berry
Surgn.

Military

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Military Department

To Dr. James Anderson
Physician General
&c to the Members of the
Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Honble the President in Council, to enclose for your Information, Copy of a General Order this day issued, and to acquaint you, that Mr. Cahagan has permission to come to the Presidency agreeably to your Recommendations.

I am,
Gentlemen,
Your most obedt. Servt.
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Deputy Military Secry

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G. O.

The Honorable the President in Council, at the Recommendation of the Hospital Board, is pleased to make the following Arrangements.

Returns of Sick &c to be made to Mr. Anderson

Mr. Surgeon to the 1st Battalion of Europeans at Trichinopoly, in like Manner as are made to Mr. Whyte, Head Surgeon of that Garrison, till further Orders.

Mr. Harris, Hospital Mate, to take charge of Medicines at the General Hospital at Madras, Vice Mr. Thompson promoted.

Mr. Briggs Surgeon re-admitted on the Strength of the Establishment and appointed to do duty at Vizagapatam Vice Mr. Forrest resigned.

By Order of the Honble the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier
Secretary

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Dy. M. Secry

A true Copy
Signed/ A Berry Secry

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To The Honble Major General,
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander in Chief
&c. &c.

Honble Sir

We have the honor to forward the request of Mr. Turing Head Surgeon of Masulipatam for leave to come to the Presidency, he has obtained the Consent of the Chief in Council, and Military Commandant, and has made arrangements for conducting the Duty of that District in his absence to our Satisfaction.

We are with all due Respect
Honble Sir,
Your obedient and very
humble Servants
James Anderson P.Genl
(Signed) Colley L Lucas C.Surgn

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A true Copy
Signed Andw. Berry
Surg

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To The Honble Major
General
Sir Archibald Campbell K.B.
Governor in Council Commander
in Chief &c. &c. &c.

Honble Sir,

The enclosed are our Proceedings of the 21st Instant, which we have the Honor to forward and are with the greatest Respect.

Honble Sir
Your Most obedt &
Very humble Servts
James Anderson P.G.
(Signed) Colley L Lucas C.S.

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The Hospital Board having had the Honor to acquaint Government on the 10th Instant that Mr. Mein Surgeon of the 1st Battalion of European Infantry had inoculated for the small Pox twenty Men of that Regiment, have now the pleasure to inform the Honble Board, that all those who received the Infection, twelve in number are now perfectly recovered, the other eight from having in all probability had the Disease in their infancy were not affected. — Mr. Mein also acquaints them that out of three Men that came into the Hospital with the Small Pox in the natural way, two died —

Approved

The Hospital Board when they consider the many advantages that are derived from Inoculation, and that the disease has appeared in this Neighbourhood, earnestly

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earnestly recommended to Government that the Troops of this Establishment who are ignorant of having had the Small Pox, and whom they suppose there is a great proportion, be immediately put on a proper Diet, and propose the following. —

Approved — Breakfast {Butter Milk and Rice
Dinner {Mutton Broth with Greens and Mutton with Bread or Rice
Supper {Congee and Sugar

Pork Fish Butter Salted meats and Spirituous Liquors should be strictly abstained from. —

Under such Diet it has been found by much experience amongst Europeans a mild appearance of the Disease is obtained. —

Approved.

Should Government approve of the Troops being inoculated the Board recommend that

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that such men be selected without loss of time, that their habit of body may be enquired into, and that they may undergo the necessary preparation, as from the present temperature of the Atmosphere the most happy Consequences are to be expected.

The Physician General has received from Mr. Mein Variolous matter for the purpose of inoculating such men as choose to benefit by the operation, rather than run any risque of taking the disease in the natural way.

Approved

Mr. George Anderson Surgeon at Ongole having stated to this Board that having frequent calls to Nellore, as also at present to Pondigul in the Palnaud, where Lieut. Sheriff is dangerously ill, both of which places are near an hundred Miles distant from this Station, he finds it impossible to give all the Assistance he could wish

Approved

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wish to the Sick from Medical Servants not being stationed at these places.

The Hospital Board sensible of the prosperity of Mr. Anderson's requisition beg leave to recommend that a Subassistant be stationed at Nellore and Pondigul while any of the Honble Company's Servants remain there.

Approved

Countersigned the Apothecary's Bill of Disbursements for the month of November amounting to Pagodas 1434. 11. 46 for Medicines and Pags. 215. 30. 74 as his Commission of 15 pr. Cent ordered by Government, in all Pags. 1640. 40.

Approved

(Signed) Andw. Berry Jury

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council.

(Signed) John Chamier Jury

A true Copy

(Signed) A. Berry Jury

Military

Fort St. George 25th December 1787

Military Department.

To Doctor James Anderson

Physician General &c.

Members of the

Hospital Board

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Hon'ble the Governor in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Report dated the 10th Instant, and to inform you that an Estimate of the Expence attending the Medical Arrangement for Field Service, is to be made out without loss of time, comprehended every Circumstance tending to illustrate the Subject. Whatever assistance you may require to enable you to complete the Estimate, will be granted on your application.

With Respect to the Waggon which you recommend should be adopted for the Carriage of certain Description of the Sick on the Field, I am directed to desire you will lay before the President in Council a Plan, Section,

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Section and Elevation thereof, together with a Description in writing: the Chief Engineer will be instructed to give you the Assistance of a Draughtsman on this occasion, if required.

Government approve your Secretary's employing another Writer at an Allowance of 10 Pags. Mensem.

I am
Gentlemen,
Your most obedient Servt.
(Signed) John Chamier
Secy.

Fort St. George
December 26th 1787.

A true Copy
Signed, And.w Berry
Secy.

To

Fort St George 22d December 1787.

Military Department

To Dr James Anderson
Physician General &c.
&c. Members of the
Hospital Bd

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Hon.ble President in Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 14th Instant and to send you the inclosed Extract of a Letter from the Chief and Council at Masulipatam. If however, Mr Ivering have since obtained the Consent of that Board, and no Inconvenience will attend the quitting his Station, Government permit him to visit the Presidency.

I am
Gentlemen
Your most obed.t Ser.t
(Signed) John Chamier
Secy

Fort St George
22d December 1787

A true Copy
Signed A Berry Secy

Extract

Fort St George 22d December 1787

Extract of Letter from Masulipatam Dated 1 Dec.r 1787

Our Head Surgeon Mr Ivering having requested of us to apply to your Honor &c.a for permission for his proceeding to the Presidency we think it our Duty to observe, that we think he has chosen an inconvenient time for it, as there are at present a number of Sick in our Hospital, besides a considerable Detachment of Europeans just arrived from Ellore and that we shall in the event of Mr Ivering's absence be deprived of every other Medical aid, except

a true Extract
(Signed) Robert Clerk
Depy Secy

A true Extract
(Signed)
W. Jackson
Depy M. Secretary

A true Copy
Signed Alex.r Berry
Secy

Fort

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G. O.

The Honble the President in Council is pleased to publish the following Report from the Hospital Board. —

"The Hospital Board when they "consider the many advantages that are derived from Inocu-"lations and that the Small Pox has appeared in this "neighbourhood earnestly recommended to Government "that the Troops of this Establishment, who are "ignorant of having had the Small Pox, and of "whom they suppose there is a great proportion, be "immediately put on a proper Diet and propose "the following". —

"For Breakfast

"Butter Milk and Rice

"Dinner } Mutton Broth with Greens, and Mutton with Bread or Rice —

"Supper } Thick Congee and Sugar"

"Pork Fish Butter Salted Meats and Spirituous Liquors should be rigidly abstained from". —

"Under such Diet it has been found by "much experience amongst Europeans, a mild appear-"ance of the Desease is obtained". —

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"Should Government approve of the Troops "being inoculated, the Board recommend that such "Men be selected without loss of time, that their habit "of Body may be enquired into, and that they may "undergo the necessary preparation, as from the "present temperature of the Atmosphere, the "most happy Consequences are to be expected". —

Government having approved the foregoing Recommendations, are pleased to direct, that the Rules and Diet prescribed as above, be extended to every place where Troops are Stationed — A List of such Men as wish to Benefit by Inoculation is to be sent to the Hospital Board, or to the Head Surgeon of the District by the Regimental Surgeons, who will prescribe whatever may appear necessary, preparatory to Inoculation. —

On Report of the Head Surgeon or Regimental Surgeons the Hospital Board will furnish Variolous Matter. —

By Order of the Honorable the Governor in Council. —

(Signed) John Chamier
Secry

A true Copy
(Signed) W. C. Jackson
Dy. M. Secry

A true Copy
(Signed) Andw. Berry
Secry

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