

**Letters from the War Office (Quartermaster General and Adjutant General), mainly postings, with draft letter from Lindsay asking for compensation for an infection contracted whilst on active service in Malta**

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Lindsay Papers 1b.  
Correspondence with War Office.

1. 3 Dec 1823. Cover from Quartermaster General's Office addressed to Lindsay with 36th, Foot at Corfu. Endorsed "Received 7th. January 1824.
2. 15 May 1824 Cover from Q.M.G's Office addressed, first, Major Brown, 36th. Regiment, Corfu, readdressed "Dr. Lindsay" - "My dear Lindsay,  
You must see a letter for me."
3. ? date. Cover from Q.M.G's Office addressed "Dr. Lindsay, 18th. Foot, Corfu." Endorsed "Received 24th. August."
4. ? date. Cover from Q.M.G's Office addressed "Dr. Lindsay 18th. Regiment, Corfu and endorsed "Received on the 19th of September 1824."
- 5 1826. Cover from Adjutant General's Office marked "Immediate" addressed Surgeon Lindsay, 18th. Foot c/o Messrs. Greenwood, Cox and Co. and readdressed "19 Elizabeth Terrace Islington."
6. 23 ? 1826. Cover from War Office addressed W. Lindsay Esqr. Surgeon 18th. Foot, Haslar.
7. 27 Jan 1826. Letter from Horse Guards signed by A.G. to Surgeon Lindsay, 18th. (or Royal Irish) Regiment c/o Messrs. Greenwood, Cox and Co..  
Acknowledges receipt of Lindsay's letter of the 17th. inst. and informs him Commissioners of the Navy have reported that there is not room for Lindsay's accommodation on board the Egginton Transport and that they have no means at present of providing a passage to Corfu.  
The C in C regrets that, under the existing Regulations, Lindsay is not entitled to any allowance to enable him to rejoin his Regiment.
8. 10 march 1826. Letter from Horse Guards signed by A.G.  
Informs Lindsay that the Commissioners of the Navy have reported that a passage to Corfu has been provided for him on board the "Matilda", 169 tons, and that he may embark on board that vessel at Deptford in the course of a few days.  
Lindsay will report to the A.G. and to the Officer Commanding the Depot of the 18th. Regiment the date of his embarkation in compliance with the instructions contained in page 60 of the General Regulations of the Army.
9. 27 March 1826. Letter from Horse Guards signed by D.A.G. addressed to Surgeon Lindsay at 19 Elizabeth Terrace, Islington.  
Acknowledges receipt of Lindsay's letter of the 14th. inst. and acquaints him that, in compliance with the Recommendation of the Director General of the Army Medical Department, His Royal Highness the Commander in Chief is pleased to approve of Lindsay's joining the Depot of the 18th. Regiment at Gosport on the expiration of his leave of Absence.
10. 29th. March 1826. Cover from A.G's Office addressed to Surgeon Lindsay at 19 Elizabeth Terrace, Islington.
11. 1 Sep 1826. Cover from War Office addressed Wm. Lindsay Esqr. Surgeon 18th. Foot, Depot Hospital, Haslar.
13. 14 Feb 1827. Draft of a memorial in Lindsay's handwriting from Haslar Barracks addressed to the Right Honble the Viscount Palmerston, Secretary at War etc. etc. etc, in which he requests pecuniary remuneration on account of an incurable disease contracted in Malta.

"The Memorial of William Lindsay, Surgeon 18th.

Foot (Royal Irish) humbly presents:

That in the year 1820, Whilst on Active Service in Malta, with the 36th. Regiment of Foot to which Memorialist at that period had the Honour to belong, Memorialist was attacked with violent inflammation of both Testicles brought on by the unusual heat of the Climate of that Island during the above mentioned year which was much more intense than had been known for some time.

That Memorialist was bedridden for upwards of three months during which period he suffered extremely.

That Memorialist early in 1821, at the recommendation of a Medical Board, returned to England in a state of great debility and emaciation for the benefit of advice and change of Climate.



That Memorialist, on his arrival in London, was sent to Chatham by Sir James McGrigor, Director General of Army Medical Department and placed as a patient under charge of Staff Surgeon Mc. Dermott and Dr. Davy by whom he was treated for the space of about five months.

That Memorialist recovered his general health in great measure but never the local affection; the right testicle continues to this day much enlarged, is at times extremely painful, is perfectly irremediable, and is attended with great inconvenience as he cannot walk long at a time without suffering much pain nor can he ride at all on horseback on account of it.

Memorialist therefor humbly hopes that your Lordship will be graciously pleased to take Memorialist's case in to consideration and extend to Memorialist that pecuniary Remuneration usually granted to Officers of every Rank who have contracted in the Service incurable disease, calculated to injure their general health, and to disqualify them for their professional pursuits.

Memorialist begs leave to enclose two certificates, one from the Commanding Officer, Lieut. Col. Ross, and the other from Mr. Bouchier, Surgeon, both of the 36th. Regiment.

And Memorialist will ever pray.

W. Lindsay,

Haslar Barracks, Surgeon 18th. Regiment.  
14th. February, 1827.

14. 20 Feb 1827. Letter from War Office addressed surgeon Lindsay, Haslar Barracks.

Acknowledges receipt of Lindsay's application of the 14th. instant and acquaints him that his case does not fall within the limits of the Regulations for granting remuneration to wounded officers.

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

Recd the 7th Jan 1784  
D. Lindsay



Quarter Master  
General's Office.

Winchell

Cooper

3. 12. 1783

Amc 202/2/1





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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

Doctor Lindsay  
35 York St  
~~Superintendent~~  
~~36 Regt.~~

Quarter-Master }  
General's Office. }

Smith Corp

15 May 1824

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My dear Sir: say  
you must be a little  
more  
procur  
S.P.



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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

Quartermaster 24 Aug

24<sup>th</sup> Aug. Doctor's Mess

R. Cook

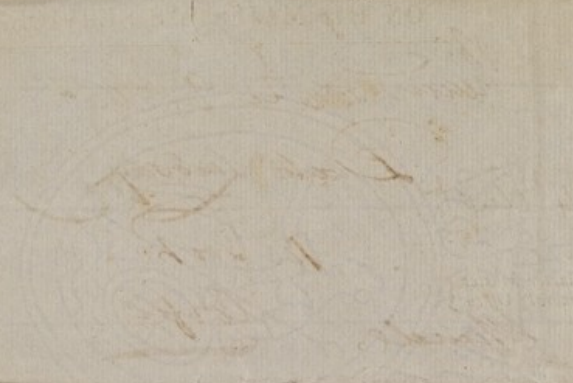
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Corfu

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ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE.

Received in the 100 of  
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D. Lindsa  
18. Coy -  
Corps

1824

Quarter Master }  
General's Office. }

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On His Majesty's Service.

Care of Mr. [unclear]

Surgeon Lindsay

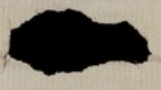
Adjutant General's Office.

19 Elizabeth Terrace  
Islington

1826

Red wax seal

RMC 262/2/5





O.M.S.

W. Lindsey Esq<sup>r</sup>

Surgeon  
18<sup>th</sup> Foot

War Office

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23.7.1826

Rmc 262/2/6



Horse Guards  
27<sup>th</sup> January 1826.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter of the 17<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>o</sup>, and to acquaint you, that the Commissioners of the Navy have reported, that there is not room for your Accommodation on board the Egginton Transport, and that they have no means at present of procuring a Passage for you to Cofer.

The Commander in Chief regrets that, under the existing Regulations, you are not entitled to any Allowance to enable you to proceed to rejoin your Regiment.

I am,  
Sir, your Obedient Servant,

Wm. Pitt  
By

Surgeon Lindsay  
18<sup>th</sup> (or Royal Irish) Regiment  
Care of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Greenwoods, Coa L<sup>o</sup>



Horse Guards  
10<sup>th</sup> March 1826

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you, that the Commissioners of the Navy have reported, that a Passage to Cochin has been provided for you on board the "Matilda", 169 Tons, and that you may embark on board that Vessel at Deptford, in the course of a few days.

You will report to me and to the Officer Commanding the Depot of the 18<sup>th</sup> Regiment the Date of your Embarkation, in compliance with the Instructions contained in Page 60 of the General Regulations of the Army.

I am,

Sir,  
your obedient Servant,

Surgeon Lindsay,  
18<sup>th</sup> Foot.

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Horse Guards,  
27<sup>th</sup> March 1826.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge  
the receipt of your Letter of the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst;  
and to acquaint you, that in compliance  
with the Recommendation of the  
Director General of the Army Medical  
Department, His Royal Highness the  
Commander in Chief is pleased to  
approve of your joining the Depot  
of the 18<sup>th</sup> Regiment at Gosport, on the  
expiration of your Leave of Absence.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient,  
humble Servant,

Surgeon Lindsay  
18<sup>th</sup> (or Royal Irish) Regiment  
19 Elizabeth Terrace  
Islington

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On His Majesty's Service.

Surgeon Lindsay  
Adjutant General's Office.  
(or Royal Irish) Regiment  
Elizabeth Terrace  
Bristol

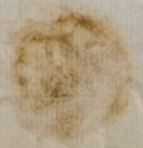
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William Lindsay Esq

Surgeon

18 Foot -

Haslar Barracks

Portsmouth

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C.W.M.S.



*[Handwritten signature]*

W. Lindsay Esq.

Surgeon 18<sup>th</sup> foot

Depot Hospital

Haslar.

War Office

*[Handwritten signature]*  
P. 1/2

19.1.1827



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14.2 1827

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To the Right Honble

The Governor of the Island

Sir

The Possession of William  
Lindsay, born on 18<sup>th</sup> Sep (Royal Warrant)  
Humbly Sheweth

That in the year  
1820 whilst on active service at Malta  
with the 36<sup>th</sup> Regt of Foot to which he belonged  
at that period and the bones to belong,  
he was attacked with  
violent inflammation of the testicles  
brought on by the unusual heat  
of the climate of that Island during  
the above mentioned year which was  
much more intense than had been  
known for a long time. -

That he was laid up  
for upwards of three months during  
which period he suffered extremely.

That he was laid up  
in 1821, at the recommendation of  
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a Medical Board, returned to  
England, in a state of great debility  
and emaciation for the benefit  
of ~~the~~ advice and change  
of climate. —

Prof Merriellitt, on his  
arrival in London, was sent to Chatham  
by Sir James Mackenzie, Esq. in command  
of the Army Medical Department, and  
placed <sup>as a patient</sup> under the charge of Mr.  
Surg. Maj. Cornish & Dr. Davy,  
by whom he was treated for the  
space of about five months. —

Prof Merriellitt returned  
his general health in great measure,  
but never the local affection. — The  
right testicle continues to this  
day much enlarged, is extremely  
tender & painful, is perfectly  
irremediable, and is attended  
with great inconvenience, as  
he cannot walk long at a time  
without suffering much pain,  
nor can he ride on horseback at  
~~all~~ all on account of it. —

Merriellitt, therefore,



Therefore humbly hopes that your  
Lordship will be graciously  
pleas'd to take Memorandums con-  
taining consideration and attend  
to Memorandums that pecuniary  
remuneration usually granted  
to officers of long rank who have  
contracted in the service invariable  
disease, calculated to injure their  
general health, and to disqualify  
them for their professional pursuits.

Memorandums begs to enclose  
two certificates, one from the Command  
officer, Lieut. Col. G. G. & the other from  
Mr. Bourchier, Surgeon, both of the  
36th Regt.

And Memorandums will  
ever be very

Monday  
10th Feb

Arthur Bonarbes

14th Feb 1827



14. 2. 1827

The Memorial of William Lindsay  
Surgeon R<sup>g</sup> Inf (Charge Insd)  
humbly presents.

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in Malta with the 36<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot to which Memorialist  
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and extend to memorialist that pecuniary  
remuneration usually granted to officers  
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36<sup>th</sup> Regt.

And Memorialist will ever remain

W. Lindsay

Surgeon 18<sup>th</sup> Dec.

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War Office,  
20<sup>th</sup> February 1827

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your application of the 14<sup>th</sup> Inst<sup>o</sup> and to acquaint you that your case does not fall within the limits of the regulation for granting Remuneration to Wounded Officers—

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient  
humble Servant,  
Shelton

Surgeon Lindsay  
18<sup>th</sup> Regiment  
Hastar Banastes

On His Majesty's Service,

Surgeon General,

18<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Woolwich Barracks

War Office.



L. Jones