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W. Mullon War Office 26th Dec 53
Rev. G. Smith
And G. Smith

Private.

St. Hall.

Inspector General of Hospitals,
Head Quarter
before Sebastopol
Crimia



Recd 12 July
and 12 Dec 1855

FCO 4/1
War Office.
31 June 1855.

W

My dear Sir

I send you today an official application for the Crimean Medal for my self and my late Colleague Haffer. I learn here at the Medal Board that it only requires your returning us in any supplementary list of the Medical & Purveyor's Staff to secure our getting it - As I landed a commissioned officer in the Crimea I conceive I am fully entitled to it: and that Mr. H. Haffer is also entitled having come over a Commission of Inquiry from the War Office. We should be both of us be very glad to possess the Medal: and should be very much

3 June 1855
Mr. Haffer. H. B. applying
for a Crimean Medal for
himself & Mr. Haffer
recommended

obliged to you for doing all in your power
to secure it for us.

I trust you retain your health
through all the sickness that we
hear is breaking out in the camp.

Our good friend Wreford is quite
well again. He has picked up both
heart & strength wonderfully. He is
again in harness, having undertaken
the Surveying Department at Oldbury.

Your very laudable testimony in
favor of Mr. Fitzgerald, the Surveyor
at Balahana got him his
increased pay, & much praise
from the Secretary of War.

Believe me, My dear Sir,
With much respect,
Yours very faithfully
John Milton

without a single day's intermission,

I shall, I can assure you, be
very glad to welcome you home in
England again when it suits you
to relinquish your present charge.
I cannot doubt that you will
return reapt some extent the honours
that are so clearly
your due.

I have seen Sumner since
his return. I am sorry to say
that he is in but very indifferent
health.

Believe me,

My dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully
J. Milton.

FCO 4/2
War Office (2 pp)
Dec. 20. 1848.

My dear Sir

I send you a single
line to thank you, for myself,
and also for Mr. Stoffer, for
your kind attention to our request
in re the Russian Medals: which,
thanks to your assistance, we
have now received.

I am afraid you have been
put to much inconvenience by
the changes in your Office on the
invaliding of Mr. Cobb. He has, I
see by the Paper, returned to England
but I have not yet seen him

at the War Office. I fear
his is one of the not rare instances
of a good subordinate being
spoilt & rendered useless by
promotion. I hope you have
now got a Clerk that suits you:
if not do not hesitate to submit
your wants to us, through Dr.
Smith; and I will take care
they are attended to. I maintain
you ought to have a Surgeon
or your head Clerk.

I was struck at the list
of the Head Quarter Staff
Carrara, given in the Times

this other day. Although they
(like them) put your name
last, they could not conceal
what is I believe the fact,
that you are the only one
remaining of the original
H. Q. Staff that landed
at Ald Fort! It is impossible,
I conceive, but what the
Government must one day
recognize the extraordinary
services you have rendered
to the Country while solely
in charge of the Medicine
Department of that Army

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P.S. My brother in Law, young
Fidd, returned very well, after
a sadly tedious ~~for~~ voyage
in the Robert Lowe. His
wound is very nearly well.
He speaks highly indeed of
the kindness & unwearied
attention he received from
the Medical Officers in the
Camp. & the excellent arrangements
existing there for the sick
& wounded.

I should be very glad
to learn from you your

opinion of the present working
of the Quakers' Department
both at Sultan Limbu
Province under the new
P. in C. You may well
believe that after the connection
I have had & still have with
that Department I am much
interested in its being made
what it ought to be a most
effective aid & auxiliary to
the Medical Department.

My duties at the head office

consist in having charge, as far
as the War Office is concerned,
of the Medical Department,
from Army
and of the Surveying Branch;
and I am therefore naturally
most anxious for the
well working together of
the two.

If you would honor me
with a detail of your views on
this subject, I can assure you
that I would take care that
such confidence showed
not be betrayed or abused.

Recd. 8 Aug. and 8th Aug. 1856
J. H. H.

FCO 4/32

(Enclosing FCO 4/36)

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War Department

7th August 1856.

Sir:

I am directed by Lord Panmure to transmit to you, a copy of a letter from Mr. J. C. Wordsworth, soliciting the Crimean Medal, together with a copy of a letter from Dr. Smith, the Director General of the Army Medical Department reporting on this claim.

Dr. Smith states that on the 2nd of December 1855 you reported Mr. Wordsworth's arrival in the Crimea for the second time; and he would therefore appear to be excluded from the Medal on account of this period of service, the grant of the Medal being as you are aware, limited to those troops which

Sir John Hall R. G. B. M. D.

Amvica

arrived in the Crimea prior to the 9th of
September of that year. But, adverting to
Mr. Wordsworth's statement as to his services
between the month of June and the date
of his return to Smyrna, I am to request
that you will favour me, for Lord
Pamun's information, with your opinion
whether you consider him to be entitled to
the decoration which he seeks, and, if so,
that you will furnish His Lordship with
a certificate to that effect.

I am
Sir
your obedient servant.

W. Murray

From September
Aug^r 1856 July^r 1856

Concerning Mr. Madawell's
Claim for a business
Hotel at New York City

FCO4/36

(Enclosed 2 FCO4/3a)

copy

Army Medical Department

13 June 1856

Sir,

I have the honor to
acknowledge the receipt of your
letter of the 30th Ult^o trans-
mitting an application from
Mr J. C. Wordworth, for the
Crutcheff Medal, and requesting
to know whether there is any
record in this Department of the
services of this Gentleman, or of
the authority under which he
went to, or was employed in
the

H. Elliott Esq.^{re}
ye ye ye

War Department

St James' Place

the Crimea.

In reply, I beg leave to state, that it appears from the Records in this Office that Mr J. C. Wordworth was appointed by the Secretary at War. "to proceed to the Crimea for the purpose of affording aid as Surgeon, in the treatment of the Sick and Wounded of the Army in the Field." on the 2nd December 1855 the Principal Medical Officer reported his arrival in the Crimea, and added that he had attached him to the Castle Hospital Balaklava, where he continued

to do duty till the 20th —
February last when he tendered
the resignation of his appoint-
ment which was accepted and
he was permitted to return
to England.

I have &c
(S^c) A Smith
Director General

P.S. — The Enclosure of your
communication is herewith
returned.

Copy

FCO 4/32

111 Finsbury Square

May 27th 1856.

My Lord,

On my return from the
Guinea I have applied for the
Medal and Clasp, to which I
am entitled, but find that
in consequence of Dr. Hall
having omitted to return my
name for these distinctions,
before February last, I am
denied this just acknowledgment
of my services.

I therefore crave your

The Right Honble
The Secretary at War

Lordship's

Lordships consideration of my claim,
and trust that you will be
pleased to render me the
honorable reward to which I
believe myself fairly entitled,
as I think that the following
brief narrative will shew
to your Lordships satisfaction.

I arrived in the Grinca in
June 1855 and finding that
my services might be useful
I placed myself at the disposal
of Dr. Hall, and by the
request of Col. Drummond
was attached to the Coldstream
Guards, who were at that time
suffering much from Cholera. —

On

On the 10th June - I volunteered
to accompany the Regiment
to the Assault, and with the
approval of Lord Rokely, and
Colonel Drummond, was
permitted to do so. After
the Action was over, I offered
my Services at the General
Hospital in Camp, and con-
tinued to do duty, till I
was obliged by increasing illness,
to return to Smyrna

In September by your
Lordships approval I went
again to the Crimea, and
continued there till the end
of February when the condition
of

of the Army rendered my services
no longer necessary, the Com-
mander in Chief gave me
permission to return. I am
confident your Lordship will
not suffer me to be deprived
of the just reward to which
the above named Service
entitles me, and I therefore
feel assured of a fair recognition
of my claim.

I have &c

(S.C.) J. C. Wordworth

Ans^d 2 Sept^r 1856

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Ans^d 4 Sept^r 1856

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War Department,
22nd August 1856.

Sir,

I am directed by Lord
Pamunore to acquaint you
that H. Griebel, Surgical
Instrument Maker, has
applied to this Department
for the Crimea Medal,
bringing with him the en-
closed certificate

(This Person's name
is not included in any
of the Returns sent in
by the Medical Staff in the
Crimea, but it appears
with that of another Surgical
Instrument Maker, (A. Wor-
rall) in the list sent
in by you of persons entitled

Sir John Hall R.C.B.

To

✓ ✓ ✓

to the Sebastopol Clasp.

Lord Pamunne is of opinion that, according to the rule which has been laid down for with-holding Clasp from the Non-Combatant portion of the Army, this person is not entitled to the Sebastopol Clasp; but, with regard to his claim to the Medal, I am to request that you will favour me, for Lord Pamunne's information, with a report on that subject, and that you will accompany your report with a Statement as to the nature of the Surgical Instrument Maker's connection with the

the Army Medical Depart-
-ment.

I am further to request
that you will return to
me the enclosed certifi-
-cate.

I am,
Sir,
Your Obedient Servant,
F. P.

have forwarded.
25 Oct. 55. in accordance
with G.O. N. 1. of 13th Oct. 56.

Corrected list sent in on
10th Feb. 56.

also another in accordance
with G.O. N. 1. 13th March. 56.

Ans. 4 Sept. 1856

Recd 14 Sept 1856
Ans - do -

FCO 4/5a

Castle Town. Isle of Man
8th September 1856

Sir

Having forwarded through the
Director General of the Army
Medical Department a request
that he would be pleased to
forward with his recommenda-
tion, an application from me
for a Crimean Medal, I took
the liberty of annexing the ac-
companying copy of a letter
addressed by you on this subject,
in my favour, to the Commander
of the Forces in the Crimea, but
which, as I stated to the Director
General, Sir William Codrington
was not pleased to entertain -

In reply to my communication
I am directed to make my
application through you, and
will feel obliged - if you feel
justified in doing so - by your
recommending the same to the
Right Hon^{ble} the Secretary of
State for War.

In my letter

Sir John Hall KCB
Surp^t Genl. of Hosp^{ts}
in - - -

to the Director General I ventured
to express an opinion that those
Medical Officers, who served during
the whole or greater part of the
Siege in the Hospitals of the
Crimean Army, and subsequently
for a considerable time in the
Crimea are differently situated
from Officers who joined the Army
Subsequent to the 9th of September.

In my own case I served in-
interruptedly on the Staff of the Army
from the 4th of January 1855 till
the 3rd of July 56 - of which period
nearly nine months were in the
Crimea, and my name having
been duly returned in the List
called for in General Order of
22nd of January 1856. I received
a Medal which in consequence
of the retrospective order of the
13th of March I had to return -

Thus, while Officers who served
scarcely as many days - I might
almost say years - as I did
months have received a Medal
and Clasp, I have nothing
to indicate that I was ever

Connected with the Army in the
East.

My application is, of course,
only for the Crimean Medal -
And the Sebastopol Clasp - and
if you will be pleased to re-
commend & forward it you
will oblige

Sir

Yours most obedient
Humble Servant

G. S. Beaton Esq
Stafford & Co

Sent Innocent Crimen
 25 April 1856

Ln.

I have the honor to Enclose
an application from D^r Beaton
for Subscription to the Command
of the Forces on the subject of
the Crimean Medal.

D^r Beaton has served
in the Crimea since September
and he was employed in the
General Hospital at Scutario
for many months prior to
his coming here to the Crimea.

In point of duty with this
Army, & Beaton's Claims
are strong in comparison with
those of Henry who have re-
ceived the decoration, and
of a discretionary power re-
mains with the Commander in
Chief - which I presume it does.
This is all I venture to
recommend to his favorable
consideration.

Erasmus Windham (B)
Chief of the Staff

Dr Benten

Encl

Mr Beaten

is an old and a good officer
and he has seen much
service both in India and
Burmah.

I have the honour

Sir

Yours most obedient
Humble servant

Signed / J. Hall
Esq
of Knapton

Enclosed
Y. S. Beaten has
Staplebury

Castle Town. Isle of Man
12 - October 1857

Sir
Having received from the Director
General of the Army Medical
Department the reply of the
Military Secretary Horse Guards
to my application for the Order
of the Medjidie; allow me to thank
you for your having supported
my application, with reference to
which I have mentioned before
address the Director General
and I enclose a copy of my letter
for your information.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient Servant

J. M. Beaton Esq
Staff Surgeon R. M. S.

Sir John Hall K. B.
Inspector General of Hospitals

W. W. W.

Rugby.

Copy

East London, Sale of Man
12 October 1857

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo with the accompanying copy of a communication from the Military Secretary Horse Guards on the subject of my application for the order of the Medjidie.

The knowledge that my application was supported by yourself and Sir John Hall goes far to diminish my regret, that in consequence of the number of decorations allowed for the British Army having been appropriated, His Royal Highness the General Commanding in Chief is unable to entertain any further applications.

As, however, you were pleased to commend my application, may I venture to submit to you that one of the Medical Officers - 1st Class Staff Surgeon Lisle - who appears to be named for the fifth Class, has already received the Insignia of the 4th Class from His Majesty The Sultan; If Dr. Lisle be allowed to accept and wear the higher Class, one of the fifth Class allotted to the Medical Department will be inappropriate; If so, may I request your further support of my claim to it.

I have the honor to be
Sir

The Director Genl
Army Med Depart^{mt}
Yours most ob^l Humble
Servant
G. S. Beaton Esq
Staff Surg 1st Class R.A.

Castle Town Sligo
12 Oct - 1857

Lt. Jackson, acquainting me that he
had renewed his application
to the Director General for the
Devotion of the Order of the Medjidie

Let - 14 October 1857

FC04/7a

Wm. Fielding (enclosing
FC04/7b

Nov 22nd 1850

Dear Sir

I have much pleasure
in forwarding you the
enclosed certificate. The
correctness of which I can
entirely vouch for

I remain Dear Sir

Yours very truly

Signed

Gladstone

Wm. Fielding

Wm. Fielding

Edinburgh
Dublin

Copied.

I hereby certify that whilst I was acting in the capacity of Commissioner to the Sardinian Army before Sebastopol that Staff Asst Surgeon William Carte was the means of rendering immediate assistance to a party of Sardinian Soldiers who were wounded by the bursting of a Shell, thereby the life of one of them was saved, and that I was requested, in consequence by General De La Marmora to send in the name of this Officer to him, in order that he might convey his sense of the obligation to the proper authorities in the fullest manner

Signed, G. Cardogno
Capt & Col G. G. G.

(late) Col on the Staff

att^{ce} to Sardinian Army

10 South Audley Street

London, Nov 22nd 1856

28th Nov^r 1856

S. A. S. Clarke
regarding an application
for a Sardinian Medal
It

Rec^d 27th Nov^r
Ans^d 27th D. and Trans:
with a certificate

FCO4/8

General Hosp^t
Dublin

25 November 1854

My dear Sir

I am about to
forward ^{through} ~~the~~ Director
General to the Horse Guards
my claim for a Sardinian
Medal founded upon the
certificate of the English
Commissioner to the Sardinian
Army a copy of which

is enclosed -

Would you consider
me as asking for great
favor in soliciting your kind
assistance towards the same
end, by certifying to my
having served in the Trenches
during the earlier Bombardments
& that I performed my
duty as a Medical Officer
to your satisfaction throughout
the Campaign -

I remain

My dear Sir

Yours very faithfully

Wm Carter

Wm D Hall R.L.B.

Inspector General

Ru 27 Nov 1856

FCOK/9

Ans^d 27 recommending him to
address Smith on the subject

How

Chatham

November 28th 1856

Sir

Hearing that a Medal is
about to be given by the King of Austria
to British Officers who served in the
Crimea, and as the distribution is not
to be restricted to those who already possess
the Russian Medal, which I had the
misfortune not to gain having arrived
soon after the fall of Sebastopol, would
you therefore if it is in your power
be so good as recommend me for that
distinction

I might bring to your rec^d. -
Sir John Hall K.C.B.
Inspector Gen^l - &c

Recollection that at the breaking up
of the Sanitarian Hospital, the remaining
Sick were left in the Hospital in
my charge until their final removal

I remain

Sr

Your Obedient Servant
W. H. Smith

Chatham 26 Nov 1856
Dr Knisk applying for
a Sardinian Medal.
Recd 27 Nov
ansd 27 Dec 1856
JH

London 27 March 1857-

FCO 4/10

Sir.

In returning Dr. Vaughan Hughes' application for a decoration, or some mark of distinction from the Sardinian Government for services rendered to the sick of their Army in the Crimea, I trust I may, without any impropriety, bring to your notice, that, as Principal Medical Officer of the British Army, I gave instructions that every accommodation should on all occasions be extended to our allies the Sardinians, both as to stores, and hospital accommodation, and I am sure you will be pleased to learn that these instructions were fully acted up to by the officers under my superintendence, and the advantages ^{confers} gratefully acknowledged by Dr. Fornisetti, Chief of the Medical Staff of the Sardinian Army, in a letter addressed to me of which the following is an extract

Mon très honoré compère

Sir John Hall

"Vous vous appellerez Mon^r le Docteur, que
"je vous avais manifesté le désir d'avoir un entretien avec vous
"avant mon départ pour le Piémont. et n'ayant pas eu le bonheur
"de vous rencontrer je prends la plume pour vous faire mes
"adieux

"J'aurais bien autre chose à vous dire,
"J'aurais bien des remerciements à vous faire pour l'appui
"moral, et matériel que j'ai trouvé auprès de vous en
"Crimée, et pour le bon accueil que le corps Sanitaire piémontais
"a reçu du corps Médical Anglais. Mais vous comprendrez
"que cela n'est guère possible dans une lettre dictée à la
"hâte, et je me borne pour le moment à vous témoigner les
"vifs sentiments de gratitude, et reconnaissance dont je suis
"pénétré en me réservant toutefois d'accomplir ce devoir
"vis à vis de mon pays, et du gouvernement Piémontais dans

un

un rapport que je me propose de publier sur la
Campagne en Orient. Je ne suis pas cependant
m'écloigner de vous sans vous donner un faible
témoignage de la haute estime, et considération
que je professe envers vous, et sans vous assurer
de mon éternelle reconnaissance ainsi que de la
part des malades piémontais lesquels n'oublieront
jamais les soins, et l'assistance qu'ils ont trouvée
dans les hôpitaux, et auprès des Docteurs vos
subordonnés - Soient donc rendus à votre
Gouvernement, et à vous qui l'avez si dignement
interprété - et veuillez recevoir l'assurance de toute
ma gratitude -

agréez donc le Docteur mes félicitations
et veuillez me croire avec ma haute estime et con-
sidération votre très humble, et dévoué compère.

Signed, Cornipetti

a Monsieur

Mons. le Docteur John Hall

Médecin. Chef de l'Armée anglaise

In the distribution of honours made by the
Sardinian government to British Officers in the Crimea,
the Medical Department was omitted altogether, altho'
two decorations were given to the Commissariat - It could
not, I hope, have been the wish of the Piedmontese Government
to draw such a marked distinction between the two
Civil Departments of the British Army, and I leave only

Attributed

it to an omniscient on the part of those who furnished
the list of recommendations - Under that feeling
I submit my pretensions to you for consideration,
and, should you see no impropriety in the measure,
I request you will do me the honor to bring my name,
thro' the proper channel, under the notice of the Sardinian
government, for an honorary distinction, which
I should be proud to possess and wear in re-
membrance of the Service the allied Armies were
engaged in in the Crimea, and as a token of the
high esteem entertained for the brave Sardinian
Army -

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient
Thro' servant

John Hall

Inspector General of Hospitals, Half Pay,

Dr Andrew Smith
Director General
Army Medical Department

Application for Sardinian
Order -

not forwarded

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FCO 4/11

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War Office.

14th April. 1857.

Sir:

With reference to your letter of the 27th ultimo, addressed to the Director General of the Army Medical Department, requesting that your name may be brought under the notice of the Sardinian Government for an honorary distinction for your services during the late war, I am directed by Lord Palmerston to

Sir John Hall K.C.B.

n n n

convey to you the expression of his
Lordship's regret that he is unable
to meet your wishes in this respect.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient servant

Albion

12th April 1857 War Office

Sir B. Hawes stating that Lord
Pamere desired to submit
application to the Sardinian
Government my application
for an honorary distinction

Aug. 26th July 1857

FCOL/12

Ans. 26 July 1857. informing him that
the period for submitting such claims had expired -

Yours

Shorncliffe Camp

July 24th 1857

Sir

With reference to the Circular
Memorandum No 1289 dated War Department
Horse Guards 24th September 1856 (126015)
relative to an allowance of £ 30 to those
Officers who being allowed Charges in the
Crimea and were unable to procure a passage
to England for them. I have the honor to
request you will submit this my claim for
the above compensation to the Right
Honorable the Secretary of State for War
I have the honor further to state that I am
unable to procure the signature of the then
Deputy Assistant Quartermaster General, (Brevet
Major Macdonald 93rd Highlanders) owing to his
having proceeded to China with his Regiment
I held the Rank of Staff Assistant Surgeon
in the Crimea and left in June 1856

I have the honor
to be

Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
Sir John Hall, K.C.B. James McBeatty
Inspector General of Hospitals Assistant Surgeon 98th Regt.

24 July 1857

ass^d Lagoon Betty's claim
for compensation for a horse
in the river

Barrington

7th August 1857

Sir,

In reply to the request contained in your letter of 30th ultimo addressed to His Royal Highness the General Commanding in Chief that you may be granted the Crimean Medal with Sebastopol Clasp, I am directed to inform you that your claim, if such exists, to these distinctions is in no way affected by the result of the Court of Inquiry which has been held upon your conduct —

On such claim
duly certified by the Senior
Medical Officer under whom

R. Hall Bakerswell Esq
1 Life Terrace
Kensington Road

Yours

You were serving being awarded
to the Adjutant General, the Medal,
and clasp will be sent to you

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your obedient servant

J. M. Thrale
A. J.

the statements in my letter
were correct. As having no
personal interest in the
matter, for of course you
had nothing to do with
the management of a
particular Hospital you
would be able impartially
to judge.

You will admit, Sir, I think,
that it was rather hard
for me to be judged &
condemned in my absence,
& refused even a copy
of the evidence on which

(2pp)

FCO 4/14

1 Fife Terrace
Kennington R^d S.
London Aug¹⁸ 57

1857

Sir,

The letter from the
Adjutant General en-
closed herewith will suf-
ficiently explain the
reason for this intrusion,
which is simply that
you will be so kind as
to sign the certificate

of service in the Crimea
likewise enclosed.

I presume that my name
is unfortunately only too
well known to you as the
author of a letter to the
Times finding fault with
the arrangements of the
General Field Hospital
under the charge of Mr
Munnatt on the 18th of June
1855.

That letter I admit ought not
to have been written - a sub-
ordinate has no right to at-

tack his superior officers
in the public press - It was
rash, injudicious, imprudent
and contrary to military
discipline, but it was
nevertheless true.

I feel sure, Sir, that now
the excitement attending
the question has abated, I
could prove to you that
the statements I made
were correct. I have letters
from private soldiers in
my ward at the time stat-
ing positively that all

Aug 15 Aug 1857

Mr. Will You be good enough to
furnish me with the date of your
arrival in the Crimea, as well
as that of your departure. - Will
also inform please where you did
duty, and how long you were on
the sick list during your service
in the Crimea, as I have no
documents with me to which I can
refer on the subject, and, at this
distance of time I cannot charge
my memory with the particulars

I am Sir
T. Hall

T. Hall Brompton

p.2.

FCO 4/14

I was convicted.

I feel that I ought
to apologize for thus tres-
passing on your time, but
I feel some anxiety to
vindicate myself in your
opinion, since you were
kind enough to grant
the only request I ever
made to you, and to
speak to me on that
occasion in a manner
not usual with the higher
officers of the Medical

Staff - viz: as if even
an Acting Assistant Sur.
Gen was a human
being, and might be
a gentleman.

With the greatest respect
I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obed^t humble
Servant

Arthur Bakewell

To
Sir John Hale K.C.B.

Copies

Rushes
19 Aug^r 1857

Scrutiny that Dr R. Hall Bookman
served in the Crimea from the 24 May
to the 13 July 1855 as an acting asst^t
Surgeon -

Stake
Barr^r of Hosp^l A.P. &
the Principal Med^l Officer of
the Army in the Crimea

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1 Fife Terrace
Kensington R^d
London. S.

Sir,

In reply to your letter
received today, I beg
to inform you, that I ar-
rived in the Crimea from
Scutari (where I had been
doing duty for three
months) on the 24th of
May. I was at first
appointed to the Bala-
klava Hospital under

Staff Surgeon Matthews;
while on duty there I was
seized with Cholera, and
was ill for a week. At
the end of that time I
asked you, when paying
a visit to the Balaklava
Hospital to permit me
to go up to the front, as
I was still suffering
from Diarrhoea. You did
so, and on the 17th of June
I was ordered up to the
General Hospital in
Camp under Staff Surgeon

Monatt. After doing duty
there only a few days
I was seized with Dys-
entery & compelled to go
on the sick list. Not re-
covering or showing any
signs of amendment, I was
ordered down to Scutari
on the 12th or 13th of July.
I was still on sick leave
at Scutari when I was
dismissed the Service.
I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your most obedient Servant
Rt Honble B. A. Hewell
Lt Col Honble R. C. B.

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War Office. S. M.

27th August. 1857.

Sir

The Adjutant General to the
Forces having forwarded to this Office
your letter of the 19th instant, and its
enclosure from Sir John Hall, Inspector
General of Hospitals, and late
Principal Medical Officer of the
Army in the Crimea, relative to
your claim to the Crimean Medal,
and clasp for Sebastopol, I have
received Lord Panmure's directions

R. Hall Bakewell Esq. M. D.

1 Fitz Terrace

Kilmington Road

to acquaint you that, as your name
is not included in the original Medal
Rolls of the Medical Staff received
from the late Commander of the
Force in the Crimea, His Lordship
is unable to give directions that the
medal and clasp which you claim,
be issued to you, unless it be in
your power to forward to this
Office a Certificate from the Head of
the Department in which you
served in the Crimea that your name
was omitted by accident in the
original Medal rolls, and that
you are entitled, in accordance with

The General Orders issued with regard
to the Crimean Medal and
Sebastopol clasp, to those decorations

I am,

Sir

Your obedient servant,

W. L. G.

Rugby 29 Aug^r 1857

Sir

In reply to your note of the
27 I beg to observe that I cannot
furnish you with the certificate
you require as you must
remember your claim for a
medal was refused by the
military authorities in the
Crimea -

I am &c
Hall

FCO 4/17-
(enclosing FCO 4/176)

London Aug^r 27th 1857

Sir

The accompanying let-
ter from the War Depart-
ment will explain the rea-
son for my troubling you
again.

On applying at the Medal
office I was informed by
Mr Pennington that your
certificate was not in ac-
cordance with the form
required, but as it was
nearly in accordance

with the letter of the Adjutant General, I thought before troubling you again I would send it to him. This I accordingly did but it seems that it has been passed over to the War Department.

On the other side is the form which Dr Pennington informed is the one required.

Most sincerely regretting to give you so much trouble, and thanking you for your

previous kind compliance I have the honor to be

Sir,
Your most obed^t humble

Servant
R. Hall Bakerwell

For John Hall R. C. B.

FCO 4/17b
(Enclosed in FCO 4/17a)

I hereby certify that Dr.
R. Hall Bakewell served in
the Crimea as Acting Asis-
tant Surgeon, from May
24th 1855 to July 13th
1855, and that his name
was omitted by accident
from the original Medal
Rolls, and that he is
entitled, under the General
Orders issued with regard
to the Crimean Medal and
Sebastopol Clasp, to those
decorations

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War Office

12th December, 1857

Sir,

I am directed by Lord Palmerston to transmit to you copy of a letter (with its enclosures in original) from Sergeant John Purcell, late of the 4th Regiment, submitting his claim to the Crimean Medal.

I am also to transmit a copy of a letter from Colonel Naly, the Officer Commanding that Regiment, by which it appears that Purcell never joined his Regiment in the Crimea,

Sir John Hall, K. C. B., M. D.

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23rd November
to be returned

30th November

so that the only question is whether
he is entitled to the medal on the
ground of his having been
employed at Balaklava from
the 10th to the 15th of February 1855,
in charge of Invalids; and on
this point, I am to request that
you will favor me with a
report, for Lord Russell's in-
formation.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Obedient Servant

Richards

Har. Office 12 Dec^r 1857

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Regarding Hospital Surg^t
Perceles' claim for a business
Hospital
and in the appropriation

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War Office

3rd March 1858

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Sir,

I am directed by
the Secretary of State for War
to acquaint you that a claim
has been preferred to this Office
by Mr. James W. Simpson, to
a Crimean Medal, as part of
the effects of his deceased
Son, Mr. Walter Simpson, late
Assistant Surgeon in the
1st Regiment of Foot.

The name of Assistant
Surgeon William Simpson,
and not Walter Simpson,
is mentioned in the rolls

Sir John Hall K. C. B.

of the Regiment received from
the Crimea of those entitled to
the Medal, and should it be
the case that the name of the
deceased Officer has been
inaccurately recorded in the
original Medal rolls, I am
to request that you will
forward to me, for the Secretary
of State's information, a
special Certificate to that
effect, stating the Clasp, if
any to which he would have
been entitled had he survived.

I am

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

W. Storks

Sir In reply to your letter of yesterday's date W^d 99.506
I have the honor to state, for the information of the
Lieut. of State for War, that there was no apisth
in the name of Simpson in the 17th Regt
in the Crimea, but the name of Simpson
Simpson of that Corps who died of fever in
Camp before Sebastopol on the 31st May 1855
was Walter, and not William, and the only clerk
that his service in the Crimea would entitle him
to would be that of Sebastopol
I have the honor to be
Yours
J. Hall

Sir H. K. Stokes K.C.B.
Military Secy
War Office

Was Office 3 March 1858

Regarding Suspension
(of Ref.) claim for a American
Medal of Honor.

With copy of Answer

FCO 4/196

D^r Walter Simpson
Surgeon 1st Foot

Died of low
Remittent Fever
at the Camp
before Sebastopol
on the 31st May
1855. —

Mr Simpson

As 7th to 7 Dec 54

S. I. Jan to 8 Oct 55

now

Aug 7th - 10 Oct