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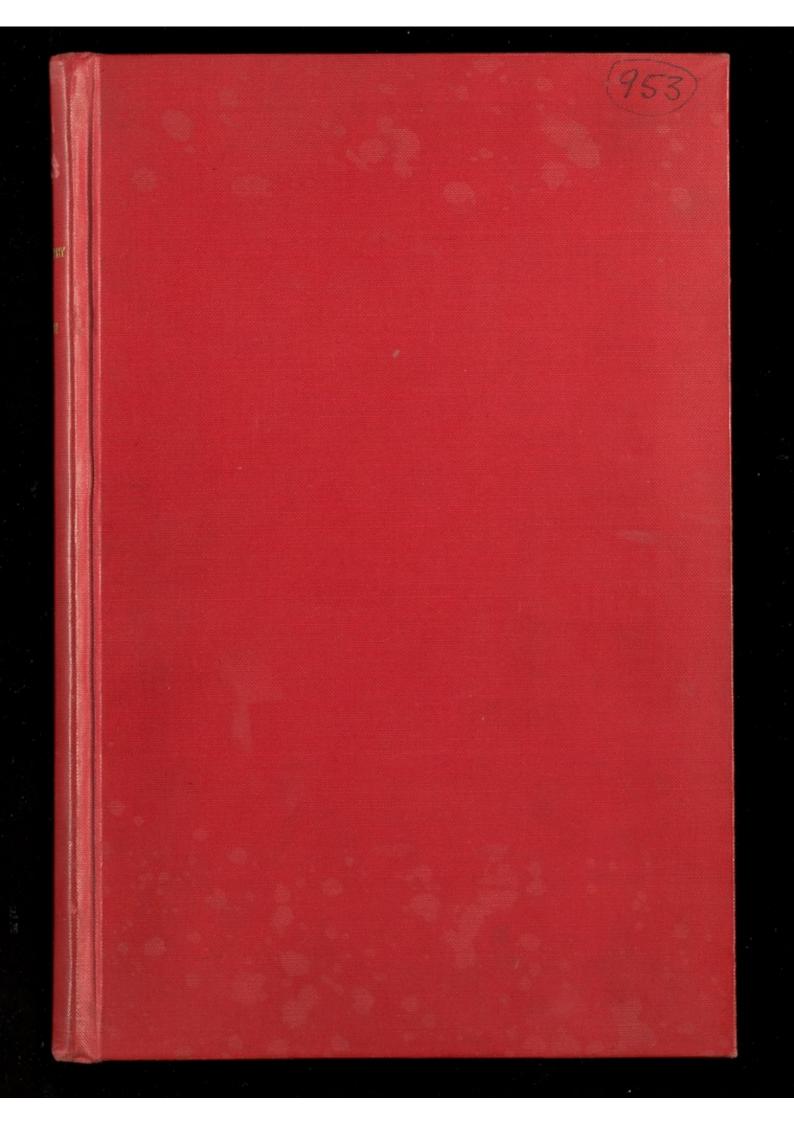
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11 WATFIELD TERRACE EDIMBURCH EH 9 1 RU 29th. Ostober 1972 PERSONAL. Dear General, COPY 11 Mayfield Terrace Edinburgh EH 9 1 RU Friday 24th. November 1972 To My Executors. . I have two volumes of my father's autobiography. At the present moment I am copying these on this typewriter. My intention is to edit these, not for publication, but as ARIES. a gift to the Carator and Librarian, R.A.M.C. COLLEGE MILLBANK LONDON S.W. 1. hanna 1y 1) In the event of my demise before I complete this work I request my copy and the two volumes be sent 011 ON LOAN, repeat ON LOAN to that Curator. Eventually I ask for these to be sent to my nephew Alastair No Leod MORRISON W.C. BROOK HOUSE COTTON W.. STOMMARKOT w_{r} . STOMMARKOT Suff-off-1 The art 4/1/22 Work.m 3) Augusti Morine affired of the clase of ithe detail 22/3/75 ft. New ferrer Control Secretary 22 - Mark 1573.

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Dear General,

EDINBURGH Sunday 18th. Feb73

I am still thrilled by your apprediation . What an encouragement to go on and on until the record is complete. I propose before long to send you the next pages I have typed. It is quite hard work and a daily task. The cold weather and split finger-tips are a bit of a suisance.

However thanks to you I am so very happy that we did get into touch. I suppose my mister handed me the two books some time after 1948 when I went to Grimby and she was at SCOTTON 30 miles away. I realise now I never read them properly from cover to cover but just dipped in here and there . Now thanks to my close reading and your appreciation WRIES. I realize what a truly wonderful man Pather Morrison was. My nephew, prveiously hostile to any publication, thanks too to your approciation 1y 1) and his close reading of the typewritten autobiography is very pleased too. I came upon a SENTENCE of my PATHER's, in which the sentiment 011 expressed is exactly as my very own first reaction to his autobiography. Wy copies Hage 80 $^{\circ}$ I see it is not my fether's words but what happened, when he wanted to punish a dishonset cook, the Surgeon Major would not agree and writes " He (the surgeon major) was more solicitous for the reputation of the Army Hospital Corps than for honesty and efficiency. " I suppose that, in MALCA, when I exposed the extreme dishonesty of the R.A.M.C. Company Cook, the D.D.M.S. took no subsequent action for the mass reason. I was shot off to GHDMA four the hoursafter the second dishensety of the cook had been discovered by me ? Reference my underlining above I shall not wait for the whole " mork " but will go on semiing yound I shall not wait for the whole " more " getting late and I must all the necessary arrangements to see that ALL reaches you. The enclosed copy might interest you, not required back, With very many thanks, Yours very sincerely,

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Desr General, I ecknowledge receipt of my file of photographs, letters and press cutitangs. You had the address right in your deters. The envelope was wronnly addressed to DWFTEND UNDENS instead of MATTIND TERRACE, however the postean ,after some trouble,did find we.

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I see I have a spare copy of my father's photograph, which I enclose for your disposal or destruction if you so wish.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely

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Dear General,

I have been about to write to you for a very long time, about my Pather's Autobiography. There are about 370 pages and XEROX charge 6d. a page, six new pence that is.

I was interested when my mephew spoke about the autobiography and said how disappointed he was with it. He thought Pather Morrison was determined to write down all his grievances and strafes and not particularly describe local facts likely to be of historical interest though a few do emerge.

BUT and it is a BIG BUT it does frequently show up medical officers and Army Hospital Corps personnel in a very unfavourable light. There are a few occasions where the reverse is recorded. When I first read it after retirement in 1947 I mearly burnt it.

Alas 1 The effect on me was to go out into the garden and burn the illegally kept carbon copies of my 33rd. N.A.C. 1917/1918 WAR DIARIES.

I had had many good strafes in command of that Unit. Incidentally JOBER REES, one time Chief Paychistrist to The Army.was my second-in-comman for 18 months. (I see in his own biography he says 4 months only 1)

I have a few Durness picture postcards which I hope to send to you

some day if considered desirable to add to the Morrison Saga, I had better send them with this letter, With kind regards,

Yours sincerely, WK. morrison

Major General & MacLennan 0.8.8. Curator R.A.M.C. LIBRARY R.A.M.C. COLLEGE.

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11 Mayfield Terrace, Edinburgh EH 9 1 EU 13th. March 1973 Dear General, The Autobiography of the late William Morrison J.P. Quarterwaster & Hon. Captain A.N.S. It now appears that this autobiography may have some literary value and in Addition might have a market for radio and television purposes. I would like to be sure that, as I do not wish to have any personal interest in such matters, but would like you to consider the question $\widehat{{\mathbb G}}$ of COFYRIGHT and such to be invested entirely for the benefit of your Museum and Library Fund, possibly one half to that fund and the other to any fund bringing benefit to R.&.M.C. Other Banks, ? For the favour of your consideration, please, & 4 th Copy in on posessin - " phane sundant Yours sincerely 4 B. Martin R.E.Q. R.A.K.C. WK. Morrison per man and (W.K.MORRISON) Colonel late R.A.M.C. Hon. Brigadier LONDON. ach 19/2/73. schuck possibly 117 FAIMENS Not othe else genous offer and guilty compared deed of wounds in LUCKNOW 1857 may have confused for. it the 411th Hill young neeting of the Row Tentees and mention Cline on 21/3/75. Toursh (if any) while may are the dentes to the thirting likery . (2) Bright Amine apresent of the date of lette delard 22/3/75 f. Aren ferren Control Secretary 22 d Rack 1573.

27th. September 1975

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Dear Alastair,

I would like to explain why I wanted another copy of the Journal.

on the reprints began to arrived I stupidly tore out the first item and then kept a "volume " of No 1 and the successive reprints.

I had kept all the succeding R.A.M.C. JOURNALS .

I was so thrilled with the publication of my Mother's photograph that I eventually established contact with the senior Congregational minister, who lives in JESSET and looks after his other folk in GUERNER. I sent him THE copy of our JOURNAL. My Mother's Church is now a PENVICOSTAL Church : ALAS!

In his AUGUST OURNERY NEWSLETTER, he writes nearly a whole page about the APRIL 1975 issue of the R.A.N.C. JOURNAL (THE REVEREND GRAHAM E . H. LONG)

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"It was most kind of you to send the R.A.M.C. Jpurnal. The historical articles are fascinating indeed " I use therefore firmly fixed in my intention that I shall have

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I use therefore firmly fixed in my intention that I shall have all the relevant complete journals bound into one volume. Ouriously enough my brother-intention and grandmother and a very good one of young Mary Anne Grass - all destroyed in the heavy flocds at MBF BARS near HEMRER where he had all the MORINGO items, which my late sister had left in his care when she didd in 1932. I suppose it was just as well SEE did NOT have my factories of items that have the heat all see the did not have feet

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I has take which on his any through CAIRO. He was my DAADANS. in WEDT OF SCOTLAND after I had my two DAADANS, And CAITER thay had committed a grave misdemeaner. Mrs. Wadge writes (1972) " Edmand always spoke of you with such affection. He often told

me that his period of service with you was the his happiest time of the war . " To me especially interesting coming from GUERNESSY With kindest regards,



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11 Mayfield Terrace, EDINBURGH EH 9 1 EU 30th. June 1973

Dear Sir,

Autobiography of Captain William MCMRISON J.F. Having occasion to refer to my father's autobiography, my type-written copy, I note there is an error in a date eight lines from the foot of PAGE 25 & 1681 is given for the arrival of invalids from INDIA at NETLAY. In his own handwriting he gives that date 1681, but in 1681 he was at The Curragh in Ireland, to which place he was sent shortly after his commission 17 Demonster 1679, as a hostile act on the part of the Goercion Committee (page 27) & He left NETLAY for ALDERSHOT June 1972 (page 26) & He says how his (first) wife helped with the mursing of the ex-India invalids and I think the proper date should be 1872 and not 1881 and not 1871.

In 1881 his wife was gravely ill and died in DOWER in 1882.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely, WK. Mourison (W.K. MORRISON, Brigsdier Rotd. Late R.A. M.C.)

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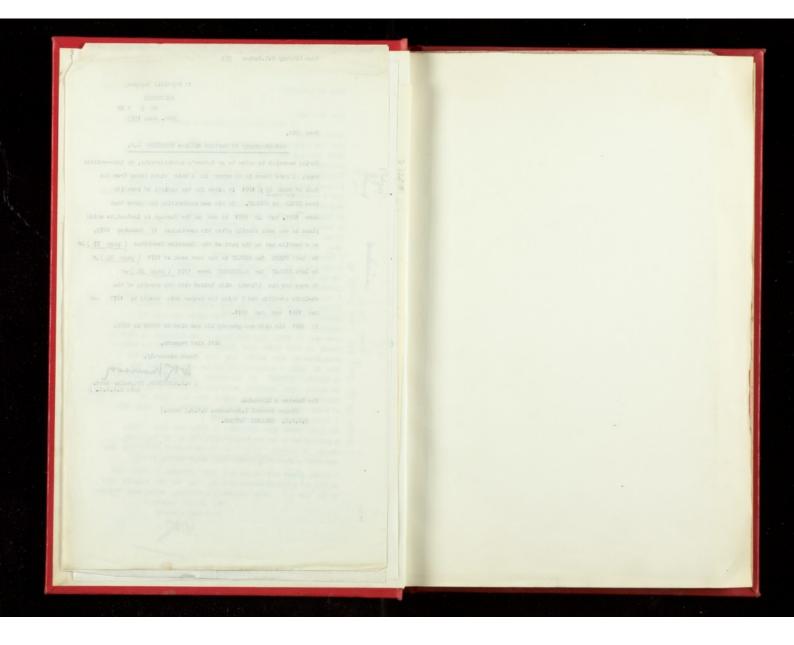
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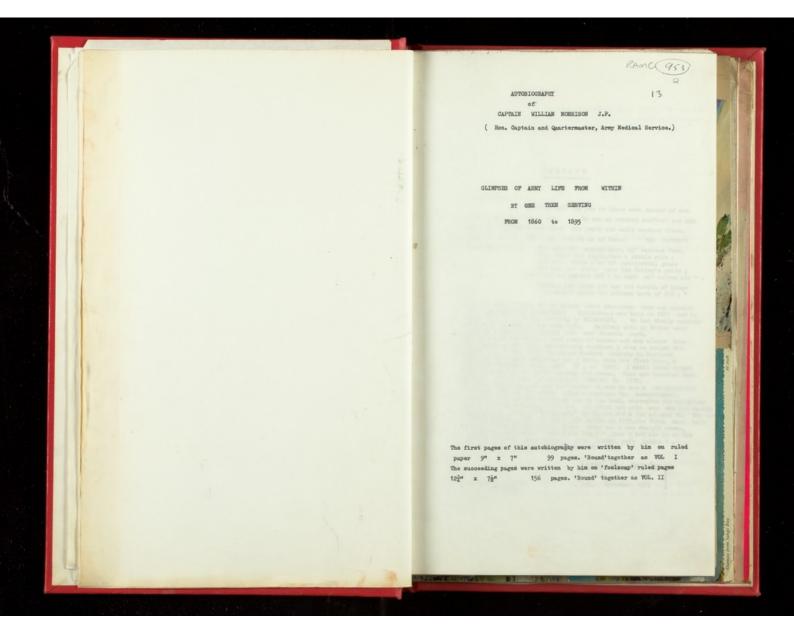
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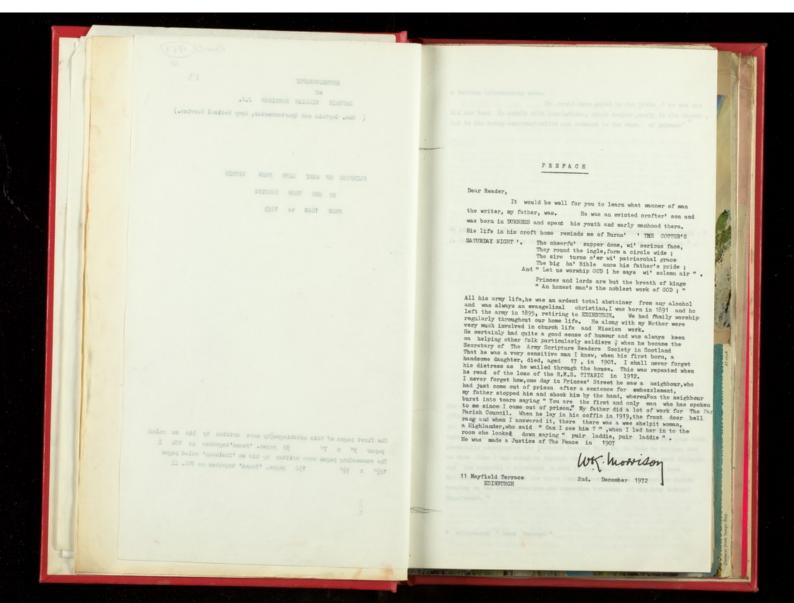
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A further introductory note.

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On page 165 of Miss Cecil Woodham-Gmith's book "FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE . = is the sentence " Miss Mightingale herself rigidly absymd regulations " .

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His antobiography, page 184 :-" When the Morley Committee was sitting (1882) in judgment on the mbortcomings of the Army Medical Department, after the first phase of the Egyptian War, I had a note from Miss Kightingale informing me that's Sir Robert Lloyd Lindmay V.C., M.P. , who had score time previously accompanied the Director General Sir. Wm. M. Mair to Netley, and to whom them I was asked to explain the general routime of the work throughout the hospital - expressed a wish to see me. I arranged to meet Sir Robert in London and for three hours discussed with him various points bearing on the administrative and executive branches of the Army Medical Department. "

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VILLIAM NORRISON J.P. PRINKIE Bonorary Captain and QUARTERMASTER, Armys Modboni Service .

Confidence of superiors and the respect of equals. The weak point in the Army has been of late years ideoxdent discipline. The new regulations enlarge the meshes through which the transgressor can escape the consequences of his shortcomings encourages others to plarms derives courses to reach the goal of their ambition. The age is homeyocomed with selfisiness ; the most promisent characteristic is " how you I best nerve syself". The Army too often acreens the malefactor from the consequences of his evil gramping. It requires grit to keep dem hands in such an atmosphere, yet, it is possible to do so,but its recognition is solden appreciated. Remards and promotion go often to the unprincipled time-server.

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My father was regarded as the best read man in the rilless PATISH. Our house was the meeting place for the winter's" ceilidh" or"storytelling" The tales of suffering endured or the heroism displayed in the militaxy or maval services of the country formed the staple conversation of our winter's fireside. The recital of the deeds of daring performed by some remote ancestor in the wars on the continent or in India could not fail to fire youthful enthusiasm and to encourage them to wish to attain to much high standards of heroism and macrifice of the missionary markyr mission forms million or molicity. and self-sacrificing sailor or soldier.

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The old Army pensioners - of whom there were six or seven bemedaled veterane-became object lessons to the young men marring the military age. Those pensioners of the State surveyed life from the quiet "ingle men" smiling with mardon in the inbolicity that kept the young men at home to continue " the wenyr round the common tank ",while it was possible to earn a competency in the service of the State. far any from the sound of the fractor's whip associated with all the horrors of a might-imposed serfdom.

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I was regaled with frequent dissertations about the 44th. Regiment at the Eattle of New Orleans how they were ordered to retreat when they should have been ordered to charge. So insisted this old soldier-warrior. His Step father was a colder, as were he and his brother while seven of his sepheres had served in the Orimea during the war with Russia. This visit most assuredly intensified my wish to become a soldier.

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The training and discipline of the Cameronians was unique. Its interior
econory was in its conception and practical application functions, while
the pains taken to induce young non-commissioned officers to qualify for
the duties of their calling were unparallalled in the Service. The
non-commissioned officers had to attend school from 2 to 3 P.M. for the
first four working days of the weak. Whenever a lance-corporal was
promoted he was ordered to report himself to the regimental drill instructor
and remained with him until qualified to take any position on the parade
ground from covering sergeant to the command of a company. It would be
difficult to find the four superiors of the four makers of a regiment
in the British Service for smartness and efficiency i.e.
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⁹ In November of 1861 a never to be forgotten incident was engraven on my mental tablets. I had **Deef** spaning an evening with a relative in the High Street of Münburgh. Men the hour case to roturn to Barracks was hailing in eight, wy friends institute that I should stay until within ten minutes of midnight. This I declined and left for Barracks impolled to move on. I had not been but a few minutes in Barracks, when the building, to which I had been a frequent visitor collapsed, where I was a frequent visitor, where a rolative I had on night daiy lodged, a d over twenty souls hurried into stormity, through the greed of the inprovident speculator, who meletate to keep his property in good condition. The rostore@hidding, it marked by an incident in that not charactrophs. When the workness were removing the debric, after a few days work, they heard voice imploring help " Heave awa boy I'm mae ded over "

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Shortly after my return from Edinburgh I was promoted Corporal in no. 4 Company. (WK.M. This was 1862;it is interesting to read later on shat in 1894 when he was i/o Gaarda Mongital Stores, when he was drawing attention to items requiring financial adjustment, he was told not to werry, the Gaarda would willingly make good any deficiencies () Among the characters in No. 4 Company the wrinkled face and wry mouth of TOM MILS rises from the burled past to recoal hours of hilaries majoyment to which he unconsciounly contributed. Gardison Gaards invariably drew out the latest huppour of his gonial spirit. Tom was a favaurite on any monotops expedition, as his smart rejoinders to the would-be-wit usually recoiled on the aggressor with scathing force.

to the would-be-kti unually recoiled on the aggreesor with sosthing force. One day the second Brigsde Guard came from a notoriously smart English regiment. While the corporals were relieving the sentries, the smart young sergemant of the relieving guard sought to air his with at the expenses of his murroundings. This may stoke of fon Mills from head to foot and address ing Ton, whose bayonet coming off gard was not particularly pright, reserved." A you ever clean your bayonets in the Cameroniane?" The whope gray hack gues had been leteuredy soanning his inquisitor maively replied "I diama keen whether we clean wur bewerds" or no but we clean war lumm, ""- repartee was too apparent to justify a retort.

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Passing through the hospital from the Commandant's office, smarting under the refusal of my second appeal to be allowed to join the next draft to he warranted war, I noticed what seemed to me an unwarranted misappropriation of the patients' rations. To have lodged a complaint to the Captain of Orderlies, I knew, would run my neck into a noose and probably a court-martial. I followed up the trail and after a few day's quiet work arrived at very definitie conclusions. I sent a letter to the " United Service: Gazette"

the only paper open to receive a soldier's complaint. The result was a searching enquiry by the Commandant resulting in justifying the letter, but the writer must be smoked out whatever the cost. The sergeant cook purchased his discharge and set up in an hotel. He boasted in my hearing that before that letter appeared he pocketted twenty shillings a day out of the cookhouse. His partners in the peculations trembled and determined to get rid of much

a dangerous fellow as a newspaper correspondent. *** The author of this incriminating letter must be run to earth.

Accordingly the suspects ware ordered to school for certificates of education. On the third day I accompanied the batch and trying my progress in Geography, Arithmetic, Mathematics, was requested to write a few foolscap pages on an invalid's stay at Netley from leaving his ship until his dismissal from the hospital by death, discharge from the Service or to his Depot. Next morning I was waited upon by the School-

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master asking permission to print the paper I had written in the " Illustrated Weekly Times " to which he was a frequent contributor. The scamy side of the invalid's treatment was notoriticised mor in any manner exposed to view .

I was next day presented with a First Class Certificate of Education i me has any provide and the Schoolmaster, the second time signed by the Commandant and the Schoolmaster, the second time this worthless piece of cardboard was presented to me in the Service. I had seen men who could not obtain a third class certificate of Education promoted before me.

I was at once branded as the writer of the exposure in the Munited Service Gazette.

Two days afterwards, I was ordered to ALDERNEY, by the Commandant for daty in the Royal Artillery Hospital. The Purveyor under shom I worked protested but to no purpose. The Commandant was determined that I should leave the R.V.Hospital. The interior economy of the Royal Establishment must not be unveiled to the public gaze. He never

anticipated that, within seventeen years, I would return to teach the Commandant of the day that his powers were disciplinary only. I landed at ALECHNEN on the 21st, January 1864. On landing I found I was to take over charge of the Royal Artillery Hospital. I was not much enamoured with my surroundings. The sergent who preceded me was removed to the GUENNEEY Kilitary Hospital as a dipmomarian. *** In 1873, ten years later, a comminariant officer and a captain of orderlise were tried by D.C.M. and dimminsed the service for similar peculations.

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I told him I was responsible for the supplies for the sick their quality and quantity I had nothing to do with prices. The doctor should side with the sick and not with the contractors.

A contractor appealed to the Purveyor's clerk-in-churge in JESSEY. He came quickly to Alderney and telling me that the stewards in the District were all very considerate for the contractors.

" I shall be the exception " I maid. He threatened that he would take me to JEESET and then asked me for six pounds of composite candles that my predecessor always gave him. I maid I required all the candles for studying at night. I asked him to refer the question of my removal to my commanding officer. Hearing my request, he having a horror of the military authorities, took a kife and cut the stripes

off my tunic. He recovered from this mad fit and asked me to go with him to JENENY. A gunner of the Royal Artillery was put in charge of the stores. I wast with him to GUENNENY and when we got there he insisted that I share him quarters with strict injunction that I was not to go out. I was not to go mear the barracks. I watched my opportunity and left the house and called on Major NELSON, the Fort Major . I had met him before ; I told him the whole story He told me to go to the Hospital and report NGENENT: morning at the General's office. On the Sabbath, When the purveyor found I had disspread, how went to the hospital and asking Sergeant Carson had an alterostion with him and then placed him under arrest. The Medical Officer in charge suggested a medical exumination of the purveyor's clerk, who was then relegated to half-pay and I went back to ALBENENY.

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I then applied for leave to marry. The application was refused and I was warmed that if I married without permission I would never get on the marriage duly forwarded to the Commandant at NETLAY. I was instructed to return to Basdquarters at NETLAY. At Notley I was tracted to a heally on the wickedness of disobedience and openly told that I would get no indulgence whatever. I was denied the privilege of sleeping out of barracks. I was to have no indulgence that could be denied me. Such was t the commands of the pions RIGHNER WILEBRANN, MajorGeneral Commanding at NETLAY and his friends.

Ny own friends realising that I had been most unjustly treated moved in the matter, COLONEL HOLDONDS whited on The Dake of Cambridge (The C. in C.) and explained my ones to him. The Dake called in The Purveyor-in-Chief to his office. He passed The Dake's invective to NETLAY. I was ordered to take a course of instruction in Cockery at Netlay.

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This did not satisfy Mr. Scot Robertson and he made an official inspection of all the hospitals in the Channel Islands, and made a minute enquiry into all the circumstances of my treatment and removal. To justify my recall I was sent into the Cook House for a two month(s course of instruction. The sergeant cock resented my presence there, remarking that the cookhouse was never intended for First Class Certificate men. I had nothing to learn from them in cooking. With two month's instruction I was certified as a Cook. Mr. Scott Robertson had m returned from the Channel Is lands, and told my friends that he would on find me a station where I would find a good home.

Early one Sabbath morning I was called to the Commandant's office when the adjutant put into my hand a letter from the Purveyor-in-Chief It ran as follows " Dear Colonel Wilbroham " I want a steward and wardmaster for Dorchester. Gan you spare me Morrison ? " I was informed by the adjutant, that as it was a personal appliestimm: the Commandant could not well refuse it, and I was cautioned to have no more to do with the Press. I did not return to Netley during Colonel Wilbraham temure of office.

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I joined at Dorchester early in October 1864, and was attached to "A" Battery "B" Brigade ROYAL HORSE ARTILLERY. I was happy in my surroundings here, and enjoyed the beautiful little town, with its trout streams, its cricket fields, and rabbit hedges.

(Alas;) the treatment I received at the Congregational Church almost determined me never to enter another church, but my wife and another friend made me reconsider my decision, and to attend a service in the Wesleyan Methodist Church. (My father has not written the details of the incident, which was that, in his sergeant's uniform, sitting in a "pew," the owner, a lady coming into the church had him removed before she would sit in that place.)

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Both officials and members vied with one another in their welcome to the young sergeant and his wife. Here I discovered a new phase of a practical Christianity to which I had hitherto been a stranger.

Prom practical observation at home and abroad, I adhere to my early conviction that no section of the Christian Church takes so much interest , mor spends so much money to promote the spiritual welfare of the

soldier as the Wesleyan Methodist Charocher August 1965 I was ordered for duty in the Depot Battalion Hospital. I returned to the moenes of my recruit days, enticipating happy reunions with old comrades.

My predecessor had been reduced to the ranks and sent to the Depot at NETLEY. Fending my arrival the Steward from Edinburgh Castle was sent to Aberdsen . On taking over I found a deficiency where the sheets had been cleverly folded, where every third article counted as two instead of one. Deficiency he had to make good for & & 5 :17 : 0.

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In the Wardmaster, Alexander N. MacDonald, I found one of the best specimens o a superior non-commissioned officery I have met in thirty-five years service. The first few months passed very happily, then Sergeant MacDonald left to joir his own regiment, as Hospital Serfeant. In his place came an ancient and decrepit specimen of the original Medical Staff Corps of the Crimean WAR days. His early education had been madly neglected. In impertinence

he was a past master. It was his duty to register the daily meteorlogical observations and prepare a monthly record thereof for the War Office, but he had not the remotest idea how to read or adjust the instruments, and hopelessly at seasing the preparation of the returns therewith. At the request of/major Grant I took charge of the obervatory and the progeration of the returns. and contributed weekly papers on the weather to the "Aberdeen Journal " and to the " People's Journal" Dundee. In return for this work Surgeon-major Grant permitted me to leave the hospital between 12 Noon and 1.30 P.M. to attend the Dispensary attended by the Medical Students at the Medical School to enable me to qualify as a dispenser of medicines - a privilege of which I took every advantage. In the winter of 1865 an amusing incident came under my notice a recruit from the West of RossShire - Hector Mackenzie - had been enlisted by a sergeant of the 42nd. Highlanders giving him a shilling in the Queen's name between two lozenges. When he found that he had been tricked he determined not to soldier and after a week of "acting the fool" on parade and in the Barrack-room was then sent to the Hospital. He made up his mind not to purchase his discharge, neither would he desert, but would neek the best method by which he could extricate himself from his enforced servitude with the least possible trouble. He concluded that the best way was to act the midman. Accordingly he met the medical officer quite serenely. Being questioned by the medical officer as to the nature of his trouble replied " acting de goat to get my discharge ". He was amitted to hepital and treated for lunacy. Every possible means Sere taken to compel him to abandon his purpose but unsuccessfully. I remonstrated with him in his own language pointing out to him the absurdity of his wa wish min in min own angoage pointing out to min the absurdity of plans and how unworthy of a Highlarder telling him however much the doctors believed in his makness, I was fully persuaded that he could not persuade a Modical Board to discharge him. To this he quietly replied " Penaidhe deem glio chloion armadan " anglice " It requires a wise

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man to act the fool " . I left the station before he left the hospital but was informed that he had been discharged in EDINBURGH. My first difficulty in Aberdeen was with the Mashing Contractor for the Hospital. I regarded him as a man of no principle and destitute of any regard for the truth. He resented having to pay for lost articles.

I repeatedly reported him to the Purveyor, but he had a friend in the office in EDINBURGH, who withheld all my complaints from the officer-in-charge. Finding that I was not open to bribes or whiskey, he wrote to the Parveyor and complained that he was paid for clothing that he had never received. He was not aware that I had nothing to do with the monthly washing list,

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that the preparation of that list was the work of the wardmaster, and certified by the Medical Officer in charge. When he found he had laid himself open to a criminal charge he absconded. When his flight became known, I had a letter from his landlord (Advocate Paul of Aberdeen) domanding the rent of the mande shop and business premises from me. He had forged my name guaranteeing his rent, which the astute lawyer accepted without making any enquiry into the standing of the guarantor, or the genuiness of the door Early in July 1866, both medical officers at the Depot were relieved by two rather indifferent medical men .. The senior was an austere man, rather limited in administrative talent. He made up in bluster what he lacked in judge ment and knowledge. He ordered me to withdraw from the instructional attendance at the College dispensary, and to devote my leisure to the Meterologial Instruments and Reports. I informed him that this was no part of my work, that I had hitherto done it in return for the privilege Dr. Grant had extended to me in carrying on my Pharmaceutical studies, and as he had withdrawn that privilege I declined to perform a duty for which another man was paid. This aroused in the Surgeon Major the demon of vindictiveness and every effort that malignity could devise was put forth to trip me. I defied them to trip me in the discharge of my duties. Other means had to be resorted to. ome weeks previously I had refused to give the adjutant two sets of Hespital Bed and Bedding for the use of his servants. I declined to lend Government Stores to anyone not entitled to receive them. This was felt to be a grievant to which underhand punishment must be awarded. I was then under the impression that officers were segilemen who would appreciate the righteoum discharge of public duties by subordinates. I have seen since the fallacy of my reversial devotion. Colonel Gordon being on leave the command devokved on Colonel Andrew Pitcairn, who was a limp tool in the hands of the adjutant. The adjutant found a limper tool in the hands of an illiterate Sergeant of the medical branch of the Army Hospital Corps, who had recently joined the station. It was arranged that he would find a fitting opportunity to place me in arrest. Som time before the sergeant joined at Aberdeen he had a judicial separation from his wife on account of her drunken habits and neglect of her home. Finding that she could not subsist on her allowance she pleaded for forgiveness, with promises of amendment, if he took her back. She had not been back very long when she made the place a pandemonium. Surgeon Major Grant called on the Provest Sergeant to eject her from the hespital. On Surgeon Major(Black's assumption of the charge of the Hospital she was allowed to return to her quarters. I protested against her return, but I might as well appeal to the Sultan of Turkey as to Surgeon Major Black. This drunken fiend had not been but a few hours in Hospital when she quarrelled with the cook, who ordered her to leave the kitchen. Her husband interfered and ordered me to take cook to the Guard Room. I suggested that the matter should be referred to the Medical Officer in Charge and then steps would be taken as he should decide. This he declined and went to the Orderly Room and got his instructions to place me in arrest for "refusing to confine Pte. J. MARSHALL JONES when ordered to do so" . When brought before Colonel Pitcairn, the adjutant informed him that he had instruct ed Sergeant Turner to place me in arrest if I decline his orders . To this , and that at the time a medical man replied that I had not committed a orime.

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confinement in the Guard Room might result in her death. There was no pity in that man's soul and all he would say was "let her take her chance" . I was told I would have a District Coury Martial to decide the matter. Contrary to the rules and usages of the Service I was denied access to every channel of information that would assist me in the preparation of my defence, whike the Charge Sheet which should have been given me twentyfour hours before the assembling of the Court, was withheld until within an hour of its assembly. In declining to plead because of this irregularity, the President declined to notice my complaint. I told him that I understood that I was not guilty until I was convicted. I gave them quotations from SIMMONS on Courtsmartial DSkigular and others when Captain MacDonald 79th. Highlanders told me that I had mistaken my calling. I told him that he was but cerrying coals to Newcastle For this I was severely rebuked by the President. In cross examination of the Adjutant - the Prosecutor - I made him contradict himself in various items in his evidence, and proved to the hilt that the two witnesses who supported the first witness were in a ward on the first floor while the incident took place in the kitchen on the ground floor. At the end of three hours the Court adjourned to the next day to give me time to prepare my defence. On the assembly of the Court the next day, I declined to plead, on the ground that the animus manifested by the Adjutant militated against his office of prosecutor, and that in consequence of his disregard of the authorised procedure on Courte-Martial, together with his denial of what he had previously sworn, I was entitled to an acquittal. I also complained that during the period of my arrest, he intercepted and opened all my private letters, which was an unwarrabted interference that found no justification in Civil or Military Law, Again the Court was cleared and after half an hour's discussion, I wad again called in and told by the President that it would be to my interest not to proceed with my opposition nor to question the conduct of the adjutant. In the end I was sentenced to the loss of my rank. This was my first and last entry in the Defaulter Sheet. I was really not tried by Court Martial for refusing to confine Private John Marshall Jones. I was tried for refusing to lend Government stores to the Adjutant of the Depot Battalion. On Colonel C.H.GORDON's return from leave, angusant of the Depo Destantion of the the circumstances of my arrest and subsequent treatment. He enquired how the woman whom he had turned out of the Hospital for her drunkenness was re-admitted without his sanction and plainly intimated to Colonel Pitoairn and to the Adjutant his displeasure at their conduct. He then wrote to the Parveyor-in- Chief and asked that my stripes might be restored and another station might be found for me inScotland, as it would not be to my interest to leave me in Aberdsen. To this the Purveyor-in-Chief replied that I was to choose a station in Scotland and that the Steward from that station would be removed to Aberdeen. I selected PHRTH and joined there mose. On the day on which I left Aberdeen, the wardmuster'wife determined to celebrate her victory in a real carousal, and before the evening became so hilarious as to need her confinement in a strait wnistocat. In the morning she was a corpse. Had this occurred in England a coroner's inquest would have had a few questions to ask .

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I soon found that the price of cil, lamps and candles and labour cost much more that the proposed gas charge, twice as much in fact. I gave this information to a friend, who passed it to the Hom. ARTHUR KINNAIRD N.P. for The City of Perth.

The Mar Office surrendered and GAS was restored to the barracks and hospital, to the intense satisfaction of the men.

I then re-opened my Bible Class, which was much appreciated by the men, and had much sympathy and support from the Officer Commanding CAPTAIN 14th. Hussars and from the Reverend William Blatch, the Arbuthnot Arbuthnot 14th. Hussars and iron the network of St. John's Spicebal Charch. I ner met his equal in spiritual work among our soldiers. He was visitor to the hospital wards. Protestants and Roman Catholics alike welcomed him on his visits.

In conversation with an Irinhman, I asked him the secret of Mr. Blatch's popularity among the men.

He replied " My priest comes to the ward door and asks ' Any Catholics here? " - if no answer he goes away. The Presbyterian minister does the same. Mr. Blatch never asks just comes in and has a friendly word with us all. We like to see him come into the ward. "

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An interesting incident encouraged me very much. A Corporal of the 72nd. Highlanders came to collect a prisoner on discharge. For the night the corporal was accommedated in a barrack-room of the 14th. Hussars. The next morning he knelt by his bed, in the barrack room, and while he prayed Silence pervaded the room. On rising from his knees, one of the men tapped him on the shoulder and remarked " Friend, you have come to the wrong shop ; you go to the Hospital in the corner of the Square. they will welcome you there, as you are evidently one of their kind. " At breakfast he told us of his interesting experience in a cavalry barrack-room. The soldier is not slow in recognizing the real

professing christian and the spurious one. In the first quarter of 1868 the 42nd. Highlanders, 42nd Royal

Highlanders returned from India the Headquarters being stationed in Stirling, while three companies came to PERTH.

A new commanding officer withdrew the privilege of my using the

In October 1868 I was haked, the Purveyor if I would agree to go to LEITH as steward and wardmaster. He candidly informed me that the Medical Officer was difficalt to work with, that in two years he had had six stewards there but all had asked to leave on account of the irritable temper of the medical officer.

I told him that I had no hemitanoy in serving under any orank provided he was just in his dealing with the men. Iproferred a strict officer to a slack one.

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I had not been many days at Leith, when I found, that I had make a mistake I found that my Chief was not a strict officer but a most unreasonable arank. Ihad hardly finished my first week, when he bogan magging. It was impossible to please him. I tried to bear with his idiogynerasies, but the more I did so the more unreasonable he became. He complained that I was not sufficiently strict with the sick, and too indulgent in catering to their whims. I offended his pride when I told him that I had more faith in gentle and careful mursing than in medicines too often administered under a system of empiricism. His interference was in the paltry things of life.

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when he the party single of all of the pointed out two gunners of the Royal Artillery, who had been on detached duty for two years drilling volunteers and had been sent in to die. " "These drink themselves to death or near it before they are sent here to die. Ten or more die every year." I remarked "I am not surprised that they die, when your feed them on what has poisoned them. Clear it out of their blood first, then see if they die". That morning he struck them off their bottle of Bass. One went back to work at the end of three months . The other was invalided out and sent to friends in Belfast.

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Life under much a man became intolerable . Worky I had given the cook permission to allow woodput of the Royal Artillery to bake a oake or a dinner in the Rospital kitchen on Sundays and washing days. This in no way interfered with our work in the kitchen, the accommodation being ample for five times the number we had in hospital. The Medical Officer came to know that this was done, and I ordered it to be discontinued. On the following Sunday morning on returning from church I was hurriedly called into the Surgery and asked if I still allowed women to cook in/the kitchen. I replied that I had given instructions to the cook to cause the practice and that I was not aware that he had infringed the order. The cook was called and questioned by the medical officer :- " Holmes, did you cook a dinner for a soldier's wife today ? " " No, Sir ". The question was repeated., and the same reply given. Turning in his chair he repeated the questiop., with a look of severity. To this the cook replied " I did not Sir, but I baked a cake for the quarter-master-sergeant's wife! " This was too much for the questioner and the cook was ordered to retire. His roughness in dealing with the sick was inexcusable. One case in particular aroused my indignation. This was the case of Guaner Brown, the Battery cook. He was admitted to hospital with with a complicated attack of bronchitis and pneumonia. I marged him assid night and day. until he reached the convalencent stage. One morning I was informed by the medical officer that he was going on leave for two days and that Dr. MacMair would see the patients on the following morning and to tell him to discharge Gunner Brown to duty . I said I didn't think Ounner Brown was really quite fit enough for discharge to duty. With anger he said " You know better than I do ? Do as I tell you." I gave Dr. MacNair the message. Dr. MacNair thought he was not yet fit for discharge and declined to discharge him.

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About an hour after the doctor had jeft the hospital, an orderly came running into the Surgery with the cry " Brown is calling for you. " I ran into the ward and found him with a lump of congealed blood in his throat. I removed the obstruction, a clot, and sent for the nearest medical man, but before the orderly could reach the doctor, the patient wan dead.

In the evening my own medical officer returned and paying an evening visit, contrary to his usual practice of calling in to the Surgery, he went straight into the ward and seeing Brown's bed folded up, asked " Where's Brown ? " One of the men answered " He's in the Dand-House, Sir. " He should " Dead i Dead ! Dead !" and ran down the Sir. " corridor into the Surgery, shouting as he entered " Brown's dead 1 Brown's dead : To this I replied "I told you Brown was dying but you would not believe me. " His next question was "Did you say anything to him about his soul ? " I replied that there were people paid for looking after his soul, as well as his body, but that meither realised their responsibility until it was too late "

At this he bolted out of the surgery as if he had been bitten by a mad dog. I maw no more of him until I had finished the Post Mortem, which revealed the cause of death to be an aneurism rupture.

Being a careful dispenser of medicines (though und paid) I had to exercise particular care over my orank's prescription. One afternoon an officer's servant brought me a prescription for an officer of the Royal Artillery. On examination, I noted that one of the ingredients was polsonous being eight times the maximum done. I went to his quarters to have it rectified. He raged at my disturbing him, but on telling him what he had done, he told me to go back with the altered preoription and dispense the medicine.

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After that incident he became much more amenable to work with. I was now with the aid of a "oach" from Schlargh, buck spin to my school-books working hard to pass the Matriculation of the London University, the War Secretary Cardwell having promised me a commission in the Parweyors' Department, on the Momination of R.A. Maofee M.F. for LEITH. I asked permission from the Medical Officer to attend the evening classes in the Watts School of Arts , but was denied this, being told that I should be satisfied with such provision as was made in the Corps for those whose lot in life was to serve.

I appealed to the Principal Medical Officer, who granted my request, also permission to wear plain clothes - much to the annoyance of my orank .

In consequence of a quarrel with the PrincipAL Medical Officer, he was ordered to St. Helena and the feeling in LHITH FORT on seeing his face for the last time was for all of us to sing the doxology. On the amalgumation, of the neveral working Departmental Branches of the Army into one unwieldy mass in 1869 under the designation of "Control Department". I was informed by Lord S. G. OSBORDE, that in consequence of the amalgumation I would have to wait for some time before I could get the promised commission, as the supernumeraries of the Parveyors Department mast be absorbed first .

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The Departmental amalgamation removed such of the BarragkSergeants as were qualified clerks into the central control offices being replaced by the sergeants of the Army Hospital Corps. The Steward in the Military Hospital at PERTH, who never had a step of promotion in his former regiment positively refused to accept the combined duties from onsolousness of his inability to discharge them. I was detailed torelieve him, and to undertake the new duties.

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Had I the qualifications of Boyle Roches' bird, I might have done justice to this ill-advised conglemeration, as it was I found it impossible to please all parties.

(W.K.M. BREMER'S DICTIONARY. 1954 p. 775 " Sir Boyle Hoche' bird. (1743 - 1807) - 1807) Irish M.P. noted for his "bulls" :-" Mr. SPENCER, it is impossible I could have been in two places at once, unless I were a bird. ")

at once, unless I were a bird. ") The Medical Officer insisted that I should prepare his returns, dispense

his medicines, feed and clothes his patients, supervise the discipline in his and write all official letters. The Commanzing Reyal Engineers whose office was in ABERDEEN, demanded that I should supervise buildings, wards

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roofs, drains water do, do,, while the Commissary of Supplies demanded that my attention to the Commissariat and store requirements of the Troops, and that all returns connected with provisions &c should be in his office in STIRLING on the 1st. of each month. Commanding Officers of Volunteers expected that a portion of my time

should be reserved for the issue of annunition as they might require their supplies from the magazine in my charge. I was bound to disappoint someom , and thugw over the medical officer leaving him to do his own returns, dispense his medicines, superintend his wards, undertaking only to feed and clothe his patients and look after the change of linem. I had already mastered every detail of Hospital work, and had nothing to learn, while the work of the Engineering Department and Commissariat Department opened up a new field of general information and usefulness. I determined to succeed if possible. I was aware that six other non-commissioned officers of our Corps had taken up this work in Scotland, and I was determined that whoever failed I would not. I applied myself to the task with the consciousness that it would require a deal of energy to carry it to a successful issue. I recognised that I had undertaken more than I could carry through, if I was to reserve

any portion <u>of abendary</u> for myself. I had to abandon my studies, and give up all hope of/what I had aimed at. At the end of the financial year (31st March) I took stock of my coalyard

and found that I had twenty five tons of coal surplus in store. I reported this find to the officer under whom I was serving and requested the usual W.O. Forms to oredit the "find" to the Public, telling him that I had taken it on charge in my store ledger. I was told to take no action in the mitter until he came to PERTH, and that, after the inspection he would deal with the subject of my letter. the following day without any warning, he appeared on

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On the following day, without any warning, he appeared on the scene / I was verbally instructed to tell the coal contractor to send him twenty-five tons of coal to STIRLINGand to take the surplus on charge , on charge in FERTH as received from the contractor, as his Barrack sergeant was thirty tons deficient. I suggested that if he was deficient, he should pay for what he was deficient of, as nocealyard in the Kingdom but should oredit the public with from thirty to fifty tons of coal in a year according to the strength of the garrison I told him that I could not accede to his request. I asked him whether he expected me to tell the officers who would come to inspect, that it had, come in the previous day. I asked him if I was to forge a delivery voucher, if so, I would decline to do it. I was peremptorily ordered to carry out his instructions, or it would be the worse for me. I reminded him that

I had already taken them on charge. He came to PERTH next day and inspected my stores. He found a hospital padded chair brought there for repairs, and asked if I could get it done in the Barracks. I had it done, having been an otter-trapper in my young days, I was always on the look-out for anyone who would try and trap me. I sent him a receipted bill and instead of sending me th cash, he instructed the repairing contractor to ask me to cash the cheque. This I declined to do. I now had proofs of his threat to "pin" me. I defied him or anyone else to "pin" me in the discharge of my duties. Hoping that his trap would turn out to be successful, he asked The CONTROLLER to give him permission to find out what happened to that cheque and the whom was it paid into the Bank.

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The answer was a local grocer Mr. Andrew Laing, who told him that the (repairing) contracter's sister had presented it to him and that he had sent it to the Bank. Mr. Laing gave him his mind on the matter. He went back discomfitted. None months after that episode, the Mar Office, in a mimite written by Sir Wm. Drake reprimanded him for his , treatment of the non-commissioned officers of the Army Hospital Corps, several of whom he had removed for inefficiency. Sir Mm. Drake said " It strikes me that Deputy Commissioner expects more of the non-commissioned officers of the Army Hospital Corps than they were ever intended for. " This aroused his ire, and he replied in an angry minute to the Deputy Controller, as follows :- " I regret the tone of Sr. Wm.Drake's letter, but beg to state that I have no nom

commissioned officer of that Corps in the Sub-District fit for his post , save Lance-Sergeant Merrison at PERTH, and he is lower in rank and pay than those on whom I have unfavourably reported " To my surprise I was granted eight pence a day while performing the

duties at PERTH. (Unfortunately) $_{\rm physoction}$ was stopped owing to the reorganisation of the Purveyora' Department. (He then records, with satisfaction, his share in getting Army Canteens

closed to civilians on The SABBATH ,he writes that in PERTH as many as 4000 civilians would use the canteen on THE SABBATH,)

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On taking over charge at FERTH in Jammary 1870 I was perplexed at the utter disregard of the Canteen Manager for the provisions of the Porbes Mac Kenzie Act. After reading the canteenman's terms of tenancy I watched the crowd of civilians flocking into the Camteen on SUNDAY after 12 Noon, 4000 between 12 o'clock Noon and 9.30 P.M.

The canteen manager said it was the Sunday traffic that induced him to take the Canteen and which gave him all his profits.

Major MacBean, the Commanding Officer, when approached by the Canteen Manager, sent for me and having read The Act told the Manager that there was no option for his but to stop the practice.

He appealed to the Officer Commanding, the North British District, who referred the matter to the War Office who up held the decision to stop this civilian traffic.

A few days after the Canteen incident, the acting sergeant major drew my attention to a serious quarreling at the MAGAZINE GATE at midnight the previous night and asked who had keys for this Gate.

I told him that No One had any right to the MAGAZINE GATE KNY. There were three private gates into the Barracks, one of those the Magazine Gate for which I was solely responsible.

I knew that these gates were frequently used by unauthorised persons and so I had new locks made to each gate.

The surgeon-major came and demanded a key from me saying he had paid my predecessor for the key. I referred him to the Commanding Officer and that closed the episode, as the commanding officer thoroughly approved 1

of my efforts to serve the detachments. Not surprising I made a few bitter enomies.

The Monthly Barrack damages have always been the bete noire in the Army I determined to lessen this permissions imposition if possible and to make my inspections quarterly and not monthly.

The usual practice was for " barrack damages" to appear in the Pay-Sergeants' accounts every month. For six months, with a Troop of Cavalry and three companies of Infantry, I had nothing to assess in the way of Barrack Damages.

As the osvalry never exercised on the grass plot within the Barrack Enclosure I suggested to the officer commanding that the grass should be sold and the proceeds invested in a dozen trees to be planted within the enclosure . These trees stand today (late 1900s) as a monument to what improveme can be initiated on slender remources.

At the end of my first year's tenure of office, I found that the gross expenditure for the year for the whole of the Barracks was less by FIVE HUNDRED FOUNDS Stg. than in the previous year., while the second year was a few pounds less than the first, while everything in the Barracks was most satisfactory.

The Deputy Commissary under whom I was serving was extremely angry. He informed me that my retremohments reflected on the officers and the others who preceeded me and would hamper my successors.

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I pointed out to him that the system hitherto tolerated in the Barrack Department was a disgrace to any administration. If the system was unknown the more shame on those who administered it. The Barrack-Sergeants - many of whom would have no difficulty in securing positions in civil life worth ten shillings a day or more were remunerated with the paltry/ w ugo of two shillings a day and quarters

After twenty a years faithful service as a non-commissioned officer all he

could expect was a pension of two shillings a day. The consequence was a power that in his own hands and he had but to find an unscrupulous confederate and he could have every contract in the Barracks. I first saw the system in ADERDEEN., then I maw it in PERTH and as steward of the hospital began to take notes.

One instance, out of many, an instance of a glaring character cropped up in the records of the office.

In three successive years, the flooring of the Riding School cost the Covernment a bill of £ 22 : 17 : 6d. for renewing the tan and sawdust Having some knowledge of how the thing was done, I was satisfied it was not being honestly done. I met the man who signed the receipts for the work having been done. I maked him what the transaction cost him. After some

fenoing, he told me that he had no hand in the matter but only signed his name that the work had been done and for which signature he always received one bottle of brandy. The floor on each occasion was only turned over and raked.

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My predscessor, hearing that I had been exploring too minutely into past history, came on a holiday excursion from EDINSTROM to PERTM. He called upon me at my office. After some conversation, he asked for a

glass of water. I had to go upstairs to get the glass of water. When I came down he had bolted, and had slashed with a razor all the pages of his own transactions in the book.

I complained to my officer but he declined to take any action in the matter. Later I was told I would be relieved by a Barrack sergeant and I should

return to my work as steward in the hospital. An ex-sergeant major of Infantry came in October to take over the Barrack

stores work. He had been told that the job was a gold-mine and that he could expect to make £ 3000 . .

I heard afterwards, on being asked by a friend how he was getting on, he said " the fellow who went before me made it impossible to do what was done before he came. " He asked for a transfer to STIRLING. I applied to return to my Depot at METLEY.

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In connection with the Methodist Church, Wesleyan Methodist, in PERTM, we had a most interesting Literary Association. It a members came from several churches in the City. The officials were office bearers in their oburches. It is impossible to estimate how much I owe to my association with these genial young men.

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Literary contributions were criticised in a spirit of kindliness, sometimes severe, but never offensive. So far as I have been able to trace the members of the class, none of them have failed to justify early anticipation and some have made their mark in medicine, law, banking, engineering and general commercial life.

It was my privilege to have been appointed Bäitor of our Magazine. Contributions were sent to the Senior Vice-President under two covers with spocial marks, he retained the outor cover and address of the Sender passing the contribution to the Bäitor, who after transcription, sealed it and returned it to the Vice-President, and neither knew the piece-contributed under the mark on the outor enrelope bearing the sender's address. This Magazine brought about the dissolution of our association. One young aspirant to postic fame sought to immortalise our office-bearers by devoling a verse to each one in a contribution to the Magazine.

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writer . The verse was "But who is he,who stalks along. Proud of his mental powere In office as in bedy strong Gur President he towers, The only Reverend here we see, Is a Rular, though not ruled. Though he be not yst a great D.D. But only Reverend hano. Goald. "

The Good Templar movement came into Scotland in 1870 resulting in blessings to many. It took hold in PERTH and crowds flocked to its standard I was amongst the first of its members becoming Chaplain of the " Star of Bope" Lodge becoming a few months after W. G. T. of the "Ark of Safety Lodge " with over two hundred members, when I left during the last week of October 1871. Among my most prized mementoes of my peripatetic wanderings in a handmome writing desk, presented to me on leaving The Phir CITY by the members of the Ark of Safety Lodge.

(W.K.M... I remember my father's folding writing desk, but I do not recall his ever telling me its history of origin.)

I left FERTH in the last week of 1871 for Netlay Hospital and was delighted to find that the Gommaniant of 1863 had relinquished office. Golonol Charles Hwans Gordon was an officer of a very different stamp to the first Gommandant. He judged a man on his business consolty, and not on the size of his prayer book. On arrival I was appointed assistant Steward. I held the appointment but three weeks only

when the Commandant placed he in charge of the wives and families of invalids returning from foreign stations. This gave me a large field of observation of human character in its strength and in its weakness.

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I was informed by the Adjutant that I was the first whom he had recommended for promotion in fourteen years. I was honoured by being recommended by anoth a number of the second second second second second second second I had in his place a surgeon-major of a very different character, who took very little interest in his work and too indelent to trouble himself or others. He had his lathe, it was enough.

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I had not been long in this post when I recognised the absolute need for the provision of a Female Hospital. I mentioned the matter to the Medical Office in charge of Momen and Children, who told me I was faithfully to carry out the instructions I received, but to keep dormant the faculty of thinking, that others were paid for thinking for me, and that my place was to give practical effect to their thinking. He remarked laconically that the Institution had done so far without a Penale Ecepital and that if such a suggestion was made it must emanate from those who administered the establishment . I declined to accept his dictum as to my place in life and told him that I had been accustomed to think for the Public and for my subordinates, when forced to do so by the indifference of those whose thinking was exclusively confined to their own personal interests. His evaniveness did not satisfy me, and I resolved in my mind how I could circumvent him, my superior, and gain the ear of the Principal Medical Officer. I had not long to wait. A batch of The Trincipal Weater arrived home one day from INDIA, in 1881, a cold April morning. Two of the women were helpless invalids (one Mrs. Holt of the 65th. Regiment suffering from carci noma, the other Mrs. Robinson of the Royal Scots enfeebled by Phthisis Pulmonalis) I had them removed from the train on the stretchers on which they had come from PORTSMOUTH, but having Barrack room bods and straw mattresses, I left then on the stretchers, having bar them into their room through the window. My wife undertook to murse them and to provide for them what ever they needed until I could find murse.

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I called on the Transport of the Regimental Charity Fund - the Reverend Mr. PONSFORD, Chaplain to the Episcopalian troops.

He asked " What is their religion ? " I replied they might be like the majority of mankind and follow the religion of their own country, the one a Roman Catholoio and the other a Prembyterian. I got a very emphatic refusal and told that my responsibility was for their

bodies and not their nouls.

I said I would see the Commandant.

This Pand was not an episcopalian fund but one to which all regiments subscribed.

I called on Krs. Deeble, the Superintendent of Murses, she came with me to the Married Quarters. She was very much touched with the helpless condition of those women and wonfored how she and others had overlooked the pressing claims of sick women returning from India

I sought to pallinte their obtuseness by remarking that it uss the trying journay home which resulted in diminshing the need for help for women invalids on arrival at the home ports.

She anked what did I want . I said for her to come with me to the Principal Medical Officer to back up what I wanted, as I was sure to get a kind baaring from SUNCEON-GENERAL P. W. INNESS .

After a long talk with him, we went to THE COMBUNENT'S office, where COLONEL CORDOW was deeply interested in the proposal that immediate provision should be made for sick women and sent us on to the Commissariat Officer in charge. Interest any approximately and asked what I had to suggest. I suggested that Ward 42 B the end ward in the Comvalescont Division, as it was really a small heepital complete in its self with kitoken_bath_lwatories and 20 beds, that we should first ask the War Office for authority for this appropriation and we should allow the Charity Pund pay for the surges. If it was a success we could then ask for authority for rations and the pay of the murse.

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This was done for twelve months with success and then a building originally intended for a Mortuary was converted into a FemaleNospital. Contact with what was usually good and Christ-like among the various sections of the Christian churches with which I had been associated, had by this time mellowed my proviously conceived religious ideas as a radical dissenter . I conducted a Bible Class on Wednesdays in the evening in Netley village for soldiers, sailors and villagers with most encouraging results, with a weekly average of eighty souls. We met in the house of Corporal SMITH of The Army Hampital Corps, who was employed on special duty in the Mospital. No sooner did Parson Ponsford hear of this Bible Class that he told Corporal Smith that, if he did not turn this Bible Class out of his house, he would have his turned out of his billet in the Nospital. Lady Harvey hearing of this offered us her dising room. A few weeks afterwards her brother (the late Earl of Caven) called on her, and on hearing from her the story of the Bible Class shortly afterwards came back from LONDON with sufficient funds to open a confortable Hall for the Class meetings, and Sunday services -much to the annoyance and

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At the request of an invalid of the 61st Regiment (2nd., Bn. The Gloucestershire Regt.) I visited the Superintendent of the Methodist Church in Southampton to ask him to visit NETLEY HOSPITAL and meet an invalid just home from the West Indies - a member of the Methodist Church. I asked the Mardmaster to admit the Reverend J.J.PRESTCOTT should be come in my absence and to introduce him to this patient. This he accordingly did - a few minutes later I joined thep.'nd remained

with him while he conversed with the sick soldier. Soon our militant chaplain arrived and reaching the bed, scowled and retreated. He went to the Mardmaster and rebuked him for allowing a non-conformist parson to come into the ward and visit this sick soldier. He got no satisfaction there. He made off at once to the Con and registered his complaint. I was hastily summoned to attend at the Commandant's office, and questioned as to my conduct in allowing a strange chaplain and that a non-conformist to visit a patient.

I repudiated the claim and questioned his right to challenge any minister, who came to the Hospital to see any member of his Church. I was told that if I acted again like that the Army Discipline Act would be applied. I informed him that there was a letter in his files in his office, from the Commander-in- Chief asking the Commandant to recognize the minister appointed by the Mesleyan Conference to minister to the spiritual necessities of soldiers belonging to that

Church, whether serving soldiers or patients. I then informed him that a lotter would be in the hands of the Secretary of our Committee of Privileges by nine o'clock the

following morning, to teach the parson that others have rights as well as himself.

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On request I explained the nature of this Committee, it consisted of M.Ps., Members from Commerce, from the Law and retired Naval and Army officers. On my leaving his office, he had sent for the Cantain of Orderies. and to stop any reference to this Committee.

I had written in the interval to the Reverend Charles Prest, the Secretary of the Home Mission Committee. Four days after my interview with the Commandant, a communication came from The Horse Guards directing him to receive and recognize the Reverend William Moister, Wesleyan Chaplain to minister to to the Wesleyan Methodist soldiers in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley.

Some time after this skirmish I was summoned to the Commo dant's Office. I found the Commandant and the Captain of Orderlies discussing the question of Canteen supplies. I was asked my opinion on their quality and prices and why I and others preferred to go into Southampton grossers. I knew I was on dangerous ground, if I said anything about the administration. of the Canteen I gave instances of quality and prices. The adjutant and the captain of orderlies disagreed with me, tried to

discount my statements The Commandant supported me and changes took place,

28 On my return to my quarters,my orderley FHELAN, was patiently awniting my returm, to know the reason for my hasty summons to the office. I detailed the mature of my visit, to which he quietly remarked " and shure you may as well begin to pack up, as if you maid anything against JOEN ROWS and the Gasteen you will soon find yourself as far from Netley as they can send you. "

I had by this time passed my examinen as a dispenser of medicines and was liable to removal whenever a vacancy presented itself. Phelan's Prophecy was not long in being literally fulfilled. The Commandant went on leave and the administration virtually fell into the hands of the Captain of Orderlies. It was at once arranged that I should proceed to ALDERSHOT to take up the duties of Staff Dispenser. This was the second occasion on which I had to leave NETLEY, solely because I had exposed the shortcomings of theme who should have been the custodians of the moral parity of the place. On his return from leave, the Commindant was very angry when he heard of my removal, and wanted to insist on my recall, but was a qualified dispenser could not be allowed to remain in the post to which I was casually appointed. I joined at ALDERSHOT in JUNE 1872 for duty in the Division Staff Surgery. A few days after joining. I was appointed by the Apothecar to take charge of the Army Medical Stores in addition to my other work, as the Sergeant in charge was detailed for manoeuvres. I was told that , as this duty was of a temporary nature I need not take stock of the stores I declined to take over the stores on such as condition and insisted on taking stock. I took an accurate inventory of everything in the Store and found that the values of the deficiency was twenty-five pounds sterling. The apothecary Captain of Orderlies trusted too much on the integrity of his subordinates. On presenting Captain Callins with the list of deficiencies he was furious against his absent storekeeper. He came back to me with a list and a letter which heproposed to send to the Principal Medical Officer asking the Paymaster to recover the amount. I chaffed him about his simplicity in allowing the storekeeper to fool hims

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and to expect the P.N.O. to sympathise with him 1 I suggested that he should go to the Government Contractor and buy the drugs at wholesale prices and so replace them. Refore I gave up charge of the store he had replaced them. The culprit some months afterwards drowned himself in the hospital water-tank.

I made a mental note that not only cooks and stewards found averages of peculation but that medical store-keepers found averages through which it was possible to dispose of highDolass drugs without fear of detection when the apotheoaries of that day failed in doing their duty.

(W.K.M. I was interested when technicians repairing the under-roof places in the Royal Herbert Hospital in the 20s or early 30s. found several empty hypodermic syringe boxes with instruments only and NO knowledge of any deficiencies in their Medical Stores Accounts. I was always antious when antibiotics first came in and civilians in CMIRO were always pestering one for supplies for their relations i.e. the egyptian civilians,

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(Note by W.K.M. continued from the foot of page 28 : - I mote that after arriving in ALERENIOT in JUNE 1872, the APOYERDARY TO THE PORCHES, JOHNET COLLINS wrote a tribute to Lance-Sexbant MORRISON in these words, the original is filed in his issumpaper Cuttings File : I do not recall his ever mentioning or showing it to me. : -

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" I beg most strongly to recommend Lance- Sergt. Morrison for promotion to a full Serjeant, he is not only a most efficient, well-educated man himself, but exacts a moral influence for good on those that work with or under him. I consider him an ornament and acquisition to the Corps, but he feels his inequality with other Serjeants, few of whom would be found his equal, in those qualities necessary for more important positions, which I trust and believe Lance- Serjt Morrison is destined to fill. "

> (Sd.) JOSEPH COLLINS Apotheoary to the Force

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Aldershot 7 Nov. 1872

In Aldershot camp I found a new orm inangurated in the moral and spiritual 11 life of the Camp through the influence of Miss Robinson - the Soldiers' friendand the "Home" related by Mrs. Daniels and her daughter, and the energetic Wesleynn ohaplain, the Reversend Richard Hardy, who with the assistance of Miss Robinson had started a Tempera-do Society in every Regissent in Camp. A stimulus was given to spiritual work among the officers through the influence of the General Officer Commanding - General Sir James Hope Grant aided in all good works by Lady Hope Grant and the Principal Medical Officer Burgeon-General John Fraser C.B. The Aldershot of 1872 was not the spiritually neglected wilderness I

The Aldermiot of 1872 was not the mpiritually neglected wilderness I had known in 1862. There were influences at work in connection with the Homes opened there that had brightened the life of the soldier and made the air of Alderhot Camp fragmant spiritually.

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I remarked that the Home was out of the track of the soldier leaving. the Gump and that until a more accessible and commodicum Home and Chruch were erected, no improvement in the attendance was possible. I suggested that he should call on Nr. Thomas White, the owner of the ground between the Nissio Hall and the Victory Theatre, adding that I had reason to believe that Nr. Thomas White would receive him in a generous spirit. (Note by M.M.M. continued from the foot of page 20 : - 1 mole that after proteing in alignments in 2008 1002, the Anorgenaux on two youlds, USENT COLLER moote a tribute to Lance-Deform NUMERINE in Them could, the original in Elled in the Heavenpart Octtings File : 1 do not vessil and the second of the second is to be an elled in the second second

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Next morning he called on Nr. White and settled the preliminaries for the acquisition of the ground, pending the appointment of a local committee. In consequence an initiation of the set is the Nounted Kilitary Folicey Ecopital Sergeant' Mamlethe 1st. Royal Scots in the town of Aldershot ending in his desth, it fell to ay lot to dispense the medicines for the Royal Scots. A few days later, owing to the illness of the Kospital Sergeant of the 19th. Hansare, I was instructed to add their dispensing to my already extra work. I had now three surgeries and the mortunary under my oharge for which no extra remaneration was allowed. The honour was

to be regarded as sufficient reward. At the end of the first fortnight both commanding officers applied to the

P.N.O. for my transfer as Hospital Sergeant. The Director-General Sir T. Galbraith Logan declined to accede to this request.

In June 1873 I was detailed to take charge of the arrangements for the Field Hospital required for the rewiew in WINDEOR PARK in honour of the Shah of Persia.

On leaving Aldershot Camp in the early morning, I found the ambulances full of horse blankets, drivers' blankets and kits, I determined to resist this filling up of the ambulances on the return journey. I declined to take them then. This arounded a hornet's meet, the acting P.M.O. - Surgeon-Major Richard Gilborne - and Commissang General Downes came on the scene and ordered me to take the kits and blankets into the ambulances.

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I asked Dr. Gilborne Mhere should I put any men who fell sick on the line of March home ? Commissary General Downes maw my contention and said if I took them now, he would remedy the defect in his next month(s War Office Giroular.

An order was issued subsequently that a light spring van should in future accompany a Field Hospital on manceuvres or af Reviews. On my return from Windsor I was asked by the corener's medical officer to

assist at a post-mortem on a body brought in from the canal. The body was of the civilian servant of Commissary General BOBINSON C.B.

I carried out the post-mortem while the doctor looked on taking the notes. There was no water in the stomach, and I thought the man had been stunged or unconscious before he got into the water. . The doctor would not agree.

He said it was a case of drowning. Subsequently, noticing a slight break in the skin of the forehead I reflected the scalp and found a piece of lead,

which subsequently the Superintendent of Police also weighed it and found it corresponded to the weight of a salcon-gun bullet - fifteen grains. The doctor still held to his view it was a case of drowning.

Shortly afterwards a man came round selling a gun, I told him that was the gun that shot General Robinson's groom - the man bolted. A barrack-sergeant was subsequently tried and acquitted. I was not anked to

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nor was the lead bullet ever brought into the case.

Ch. VII

On the 1st July 1873 I was promoted sorgeant, and warned to hold myself in readiness to proceed to Ceylon in relief of a Licutes of Orderlies, and to be in charge of the Army Medical Stores there. I was the junior of the Army Hospital Corps sergea nts at that time, and the reason was that Caylon was a notorious place for drunkenness. I was to take the place of a dispenser who had died the previous month from delivium tremens. I was to be on the same pay as in England and with inferior rations.

As a known life-long abstainer it was hoped that I would break the spell of the previous intesperance there.

On the 8th. August 1873, at the VICTORIA DOCKS, LONDON I embarked on Sheamship " VIBILIA" for passage to CETLON.

(Note. W.K.H. The Sugs Canal was opened in NOVEMBER 1869)

The first thing that struck me was that many of the ship's staff were dazed and I was informedby the third officer that it was always so on

ships leaving the Thames for foreign ports.

The Captain and the third officer were abstemious if not total abstainers, also the second engineer. We were reassured by the information

that a pilot and a class of men knuon as " runners" would take the

ship as far as GRAVESIEND, where some of the passengers would embark. We waited thirty hours at GRAVESEND for the engine-room hands to recover from their carousals.

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The first Sabbath on board was not regarded with any degree of solennity either by passengers or crew. There was too much drinking and gambling - both sexes taking part. There was an intense fog when we were

passing Pantelaria and the captain and the third officer were both on the bridge. There was much intemperance on board, the stewards pushing the

sale of drink regardless of the mafety of passengers and ship. The ship's doctor-to the resentment of the passengers - was a medical man who had given up medicine for coffee planting thirty years before and

now wanted a cheap passage back to INDIA. There were two other medical men on board and the passengers went to them.

On hearing that I was going out to Ceylon to take charge of the medical stores there, the Chief Officer asked me to use the Surgery as my cabin I declined as I was not a doctor. The "discarded" doctor anked me to help his to which I agreed.

On reaching FORT SAID on the Sabbath Morning, I received a shock, those she had happily attended service the prvious Sabbath, rushed off to the Prench theatres and many questionable places.

The further I removed from Home the more conspisuous became the irreligion of my countrymen.

We steamed into the Ganal on Monday Morning.. It was interesting here and there to examine the few traces we could find of the geology of the

Canal and to admire the genius of the man who designed and made it.

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A considerable amount of speculation was indulged in as to the particular spot where Noses crossed the Red Sea from the Egyptian side,but there seems to be no dubiety as to the spot where he landed on resoluting the other mide, its loost in being well marked with a grove of palms emploing a spring of water called Noses' Well. It is evident that Noses veload war correspondents in his camp othrwise the history of the forty years, marching and countermarching would have been richer in literary and geographical embellishments than it is. In the Red Sea we now experienced the miscrise of tropical life with the thermometer at 90° Pahr., in the cabing it even rose to 96° .

We wished we were on HEN HEVIS amongst the ptarmiguams and white hares. Pankahs were fitted up in the saleon to confort those whose life on beard was wholly devoted to card playing. What the heat was in the mickehold was too horrible to contemplate. Trade Unions were not so commipotent as they are now or artificial contrivances would have been supplied to make the stokahold habitable. We wanded our way down the Red Sea to PERIM, the Eastern Gate of The Hed Sea known to sailors as "Holl's Gate '. The Twelve apostles stood sentry over the gate but were apparently unconcerned about these who were passing out of or into this purgatorial hole.

Our excepte was silent on the reason why these rocks were called the twelve apostles, yet he was ready to locate the betrayer.

(Note by W.K.M. strange I, the writer's son, should have to look up the G.O.D. for the definition of the word 'argets' ("Eposition of the soriptures") Leaving FERIM we steam to AIEW. The monotony being relieved by the movements of the flying fish, the dolphins and sharks while here and there a stranded wreck proclaiming unmistakenly the singers of a seafaring life.

We dropped anchor in ADEN BAY on the twenty-first day after leaving LCHDON. It is interesting to watch the boys diving for coins round the ship. Having landed we made our way to the Barracks, water tanks and such places of

interest as were available to the traveller. I use delighted to find that ADEM came under ECMEAY COMMAND and not under the Colonial Office. Having priced samples of cetrich feathers, and expressing horror at the price

demanded, I found the retailer row to justify his price "Master no come often,master make good bargain, matter matt may good price."

Having replemished the larders and stokeholes we weighed anchor and steamed across the Gulf of AEEX to the shelter of Cape GARAFUI. (W.K.M. I mote Pather Morrison always wrote stokeholes while I typed stokeholds above, sarry.) I note ay father does not record what he told us verbally, that he did play his bagyies at AEEX.)

The ships' officers gave us much gratuitous information as to what we might expect on rounding the point to encounter the South West Monsoon. The steward had fitted the "fiddles" on the diming tables in anticipation of a change in the weather. On rounding the Point we met the full force of the gale. i afforded none assessments to verify the unifies onliceting the finitation on the second provides of the second provides and the inner of the lands of the line of the lin

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Many stokers came on deck and squatted round the windlass to enjoy their evening meal. Suddenly without the least warning, the ship heeled over while a large wave even reached the foot of the mast. Firemen, passengers, dishes were all washed down into the occks' galley.

We then realised the Chief Officer's yarns were spliced with a modicum of truth.

It was interesting to watch the creat of a storm-tossed ocean.

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R.N.V.R. man, asked if he could have it, when we are both finished with iii) Two days of boisterous weather considerably reduced the demand on the ship's larder. All the passengers with the exception of gyeslf, my wife and a gentle man who had been crossing summally for thirty years paid a three day's tribum to Father Neptune. On the third morning after leaving Affrican coast the gale increased in intensity, and about noon one of the davits securing the larboar lifeboat was broken by the roll of the ship striking the beat on the top of a wave, the arc was promptly applied ' and the beat drifted amay - to announce on some shore the probability of " another foundering at was "

On the eighth day after leaving ADEN, the first glimpse of the land of the "spice Breezes" was announced, and a chorum of general rejoicing and a soless -ly expressed thanksgiving for the meroiful Providence that gave promise of immunity from the horrors oh the South West Konscon for at least the maxt three years.

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As we steamed into this important anohorage, we were amaged at the powerly stru appearance. A few guns of George I period pointed seaward from the Flagstaf battery behind the Governor's Quarters, more for show than for service. Ho shelter was provided, so that there was nothing to protect passenger beats from the fury of the gales that swept the Indian Oceang The landing pier was

a woodes erection that ,from its appearance and decayed condition would give the idea that it was built by the Portugese in the fifteenth century. A curtor house in keeping with the pier and a staff of curton house searchers, olerks and superinteedents as an injusted in their views and actions, as if the Print Press had nover been invented. A closer argumintance with the younger members of that staff meturially altered the opinion I formed when fretting under a three hours whiling in the Custom House to have my boxes searched for dutiable articles . This treatment had roused my radical spirit to ank if a Colory, whe exports came into our Home Forts duty free, levied taxes on our goods and chattels. I was informed that THE SCRIPTIRES we sent them supported the taxet ion of strangers.

Today their Harbour, Oustof House and staff can challenge comparison inith any portion of the civilized world.

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The scenery as viewed from the boat-deck of the steamboat was exquisitely grand. The mountains of the interior stand out boldly against a cloudless sky. The perennial foliage that covered both hill and plain seemed to justify the poet's conclusion that every prospect "Pleases, Pleases, Pleases, to land on an Eastern Faradise. Castellated towers here and there peeped out from amongst the coccannt groves manifesting the luxurious grandeur of the successful and prosperous colonist, Having surveyed the scenery for

some time, I then returned to my cabin and handed over the keys of the surgery to the "Chief" and made my arrangements to land. I then made my way to the Principal Medical Officer's office and presented

my letter of instructions and was told that it was quite impossible that he could allow a non-commissioned officer to take over charge of what had always been an officer's appointment, however well qualified the non-commissioned officer might be.

I told him that I had had charge of medical stores three times the value of the medical stores here, when only a lance-sergeant on one shilling and minepence a day. I referred him to the instruction he had remeived from the Mar Office and to those which I brought with me, to which he drily remarked

" I suppose they will soon send a subordinate to relieve me " "You're quite right ,Sir, You will be the last Principal Medical Officer in Ceylon, your esor will be a senior medical officer." He candidly informed me that he had been much gratified by the letter he had from Surgeon General John Praser regarding my work, and my principles and hoped that I should break the spell, the evil spell that my predecessor in the non-commissioned ranks had gigen to the place. He informed me that five of them had been invalided or died from the effects of their intemperate habits. He detailed Surgeon Quill to place me in charge of medical stores, so

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relieving Lieut. Moss and also to place me in charge of the Staff Dispemeary . He referred the matter to the War Office who replied it was their original intention that Liout. Noss would return home tour expired and to be relieved by Morrison in the charge of the medical stores. On leaving the Office I was stopped by the Office messenger, an Indian

Tamil, who asked me if I was going to employ servants, and if I should to employ two servants I must be sure that one must be a Tamil and one aSingalese. Each would be happy to report the other's delinquiquies. Later experience confirmed this mage advice.

There was much petty thieving by the appoos (the indoor servants) The excuse or the denial was always the same, and often the only english known " " I Christian, Master " .

An intimation that often saved the 'master' from asking for his testimonials 1 To the new arrival the absence of a kitchen range is much deplored. A brick oven heated within by wood is a poor substitute for a EDNEAR'S range. The appotite had to be re-educated to appreciate the dainties prepared by the Tamil cook.

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I was not long in the Ceylon Command, when I became painfully conscious of the little interest taken by the officers of the Army Medical Department in the subordinates of the Army Hospital Corps. Deputy Surgeon-General Godfrey Watt was a batchelor and lived with the General Officer Commanding. I interviewed him to ask for better financial conditions for my employment in- a position normally held by an apothecary, for which he got £ 12 :10 colonial pay. I was doing duty hitherto done by an officer and a sergeant. I certainly should have had some remaneration for the charge of Medical Stores He then informed me that I had to take over further duties, and in his office,

to replace his chief clerk who was a chronic alooholic. He had his chief clerk in anywarned him " New I have an abstainer in the office, I will not tolerate your absenting yourself from the office nor your coming in in a state of intoxication." For the three years and eight months I was there he became a changed man and never came to the office under the influence of drink. I had been used as the scourge with which to bring him to know himself.

I soon found that the prices charged for European provisions were such as to land so in bankruptcy if I indulged in any such luxuries on a salary of twenty-five shillings a week, when flour sold from sixpence to mineper per pound: and if sealed in 2 lbs tins at two shillings.

Danish butter at three shillings and ninepence per one pound tin. Tea at 5/- per pound. All articles of european origin at exorbitant rates.Much Henessy's Brandy was sold, I asked a gentlemen of the Counter how europeans paid their liabilities. He said

there are four classes of customers :-

losses.

1. those who, like yourself, pay over the counter

2. those who pay every three months

3. those who pay after they have been put into court 4, those who never pay and you others have to bear our 1

I decided I Mast either become a vegetarian or find some way of using my leisure to provide more money.

The commissioned officers serving in the Colony had a graduated scale of colonial allowance from twelve pounds sterling to a lieutenant to twenty seven pounds to a lieutenant-colonel, in addition to forage allowance whether he kept a horse or not.

The men of the various Corps had free rations equivalent to four pence a day. The Army Hospital Corps were worse off than when in ALDERSHOT CAMP, where they had free rations.

I asked the Principal Medical Officer to take up the matter either with the G.O.C. or the Home Authorities - he declined to act in the matter. I was not surprised that under such conditions my predecessors were driven to trying to augment their poor incomes.

I had not been many days in my post when a native arrived with a request for "one rupee worth of castor oil " . I told him to go to Maitland's stores or I would hand him over to the police. He said " Master 1 For thirty years I buy medicines here, plenty medicines, one bottle this size one rupee,

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another bigger bottle this size two rupees, a big, big bottle three rupeesa "

This led me to examine the 240 bottles of castor oil I had taken over and found thirty-two large blue bottles empty- nicely sealed and waxed and placed at odd intervals amongst the full bottles.

The culprit was dead and the Chief agreed to replace them, rather than report the loss to the Mar Office. I was compelled to get some other employment for my leisure hours.

No one would employ me as a dispenser unless I left the Service. Having dabbled in photography when in ABERDEEN, I got a camera, a stock of

chemicals and Jabes Hughes Manual of Photography, improvised a darkroom and began to practise on the men of the Garrison. After a few month's

practice I found not only an enjoyable pastime but a profitable speculation. I was extremely fortunate in having Surgeon-Major L. A. WHITE as my chief in the Staff Dispensary and so long as my work was satisfactorily arranged I was allowed from 5 A.N. to 10 A.M. for outdoor photography and again from 4 P.N. to 6 P.M. in the evening.

Through the kindly notices given to my work in the " Ceylon Observer " I was enabled considerably to add to my income and to live in comfort in Geylon. My photographic excursions were as interesting as they were profitable Pyro and silver in the days when photography was a science materially helped the photographer to comply with such a request as I received from a native advocate " to make us as white as you can" for his family group, The amateur had, in those days, to depend on himself for a good many of his chemicals. I converted my chloride of silver to nitrate, a half soveroign was eccasionally dissolved to make chloride of gold. I made my own developing text and my photograph frames. I found text making a profitable occupation. A local member of the photographic fraternity complained to a friend of his in

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the Audit Office, who put the unfortunate man's wees into verse :-This man's for ever obstructing my paths

With his schemes for new cameras and baths

But I trust to kind fortune by April or May

To have him and his chemicals out of my way.

For he with his photos of all that is grand

Is taking the trade, Sir, clean out of my hands.

My holiday excursions occasionally extended into the interior of the Island, where the coffee planter welcomed the photographer to the shelter of his ho While on one of these delightful holidays, accompanied by my wife, our total abstinence gave a shock to my friend's butler. When we had been there four days, he asked his Master how he made such a mistake as to may his guests came from COLCMED " You tell me Colombo lady and shentleman come here. Dat no Colombo shentleman or Lady. "

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Prom VOLUMES I Page 99 /- While staying, along with his wife, at the house of a coffee planter for four days, while he took family photographs, he, being a total abstainer from all alcohol, did not meet with the approval of the host's butler " You tell me Colombo lady and shentleman come here /-

" How so ? " enquires the Master ? " I know Colombo ladies and shentleman better dan dat. Colombo ladies and shentlemans all drink brandy and soda, dat lady and shentleman drink water ". Such unfortunately is too common a practice among European residents in the

tropics. The mative cymic gramps the situation clearly,when those who call themselves " christian " indulge in questionable habits. Having had to question a mative pensioner from the Caylon Hifles, employed

in the Medical Stores, as to whether drink or opium was the cause of his frequent blundering; with an air of offended dignity he replied " Sar,

I now Christian : I Mahometan. " insimuting that only christians indulged in the prenicious habit of imbibing alcohilio liquors. A few days after this, soldiers and a sailor passed my office, the three being

under the influence of alcohol, when the mahometan quietly approached my deak and gropounded the question " Do these man come from the missionsty's country' To this I replied that unfortunately they did. " Missionary better stay at home, him get plenty work. "

I regretted that the taunt was too well deserved. Yot it is a sad truth that if those who leave our shores in the service of our country, whether as soldiers, sailors, divil Servants, or commercial adventurers were first brought under the influence of christian truth, it would be easier for the missionary to earry on his praiseworthy and Christ honouring work. We interrogater had good grounds for his caustio rebute that the " missionary would find plenty work at home ". He had no idea that in christian Britain seventy thousand home heathens were annually macrificed with the connivance of the christian oharch to gild the coronets periodically bestowed on the manufacturere of beer and whiskey.

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On another occasion I had to remainstrate with him on his sudacious request. repeated once in every four months, for permission to go home for three days to bary his mother. I demurred on the fourth occasion to repeat the concession and asked the reason for this periodical/interment of his mother, as usual he was ready with answer. " De first time was my faader's first woifs, the second time was my father's firth woife : de third was my faader's fourth woife : and this my faader's seventh woife. ". My wife, who was standing by my desk, turned towards his and and asked, how many wives he was the proud possessor of ? Raising his hands above his head in respectfulbut horror-stricken mood , he slowly responded " Oh I Kam I I you i him yeary much planty." I was not much impressed with the standards required to scleet new arrivals for membership of the Club House on the Galle Phoe.

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The commercial morality of some of the european traders would not stand much critical examination. On one occasion a consignment of merchantise from a London House was sont to the order of an englishman in the Colony, and hypothecated to one of the local banks. On presentation of the invoice the comsignee declined to take it over, urging inability to meet the bill and clear the Custom House. He was offered most reasonable terms, but persistently declined the goods. The consignment was put up for sale by public auction and was delivered at his store on the evening of the sale at one half of the invoiced price. Such were the men from whom the benighted cheathen were supposed to learn the moral standards of the christian faith. An incident that transpired at a social gathering in the Assembly Rooms on

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the Galle Phoe shortly after I landed, amused me very much. A few passe dames who "sipped the scandal potion pretty" scanned with with fiendish malignity, the bloom of youth on the fair form that " tripped into the room on her husband's arm, a young local bride of proposessing appearance , whose personal charms had probably advanced her above the station in which she was born, but not destined to stay there ; conversation ceased in the corner for a time. The murmur of applause and admiration was too much for the leading spiritamong them, who belched out in sulphurous volume " But her grandfather was a soldier. ". Bystanders whose colonial experience went back to the fourth decade of the mineteenth century could afford to smile at the reference remembering that the faded critic could have traced a more questionable pedigree than that of a soldier's without going as far back as her grandfather. When the grandfather of the one was custodian of the Government Institution for the reclamation of the

wanderers from the paths of moral rectitude, the father of her critic was given into his care docorated with bracelets of the best Sheffield steel. Yerily, Society soon forgets moral lapses when prosperity has smiled on the delinquent. Mon are measured in social life (by all but the tailor) by the amount of surplus gold or oredit notes they have at the bankers. Colonial life, within a few degrees of the equator, is apt to generate a listless feeling that requires careful watching to keep the digestive and locomotive organs in a healthy condition. With the thermometer at 94° Pahr.

in the shade it is difficult to throw off this induced ennui. Happily, however, there are convulsions in the social life as in nature, that serve to keep the mind on the qui vive and thus to counteract the causes

that lead to indolenceand remind the colonial that he has got a liver. A few of those agencies now and again appeared on the social horizon shortly after my initiation into colonial life.

A military medical officer (who by the injustice and laxity of discipline in his Department) had carried on a large and remunerative private practice sold it on retiring from the army to a private medical practitioner for two thousand five hundred pounds. Within a few months his genial successor in his military office, had the majority of his patients, the good will of whom the civil practitioner had purchased at too high a figure. A casual paragraph on the subject of the sale of his private practice by a military medical officer appeared in a local paper, in which the usual

pungent note appeared bearing the letters " Ed, C. O,, in which the insimuation

in which the incinuation was conveyed / that if the general prodictioner had dabbled less in local politics and social goesip than he did, he might have profitted by his investment. This led to an action in the District Court offerlenbo and! Judge Berwich had his opportunity to display his profound knowledge of Homn Law as administered in the days of NiBO. The outrageous sentence was an enormous, heavy fine to compensate the man who had lost his practice, and ordered the offending editor to apologise to the unfortunate practitioner on his knees, on the doorsteps of the Court House, before su of the Public as cared to witness the degradation of the most popular and certainly the most useful man in the Colony. The Judge who had thus prostituted his high office sought to browbest the lasger who lodged an appeal against the judgment. The appeal was carried to the Suprese Court, and the Chief Justice - Sir Richard Morgan, a native-born Datch Burger of Ceylon- upset the judgment and castignted the mediaeval judge for his lack of appreciation of the progressive instincts of the Age into which and unfortunate freak of nature had injected him nineteen centuries too late. In legal circles and in Ceylon the good Judge is but a speck on the pages of the past, while Alister Hackansie Perguson will live as long as our Colonial Empire lasts.

Searcely had this tempest in a teapot subsided, when the Colony was thrown into a state of excitement by the injudicious exercise of yowor on the part of the youthful prelate who came out to rule the destinies of the Episcopalian Church in Ceylon. Unaware of the amount of latent energy enclosed in his cannoical vestments, he injudiciously sought to gauge his strength with the Church Missionary Society in this interesting Crown Colony, he made no allowince for the popular influence that sustained these grand men in their war on the heathenism that reigned supreme around them. He thought that he had only to speak the word and these stalwart veterans of the Gross, when had been preaching the gospel under a tropical sky, when he was a babe in the markery, would at once bow to the East at his bidding, abandon their their principles and practices, and thus cease their evangelic work among the heathen. He deprived eleven of those godly men of their licence to preach the gospel, feeling that a repetition of ecclesiastical history was possible, that while Mordscai flourished, Hanan, the man of straw , could not enjoy his prosperity. (Note by W.K.N. " E.S.V. CONNEN BIBLE 1973. Page 435 " But Nordecai did not bow down and do obeisance, to EAMAN, whom the KING had set above all princes. Mordecal was a Jew and when Haman saw that Mordecai did not bow down or do obeisance to him, HAMAN was filled with fury. ") Churches might remain shat, the heathen might remain in their darkness,

so long as the church missionaries refused while in puryer to turn towards the rising sun, or allow the bishop to select their lay agents. He felt that if he could get the supertitious, lay mative catechist into his hands he could tractarianize the Colony. in a brief space of time .

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An indigmant Colony, was up in are against this unchristian action and strong protestations went from all sections of the Ewangelic Churches in the Colony to the Home Authorities. After a protmoted war, peace was eventually proclaimed in a victory for the Church Hissionary Scolety. The Bishop's scal had outrum his prudence ,he had trusted to his imprudent mento, the Aihitophel, who ruled for some years in the Catherdral grounds. (Note by W.K.W. The Bible Text cyclopaedia. Rev. J. Inglin 1860 :-

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* ANITHOPPIEL . David's counsellor, joins Absalom 1 Chr.27,33 2 Sam. 15 12 2 Sam. 16 15-23 His reputed wisdom 2 Sam 16 23 Commits suicide on his councel being rejected 2 Sam 17 1 - 14 23 *)

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Y The Editor of the " Ceylon Observer " on seeing the young prelate's name in print prophesied that the last of the State paid bishop of the Anglican Ohurch had been appointed His mame when deprived of the letter " L " opinoided with the stone that completed a building in that glorious country where the prophetic Editor first inhaled the fragrant areas of pest and heather. The Editor had wrought assidymany to place the copestone on Church Establishment and lived to see the fulfilment of his prophecy in the disstablishment of State Churches in Ceylon. At the time dissetablishment was not then within the range of practical concessions. The dissetablishme function in Ceylon, as in Ireland, has proppered by the change.

On the disbandment of the Caylon Rifles the Deputy surgeon-general determined on returning home, but before doing so recommended the abandonment of Newers Ellys as a military manutorium. The railway had not then penetrated sufficiently into the interior of the island to ensure a speedy transit into the hill stations, while the opening of the Sues Canal suggested to him the possibility of sending invalids in the incipient stage of disease to England at as cheap a rate as the adminisration of the hill station would cost. He had overlooked the fact that on recuperation in the hills they would again return to military duty in the garrison. Their restoration would be as effectually ensured at Newers Hays as at home. For nearly twenty years this excellent Samatorium

was closed against the British moldier. CEYLON then became a Semior Medical Officer's charge. On the return home of the Deputy surgeon general, the administration of the

Army Medical Department devolved on Surgeon Major A. Peile Cahill, a marrior who never hemitated to assert him personality when circumstances forced this upon him. He invariably manifested that he had the courage of his convictions. As a perverse obstructionist he had few equals among his own mationality. He gloried in having a "Donmeybrook" affray, and felt it a real pleasure to threw down him hat for some can to kick it.

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The fire-eating autocrat Major General John A. Street C.B. assumed the command in relief of General Renny C.S.I.. He had been in the Colony but a month or two when he ordered a Company of the 57th. Regiment (The Middleper Regiment) from Galle to Colombo and one from Mandy (or was it KANDY looks more like an M. than his prominent K in KICK ABOVE W.K.M.)) to give him a larger command for spectactu; ar exhibitions on the Galle Pace. 4 Without consultation with the Medical Department he ordered five additional beds to be put into each barrack room (already fully equipped to is maximum occupation) so as to accommodate the contemplated addition to the Garrison. When the order was officially promulgated the Senior Officer Medical presented himself at the Brigade office to ascertain where the additional troops were to be accommodated, as he had not been consulted on the matter. He was told that extra beds were put into every room for the purpose . To this he replied that he could not allow overcrowding in the Barrack rooms, nor sanction the use of canvas while ample accommodation could be provided elsewhere. of carryas while ample accomposition could be provided elsewhere. General Street jumped from his chair in a tawering rage, and roared at the highest pitch he could command "I'm the General here". "Yes Sir " replied the importurbable Pat " Sure your's the General for discipling, and I'm the General for health ". General Street saw that he cou General Street saw that he could not gainsay the view taken by the Senior Medical Officer and countermanded th original order. The " General " for health was for the time victorious. On the following day General Street issued an order that officers and men in the Command should at once conform to the Queen's Regulations in the matter of beards, and forthwith scissors and razors were reluctantly set to work. Many of us felt keenly the unwarranted piece of martinetium, simply to compel theSenior Medical Officer to part with his much prised ornament. He for whom the malicious edict was primarily intended was the only one

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who disregarded it. He was manmoned to the Brigade Office to explain his reason for not complying with the order to share. To this he replied that he wore his beard on medical grounds, on medical

authority that extended to India and the Colonies, and that as he was about to leave for Hngland in a few days, he regretted that he could not part with what so effectually protected his throat. The martinet was for once <u>non</u> plussed. It must be admitted that the patent right of ready retort is not the exclusive right of the Briton, nor even of an Irishman, but it is not expected among the possessions of the slow-moving residents of the East. I met it however in Arab commission agent. I had occasion to order a ring with five rubies, stipulating that it was not to cost more than fifty or less than thirty. On production of the ring I asked him what he paid for it. To this he quietly replic " Kaster no business what "Sampsi" pay. " Kaster business what "Sampsi" pay i Kaster business what "Sampsi" sell . " " No "Sampsi" I remarked " I must know what you paid for it. " " Master must know what "Sampsi" "Sampsi" tell lie , God punish Master make "Sampsi" tell lie . pay ? I came to the conclusion that metaphysics came as natural to the Arab as to the Scotchman, and told him that rather than run the risk of becoming the recipient of the threatened punishment, I would forego the pleasure of acquiring his trade secrets. The ring cost me three pounds.

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Bawing occasion to visit the Borella Cemetery in company with three English friends on a public holiday, I summoned the native "jehu " who invariably drove me out for photographic excursions and directed him to drive me to Borolla. Mounting the"dickey" he began to discuss in his mind to which of the three institutions in Borella he would drive and began a mental soliloguy concluding that I must be bound for the Lanatio Amylum and socordingly drove us to the front door. On asking his reason for this unwarrantable adventure replied " Master only may Borella ; Master no camera , not go cemetery, shentlemen no handouffs, Master no go jail ; Master must take shentlesmen mad peoples' house. I have been repeatedly asked what I thought of the work of the various mission agencies at work in Caylon. Being in direct touch with the work I had ample opportunities of investigating the results of the efforts put forth to evangelize the heathen. Supposing that no spiritual results followed, which I emphatically deny , the moral improvement in the daily life of the native community amply compensates for the outlay involved . The influence of the christian workers in the various Protestant Educational Institutions have sent thousands of young men and women back to their heathen homes saturated with Biblical knowledge and in many cases with genuine spiritual experience, which they manifest by a consistent life as teachers in vernacular schools. In a few Institutions technical training forms part of the school curriculum, which has equipped many a young man for the battle of life, and strengthemed him to maintain the faith and practice inculcated in his school.

St. Thomas's Gollege, attached to the Episoopal Cathedral in Colombo, has done axcellent work in the overenight and training of native youths, and wany of the lads taught there have gradmated at the Calcutta University conferring lustre on their school and teachers, and rising to eminence in the Professional and Civil Services of their Colony.

The Mesleyan Methodists have established Higher Grade Schools at various centres with equally gratifying results giving an impetus to higher culture which would never result from a purely secular system of education. The growing numerical strength of the various christian churches working for the spiritual and social elevation of the heathen manifests the appreciation and influence of the teaching imparted. The social advancement of the women of Ceylon through gospel teaching cannot be gauged by statistical returns, nor can any financial estimate set forth the value of the work accomplished. Eternity alone can reveal the moral and spiritual results of the work accomplished by Mifs Eate: Scott of the Mesleyan Methodist Church in Colombo during the last fifty years of the nimeteenth century. The women of Ceylon are now free to think for themselves and to not for themselves, and have ceased to be mere chattels in the hands of the man who could pay the highest price for their bodies. The success of our Foreign Missionary efforts among the heathen in the last one hundred years is manifest, even greater results would accrue if the men selected for the mission field were wholly consecrated to christian work. Wy experience has been that very questionable exponents of christian life and dootrine have been sent into the mission field, men who have

Ken who have/ newformlised the work of some of the devoted pioneers with whom it has been my privilege to be associated with in Christian work in the Colonies. Another and cause of failure is found in the selfishness of members of the Christian Church who export alcoholic liquors to paralyse Christian offort at Poreign Stationes

Until the Church of Christ can look this matter in the face, and cease to countenance the sale of poisonous drugs, whether as opium or sloohol, they had better course to send out missionaries.

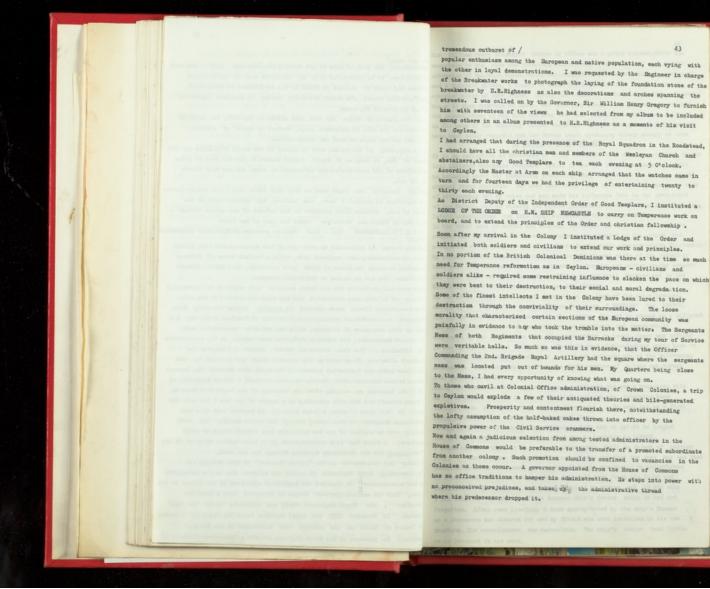
It is hypoorisy of the vilest sort to appear in the world as pillars in the House of God, so long as we export liquid domnation for the sake of gain, regardless of its soul-destroying influences on those who are made slaves to its use.

Verily, Spurgeon was right when he said that these men (the manufacturers and exporters of alcohol) were not pillars, but caterpillars in the House of God, Heathen China persists in the refusal of our opiumm throust Vupon her by Christian statesmen under the guns of our Fleet (W.K.W. C.H.SPURGEON 1834 - 1892 Popular preacher, Matteopoletan tabenacia

Infidel France is determined to root out of hor dominions the vile poison which is undermining her mational life, while a British House of Concome

is unable to reach the House of Lords with a measure that shall liberate the slaves who are in chains to our social customs.

Mhile resident in Ceylon the old Datch resparts that enclosed the conversial portion of Colomba were demolished and new barracks erected on the site. Five two-storied blocks were erected in <u>achelon</u> facing the Galle Pace promenade and capable of accommodating a Battery of Garrison Artillery and four or five companies of Infantry, while the exterior presented a very attractive appearance, the interior reflected scant credit on the superintending officials. The flat concreted roofs seemed ill adapted for tropical climites. So as soon as the concrete dried and scarred by the sun, came under the torrential showers of the South West Monscon the Barrack mme became uninhabitable. Having occasion to visit a Colour Sergeant of the 57th. Regiment one morning after the breaking of the South West Wenne I found himself and his wife crouching in a corner of the bed (the only dry apot - in the room) under a large umbrella to protect them from the continuous downpour of rain coming through the twelve month's Old Roof. Passing over to another of the new buildings (one storied block of staff quarters) I found the Army schoolsasters up to their ankles in water on the floor, baling out the continuous downpour through the new roof, A letter and leaderette in the "Caylon Observer" of that evening set the Commanding Royal Engineers to remedy the defects due to the incapacity of his subordinates. He recented the suggestion contained in the letter to the press, that the married quarters should be converted into a Home for Imbeciles , the Royal Engineers Staff and officials to be the first inmates. In December 1875 the Royal Squadron escorting His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales on his Eastern tour anchorened in the Colombo Roadstead The presence of His Royal Highness created a tremendous outburst of



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Sir William Henry Gregory's tenure of office was a great success, while the memorials to his wise and judicious administrative capacity are seen in the extension of Railways, Roads, Public Buildings, Medical, School, Earbour extension and a Colonial museum, a record to which few Governors can lay claim in an administration of five years. During his tenure of office the coffee enterprise begun to show symptoms of decay, but this only arouned the planters to exploit the capabilities of the soil and soon tea and Ginchona cultivation followed in the wake of the expiring office industry. Their foresight and perseverance have been amply rewards and the famous pearl provincing Colony stands as ever "Respiring" Spiring Scient Stands" =

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It is no reflection on Governors or other officials when we maintain that to the late Almister Mackennie Ferguson G.N.G. is due the largest measure of oredit in bringing about the industrial prosperity that has raised the Colony to its present proud position. For more than sixty years he has been in the front rank of oitizenship and by voice and pen made his influence felt in the government of the Colony, and in raising the native population to the realization of their latent capabilities and into loyal subjects of the British Empire.

In the front rank of social and sanitary reformers he made the cause of the people his own and lived to see his labours consummated in the peace and prosperity of the people, and to see Lord Torrington's administration discounted by popular mochamiton. His labours in the educational needs of the community have been long and continuous; and now the Burgher and native rouths compete for their share in the remnerative offices in the Civil Service and in the Commercial and Professional prizes in the Colegy.

On the 26th. March 1877 I bads farewell to the land of the spicy breases, embarking on board the British Indian Steamboat " MERKARM" for LGNDON. The royage to Aden was monotorous in the extreme, the see as smooth as a millpond and but for the gambols of the dolphins and porpoises, and occasionally emlivened by the fliritations of a few grass widows on board, there was nothing

in sea or sky to arrest attention. The half-dead Anglo-Indians going home to to recruit their axhausted energies ould not initiate any of the enlivening ammements that invariably make up the daily routine of a long mea voyage when outwards bound.

Among the desperate cases on board was a guntleman who was a passenger with me from London in 1873 in the " Vibilis" and was now returning home from Galoutta prostrate from obronic dysentery. Eswent out as a first class passenger but was returning second class.

He had buried his wife in India. Broken in body and in spirit he longed for the termination of the voyage which was to land him in LGHDGM. I found him in a top bunk in a second class cabin, truly an object of extreme pity. I went at once to the Gaptain and pointed out that the case was one that demanded isolated treatment and begged that this man should be trunsferred to a comfortable borth on deck where he could have fresh air, light and ventilation . The Gaptain remembered that on my voyage out in his ship I had taken up the daties of the deposed ship's dootor which he had not forgotten. After some pleading, a bunk appropriated by the ship's Purser as a storeroom was cleared out and my friend was soon installed in his new quarters. His convalesmence was marvellous. The ship's doctor took little or mo interest in his work.

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whether from callounness of inexperience he took little note of the serious cases under his charge, cases that to a professional man, should have been particularly interesting. One such case was that of an East India Eailway official suffering from debility accombated by a liver abscess. He lay in his deck chair might and day with a minimum of comfort and attention. It was arranged that he would be left in AIES to recover

sufficiently to continue the homeward journey. On reaching ADEN it was discovered that there was no civil hospital there and he must go on to SUEZ. I suggested to the Chief Officer that we should oppose the man's landing there, as it would assuredly remult in his death, pointing out that his removal from the ship into the beat would burst the abscess and death would same before he reached the hospital. My reason for keeping him

an board was the possibility that if he entered the Mediterranean he could has his abscess tapped there in MALES, and given a chance of life in the colder climite.

The doctor was obstinate and insisted on getting rid of the man, and on arrival at SUE2 he was transferred to the boat that was to convey him to the shore and to the hospital.

After procaring water and provisions we steamed into the Canal leaving our disconcolate invalid among strangers. He had calculated on having his Whitsunday in England. On reaching Port Baid I noticed that among

the documents handed to the Chief Officer was a telegrum. I asked him if that was the announcement of the patient's death. He replied in the affirmative, adding that he died a quarter of an hour after leaving the ship and before reaching the hospital.

The practice of appointing newly qualified fledgings to passenger ships did not command itself to me.

The doctor in returning to England entered the British Army, then popular for such as failed to make civil practice a profitable investment. He entered the army under a warrant that dispensed with age limit,

examination or test except the legal qualification to practice medicine.. Happily since 1679 this has ceased. The medical officers who entered at that time were known in the Department as " one hundred pounders " because after ten years thay were entitled to an honorarium of one

thousand pounds. Owing to the dearth of candidates for the Army Medical Service, these were in course of time absorbed into the Department, but few if any, have risen to administrative rank in the Service Ship's Doctor (Notes by W.K.M. 1. I was surprised on board a ship, and at ADEN the was

there were 21 candidates for five places. B.N.J. August 2nd 1913 page 283)

After an uneventual run through the Mediterranean and the Bay of Bicoay, a sighted the white eliffs of Dover on the morning of the 23rd. April, delight to behold the hospitable if cold wheres of Old England.

On reaching English soil I hastened to report my arrival home at the Head-Quenters warmy Medical Department & Kattchall Yarm, and was ordered to take up duty in the Station Hospital Guernmey on the expiration of my leave of absence. Early in June I reported mywelf for duty and entered on two of the happiest years of my life apparently my reputation preceded me. The night before I entered on my duties the sick and Hospital subordinates had a " spres " with the commission of the wardmanter. The plan under which this exceptional liberty was conceded was that they were sware the Bospital except when ordered by the Hedical officers . It was singularly

plessant to notice the agreeable manner in which six bibulous scals accepted the inevitable. Three of the six saved twenty pounds during my two yes remidence in the Island, while their general conduct and attention to dury merited the highest commendation. The other three left the station on proson -ion. The reversion to ward supervision from modical stores during was a delightful change. The practical instruction I had from the privat practitioner under when I served in Furth was now of nervice both to symel, and to the medical officers, as all the minor dressings and allments werfig attended to at all hours of the day and night without unnecessarily call/the Medical Officer.

I had as Senior Medical Officer one of the kindest men in the British Army, who endeared himself to subordinates and patients by his kind and consider ate treatment. The Army Medical Department was at this particular time entering a new state of existence. Aitkins' voluminous " compendium of medical lore ", Longmore on "Gunchot Kounds" with the " Lancet" and the " British Medical Journal " found their way to the Dustcart or to the cookhouse to baste the chickens. Army Discipline Acts, Royal Marrants for Pay and Promotion, Queen's Regulations and Drill Books became the constant literature of Medical Officers. By night and day the "Stretcher Drill Book was in evidence. It had been appropriated from Surgeon Major Moffitt's Book of Instruction for the Army Hospital Corps, the only original sentence penned by the new editor pointed unmistakeably to the mationality of the compiler, giving the information " that the new pattern stretcher will fit into any ambulance wagon, if it is not too wide or too long ". At some stations this innovation banished the professional instinct and almost obliterated the knowledge gained by years of patient toil and study. Patients were admitted and discharged, diet sheets marked with regularlity Returns of sick rendered with strict punctuality, but the weekly. treatment of th sick, at times, seemed to become of secondary importance. Henceforth the cry must be lend and clear for combatant rank. The stethoscope was in danger of being thrown aside in the eagerness to practice the hitherto meglected sword exercise.

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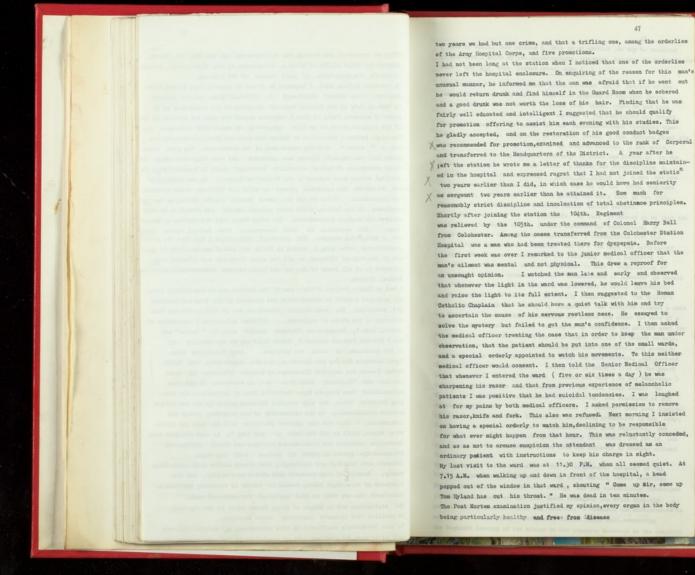
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(Note by W.K.M. How ourious : Once in my service , as may be revealed if and when I write my own autobiography, <u>everyone</u> laughed at my diagnosis ence and <u>all</u> were proved wrong, alas :)

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Immediately after the incident above referred to, a private of the same regiment reported himself sick with symptoms of malarial fever. He professed to have recently returned from China, where he had been employed for several years in the service of the Paninsular and Orient Steamship company. No mooner did one supposed ailment disappear than another supervened. This went on for six weeks. I was dubious about his sincerity and hinted my doubts to the medical officer. I had solid reasons for concluding that his knowledge of China was picked up in the Garrison Library. Three weeks later a letter was received from a solicitor in Cardiff enclosing a <u>carte de visite</u> of a man who was wanted there and who was supposed to be serving in the 105th. Regiment in Guernsey, With this was a note giving the man's name in the 13th. Hussars from which he had descried twelve months earlier. I scanned every face for the duplicate. At last it dawned on me that the patient in the corner of No. 2 Ward answered the description. A quiet examination confirmed my suspicions, I communicated with the Depot 13th. Hussars at CANTERBURY and in a few days had particulars which confirmed my suspicions. On the following day I suggested to the medical officer that as this man seemed to have a complication of most of the ordinary diseases in the "Nomenclature of Diseases" he should be isolated and carefully mursed as I would have a better opportunity of watching the case than I had in a fully occupied ward. Tom Hyland's case being fresh in the momory my suggestion was accepted without a note of dissent. I removed him accordingly and placed him under the care of a special sick attendant. Next morning to my surprise the patient sent for me and informed me that he was now all right and fit to return to duty. He was to be discharged as an ordinary patient recovered, and normally would have been returned to barracks under the sick-corporal ,but instead I sent for his colour-sergeant asking him to bring a file of the guard and a corporal, On their arrival I handed him over (to his amazement) as a deserter from the 13th. Hussars. He was sent under escort to Canterbury, tried by Courtmartial for desertion and sentenced to six months imprisonment. About the same time a "recruit" came into hospital and his knowledge of heart disease and invaliding procedures in the army, I was sure he was one of those scoundrels that join regiments, got invalided out and then enlist again. Clever scoundrels can pes in and out of the service for several years from one regiment to another without fear of detection.

On Boxing Day (26th. December 1877) the Armourer sergeant of the 105th. Regiment enjoyed himself in the early morning rabbit shooting. Having incentiously stepped over a hedge his gun accidentally discharged itself into the palm of his left hand. Bandaging his wrist with his pocket hankwrchief he ran to the hospital. I examined the hand, dressed it and sent for both medical officers. Colonal Harry Bell, commanding the Regiment hearing of the mishap to his armourer hastened to the hospital

hastened to the hospital / to ascertain the nature of the accident. He begged me to convey to the

medical officer his wish and hope that the hand should not be amputated, as if the thumb and index could be saved he would be retained in his appointment as Regimental Armourer. On the arrival of the medical officers it was decided to amputate the hand. I gave the Senior Medical Officer Colonel Bell's message , and pleaded that the hand might not be sacrificed, adding that conservative surgery was the chief aim of the Profession. After a deal of pleading, it was decided to remove the two crushed fingers and save the hand. The result was peculiarly satisfying to the Senior Medical Officer and in six weeks the Arsourer returned to duty. His gratitude was unbout for the preservation of his hand. I had at this station practical insight into the crocked ways of Royal Engineer Departmental subordinates and observed how easy is the decensus in Averman when an unsorupulous gurveyor came under the sway of an unscrupulous contractor. I saw what we ntended but for four oyes. Particular pains were taken to swell the damages against the Hospital and I was equally determined to resist unjust oppressions and on three occasions appealed to the War Office against the assessment and was successful on each occasion. On personally explaining to Colonel Grease about the matters he intimated to the Foreman of Works to exercise more judgment in his assessment against the Hospital. Early in 1878 (W.K.M. Note at this time he was still only a Colour-

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Early in 1878 (W.K.K. Note at this time he was still only a Golour-Sergeant) a moldier of the Garrisen who had too freely indulged in the Royal Artillery Ganteen challenged a comrade to main the bay under the Barracks for a wager. Carrying too heavy/load of Randall's beer he was unequal to the contest and was drowned. An anonymous writer to the press, a local paper animedverted on the culpable negligence of the Communing Officer of the Royal Artillery in carrying on an authorised mantrap.

I was accused of the authorship because of my well-known aversion to the drink trade, and was waited on by the Garrison Sergmant Major with a purported request from the Brigade Major as to whether I was prepared to substantiste the charge of culpable negligement against the Officer Communing the Noyal Artillery. To this I made answer that if I felt disponed I would have little difficulty in justifying the impecohament, but as I acknowledged no earthly " Father Confessor" I declined to gratify imperiment curionity and bowed my interrogator to the door, On hearing that the Garrison " Jacka]" had interviewed me on the matter Barrack Bergmant MacCalloch (late of the 21st. Royal Soots Funliers) acknowledged the authorship having witnessed the unfortunate accident. He was immediately removed from the Station , and east to do duty at the Brigade Depot at LINCOLN.

Such is the treatment meted out to a soldier who dares to pillory superior offenders in the newspapers. He is in fact told that he has no legal citizenship. In the matter of equity the Army administration is but little removed from the dark days of the Stuarts.

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There is a peculiar interest in watching a man suspected of malingering. with the advant of Surgeon Major purdon I felt rather handicapped. He and the Senior Medical Officer were of the advanced humanitarian type of men who would rather be imposed on than meem to deal harehly with the malingerer. I pointed out to Dr. Pardon a type of this class. Looking at the man he replied in the purest Irish brogue " Och 1 Poor devil. he can't help himself, he has no strength in him. to do a day's work. " Do you know what the creature is ? "

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To this enquiry I replied that I knew nothing about him except what his medical history sheet tells me.

" Well I'll tell you what he is : he is the offspring of an ould man and a young woman" . Advancing to the bedside the following conversation took place.

"What is your name?," " Richmond Sir. "

- " Well Richmond 1 Is your father alive 2 "
- " Yes Sir ".
- " No Sir " " Then he's dead ? " " Yes Sir ". " How old was he when he died ? " " He was eightyfour Sir "
- " How long is he dead ? "
- " Four years Sir "
- " if he was living now he would be 88 ? " " Yes Sir " " Is your mother alive , "
- " Yes Sir "
- " Tes Sir " X " How old is she ? " " Party Sir . " " Four from 40 is 36. She was 36 when your father died " "Yes Sir."
- "Yon don't like hard work ? " "No Sir "

" Then take my advice and don't try it.

- Turning to me with a grin he remarked " Shure didn't I tell you what he was, you could tell it from the formation of his teeth and jaws, " I must confess sy inability to arrive at such definite conclusions frm such a questionable standpoint.
- X I had another interesting case of malingering . A strong healthy soldier of two years service. He was tired of the service and concluded that the easiest way out was through the hospital. He had seen others go out by the back door. He reported sickcomplaining of pains in the left breast and shortness of breath when at running drill and with general symptoms
- X of heart disease. Each morning I found him watching the gate until he maw the Senior Medical Officer come into the Hospital. He would then retire into the lavatory, and for half an hour or more, would exert himself in purposeless scrubbing of the floor with a long handled scrubbing brush a dry scrubber. He was not aware that his movements were closely watched. I noticed that while the stethoscope was being used he kept soratching his right breast with his nails with the view of passing the sound into the instrument. Having noticed this for some days I mentioned it to the two medical officers. I was told there was a very distinct bruit.

I asked Dr. Purdon to come up to the hospital at 3 o'clock. I kept my man pretty much in view during the day. About an hour after dinner, the ward orderly brought me some scap pellets and a piece of yellow scap he had taken out of this man's bed . Dr. Purdon arrived at 3 o'clock and immediately examined the man very minutely and getting up off his knee he yelled at the fellow in rather unparliamentary language " You incorrigible whelp, the devil the het is the matter wid you ? " I then produced the soap pills found in his bed as conclusive proof that my suspicions were well founded. On the following morning Dr. Purdon reported to the Semior Nedical Officer the result of his afternoon visit remarking they had both been deceived. The outcome was that a full report of the case was sent to Colonel Bell with the request that to obviate a Court Martial he should deal regimentally with the case. This was done by awarding the malingerer seven days imprisonment with hard labour and 21 days confinement to barracks, the maximum punitive power then vested in Commonding Officers. Fram that day malingering finished in that regiment. Early in 1878 the 75th. Regiment (The Gordon Highlanders) relieved the 105th. (The King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry) The Regiment was under the command of an efficient old soldier, who had graduated through the ranks and who worthily sustained the position to which his talents and common sense had raised him. Lieut, Colonel Richard Wadeson V.C. was a pattern commanding officer. The sergeant-major and staff sergeants were of the best type of British Infantry and sealous for the maintenance of the traditions of the Regiment. I was fortunate in obtaining a good old soldier as Senior Medical Officer's orderly. A typical Irishman, genial and industrious, ingratiating himself into general favour by his exuberant native wit. Had Samuel Lever met him he would have been the hero of a readable story. His conve sational powers, and smart repartee justified his claim to the nationality of which he boasted. He would have made a capital companion for an old colonial suffering from a torpid liver, as his wit was natural and unbounded. He was told that the Hospital cook had applied for a transfer from the station having served there for over three years. He quietly remarked that if the unfortunate cook would, if the request were conceded, find himself in the position of the unfortunate Protestants who sought shelter in Purgatory, he was destined to go further and fare worse. He was tolerant of all sections of the Christian Church mave the " Plymouth Brethren ". I questioned one of the sergeants of the regiment as to the reason of Pat's intense dislike of the "brothren" He informed me that when stationed in Singapore, a major of that sect commanded the detachment to which Pat belonged. This officer believed that God's forgiveness would reach him in the exercise of elemency towards a " Plymouth Brother", but the maintenar of discipline required the rigid enforgement of the punitive provision of the Army Discipline towards the rest of mankind ..

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At the weekly inspection of Barracks, the Major observed that a spider's web adorned the wall contiguous to this mairs bod, the major in a beliicose tone domanded to know to when the spider's web belonged. To this quantum Pat, with the utmost <u>same froid</u> replied " The Spider, Sor I " Yor this pisce of information he was sentenced to three days punishment drill. As he had not paraded with the defailters, the sergeant sent for his to ascertain the reason for his absence. To this he cooly replied " Shure I have no drill to do. " " Did not the major give you three days drill this soring ? " " Shure he gave the spider three days drill and if you can eatch his you can drill him ". Ho was at once ordered to the Guard Boom and on the following morning the wit-deopting major sentenced his to seven days imprisonment with hard labour.

Knowledge of military law and ready wit are unappreciated acquisitions in the British Army.

I had for many years been peculiarly successful in the reclamation of men who had been victims of intemperance. My system was not one of drugs , but a sympathetic watchfulness and admonition such as the practical teaching of the ritual of GOOD TEXPLARGannot fail to impress on the man or woman consecrated to the work of human restoration to forfeited bliss. I never came in touch with a drink-besotted soul, but the Charge of the Chief Templag aroused in ma the desire to work to reclaim that floatmam on the ocean of social life. " we are here towork, let us do it, and so advance our common cause and homour God " . On returning from Coylon I found that the Good Templar Lodges had been turned into pleasant evening resorts, where, with the Bible still on the altar, comic and ribald songs predominated ; frivality had usurped the place of the serious deportment that first characterized the Order. Instead of having a " fraternal home where the destroyer could never enter " I found every phase of the drinking saloon there but the drink . I severed my connection with the Order with regret, feeling that the best human Agoncy ever adopted for the moral and spiritual elevation of the race, had been prostituted to the insame crawing for frivality. I had among the subordinates in the Hospital several who by the enforcement of discipline and considerate treatment had been weaned from the worship of Bacchus and transformed into good and useful soldiers. I was privileged to assist a few of them into good appointments in civil

on their transfer into the Reserve. One of those when I took him in hand was supposed to be beyond the possibility of reformation. He was a gummer in the Royal Artillery and had come into hospital from the Government Nilitary Prion, where he had done six months for striking a non-commissioned officer when drunk. I was told that I would recret taking him into hospital seploy. To this I turned a deaf ear, as I was determined , if possible, to mave him from the evil influence of his surroundings. I winhed him to sign a pledge of total abstinence as the condition of his employment in Hospital. After eighteen months of excellent work in the hospital, he purchased a fine silver lover watch, and had eighteen pounds in the Savings Bank after the purchase of the watch.

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The Roman Catholic chaplain gratefully informed me that since I took the man in hand he had been a most diligent attender at the Chapel services when off duty.

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Early in January 1879 the fifth of my orderlies in succession left the Station on promotion. General, The Hon. St. George Folgy, Communding the District and Gevernor of the Islands, seeing the route for the marks removal, enquired of the Brignde Wajor, if he couldexplain how it was that every man of the Army Hospital Corps who left the Station in Gaarneay, left on premotion, While those who left Aldernay during the same period had done so after several committals to the Garrison Colls.

The Brigade Major appealed to the Carrison Sergeant Major for the solution of the problem. This functionary told the General that in the Sistion Respital in Guernmey the sergeant trained his orderlies to qualify for promotion, that strict discipline tempered with encouragement to study was a feature of the Extoblishment, that total abstimence was encouraged, if not the basis of the assistance given to study : while in Aldermey the relationming between the sergeant and orderlies was evident from the winful dustruction of the sergeant's cabbage garden by the orderlies. The General left instructions for the Senior Modeal Officer to call at

The General left instructions for the Senier Medical Utilogy to Galf at his office the following day. He inquired very minutely into the information given him by the Sergeant Major and on receiving confirmation of themane instructed the Senior Medical Officer to submit my name for a commission

in the Corps which would give him great pleasure to recommend. It gave greater pleasure to the Senior Nodical Officer, and after a few days I was ordered to London for examination on the lines indicated in a letter set out from the office in the previous November.

This letter was addressed to the Principal Modical Officers of Districts, but was suppressed by the Principal Medical Officer's clerk in Portsmouth, from a fear that 'special intelligence' in the District was not comfined to the two aspirants to a commission in that particular Station.

When it's suppression was communicated to Surgeon William Numro C.B. -the Head of the Nedical Branch at the War Office- he demanded an explanation - an explanation which was at variance with the truth.

Instead of attending for examination I was ordered to the Director-General's Office for daty. I reluctantly left Guernssy in the first week of June 1879 Where I had served under Surgeon Kajor T. A. THORNHILL M.B. for two years, the most genial and considerate Medical Officer under whom it had been my privilege to serve.

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On reporting mynelf for duty in No. 16 Room 6 Mhitehall Yard, I was questioned as to my experience in a Principal Medical Officer's Office, but having had no experience of that nature, my employment being wholly in Dispensaries, ward management, and Stores I was detailed for duty in the Sanitary Branch of the Office. I was very much pushed by the little interest taken in the work by the Civil element'in the office. It was a six hours day work and mose work must be loft for temorrow.

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On reporting myself to the Staff Officer Army Hospital Corps, I was informed that before I could get another step in promotion, I must obtain a second class School Certificate of Education.

I informed him that for sixteen years I had a First Class School Garificate of Education in my possession awarded me a few months after joining the Gorpe, and another of the same class awarded me before leaving the "Cameronians" to join the A.H.Corps, and that a record to that effect had been entered in the monthly Réturns for sixteen years.

Such however was the accuracy of Office Records in that Branch of the Office that his was never recorded, the recordsr in every instance apparently feeling chargined that another should possess whit he had not. Pirst Class Certificates in the A.H.Corps in 1879 were few and far between.

I was not long in the office before realizing what a sinecure a post in the office was for civilians, The Chief Messenger was an ex-butler of an ex-Secretary of State for War, who before demitting office found smug billets for his dependants this being regarded as the perquisities of hisoffice. This to a large extent accounted for the innefficiency and hauteur of the civilian clerks. They regarded the incumbency as their specific right, and resented the introduction of the military element. The largest of the work therefore naturally in consequence fell to the lot of the latter. Finding that the work in my office would not on an average occupy more than two hours a day, except on Medical Board Days, I moon found snatches of work in other sections of the office and this gave me a glimpse into the whole workings of the office. The typewriter had not yet come on the market . I was not long in the office when the Chief Clerk brought me Surgeon Wn. Munro's testimonials to copy for transmission to the Horse Quards when his name was submitted for the Directo-Generalship. The treatment of Surgeon General Wm. Munro C.B. by the Director General Sr. Wn. MJIR K.C.B. merits a word of condemnation.

Surgeon General Munro was the most capable administrator who had served as Head of the Medical Breach from its formation. He detected an idle man and despised the man " who ran with the hare and hunted with the hounds". He had to firs the charge that others had laid, while the chief wirm-puller kept himself in the background. When it came to a collision with the Horse Guards, it was the man who stood for justice and fair play to him Department who suffered most and not his trimming Chief. No man had a more righteous claim to the office of Director-General than Surgeon General Munro and few had a better record of executive

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and administrative work, but this went for nothing when arrayed against the tyrannous edicts of unscrupulous men armed with superior authority. Surgeon General Manro opposed the introduction of a partial unification with a semi regimentalism in the treatment of the sick. He insisted on the return to the old regimental Mospital system, or the retention of the unification in its entirety.

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Dr. Munro insisted on the Modical Officers having the disciplinary control of the Army Mospital Corps. The Horse Guards ponitively refused this, and feared the result if he should be appointed Eiroctor General. It was then arranged that Sir Wm. M. Mir should rotain his post for another year, so as to bring Dr. Munro under the age clause of the Royal Marrant for retirement before his Chiof vucated his office.

The subterfage was worthy of the man who lost himself to it. Previous to this conflict with the Horse Guards the Army Hospital Corps had passed through varied experiences that left the men uncertain as to whom they could appeal to redress a legitimate grievance. Before the introduction of the Cardwell jumble they were paid, fed and clothed by the officers of the Purveyors' Department, punished when the necessity arose by Regimental Commanding Officers and detailed to their daily work in the Medical Branch of the Corps Medical officer, and by the Purveyor in the Purveyors' Branch. The Parveyors were not Staff College men, but they were practical business men scalously serving the State and the sick soldier .. The Head of the Purveyors' Department was at the War office from whom the officers took orders. Their work was not subject to the control of the Army Medical Department hence the constant friction. The Medical Officers resented the supervision exercised by the Purveyors over diets and extras and availed themselves of every opportunity to theart the Purveyor, and to impress on the Mar Office the incongraity of this divided responsibility. The outcome was the Cardwell hotch-potchof 1869-70 .

Three years after the dissolution of the Purveyors Department regimental hospitals were abolished and with it the regimental surgeon. The Medical officers became responsible for the ward equipment, stores and cookhouses a work which required less thought than the alleviation of human suffering. After being fleeced by incompetent and dishonest stewards, they olamoured to be relieved of the charge of stores. The anticipated freedom from subordination to the Purveyor's Department in the matter of Diets and Axtras was not realised, as the Commissariat Branch controlled Hospital supplies. This led to the creation of what was intended to be a subordinate Branch of the Medical Department similar to what worked so efficiently in India. The Regulations governing this creation was so carelessly manipulated as to give the new officers combatant rank instead of Depart-This led to further disturbances. Medical Officers mental and relative. had to submit passes for leave required by their subordinates for the approval of the Licutemants and Captains of Orderlies, who in some instURCE would refuse the indulgence or grant it when it was refused by the Modical Officer.

The medical officers had overshot the mark and jumped out of the frying pan into the fire. A general scramble was mide by medical officers who had influence at Matteinal to 'have their hospital screensts comissioned whether qualified or not. Commanding Officers who would not coemissioned thes into their own corps did their utmost to have them commissioned into the Army Mompital Corps, with the result that several of the Hospital Corps sergeants who were really guite unsuitable for such promotion were commissioned as Lieutenant of Orderlies. Some of them disappeared from the Corps Record within two years, while a small proportion only reached the age limit for retiresest.

To precipitate the movement for the transferred the Command of the Corps to the medical officers, the apotheoaries, who/no military training ware constituted interpreters of the Queen's Regulations and punitive clauses of the Army Disciplins Act. It was impossible that such a face should succeed, and in the attempt to overthrow it, Surgeon-Jeneral Numro case into violent collision with the Horse Guards and sacrificed his further advancement if his experses to secure combining rank and status for the Army Nedical Officers. The medical Officers new enjoy all that Dr. Numro contended for.

On one of his accustomed visits to the various sections of the office, the Chief Clerk anked me if I had much work on hand, I told him that I had very little to do. He left the office grinning, mentally deploring that I was so unappreciative of the mercies received in a branch of the War Office as to complain of having mothing to do.

On the following morning he returned and asked if I was really serious in wanting more to do. I assured him that I was He then asked if I would give up the second Division olerk. I replied that I would gladly. The Civilian Clerk raged when the order came for him to report himself in No. 16 Room for daty. " Tom Paime " and "Town Thik" his only remaing would hemosforth be reserved for home consumption.

I met him fourteen yeirs after , when he was still a Second Division Clerk, but I understood from a friend in the office that he had abandoned " Tem Phine" and " Toum Talk " for the " Roview of the Clurches " . There was no little to be done in the Sanitary Branch that it was transforred to the Statistical Branch , thus relieving a Deputy Surgeon-General and a Surgeon-Major to take up other duties.

During Surgeon Major Alfred Clarke's absence on leave, an important paper cases into the office from the Principal Medical Officer in Bermada. It was an application for two water tanks for the camp where Hifle practice was carried out. It was strongly urged by the Finnipal Hedical Officer and equally by the Commanding Boyal Engineers and by the General Officer administering the Government. All the Heads of Departments through which it had already passed had refused it, by the Director of Barracks and Works, by the Surveyor-General and by The Treasury- all with the same ory "No funds available ".

I put the correspondence at the bottom of my banket, determined that if found my country-man (Surgeon General Munro) in the dumps .I would delay the paper until he was bright and obserful when I would bring it forth.

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When we reached it one morning, he quickly remarked " We must may just as the rest have axid". I mid I did not think so, as the tanks were an absolute necessity for the Health of the Troops. To my astoniahment that was what he wrote.

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I learnt three years later that the money for the tanks had been provided as requested.

Having been four months in the office, I applied to the Staff Officer Army Hospital Corps for permission to be examined in the subjects required to qualify for a commission.

I was informed that until those who had previously qualified were commissioned, there would be no further examinations.

I reminded him of the injustice of withholding from me the Circular Latter giving the subjects for examination. (as recorded on page 53.) I remarked that I was senior to all those who had qualified and that I was the only one who hold a first class Certificate of Education, adding that I had been repeatedly passed over by men whom I had coached for promotion, and by men whose character weald not stand enquiry if their defundator mean withhold.

their defaulter sheets had not been withheld, I was promptly silenced and requested not to impugn the justice of his decision in the matter of promotion.

On returning to my room, I met Surgeon General Munro, to whom I told the result of my appication to the Staff Officer.

To this he remarked " I was not aware that he was suprems in matters of this nature ". He at once summoned the Staff Officer into his room and instructed him to warm me to appear before a Sourd of Examiners on the following Tuesday. On completion of my examination I was complianted by the Fresident on the result and informed that I should have the first vacancy in the Corps. I was very pleased not so much for obtaining the rank but for the pension that was attached to it.

My fortieth birthday was hovering in sight.

Two commissions were reported vacant early in November. Before these were reported in the office, I had a visit from a tailor in Eurover Square who invited me to be at him office for measuring for my uniform, as I was to be gazetted the following Friday . When he found me indifferent to his request, he pulled a paper from his pocket an official letter from which he read a sentence or two, but refused to show me the signature. Such information is often bought at a high price.

Cn the 17th. Decomber Sergeant Major Marren and I were gasetted Lieutenants of Orderlies to fill the vacancies. (M.K.M. On the 13th,July 1968 looking through THE UNITED SERVICE MARKETS 1880 Part 1 Page 243 I read The Army Gasette " ARMY HOEFFAL CORPS To be Lieutenants of Orderlies Colour Sergeant Ma. MORRIGON vice P. Macreagh 17th. December 1879" the rank of Colour Sergeant ans a surprise to me-interesting that his promotion was alongoids that of a Sergeant-Major.)

Soon afterwards I was directed to report myself to the Principal Medical Officer at ALDOSSHOT for daty at that station.

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On the 8th. January 1850 I reported mymelf at Aldershot for duty in the Depot pending the recovery of the Quartermanter from an attack of anterio fower. I was not long in the office when I saw that the real Communing Officer was the Sergenat-Bajor. He withdrew one of my clerks without giving se the least warning. I ordered the man back to his work and dared the Sergenat Hajor to repeat the offence or to interfore in anything that concerned my duties. Next morning I was summond to the orderly room and questioned by the nominal commanding officer - Surgeon Moore as to my reason for liberating ten son from the Guard Boon after being confined there being ten minutes late at tattoo. I informodhim that the custom in my regiment was to send absentees, who were in Euracks before "lights out " to their rooms to appear at the Orderly Boon most morning, and that as Orderly Officer I was mithin my rights according to the mages of the Service. I was never again detailed for duty as Orderly Officer in the Depot. Early in March I was posted to the hrd. Station Hospital, North Camp

Early in March I was posted to the 3rd. Station Hospital, North Camp for duty (1880). Here I had to contend with an under-ourrent of opposition from the Senior Medical Officer (? Surgeon Major WADE).

I resented this and asked for an explanation. He told me that he wanted no officer of my rank, as the sumples he had had there were such as to prevent hisfron countemancing another. I suggested that he should withhold his judgment until I was for some time : subject to his orders.

I told him that the conduct of certain officers who visited 6 Whitehall and from ALDERSHOT and complained of the influence exercised over the Frin Nedical Officer by licutemant Mullins was not creditable to officers who ought to be gentlemen. He saw that I knew more than he cared for me to know and ceased his weiled opposition. I was determined to assert ,y place in the Hospital at whatever cost. I saw that both patients and orderlies were being defrauded, the former by the Hospital Cock, the latter by the Wardmaster. I watched the cookhouse closely for several days, and about eleven o'clock each morning saw a female belonging to the Corps crossing to the Prison Warder's Quarters. I was soon satisfied of the nature of her visit and on the following day waited until the meat was in the oven., then entered the cookhouse and examined drawers, cupboards and corners. Concealed under the dresser,wrapped in a cook's apron was twenty pounds or runp beef ready to be transported elsewhere, so soon as I left the neighbourhood of the cookhouse. I placed the cook in arrest and marched him over to the Orderly' Room. The Senior Medical Officer denounced my interference, and insisted tha I should withdraw the charge. I declined and asked him his reason for condoning the offence. His reason was to avoid publicity of a courtmartial for theft and the consequent disgrace to the Department. I told him that I would apply for the man's immediate removal and give my reason for so doing. He then gave him five days confined to Barracks and altered the orime to read " Irregular conduct in the Cookhouse." On the following day I want to the Director General's Office and within the week the man was on his way to one of the Mediterranean stations. Having got rid of one of the pilferers I next turned my

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I next turned my attantion to the Colour Sergeant's Grocery Account for the Army Hospital Gorps The man by sleight of hand appropriated one shilling a day from the Ness Book by an arrangment with the Grocer. It was done so neatly as to defy evidence that could convict on a courtantial. As his pariod of service had expired I suggested that he whould apply for his discharge, which accordingly he did. On lawing he informed as that the Senior Medical Officer had given his instructions to thmart me as far as he could in carrying on the work of the Bospital.

The drunkenness among the non-commissioned officers was appalling. A roll call at fittoo was one of the vestiges of the old discipline leftto the Batabligheent. As the orderly officer never attended, it was taken for granted that it was but a relic of the old dispensation that could be violatedwith inpunity. One night I attended the parade unexpectedly . I arrested one sergeant, three corporals and one hance-corporal. The sergeant and two corporals were tried by courtmartial and reduced .

This cured the obvarie state of alcoholism from which the Detachment suffered. The Senior Medical Officer determined to make my position as onerous as he could make it without bringing himself under discipline. He informed mo that he would not tolerate my interference with the man nor with the discipline of the wards .

I pointed him to the Regulations regulating my duty, and that I would carry out these what ever his views were. I brought an orderly before him charged with leaving the hospital improperly dressed. He sentenced this must be seven days imprisonment with hard labour. None the office was cleared I pointed out the severity of the punishment and magested consideration. He declined to interfere with the sentence and began to rull at the unnatural edict that transformed him from a doctor into a Provest Karabal.

Shortly afterwards The senior medical officer and another member of the executive staff happened to be posted one to Portemouth the other to Preston - a posting in no way connected with that recent case.

On the arrival of Surgeon Major Manh as Senior Medical Officer, I had the full control of discipline and internal economy laid down for me by the Regulations of the Corps. It was a pleasure to serve under this officer. Gentle and genial in his manner and bearing, conciliatory in his _administration, he endoared himself to the Hospital subordinates in a very short space of time. I soon had a wellconducted hospital, and with generous pecuniary assistance from the Modical Officer organised a football and. a cricket club, with such success that in the following seven months only

Notewentered later on in the autobiography:-***** On reporting my return from the Mest Indies (November 18 86) at the Director Genoral & office, I was told by the Director General Sir Thomas Grawford, that this officer had sent hin an urgent message asking that on landing I should be sent to Chathan, where he was Senior Nedical Officer. Sir Thomas remarked that as this was the first application he had for a particular officer by name in our Gorps, he would like to oblige him, adding Devomport needs you very much, but evidently you served with this officer befors" I declined to remoond to my friend's appeal. His appreciation comes to

Only three arises were registered with the detachment membering thirty mix non commissioned officers and men. Your of those was have since been commissioned into the Royal Army Medical Corps. On visiting the Depot a abort time before leaving the Camp I was maked by the Commanding officer what magnetic influence drew the recruits(who had just finished their training at the Depot) to the Jrd. Station Houpital 7 He had no applications for transfer to the other hompitals in the Camp. I enumerated a few of the attractions Butter every day for breakfast and tea, plum padding alternately with rice pudding for dinner, crickst and football after four o'clook for every man off duty;striot discipline without orime, and instrucion in dispensing medicines for such an winhed to qualify as compounders. This made up the happy family at North Camp Honpital.

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While merving in the North Camp I was asked by Lady Hope Grant to superintend the work in the Soldiers Ecme, disturse her charities and to keep in touch with her work among the women of the Garrison. She was very much interested in the source means meeting and general spiritual work carried on by the Reverend Jabes: Parkyn, the acting Wesleyan chaplain at the North Camp.

I remarked one day to her that it came rather hard on Mr. Parkyn to have to go to London to purchase calico &c and lay out of his money until the sale of the articles. To this she informed me that she allowed Mr. Parkyn twenty pounds sterling per annum (paid through the Reverend R. W. Allen) to cover his outlay. I then told her that he never got a penny of it, and asked her if she contributed to the Home Mission Fund of the Mesleyan Nethodist Church. She replied that she did not. I then informed her that I saw her name in that List for twenty pounds. She was indignant at the liberty Mr. Allen had taken with her generosity in giving what should have been paid to Mr. Parkyn to a connexial Fund. She at once summoned Mr. Allen to meet her the following morning at Major Knollys R.A., (then Brigade Major R.A. at Aldershot) Lady Grant declined to take thesame viewof the transaction as did Mr. Allen, and I know that the Major lost faith in the dootrine of entire sanctification from the conduct of its expositors. For this unconscious exposure of Nr. Allen's zeal for the Home Mission Fund at the expense of another, I was never forgiven, and whatever service I rendered to the Church was valueless in his eyes ever afterwards. After having mastered every Polity of Nethodism, I had known to have passed through the Press, from Grinrod to Williams, I suppose he adjudged me too combative to exercise any influence in Connexial Committees, so I was never given the opportunity to serve on such. While attached to the 3rd. Station Hospital, a case of some public interest came before the Police Court in the spring of 1880. A sergeant of the Army Hospital Corps , who had formerly been a Regimental Hospital sergeant was in charge of the Medical Stores at the Camp,

mempiral pergeant was in charge of the Memioni Stores at the camp, under the supervision of the Lieutenant of Orderlies attached to the Cembridge Hospital. On assuming charge this sergeant found quantities of Medicines,Surgical Instruments and appliances surplus in store.

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This accumulation came from the Registental Hospitals on their abolition and the introduction of Station Hospitals.

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Apparently the stores thus collected were mover taken on charge by the Apothecary to the Forces, who had the charge of the stores when the unification scheme was practically adopted.

This culpable neglect of duty we shared by the Apotheoary who was then in our charge of the supply of medicines at 6 Whitehall Yard, and who should have called for a Return of all the stores returned on the closure of the Regimental Hospitals.

When Lieutenant of Orderlies Kullins took over charge of the stores the Ledgers were in perfect accord with the stores as certified by a Board of medical officers, over forty cases were in the cellar under thereom floor.

It subsequently transpired that the sergeant had covered the trapdoor with medicine cheets, panniers de. confident that he and a confederate alone knew of the existence of the collar. When they attempted to move all those stores socretly, a woman, who was in the secret, gave information to the Police, that led to the arrest of the sergeant and his friend.

After several remarks, the sergespit was counitted to the Winchester Assizes, while his friend against whom no charge could be made or at least sustained except guilty knowledge was discharged from custody. His acquital could not mave him from the ire of 6 Whitchall Yard, who refused to manotion his re-engagement on completion of his limited engagement.

Before the causes had been uncarthed Lieutenant Mullims had left the District for duty in Sheffield. There was much adverse criticism in The Press about the system of dealing with Army Medical Stores .

Higher authority mought to make Lieutenant Mullims the sompageat for the inefficiency of him predecessors in office. He was recalled from his Station to appear before a Court of Enquiry, convened to ascertain the possibility of so much stores being there unaccounted for unknown to the officer in charge. I had reason to know there was a strong detormination at Hoadquarters that whitehall must be whitewashed by the punishment of Mulling. It was of little consequence to them what happened to a Lieutenant of Gradule.

I waited on the acting Principal Medical Officer, Deputy Surgeon General Merbert Reade V.C. and explained to him how the cases in question were hid, and offering to give evidence at the Gourt of Requiry, also emphasized the fact that the medical officers who transferred the stores to him on the assumption of his charge were responsible for the accuracy of the quantities expended and remaining and not on the officer receiving the stores. I then explained the existence of the cellar under the store.

The Royal Engineer Department denied its existence. Having stored my empty bottle and packing cases in the same cellar in 1872 I was ware of its existence. Accompanied by three officem and a representative of the R.E. EFRENDET we visited the Store and on the removal of medicine checks exposed the transform to view.

The absence of a trapdoor outside other huts appropriated as canteens had led the Royal Engineers to dany its existence. Whitehall Yard was

vanguished. The Army Medical Department had entered (1880) on a new

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lease of life. Seventy young uses of superior professional attainments had just entered the Service. They were ensuoured by the promise og combatant rank and disciplinary control of the Hospital Staff looming in the distance.

If there is any virtue in combatant rank, they have surely a higher claim to it than to any other of the Departmental cervices, if perilous and unselfish service count for resurd and appreciation in the public estimation. They are in the thick of the fight and the last to leave the field. They are in the centre of disease by night and day.

It was a pity that in attaining combatant rank for themselves, it was considered desirable to take the combatant rank away from the comminioned officers of the Army Hospital Gorps, who were to become in their new commissions " only " Honorary".

(WiK.M. It is appropriate now ,10th. February 1973 to look at him Commission " To our trusty and beloved WILLIAM KORRESCH,Gontleman ...to be an officer in the Medical Department of Our Army.... in the Rank of Liesteeant #5 Orderlies in our Army Booptial Corps

William Morrison, Gent, Lieutenant of Orderlies Eleventh day of Docember 1879 in the forty third Year of Our Reign) VICTURIA Reg

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The unsettled state of South Africa towards the close of 1880 led to the removal of two Army Hospital Corps officers from Notley Hampital, the Semior, Captain Ward's removal to South Africa was moised throughout the Establishment a wail of general disapproval was heard in every direction. Those who relied on his to do all their work were much porturbed, while those who set all regulations at mought were ready to enter a protest against his removal. If Captain Ward was removed the heavens would fall and Netley would disappear in the general confusion. Ta replace much a colossus would be difficult was the general feeling in Netley. Captain Ward himself had no much feeling.

in Norloy. Captain Ward himself had no much feeling. It was going to bedifficult to succeed him, but I was assured by Whitehall Yard of their support of my future conduct in the exercise of my duties there.

Shortly after my arrival the sergeant cook took his discharge from the Service rather than jeopardise what he had already acquired. I was informed that the Commissariat Staff never examined the diet sheets at Netley. Of this I was soon painfully aware. Ead the Commissariat done their duty, mine would have been of a less dimagreable mature . I stopped unauthorized attras and reported dafbulting medical officers to the Dividional Superintendents - better known as Assistant Professors. I took a long time to rectify matters but a little trouble put matters right eventually.

(W.K.N. The Commandant of the Royal Victoria Hospital,Netley was a combatant officer Sir Charles Knight Pearson K.C.B.)

At the end of the first month a document was submitted to me for my signature, in which it was shown that the articles enumerated thereon were used in cleaning Hospital wards, kitchen, Surgery and Stores. I demurred at the encessive expenditure and declined to sign it until I know more about it. I was then informed that since the opening of the Institution every accessory connected with the Establishment, Police, Canteen, Schools, Civil contractors all drew their cleaning materials from the hospital stores, I ordered this practice to be discontinued at onco.

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I had unwittingly trodden on a hodgehog.

For eighteen years Netley Hospital had revelled in " Home Rule". Everyone had what he wanted without question, provided it was to be found in the stores.

(W.K.W. I am reminded of a very fine C.O. in a Hospital In BASRA, who used to say to his officers " If you want

"white" for your tennis courts you will buy it in the barsar and if you can't get it there, then you can have it out of the hospital stores.") The howl reached the Commandant's Office and I was summoned there to answer for my conduct.

The Commandant Sir C.K.Pearson K.C.B. stormed at my withholding soap and cleaning articles from the schools, Garrison Church and Discharge Depot without referring the matter to him.

I repudiated his prerogative to interfere in matters affecting the conduct of my stores, and told him if he had any reason to complain to do so. through the Principal Medical Officer.

Accopts frog could hardly have swollen to the dimensions of the little man.

I was told that he was supreme in the Establishment and I must forthwith issue the stores.

I told him that if he gave me a written order that I would issue the articles, but no order written or otherwise would ever make me sign the War Office return that would imply that the stores had been used for Hospital purposes. I pointed out to him I could not produce a verbal order as a supporting voucher to my accounts. He inmediately interviewed PEARSON the Principal Medical officer, Colonel

and amplified his grievance, I was sharply denounced for my perversity and ordered to sake the necessary issues. I offered to issue the cleaning materials under protest but would not sign the Roturn and would immediately appeal to the War Office, Colonel Pearson called the Senior Commissariat Officer to his aid, who cooly informed me that my predecessors had signed the certificate in question for many years and were never called to task for so doing. I suggested that I should submit two forms one for me to sign and the other he could sign. He declined to do this. The matter was referred to the Mar Office, when my action was approved of and provision made by a special Mar office Circular for schools and churches. It is at times unfortunate to be on the winning side. I found that there are species of humanity that will not brook a robuff.

I was led to understand that I would pay for my victory, and cautioned to walk warily over the slippery pavement, on which I had chosen to walk.

In a few days a complaint reached the Frincipal Medical Officer, that I had meglected to immue plain elothes to invalids, and great coats do to men leaving for various destinations. This was no part of my duty. It was the duty of the Jesistant Commandant, who found it inknows to discharge any duty outside his office and who thought that an occasional theatry throw at the Officer of Orderlies would amply recompose him for much monial work as fell to the lot of the Siaff Captain yelept issuitant Commandant. As thears goining was not among my failings, I fell under no oblightion to add this burden to my multifarious duties and declined to add this extra work to my own duties.

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My refusal was referred to the General Officer Commanding the Southern District - Prince Edmard of Saxe-Weimar- who very peremptorily ordered my compliance with the Commandant's instructions. He had before him but one side of the question and I determined that he would soom have the other side.

I accepted the duties and appealed to the Field Marshal , Commanding in Chief through the Director General Army Medical Department.

His Royal Highness called on Prince Eduard to cancel his instructions delegating so to carry out the staff captain's duties, and if the staff captain was not equal to carrying out his legitimate duties he should be placed on half pay.

The Commandant again appealed to Prince Edward to compal me to undertake this duty of the staff captain. Colonel Bray, then assistant adjustant general wrote to the Commandant as follows : - " I an directed by Him Serene Highness to requote Horse Gaards letter on this subject, and to request you will not impose again on the Lieutenant of Orderlies duties outside his legitimate work. "

Henceforth I was to be crushed if the opportunity offered.

My previous experience in almost every branch of work in the hospital gave me unusual facilities in carrying out my work which would take a stranger years to acquire. This gave me a cortain degree of independence.

A few works before the departure of Captain Ward for South Africa it was arranged that the Detachment Army Mospital Corps should be formed into two companies, one to be commanded by the assistant professor in charge of the Medical Division and the other to be commanded by the assistant professor of the surgical division.

The application of the Army Discipline Act was new to them and led to occasional doubtful decisions,whereapon the men would come to me for advice and help. This did not make my relations with these medical officers easy particularly when their decisions on some of the cases had to be reversed.

On making my quarterly inspection of stores, I found a surplus of ten tons of coals in the coal store, the accumulation of some months. I at once took it on charge as " found surplus on stocktaking "

When this reached the Commissariat Office the news soon cozed out to the outer world and various enquiries were made as to the correctness of the report. The Mess President called at my office to know if it was true. I confirmed the report by producing the ledger. He then informed me that ny predecessors had always given the Officers' Mess whatever was surplus

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on stocktaking and sneeringly asked what thanks I expected for the innovation. I informed him that I was not working for thanks, but for the righteous discharge of delegated duties. His commentary was meither edifying nor parliamentary. On the breaking up of the medical mehods a few days after our interview, he retalisted by striking my mass off the list of invited guests to the lunch, a courteny alwaye, until then, extended to Honorury members. This harmonizes with the invariable courtesy shown by medical officers

mus narmonises with the invariable courteey shown by modical officers towards officers of their fem Department who have had the misfortune to be commissioned from the ranks. Early in 1881 an order from the Mar Office directed the Principal

Medical Officer to propare a draft of thrity five mon to be in immediate readiness for embarkation to South Africa. This daty dovolved on the District officer by the Regulations of the Corps, subject to the approval of the Principal Medical Officer.

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Pearing to offend the officers commanding the companies, the District Officer hemitated to make the selection on his own responsibility. His peace-loving disposition dreaded the ordeal.

Be came into by office with the order in his hand undetermined on his course of action. (Captain of Orderlies- Thompson)

I pointed out to him that the Regulations of the Corps imposed that duty on him and that he should allow no other to interfore in it, and suggested that he should select the best men in the Dotachment beginning with the first arrivals at the Station until he had the required number.

This was accordingly done and the roll submitted to the Principal Medical Officer, and inserted in Corps Orders.

The wasps' mest was stirred and a buss of angry tongues vied with one another in decrying the outrageous order that was to deprive them of mess witers, servage, clerks and storekeepers.

Those thirty/sen were regarded as fixtures at the station ,, and it was supposed that if they were recoved matters would inevitably come to a. standstill at Netley. The Principal Nedical Officer (Surgeon General David Rold Machimon) weread in the matter but felt disposed to carry out the Captain of Orderlies' detail, the selection being in the interests of

the Service, Brigade Surgeon Veale was loud in his protest and inmisted that the Regulations of the Corps should be set aside and that Officers Commanding Companies should make the selection and not the District Officer, and

control away by his own eloquence should it was not the GLPIAIN of Orderlies but the LIEUTERNY of Orderlies who suggested this outrageous interference.

This put another complexion on the matter. In vain the District Officer protested. He and he only was responsible

for the detail. The detail was cancelled and others hastily collected and sent off

The detail was cancelled and others hastily collected and sent off to Aldershot for duty in the campaign. I protested at this selection but my protest was unavailing and thin

collection was dispatched with all haste to Aldershot.

On the day on which they experied for South Africa I accompanied

Captain Thompson to Southampton to witness the embarkation. When the Aldershot contingent reached the docks, they presented the appearance of having been too familiar with the Bailway drinking bars between Alderah and Southaupton . I suggested to the officer in charge of the Detachment to place an armod sentry on each gangway before dismissing the men. This he neglected to do, and in five minutes twenty five of their number bolted into the worst dens in Southampton. Captain Thompson and I started in pursuit, and within an hour. without policeman or other help I brought fifteen of their number back to the ship. Being in uniform I was not interfered with being regarded as one of the higher ranks of the Municipal force authorized on some occasions to burst open a door. Captain Thompson returned with another bevy, while the stragglers were run to earth by the local police before the ship left the docks. Among the men sent out in this draft was a man of the Corps in the Discharge Depot Cookhouse. When his removal was reported to the Commandant I was sent for to his office and in his usual bullying style

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asked by whose authority I removed Private Maxwell. I replied by the authority of the Director General of the Army Medical Department. Livid with rage he roared " D ... you, Date the Director General, D ... the whole lot of you . "

I saluted him and walked out. I went to the office and wrote a report of my interview and gave it to the P. M. O. for transmission to the Director General, he subsequently lead me to believe that he had forwarded it, but it was still in his dosk when he left the service.

& few days after this outburst I was summoned to the Commandant's office and was asked by what authority orderlies of the Army Hospital Corpa were employed at the opening of each session to act as servants to the Medical candidates under instruction at the Army Medical School He had for some time been manoeuvring to get a company of Infantry to Netley for reasons of his own. I informed him that the men were in excess of theMursing Establishment and that between the school sessions I employed them on the That one man had to serve four cadets, receiving fourpence grounds. a day for his agryices. He remarked that everyone he asked gave him that information, but he wanted was the War Office Authority and no one in the building could give him any information. I suggested that a search for the War Office file of letters for October 1863 should be made and that some where about that period the document in question would be found. I informed him that I had been employed in the Purveyor's Department of the Army Hospital Corps at Netley from July 1863 to January 1864, and that the authority must have passed through my hands. After two days exhumation of antiquated documents the letter was resurrected and as the warrant officer in charge remarked " the searchers have blessed you backwards for your knowledge of the ancient history of Netley. "

The Commandant's demeanour softened towards me after that incident. (W.K.M. Note when W.M. was in BARBADOS and this Commandant came out as G.O.C. West India Command, he obviously had not forgotten METLET.)

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I was now settling down to a firmer grip of my work and felt that if I was to be blaned for whatever went wrong in my portion of the Establishment, I must have a free hand. Accordingly I determined to follow the Regulations of the Corps in their entirety. One morning while visiting the gardeners I found they had been removed from their work, to which I had assigned them, and had been transforred to the Officers' Tennis ground and gardens. I removed them at once, and forbade them leaving the work to which I had assigned them. An hour after I was summoned to the P.N.O's Office and railed at for removing the gardeners. I was told that he had given the gardeners into Dr. Dobson' charge, and that I was on no occasion to interfere with them. I told him that I thought he knew me now sufficiently well to know that I would not allow Dr. Dobson or any other to enor on my prerogative, and seizing the Army Hospital Regulations off his. table, pointed out to him that the gardeners and the hospital grounds were in my charge and turning to Dr. Dobson, at whose instigation I was sont for, remarked that if the officers had grounds and gardens, they must find a gardener, but they could not have the Hospital gardeners. To this the P.M.O. remarked " I suppose I must let you have your own way or you will appeal to your friend 'Amro", To this I replied " Most assuredly" " Meel, Meel, I had better let you have your own, than be told by that

" Meal, Meal, I had better let you have your out, than be told by that bodie Manno to do so". He had a horror of hearing any reference to Surgeon General Manno who was his bete noire. Shortly after this I had a visit from Surgeon General Longnore and Surgeon

Major Hogg who complained that certain medical candidates were neglecting their studies and that I must take them into quarters in the Hospital. I repudiated any responsibility for the medical candidates, that when I found them quarters (lodgings in the village) I had no more to do with them until I took the quarters from them on their leaving the Etation The Medical School must deal with breaches of discipline. I was then informed that certain young ladies frequented the homse each evening and interfered with the young men's studies, and that I must inform the lady who provided the lodgings that if these ladies persisted in visiting the house the young mon must be removed. I called on the lady and delivered my meanage interviewed the candidates, who resented the interference in no measured terms, and implied that if they were " lambkins", they were not kids and suggested that I should put the old foggeys who sent me, into the confessional bar to recite the story of their student days. I told then that the confessional box was not an institution of my country, but I was under the impression that the "cuttie stool " would be more in their line than the confessional. I had carried out my instructions and left the Medical School to deal with the matter. Next morning I was favour with an interview from the mother of the young ladies demanding an apology, failing which she would leave her solicitor to deal with the matter. I referred her to Surgeon General Longmore for enlightenment ..

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Captain Marsh called at the Laundry, when the Matron acknowledged that this had been going on, like may other irregularities from the first year after the Establishment was open, each non-commissioned officer in charge of the Linen Stores passing the system on to another. She had to pay a heavy bill for the deficiencies and went very near loning her appointment. The corporal's promotion was blocked. The Hospital was by this time, November, (1881) reduced in numbers and the winter's has was settling down everywhere. Officers were packing up for general leave : among them the P.N.O. . Three or four days before he left Deputy Surgeon General Dickenson of the Indian Medical Service called on the Principal Medical Officer with a request that his brother-in-law - Major Godson of the Madras Armymight be received into hospital for treatment on his arrival in the Sothampton water from Idia. This officer was invalided from Afghanistan suffering from wounds and dysentery. Professor Maclean being a brother officer of Dr, Dickenson's it was expected that he would interest himself in the case. The P.M.O., Professor Maclean and Dr. Hogg met in private and decided to refuse admission to this officer on the plea that the officers quarters burnt out eighteen months proviously had not been restored. They thought the responsibility rested an the Royal Engineers and that refusal would expedite the restoration. On calling at the office during the afternoon Sergeant-Major Phillips (the chief clerk) informed me of the refusal, and suggested that I should make an effort to persuade the P.N.O. to reconsider his decision. Accordingly, I waited upon him and asked whether a sick officer was to be admitted for treatment or not in the course of a day or two. He replied that an

application had been made, by a relative of a mick officer, but that he had refused it, and that until the Quarters were repaired no more mick

Store, and determined to justify my suspicions, or, his uprightness. At each inspection of the Linen Stores, he had always an excuse for his unprep aredness to have his stores counted, pleading for delay until he had obtained the cuntomary receipt from the Laundry for solied linen left there. I agreed to the postponement on three successive inspections but suspecting momenting was wrong, I decided to cast him. Having found on the fourth

occasion found everything correct, I took possession of the keys.In. wain he pleaded for two hours in which to put his stores straight and put his personal kit out. I falt sure that he was deficient of certain articles which he borrowed on these occasions either from the commissariat sergeant or from the Superintendent of the Laundry in order to tide over his inspections. Three days after he had been replaced by another non-commissioned officer, I had a request from the Laundry Superintendent to return the linen and clothing she had given the storekeeper for his inspection. Having thus obtained the information I wanted I called on Captain March, the Commissionist Officer and made a charge against the Laundry Superintendent of assisting one of my subordinates to rob me .

I had reason to doubt the integrity of the corporal in charge of the Linem

I heard no more of the matter.

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would be received. I reminded him that I had mursed sick officers in the Building before the Sick Officers Quarters were ever thought of, and that I was propared on twenty four hours notice to accommodate fifty sick officers if the necessity arcse, adding that with the object of throwing blame on the Royal Engineers appeared injudicious. I told him that we could put every medical candidate in the Building to the lodging list if accommodation was required for sick officers.

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Be thought the commissariat officer would not allow of this. I replied I would not consult his but inform him after the arrangements had been made to receive the sick officers.

I further added that this refusal might lead to a question in the House of Commons on the assembly of Parliament, which would not redound to the oredit of the Department.

I was requested to drop the subject. I at once left him. In the corridor I met Mrs. Deeble, the Superintendet of Nurses to whom I related Surgeon General David Reid MacKinnon's action. She was indigmant at the refusal and begged that I should return to him

and explain the disgrace it would bring on the Haspital if the rotual reached the Fublic Press. Mrs. Deeble added that if any trouble should arise over it, "i is you and I would got the blame for unpreparteness <u>not him</u>. I returned to the office and had another interview with him, and gave him Mrs. Deeble's message. I was requested to min my own business and to tell Mrs. Deeble to do the mase

Nottled at the rebuff and his blind persistency, I replied that it was my buniness to have quarters to receive the sick, and that it was Mrs. Deeble' business to have the sick mursed as soon as they were in quarters, as and that both were ready, if he required our services.

I thanked him for his courtesy in granting the interview and withdrew in disgust .

On returning to London, Deputy Surgeon General Dickenson wrote a latter to " The Times" newspaper telling the story of the refusal to admit his wounded brother-in-law into the Royal Victoria Hospital at Netley, and the laws reasons given for the refusal.

Major Godson (the brother-in-law) was removed by rail to London and died a few days after reaching home. The Horse Guards (I believe, on the percenal appeal of Queen Victoria) called on the Director General for an explanation for the refusal to admit a sick and wounded officer returning from active services . The Director General - Sir Milliam M. Muir K.C.B.- called for a

The Director General - Sir William M. Muir K.C.B.- called for a full report from the Principal Medical Officer at Metley.

Brigade Surgeon Veale was acting P.N.O. during the absence of his Chief, I was mannored to the office to answer the charge of insbility to accounted the sole officer, naturally putting the blame to me. I explained the whole cases to Dr. Veale, offering to give his a written

statement. Looking up from his desk, he asked " Do you expect me to tell all this the de Director General." I replied most certainly and if you do not, I shall give it you all in Writing to mave myself.

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Dr. Veale satisfied himself with writing that the Surgeon General, who refused the application was on leave and that on his return a Report would be made to the office. He returned in March but not in an amiable mood. On the previous week Surgeon General Longmore had been awarded the Distinguished Service Reward of £ 100 per annum. This was gall and worswood to cur P. N. O., feeling that he had been punished for

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the free expression of his opinion of the Depot Army Hospital Corps at ALDERSHOT. I was sent for to the Office to give a resume of events in the life of the Establishment since his departure. Ris first question was " Have you heard that " Cumhot" has been given the Good Service Pension ? " I replied in the affirmative.

" What did he get it for ? " " For minding his own business, and for his services to humanity "

This did not please him and drawing a letter from his breast pocket, he remarked " I an sending this letter to the Chief Clerk in the Director-General's Office to give him my opinion of the Director-general".

He then read the letter. I asked him if he had anything to lose by keeping quiet. He had, he said, been passed over for this pension that now he had lost hope. I suggested that he should put the letter in the fire, and thank his stars when he saw the letter in flames. I told him that I know Mr. Clarks better than he did, and I knew what he would do when that letter reached him

He was in no mood to accept my advice.

When I left the office he read the letter to one of his consultants, who applauded his independence and advised his to send it on.

Yowards evening he called his Chief Clerk - Sergeant Phillips into his sanctum and gave him the precious letter to read. The Sergeant-Major begged him to put it in the fire, but all to no purpose. The missive was dispatched.

On the third morning I was with him in the office when the clerk handed

him a letter. I was prepared for this. I waw his face assume in turn, every colour of the raimbow. I felt sorrow for him.

It was couched in Sir William Mair's best scalping style. After he read it he handed it over to me to peruse. I saw what he had injudiciously brought on hinself

The first sentence was the communicationof the displeasure of His Hoyal Highness, the Field Marshal Commanding-in-Chief at the gross inhumanity he had exhibited in refusing to admit the late Major Godson into the hospital.

The next sentence expressed his own displeasure at his want of administrative capacity in not turning out the Medical Candidates on to thelodging list, when quarters were required for sick officers, and the third regret for having cause to censure an officer of his age and experience.

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This letter completely upset him and he uppealed to me for advice. I suggested that he should apply for leave pending his retirement.

in the early days of May, and say no more about Major Codson's case, and clear out of the place. He remarked that he had had all the leave to which he was entitled for the year. I quieted him on that point telling him that his leave would be granted and a successor appointed. The leave was applied for and granted, and Brigade Surgeon Roubotham was ordered to Notley as acting P.N.O. . Amin he took commal of Ahitophel. (W.K.M. (The Bible Text Cyclopmedia Hev. J. Inglis publ. Gall & Inglis 1860 AHITHOPHEL', David's counsellor. Commits suicide on his counsel being rejected 2 Sam. 17. 1 - 14, 23) cancelled his leave and determined to justify his conduct with regard to the late Major Godson' case, and sought to transfer the blame from himself to Dr. Hogg and Professor MucLean. The Director General refused to accept any justification, or with draw the censure, and ordered him to quit his quarters on the day on which he attained his 60th. birthday. This unusual request galled his more than the consure. The newly appointed Acting P.N.O. was junior in relative rank to the Commandant. The latter made the attempt to " boss" the show but fuiled in the attempt. He met with an officer his superior in administrative ability, as in tact, and conscious of this would not allow his natural inclination to hasten him on to a fall.

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The arrival of a draft of invalids numbering over seven hundred gave him an opportunity to extend his feelers.

He arrived at the Station in time to see the men detrain and takon over by me from the officer in charge. I marched them to the hospital, and when opposite the Officers Mess I sent a non-commissioned officer to acquaint Dr. Ash, who was in the tennis court, to come to the hospital at once in the dress in which he was playing. The Commandant walked down with me and heard the message sent to Dr. Ash. On arrival at the Bospital the invalids were dispatched to the Divisions saitable to their varied complaints, the Modical Cases to the Medical Division, the Surgical to the Surgical and these with no special alizent to the Convalescent Division. Never in the History of the Mospital was a draft of the same member so quickly dispatched to their wards. They were clothed and fed within an hour of their arrival in the Hospital. Att morning the sumal bluff case from the Commandant's office beginning " I have been informed ác.....and requested to be informed why the orderly officer did not attend at the hospital in time to send

the invalids to the wards without undue waiting and that they were without food for two hours in consequence. " I was sent for to the P.N.O's Office and rebuked for allowing this gross irregularity. I repudiated the charge and stated that never was a draft

dismissed to the wards with such alacrity, and that as the Commandant was present in the verandah he must have known that the report was groundless. The P.M.O. was about to reply to the letter, when I suggested to interview the Commandant. To this he demurred being out of the orthodox mode of procedure.I assured him that it would save him from many such complaints.

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if he allowed no to point out the facts of the case, where I could prove the abburdity of the charge. We went to the Commundunt's Office and after our explanation he took the letter back from the P.N.O. and tore it into shreds. During Dr. Rosbotham's administration he never interfered again.

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About midoumner the new P.N.O. arrived and took over his dution; a veritable "Kerry Bull " whose voice of thunder could make his mative hills echo for miles áround. He would have made an admirable drill instructor. To offer remistance to his will or to question the wisdom of his actions was to incur his extreme displeasure.

He was obsequious to his superiors but the reverse to his subordinates. He achieved some laurels by bluff. After the placid "Aberdonian" this " fiery Irishman " was not the happiest selection for an eruptive

some. Early one morning, shortly after his arrival, I was summoned into his august presence. In an angry voice he shouted out his question " Why did you turn an officer out of his quarter assigned to him by the Ness Steward ? "

To this I replied that the Mess Steward was not authorized to open doors that I had looked, and that the quarter in question was specially assigned to another officer at his own express desire .

At this he railed and denied my statement showing " Don't prevariaate to me " . I advanced towards him in angur demanding an apology, telling him that prevarification was not one of my frailities. The officer who made the complaint - medical candidate J.H.DARREPT -

now made a move for the door.

Placing my back to the door, I declined to allow him out until the P.M.O. withdrew him insulting romark.

On this he muttered " If I have said anything wrong I am sorry to have said it. "

I declined to accept such an apology and informed him that I would submit the matter to His Serence Highness Prince Edward, who would not allow subordinates to be insulted with inpunity.

Still holding the door I refused to move until he apologized. At last he apologized for his outburst of temper.

I then reminded him that the room in question was reserved by his orders for the Medical Officer sent from the Colonial Office for a course of instruction in Hygiene. He then excmerated me ungrudgingly.

We understood each other better after this passage of arms. At the close of the summer session of the Medical School The Dike of Cambridge accompanied the Director General to Netley, inspected the Hoopital and distributed the prices.

The usual invitations to meet the Dake at Lanch were issued, but because of the treatment at the hands of the Ness President at the last breaking up, I declined the invitation. This was reported to the P.H.O.. I was sent for to him office and asked my reason for declining the invitation to the lumch.

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I gave him my reason, explaining how I had been treated on the last occasion of the breaking up of the schooly

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to keep near the Dake and answer questions bearing on the indorior economy of the Hospital. " What if he misses you from the Lunch ? " I told him that so long as medical officers treated the officers of the Army Hospital Corps with contunely, I would nover enter the Mess, adding that I would have what HER KAJESTY's Conmission gave me, equality or nothing. I then left him and returned to my quarters.

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I had been there but a few minutes when the P.M.O. was anno

ed. He insisted that I should accompany him, remarking that he had been so recently appointed that he knew nothing of the working of the hospital, and gave me a definite order to meet him there at the appointed hour. I reluctantly obeyed.

I reluctantly obeyed. MOTE BY W.K.M. 15 Peb.73 The Commandant (Sir C.K.PEARSON K.C.B. still in NETLEM : it seems not unreasonable to mention here that W.NCERISON was doomed to serve under SirCHERLES , when he became G.O.C. WEST DIDIES in 1884 as will appear later in the autobiography .)

The Commandant seemed to have cherished an innate dislike to the men of the Army Hospital Corps whenever he could bring home to them any charge to their discredit, he would pursue it to the bitter ends

He was particularly severe in the matter of hospital damages, insisted that whatever damages could not be brought home to individuals would be charged to the Army Hospital Corps. To most damages to buildings, loss of stores, breakages by bedridden patients do a fund was established at the opening of the hospital by a contribution of one penny a month from every patient in the Hospital . This Pund was allowed to accumulate in the Pay Office year after year, until one of the clerks (a protege of Sir Richard Wilbraham's, an ex-sergeant of the 7th. Fudiliors) misappropriated the whole of it and disappeared.

It was from that time paid to the War Office at the end of each financial year. On entering my duties at Netley I assessed damages that could not be traced to individuals against the fund. When this appeared in Garrison Ordors, I was summoned into the Commandant's presence and asked how I dared to assess damages against the penny fund without his authority.

My answer was the production of the Army Hospital Corps Regulations, arming me with an apparently unconditional prerogative of assessment and until this was cancelled I would carry out my instructions .

I told him that I was sent there to carry out the Regulations and not to make a new code. " That" he remarked " accounts for the support you get on references to London. Your predecessor always submitted this to not I replied that I never submitted to another any power vested in me bythe Regulations of the Service. Finding that the new P.N.O. was more easily handled than Brigade Surgeon

Resbotham, the Commandant felt that he was on safe ground to apply for a company of Infantry to be stationed at Netley for general duties on the plea that the A. H. Corps could not cope with an outbreak of fire. I was told that the application was made out and only awaited signature.

I suggested the prudence of testing whether we were capable or not, before sentence of condemnation was carried out. Accordingly one morning sometime after eleven o'clock I was informed by the P.M.O. to parade my men for fire duty at 2 P.M. and that the fire display would be at the mick officers quarters where a fire notually took place two years before. I was not to leave the parade ground until the last chime of the two o'clock stroke.

The P.N.O. was most anxious about this test, knowing that if a combatant officer was stationed at Netley he would preside at the Mess Keetings. I tried to impress on him that we had nothing to lose but a lost reputation to recover. I had percommally drilled the whole of the Datachment at PIRE drill every Friday aftermoon for over a year and was propared to back them against any Fire Brigade, in the Country using the mame engines as we had. As the last chime of two was struck the command " Left turn, to your stations, Double March " set the Detachment in motion.

The whole station had turned out to witness the parade.

I declined proffered assistance from the Army Service Corps, and from the Discharge Depot. I was anxious to impress on the Commandant that the Royal Victoria Hospital could dispense with help from other

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units. The only medical officer who rendered me any countenance or assistance was Surgeon Major W. T. MARTIN, the Hospital Registrar, Nedical Officer in charge of the Gonvalescent Division. I could always look to this officer for guidance and support.

In accordance with the Standing Orders of the Hospital the ward orderlies and storemen were in their wards and stores.

Cely clerks and general fatigue men were taken to work the Fire Engines. In twelve minutes, three Engines were pouring water on the roof. Ealf a dozen men had drawn up the hose on to the roof and were directing the water supply.

the water supply. On seeing this the Commandant turned round and said "You have disappointed me ." To this I answered " I hope Sir Charles,you did not expect them to reach the roof in less than twelve minutes."

" No" he replied " If you had taken half-an-bour, I would have said you did well ; it took your predecessor two hours to get the water on the building on the actual extremal of fire eighteen months previously". I had then to explain to him our method of teaching, which gratified him much.

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Staff Sergmant VALE. He had qualified for a commission and was recommended by his Commanding Officer, but when he was ordered to South Africa for daty, His Commanding Officer reported him an being in a delicate state of health and at the time unfit for foreign service. The real reason was that the Commanding Officer knew a good non-comminsoned officer and was anxious to retain his services. His name was struck out of a list of selections for a commission.

He had in his possession a letter from momene, who posed as having in his power, the bestowal of a commision on payment of a fee of £ 50. Not having had such a communication myself before receiving my commission, I doubted its authenticity, but grieved to find that such a document existed. I suggested to the staff officer that the mystericus

patron should be unarited and brought to justice. I was told not to trouble myself about such a report as it did not concern

me in the least. I had previous to this recommended my quartermaster-sergeant should

be granted an extension of service for another five years. He was certainly the best non-commissioned officer I ever had. He was not an aye servant, and was most reliable. In the Establishment like Netley such a trustworthy man was invaluable. On the return of the staff officer to London, instead of sanctioning the extension of service asked for, an order came to discharge his forthwith.

He had given offence and the man who would dare to expose his soiled lines to the Public game must be marificed.

On the first of July 1881 a Royal Marrant was issued projudicial to the status of the officers of the Army Rospital Corps.

They were arbitrarily deprived of their combatant rank and status by the Director General and transformed into departmental officers with relative rank only.

Against this retrograde action an appeal was made to The Horse Guards through the Director General. The new title of " Quartermaster" in lieu of " Captains (and Lieutenants) of Orderlies" was objectionable in the extreme. The new title was obnoxious for various reasons. Our commissions were combatant, while the Quartermasters were "bonorary" a term described by philologists as " the shadew of a rank "

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A non-commissioned officer or warrant officer who could produce a second class certificate of education was at the time eligible for a quartermaster's commission, while lieutenants of Orderlies commissions after the first day of January 1879 had to pass an examinition in Pharmacy, Deill, Physiology, Interior economy, Military Law and a general knowledge of the Regulations of every Branch of the Service, and on this ground alone, if on no other, we were by the uses of the Service entitled to more equitable consideration. Our duties had nothing in common with regimental quartermisters, we were apothecaries and sub-accountants.

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We were unrepresented in Parliament and friendless at the Horse Guards and had to accept what the Director General chose to give us. The usage of the Service, when new Regulations were promulgated, has been to conserve the interests of officers concerned, and not until Medical Officers begun to frame Royal Marrants was this righteous rule wilfully violated. The coptains of orderlies were determined to persist in their effort

to retain their military rank with the increase in pay profored by the new Warrant. Their relative allowances could not be withdrawn (a sore disappointment to the medical officers who frumed the warrant). They formed a committee to safe-guard their own rank and privileges. They wore ready to sacrifice the licutenants on the altar of selfishmens, maintaining that we had no grievances, that in Society we had no rank, while they were " captains" not withstanding the tail of " Ordorlies ". The Director general was most emphatic in his refusal to entertain their complaint.

To upstatule his charke to the sen whom he had commissioned he refused to put us on the mame daily rate of pay as the Quarternasters of the Army Service Corps, Boyal Artillery, Royal Engineers and Ordnance Department relegating us to the lowest rate he could find, the Regimental Quarternasters. To this he was cordially aided by the officers who framed the warrant.

Personally I must admit that the selections to commissions were unfortunate and inexplicable, but educationally they were far in advance of the majority of the regimental quarternasters, with whom I came in contact in my wanderings, one of whom I heard relating a grievance against the War Office. He had appealed against a decision of the Accountant General's and was informed by the Secretary of State for War that his appeal could not be entertained. He was loud in his dem iation of the injustice, adding that"the follow who signed the refusal hadn't the courtesy to sign his full name but signed himself " Hartington", " I had difficulty in persuading him that the signature was that of the Secretary of State for War. Failing to obtain redress from the Director General, I interviewed the Financial Secretary, Henry Campbell Bannerman Esqre. M.F. at the House of Coumons, with a letter of introduction from Sir Henry Havelock- Allan, Baronet, V.C., an officer who stood by my brother's side wes "eno-1 Ravelock recommended his for the Victoria Gross.

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(W.K.N. His brother HUGH 78th. Foot died of wounds: 17th. September at Lacknew 1857 , His name appears on The Seaforth Memorial on the Edinburgh Castle Explanade.)

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I was received very cordially and on stating my case frankly told me that the War Office was prepared to place us on the mame rate of pay as the Quartermanters of other Departments but that the Director-General would make no concession in that direction. He recognised that our daties as Sub-accountants and Apothecaries should

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Pinding the Director General unreasonable and obstinate, the Committee sought to coerce the junior ranks into the refusal of the Marrant. To this I offered an uncomprising opposition, and secured the co-operation of Lieutenant Robert Gordon to theart the designs of the Captains of Orderlies. I saw no reason for refusing the financial provisions of the Warrant, such as I detested the assumption of a title foreign to the nature of ny duties,

Gordon and I accepted the Warrant and were accordingly gazetted. The Committee denounced us as traitors, while the Staff Officer was accused of having informed his fellow partners in rebellion, that the extra pay would not serve us much, as he would keep moving us from station to station until we repeated of our action.

No sooner were we gazetted than I was ordered to the Curragh Camp.

I was but a few weeks there when I had several letters from lieutenants of Orderlies asking me to appeal to the Director General to allow them to accept the Warrant. One who had applied had been refused. Feeling that while the Staff Officor of the Gorge was allowed to retain his position at Headquarters, the officers who had accepted the Marrant would have rather a rough times of it. I wrote to the "Broad Arrow" in APELL 1882, detailing the proceedings of the Georcion General's staff that six of the Lieutenants were Desirous of accepting the new Warrant. I was informed in reply that if they applied by letter each case would be considered on its merits. In the course of a few days they were all gasetted.

Meantime the Staff Officer was returned to Hospital daties, being replaced by Surgeon Major Alfred S. Clarke M.D. from the Sanitary Brench of the Office.

This was an unexpected blow to the Coercion Committee and the cleavage in its adherents soon became apparent. One by one they applied for the new Marrant notwithstanding the virulence with which those who refused . to support them were assalled.

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For several years, one solitary individual, who swore that he would never be labelled a "Quartermister" remained in the Aruy List having a section to himself, but at last found that however hateful the title, the financial prospects of his combatant warrant compared unfuvourably with the new, and he too forecook his perch to participate in the good things of the despised warrant, and became a "Quartermister".

Before leaving Netley for the Curragh, I wrote to the senior medical officer there asking him to apply to the Royal Engineers to put the Lieutenant of Orderlies hut in Hare Park into such repair as would make it habitable. This the Commanding Royal Engineers declined, urging as his excuse, that he had no funds. On my arrival I doclined to take it over. Captain Colebrook of the Commissariat Staff supported me in my refusal, admitting that the hut was wholly unfit for occupation, and gave me one end of his own hut until such time as the Royal Engineers recognized the justice of my appeal . I informed the Senior Medical Officer that I would not take possession of the hut, and asked that a Board of medical officers be detailed to report on its condition. Meantime I suggested that he should accomp any me to the Hoyal Engineer's office that I might plead my own cause . Accordingly we wonded our way there, and renewed the appeal. The C. R. E. was not prepared for the storming of his citadel, and testily replied " I told you already that I couldn't touch that hut". Crestfallon Dr. EXIN was about to retire from the scene, when I asked the C.R.E. if he had seen the hut. To this he replied " I have not", raising his eyes from his desk, with a surprised look asked " Where did I meet you before ? " I replied " At Netley when you returned from India " . " Oh : It was you who assisted me to collect my black bags ". I replied that I was the same. Immediately he rang his bell and summoned Captain Grieve and instructed him to proceed to Hare Park Hospital and set the Foreman of Works to put the Licutemant of Orderlies' hut in good condition and fit new appliances where required, and make it as confortable as possible, charging the expenditure to the following year's accounts. The hut was soon put into order and for comfort was second to none on the Camp.

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The G.R.E. returned from India in charge of troops a few months before I left Hetley. He was granted a troopship for his wife and family on condition of taking charge of the troops ambarking at Bombay and to hand over the invalids at Netley. On reaching Portmouth, anew order regarding the men's kitbags was put into his hand, directing the return of the kitbags into store and re-whipeent to Bombay, all deficiencies to be paid by him. This was rather hard on the officer who took the sen home, as on reaching Portmouth the sen were sent to three different stations, Woolwich, Metley and the Discharge Depot in one of the Portsmouth Forts, like every ill-considered order, this was impossible to darry out. The men had to carry their kitbags to their Depots or purchase a bag in which to carry their kitba. At Netley alone could this order be carried out .

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As soon as I was settled in my comfortable quarters I took over the stores from the officer who had nominal charge. These were in such a chaotic state as to defy taking over from the existing inventories. Assisted by Barrack sergeant Davis - a good old soldier of the Cameron Highlanders - I set about to make an inventory of what were actually in the wards and stores and found that I had a deficiency of / 2 250 worth of stores, and a surplus of over £ 350.

On representing this to the Senior Commissariat Officer, he expressed thankfulness that I came to the station before Sir Edward Morris and his Annual Imspection. Sir Edward Morris was trained in the Purveyor's Department and knew how to examine stores, a qualification which fell to the lot of but a few of the Officers of the Commissariat Department of those days.

I received very considerate and courteous assistance from Brigade Surgeon Edim in carrying out my duties. I was not there very long until I found out how essential it was to have an officer there to superintend the working of the hospital.

The nursing sisters there, as slaewhere, thought that there should be no restriction in the waste of medical and surgical appliances and resented the curtailment of what I thought was absolute waste.

Non commissioned officers over whom there had been no disciplinary control for some time resonated being palled upand for a time felt disposed to obstruct in every possible way. Few medical officers of the pre-combatant era carced to be harmassed with the protocal details of Mospital Administration. The wardmaster in Hare Park Hospital had his own quarters well furnished from the wards, while the sick were deprived of arm chairs and other conforts by the man who above all others should have looked after their interests.

I reported this irregularity to Surgeon Major Wikley, who peremptorily ordered me to inspect none of his wards without his authority. I pointed out to his that I was in charge of the stores and of the discipline and cleanliness of the wards and would at once report his obstruction to the Frincipal Modical Officer.

Next morning Dr. Exis sent for him and informed him that he was to assist, and not to obstruct me in the performance of my duties. A few days after this incident, on visiting the Houpital kitchen after the dinner hour, and on impooting the kitchen drawers found a leg of mattom concealed in the corner. On asking for an explanation from the cook he informed me that the steward gave it to him instead of beef to make beef tea. This the steward positively denied.

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While stationed at the Curragh, an amusing incident ones under my notice exphasizing the dimstisfaction of the married families with the unification scheme that deprived themof the services of their own regimental Medical Officer. The wife of the Sergeantemajor MERHAM Light Infantry " had occasion to send for the medical

officer in charge of families . On presenting himself at her Quarters, she apologized for the trouble she gave him, and bluntly informed him that since they had lest their regimental surgeon she had never called in an Army doctor, but being three miles from a civilian doctor, she was reluctantly compelled to send for his le listened to her harmague in silence, prescribed for the child, and hurried to my quarters to relieve his outraged feelings. I could not but respect her outspoken bluntness and remarked that

ber migfortunes had drawn from her unpleasant truthes and remarked that the married establishment of the British Army concurred. She had no respect for the mon who threw aside the "Lancet" for the " Drill Book " Wrs. Thomas Atkins lost faith in the militant doctor.

(W.K.M. 17 Feb 73. In 1923, for a short time I did duty in the R.A.WC. "PAREL AT WOOLAIGH ARSENAL, which looked after more than 6000 civilians working in Weelwich Armenal. A civilian named ROOK was brought in one aftermoon with a very

slight stroke I sent his bose and going to call on his the very at his home in PUNDYRAP, I was surprised to see the mase plats of a general practitioner on either side of his dwelling. I said " Mr. Rock I see you have two doctors near

remain on our Hanel " He said " Yes ! But I was a guarnew in the Army and I was so well-looked after that naturally I prefer to continue to be looked after by the army doctors ".

In the Royal Herbert Hospital at that time, there was a very fine Commanding Officer, a one time Hamily -Gpecialist , of which category of specialists very many excellent family dootors could always be found. I went into the Mess after seeing and hearing Mr. Rook and (like I wangin holding up his autobiography. W.E.W.)

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and in my unfortunately rather loud voice, told my special friends this story, snying it was rather wonderful to hear much high praise for the R.A.M.G.C. Golonel Grawford came across the room and pointed out how wrong I was in not fully understanding that in our medical service and in our hespitals the soldier always had the benefit of quick attention and consultations with the various specialists.

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This reminds me of how a civilian was travelling along a road in ALDERSHOT, in 1930, when a crickst ball an army crickst ball,came through the window of his car and striking his ear led to a violent haemorrhage.

He came to the outpatient surgery and in a few minutes was seen and adequately dealt with by the E.N.T. surgeon (Major St_{eff} EARRIS) on a Saturday afternoon .

The civilian expressed his appreciation at such efficiency.f.M. ends.)

Immediately on the assumption of the duties of Staff Officer, at the Mar Office, by SURGECH NAJOR ALFRED S. CLARKE, I was ordered to Dover for duty.

My removal from HETLEY to the Curragh was an act of the grossest orusity and injustice on the part of the Staff Officer (Captain David Pringle) on the suggestion of the Coursion Committee,

My wife had previously undergone a sovere operation from which she never recovered, and her removal to the Curragh caused her much suffering. Her condition was well known to the Staff Officer wha had visited Netley a few days before the Committee began their agitation, the coercing power behind him was too strong to allow the exercise of any benevolent feeling that might have survived my acceptance of the exist objectionshie warrant.

Six weeks after my arrival in Dover my wife died, the journey to and from Ireland having aggravated her complaint .

Thus was I deprived of the companionship of one who, for eighteen years of a happy wedded life,gave a life of unselfish devotion, of a saintly character and christian consistency in her hoes and in the circle of a large and warled field of christian usefulness.

I had just completed taking over my Sub-District when the Egyptian troubles of 1882 broke out. I was directed by telegram from the Mar Office to take over the duties of District Officer and also SubDistrict, No. 2 in addition to my own duties, the officers concerned haing been ordered to Egypt. Twenty four hours after taking over the District officer's duties, a telegram from the Director General ordered two sergeants-major and thirty non-commissioned officers and men to proceed to Aldernbot at once for duty with expedition.

The P.N.O. Deputy Surgeon General James Hanbury was on inspection duty in Shormoliffe : the tolegram was urgent and could not be delayed until his return next day. He had no Deputy and I had to act at once. I selected the best and most reliable in the District, dispatched warrants to Medical Officers at the various stations, and tolegraphed to send the mon to ATARENDO, by the early train.

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To this I replied " These men have not been detailed from Londom. I have eslected them under the authority vested in my by the Army Hospital Corps Regulations. Please do not after the detail. Mrrants filled in. Pay ledgers closed. Will be in Shorneliffe 8 A.M.. " On the P.M.O'S return, he called at the office and instructed the

olerk to acquaint me that he was in the office and wanted to see me. He was informed that I was in Shornoliffe and would not return before midnight.

His rage was unbounded, but he left the office reserving a portion of his execrative adjectives for the folowing morning. During the night he was detailed by telegraph to accompany the

expedition as PRINCIPAL NEDICAL OFFICER . Next morning he was at the office at an early hour and complimented me

on the expeditious manner in which I had acted, and especially in having selected the best men in the District for active service. Ead he not been detailed for this active service with the expeditionary

Force, my early morning's reception would probably have been of an entirely different character. It would have been the Oarse of Grummel' rather than a benediction.

Each week brought fresh demands for men until only a few trained orderlies were left in the larger hospitals. Pensioners and regimental men were substituted for trained orderlies.

Hearing of the difficulties in the wards with untrained men, I suggested to to the acting P.N.O. that there were trained orderlies employed as grooms, gardeners messengers 60 while untrained mon from the regiments wore.llooking after the mick • An order was insued withdrawing trained orderlies from the duties to which they were irregularly appointed.

For this I incurred the displeasure of the Senior Medical Officer for depriving him of his groom .

I had occasion to call on the Staff Officer Army Hospital Gorps hoping to prevent three of my best orderlies being transferred to the Remerve. He declined my request maying that he wanted to form a Remerve for the O Corps .

I suggested a Militia Army Hospital Corps should be formed and trained annually at our large hospitals. I tried to impress on him that it would be better for the Corps that men going to the reserve,

where now they got no further training would benefit by annual training a with the Militia.

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A few months after the departure of the fire-eating Surgeon-General Hambury, a Principal Nedial Officer joined from India, who had not proviously administered a Home Station. He was a novice in Administration. Anxious to conciliate the members of his Department he sought advice from them all, and like the man in the fable, who was leading home his ass, did not benefit from the mixed advice given him.

His appreciation of the professional attainments of the members of his Department was not vory flattering. He had been told that I had invariably acted as chloroformist for surgeon-major D. BLAINBROWN and stormed at the audhoity of Dr. Brown during to operate without first consulting him. I incantiously remarked that Dr. Brown was one of the most capable operators in the Department and referred to a most successful case of carcinoma performed by him. At this he flow into a rage and said " If I had the itch or any of the oth

At this he flew into a rage and said " If I had the itoh or any of the oth other common ailments poculiar to a soldier, I would consult an Army Medical Officer if co,pelled to do so, but for nothing else. I quietly informed him that he should be the last to enunciate such an

opinion . I could not help regarding ever after with supreme contempt.

Having made a minute inspection of every hospital in the District, I reported rather unfavourably on their equipment and particularly on the laxity of the Gesminsariat Department. in replacing stores charged against the troops giving full dotails in every instance. In some of these cases articles that had been paid for eighteen months previously had not been replaced. I suggested to the P.M.O. that before passing my Report to the Senior Commissariat Officer he should verify my complaint at his imspection of the Western Heights and Shornolife Mospitals.

This was done and then my report forwarded.

A few evenings after he met Commissary General Fulford Adams in the Club,who requested that he would withdraw the sweeping condomnation of the Commissariat in the Quartermaster's report, promising to rectify things at once.

The Mar Office arrangements for the Brighton Volunteer Neview of 1883 having been completed, a missive from the Director General directed the Frincipal Medical Officer to represent the Department at this function. I was instructed by the P.N.O. to arrange with Surgeon Najor Milson to provide him with a mount worthy of the occasion and a room in the Hotel.

The arrangements were completed when the wiff interposed and vetoed the compalsory presence of her Lord in a maddle. She conceived the idea that some rhymor might be found to attempt a new version of JGEN GILPINIs famous equestrian display. As he had not mounted a steed for thirty years but had been drawing the equivalent of forage for two horses for many years, it was cartainly

a little embarassing. I suggested a four wheeler as a muitable mode of transit . This was a

humiliation to which he would not agree.

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suggesting that instead of a gumbol across the Brighton Downs, a few days rest on the over accommodating sick list, might tide him over the difficulty. Accordingly he placed himself on the couch, reporting himself to the Mar Office as unequal to the honour conferred on him. Thinking that this was an opportunity to put him on the retired list and unusual order was issued for him to be brought before a Medical Board at once. A complacent Board certified him unfitness to take the field, but guarunteed him restoration and resumption of duty by the time the military display at Brighton came to am end.

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The removal of the Senior non-commissioned officers from the District for service in Egypt left see gith a questionable staff in all sure Canterbury Hospital. I had reason to believe that pilfering of the patients' rations was resorted to and I determined to fathom its mysteries. The Steward was a pensioner of the Corps, a sergeant, whose antecedents did not justify his employment in that capacity, having spent his whole service in the Molthing stoires. The ward master was equally useless particularly as a disciplinarian. I completed my weekly impection of my stores early one day and aked Surgeon-Major Guiness to accompany ms to the cookhouse. He asked if I had anything in particular to show him there. That I remarked depends on the circumstances. On examining the bodier containing the beef tas I found

the circumstances. On examining the oblier containing the peer teal i found the bones from the previous day's roast and a few scrape of meat as the basis of twenty pints of beef tea. Turning to the cook I asked where the eleven gunds of beef that should have been in the boller had gone ? He replied that he had received none from the steward.

I sent for both the wardmaster and the Steward, but no amount of oross-examination could elicit the truth. " Graws winns pick out oraw e'en ", was the only matural conclusion at which Scowald arrive. A " pot de foic " had been kept simmering on the kitchen range, into which beens an is craps, with some gravy and burst sugar found their way to produce a concoctian that passed for beef tea, while the beef found a ready market.

As the discipline was in the hands of the medical officer the cook escaped with a nominal punishment of seven days confined to barracks, no doubt congratulatinghimmelf on his escape from a courtmartial and immardly invoking a blessing on the functionary who had taken the disciplines of the Army Hospital Corps from the officers of the Corps and placed it i the hands of the medical officers. The steward, being a pensioner, was under ay orders and was summarily disminsed.

On my inspection of the Canterbury Hospital I made a minute inspection of the contents of the warious vessels on the Range, and was informed by the wardmaster. that I would not find there what I had found in Dover.

I asked what information he had on what I found in Dover. To this he replied, that I had not been three hours out of the hospital there, when it was known in every hospital in the District.

It is curious how thin a vensar covers the unregenerat man, when the question of money is involved.

A medical officer brought me a travelling claim for adjustment and initialling before he brought it before the Principal Medical Officer for signature.

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I had to apply the pruning knife unsparingly, adding a short homily on the certificate printed on the War Office Form in justification of the reduction . He took up his claim and left the office, disputisfied with his reception. He went into the adjoining office , rewrote his claim and wended his way into the P.M.O's Quarters, urging the plea of extreme urgency to get his money. On presenting it to the Station aymaster the pruning knife went over the same field, but from this there was no appeal. He came back extremely disappointed and informed no that he had made out another claim but that the Paymaster had struck out all that I had put out, remarking " I could not expect anything better from him, he is a ranker " ." I thanked him for his compliment to the ranker's sense of honour, and informed him, that, as a rule "rankers" knew their duty, adding that if he had been unfortunate to have entered the ranks mity, success that it was not been and there. Feeling that I resented the reference, he remarked " I as not personal " to which I could only reply that he was to regard the expression of my views as exceedingly personal. We were neverthe less ever afterwards the best of friends.

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The treatment out to a "ranker" in the 83rd. Regiment (The Royal Irish Rifles) then stationed in Dover was peculiarly characteristic of the anobbery of the general run of British Officers.

The Quartermaster had recently joined from another Corps, as the Colonel (Mourant) refused torecommend any of his own warrant or non-commissioned officers for the vacant quartermastership,

He came to the Regiment bearing Her Majesty's Commission, the same impress that gave social currency to a comparatively large number of those commissioned through the Militia and through the Civil Service competitions.

The officer on joining paid his subscription to the Mess and to the Band funds on equal terms with the others joining at the same time. From the commencement he was made to feel that he was an "undesirable" and every opportunity taken to make him feel his inclation.

A Mess Meeting was summoned in Regimental Orders. The quartermaster attended as a subscribing member, when he was told by Colonel Mourant tat he was not wanted there . At a Garden Party

the Surgeon and the Paymaster, meither of whom were subscribing members, were there by invitation, but apparently the Quartermaster was not elgible for a Garden Party in his own Regiment.

On the following day the Quartermaster appealed for redress to the man who had so insulted him, but instead of redress ,was told that he would be expelled from membership of the Mess. He then appealed to General Newdagate, Commanding the District, who after consultation with Colonel Mourant declined to submit the matter to the Horse Guards. A few weeks afterwards the Quartermaster was retired on the pension of a sergeantmajor. So much for the justice meted out to the weak in the commissioned of the British Army. .W. 20 Feb 73 In a recent T.V. Flay " THE EBOIMENT " the statement (W.K.H.

was made that in former times RANKERS had a very bad time in the Army, now it was all different.)

when the "Morley" Committee was sitting in judgement on the shortcomings of the Army Medical Department after the first phase of the Egyptian War, I had a note from Mifs Florence Nightingale informing me that Sir Robert Lloyd Lindmay V.C., M.P., who had some

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time previously accompanied Sir W.N. Muir to Netley, and to whom then, I was asked to explain the general routine of the work throughout that Hospital, expressed a wish to see me, with reference to questions that (1582) had arisen at that Committee of which he was a member.

I arranged to meet Sir Robert in London, and for three hours discussed with various points bearing on the administrative and executive branches

of the Army Medical Department, with particular reference to the period preceding the unification scheme. Having served in the Department for ten years previous to the destruction

of the regimental Hospitals, I was fully convinced of the superiority of the old over the new order so far as the temure of office of the Regimental Medical Officer was concerned.

The doctor was then the guide, councellor and friend of the officers, the men and the women, and no father confessor was ever entrusted with more secrets than the majority of the regimental doctors. I strongly advocated his restoration but keeping the Station Hospitals

on the new basis. We next discussed the abolition of the Purveyors' Department in the

general departmental scramble of 1870 with its insame arrangementate for Hospital supplies through the Commissariat Department, remarking that I had never known a Purveyor to have been cashiered for misappropiation of Hospital supplies, but that I had seen two commissioned officers of the Commissariat cashiered for tampering with Hospital supplies under the new arrangement.

I strongly advocated that hospital supplies should be in the charge of an officer under the control of the Principal Medical Officer, and freed from every connection with all subsidiary Departments except the Ordnance Department, from whom supplies could be received direct in peace and in

I brought prominently before him the absurdity of keeping up non-dieted hospitals as an injustice to the patient who could never have the confort or attendance to which a sick man was entitled.

The next item was the District Surgical Equipment stored in the Principal Medical Officer's Office and issued on requisition to outlying hospitals.

In no instance were there two articles of a sort in this Equipment, and with thirteem or more Hospitals in a District, and in some instances these hespitals wendd be one hundred miles apart, and five or six of them requiring a particular instrument at the same time. The system condemned itself.

I next suggested the transfer of the Army Medical School from Netley to London or to Woolwich. This amused him very much. "what" he remarked " Remove Sidney Herbert's memorial to London ? "

Subsequently LORD WANTEAGE. "Bir Thomas Crewford, D.G., would have had it there but the idea was considered utopian.

I urged him to take up the question of the training of military dispensers of medicines. Ippinted out that the present system was imperfect and highly dangrous. The man mutricus to qualify as a dispenser had to do so in addition to bin ordinary daties, and at his own asguéssespip) the necessary books. When he committed to memory the doses, the preparation of tinctures, pills and powlers, he was deemed to be a qualified dispenser. The consequence of his training inside the Service is that however efficient a military dispenser he has become, he cannot be employed as a dispenser outside the Service. I pointed out to him the privileges enjoyed by dispensers in the Indian Medical Service in having a two years ocurse of study in a Medical Gorps a could pass the Preliminary examination of the Society of Apothecaries

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abould have similar training to the Indian apotheoaries at the Army Medical College. This he was afraid The Treasury would not manotion the expenditure . Aurning to me he asked " How would you meet the expenditure ? " To this I replied it could be done by abolishing the present system of so called

good service awards " and annuities given to officers and non-commissioned officers, not for the performance of duty, more than their less favoured comrades, but because they have more friends in power.

Eaving discussed every conceivable item of hospital administration, he remarked " You must have made hospital work your life study . "

I replied that I had just completed twenty years Hospital experience in its various subordinate grades and a short experience at the War Office. ** Both Sir Robert and I regretted that the last evening train for Dover

was almost due to leave the station. In the religious and social life of the Carrison (EOVER) I was debarred from much regular work owing to the frequence of my absence from home on inspection

daty. In temperators work however I had frequent opportunities of leading men of our own Corps to become abstainers. A sergeant of the Corps, when I persuaded give up his drinking habits, entered into the campaign with entimainsm, and two months after his reclamation marched twenty-five of his co-religionist

two months after his reclamation marched twenty-five of his co-religionis to the altar in the Roman Catholic Church in Dover to sign the pledge of total abstinance.

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Towards the end of September 1882 I had an invitation to visit friends for the week end in Shepherdawell. I was asked to take on Evening Service in their Wesleyan Chapel. (* Mr. W.D.ATKINS & MES. ATKINS) On the following Wednesday the Superintendent, the Rev. Geo. S. Tyler

acked me to take a service early on the Sabbath. Meving for fifteen years declined to to take up the office of a lay preacher. However, thanks to my Class Leader - Mr. George Flashman and Mr. George Clark I became a licensed lay preacher in the Nothodist Church.

Promits inception the Methodist Church manifested an interest in the religious life and work of the soldier. One evening at my class leader's home, we had a discussion with the Prince of Controversalists the Revd. Dr. George Obborne. I remarked that Scotland was the only unproductive soil that had come under my observation. He acknowledged that Armenian Doctrine was peculiarly obnoxious to the Scotlah character.

Whatever services I may have rendered to the Church and Christian work in general, since 1882 had its stimulation in Kr. & Kre. W.D.Atkin's home at Shepherdamell.

Having now had over sixteen months in the District, inspecting twelve hospitals twice every three months, I suggested to Surgeon-Major Mm. Johnston, Staff Officer Army Hospital Corps that these inspections should be reduced to one every six months and that to be a surprise visit. Se maid " The officers like these inspections" and indicated that he was

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thinking that the Army Hospital Corps officers wanted them from a profit sotive. I replied that I was not thinking only of the Army Mospital Corps Officers but also of the officers of the Army Medical Department, but chiefly of the tax-payer. in whose interest a change was essential. Sir Thomas Crawford after his inspection ordered this change to take place.

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Baing placed under orders for foreign arvice, I re-enstered the matrimonial state, having on the 13th. September 1883 married in Eldad Congregational Church GEENENT , Mary Ann Grace, youngest daughter of Captain James Grace of the Mercantile Marine and Senior Dencon of the Church. The Minister and the poor particularly resented my invasion of their

fold, the former for having deprived him of his most emergesic worker both in the Church and the Sunday school, and the latter for the laws of their best halper and friend.

On the 17th. November 1883 I embarked at Southampton on board the Royal Mail Steam Packet " Don " for Barbados.

knong the friends I said "Good bye " that day, was one that shall ever remain daar to assory, after a gemuine friendship of mineteen years, begun at Metlay in 1864 and ended at Metley in 1883. JOEN MULLING was worthy of a sacred mobe in the hearts of those who knew him. He fell a victim to enteric fever in the Egyptian Campaign of 1884. Lieutenant Mulling was a loss to the Army Hospital Corps. Had these selected for commissions in the Corps been of him type there would have been fever relegated prematurely into obscurity.

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After leaving sight of the Cormish coast nothing of special interest is seen until sighting Tweeriffe. A ship may hover now and again in sight, when the loss of your field glasses may arrmat an axchange of words with one or more of the motley throng that swarm on deck after the card tables are cleared. (W.K.M. I can remember momented about 1910 my father came into the

upstairs 'lounge' and found my sister playing whist with three friends, in anger he ,with exceptionally strong hands, tore up the cards and forbade such things ever to be brought into the house again.)

The impecuinous are intent on making daily sweepstakes on the distance run by the ship in twenty four hours, or on the probable number of ships seen by the "look-out" in the same time.

Of the 350 passengers on board, 300 were colonials returning home after a sojourn of between three and six months, in Great Britain or on the Continent.

If these were gemuine eachles of the West Indian plutoorate, I am not surprised that the megro should have made so little progress in the ascending scale. Gambling and drinking seemed to be the stock enjoyment of these pleasure-meekers. The drinking bar was open from early morm to midnight. No wonder ship-stewards

can retire to their comfortable villas early in life. The the fourteenth day the " Don " cast anchor in Barbadian water, a

general choras of thanksgiving greeting the splash. Landing at the Commissariat Pier, I had to wend my way in search of lodgins.

There was no Hotel in the neighbourhood and no quarters for junior Departmental officers.

Generals, Commanding Officers and Heads of Departments are sumptuously provided not only with costles but with several scree of land and military labourers to work the same. Juniorsmust shift as best they can. Their chiefs are well provided for.

On the Sunday after I landed in Barbados, a deputation for the Presbyterian non-commissioned officers and sen of the "Royal Soots" headed by the Armourer Sergeant came to my quarters to request that I might arrange for non-liturgical service for the four handred Presbyterian soldiers meglected by the Church of their fathers and refused redress by the Officer Commanding their Regiment.

Tag objected to be marched to the Government Episcopalian Church in Barracks ; the same objection applied to the Mesleyan Methodist Church, where Wesley's abridged Liturgy was used at the morning service.

I communicated their scruples to the Acting Wesleyan Chaplain, sking if he could conveniently undertake a non-liturgical service before the ordinary service provided the sanction of the General Officer Commanding could be obtained. Instead of replying to my letter, he called on the Adjutant-General (Colonel Justice) and gave him a private letter never intended for the latter's soruting.

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This modern champion of the Tractarian movement would not respect the consolentious objections of John Knox's children and determined to nip the proposal in the bud.

Accordingly a memorandum to me, under cover to ay Chief, (Deputy Surgeon General Holten) informed me that the Sabbath Services for the Freebyterian soldiers had the approval of the General Officer Commanding and that I was not to interfore with the existing aurangements, as these were made with the comcurrence of the Officer Commanding the Regiment (who was an Episcopalian) at the same time propounding the novel dootrine

that the General Officer Commanding, had as much right to arrange for the spiritual as for the temporal requirements of the moldier. I replied that the provisions of the Queen's Regulations on this subject were decidedly antagonistic to this view, and suggested that application be much to the Convenor of the Army and Navy Committee of the Church of Scotland to send a Licentiate of The Church of Scotland to officiate in the Garrison during the remidence of so many Presbyterian soldiers. To this a very curt reply was given.

I was determined that, having entered on the campaign for religious liberty, I would not relinquish the game until I succeeded or was silenced. After thirteen memorandams had passed between us, I was ordered peremptorily to cease the correspondence.

Pailing to overcome the prejudices of the Adjutant General I sent a copy of the correspondence to Mr. Carles Praser-Mackintosh M.P. for Invernesshire, who interviewed the Secretary of State for War, after reading bits of the correspondence in the Bonne of Commons. The Secretary for War directed the General Officer Commanding

in the West Indies to arrange a non-liturgical for the Presbyterian soldiers forthwith. On receipt of this order a secondaria was sent to all the Scottish Officers in the Garrison calling for volunteers to read prayers to the Presbyterian soldiers. They all declined the service, one of the majors of the Royal Artillery in recording his refusal adding "presching is not in my line ". The daty was eventually undertaken by the Acting Wesleyan chaplain in addition to his own ordinary services.

This outholicity of spirit was, sneeringly, resented by the Garrison Chaplain and referred to as " a outholicity based on the hard onsh drawn from the Pay Office for the performance of this particular duty ".

Bed he been trained in the same theological school as the catholic minded Wesleyan chaplain, he would not have had to complain that the soldiers were impervious to his teaching, and that from hardness of heart they underwalued his ministrations.

I have frequently listened to rapturous encomiums on his admirable handling of the tennis and oricket bats, but never a word on his success as an expounder of the doctrines of salvation through faith is a crucified Saviour. In the exposition of the story of the uplifted Gross of Calvary the Wesleyan chaplain was a decided success /

It was my privilege while this outburst of sectarian animosity was being famed into a flame by the intolerant Adjutant General, Colonel Justice, (who unfortunately belied his pateronymic) to conduct occasional services for the rector of St. Faul's, in one of his missionary halls, with the concurrence of the Bishop of the diocess, to emphasize the fact that my objection was not to the services of the Church of England, but to the indifference of the Kilitary Authorities with regard to the apiritual oversight of the Freshyterian soldier.

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I soon experienced the intolerance of the Adjutant Ceneral arising out of this incident. The gentleman became obsoured in the sectarian bigst. (W.K.W. Hart's Army List examined at the excellent Library in EDIMENCE

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The Army Hompital Corps was for several years unfortunate in its commissioned representatives in the West Indies.

I was accordingly discounted in Carrison life at the social valuation of my predecessors.

By standing in the church however found me friends and work outside the Garrison cotorie.

At the annual meeting of the Y.K.G.A. I was invited to second the Resolution to be proposed by the Revd. Joanthan Gadman Richardson, Wesleyan Minister of Bridgetown. I declimed this on the ground that Mr. Michardson was the most ormate orator in the whole of the West Indian churches, and the contrast between us might militate against me in public services, but that

I had no objection to follow any of the other speakers. I accordingly followed the Lord Bishop of the Diccese, a fine specimen of the christian overseer. The Bishop made an admirable appeal to the young men to justify their assumption of the title of "Christian Association".

Justify their assumption of the title of "Caristian Association". The Governor of the Colony (Sir W. Bobinson) was in the Chair, and having good reason to know that there was a peculiar laxity in Garrison

Society in Sabbath observances encouraged by the Governor. I took the opportunity to drive home the responsibility of those in high places to realize the privilegue and responsibility of their office laying particular emphasis on certain social sins peculiar to Buropean Society in tropical climes.

This offended the Governor and his staff, but it met with the hearty

approval and commendation of the Bishop. As a result of the disapproval of the Governmor's staff, when the invitations for the Qaeen's Birthday coremony at 'Government House were issued I was the only commissioned officer in the Garrison omitted from this Entional function. Bakers, tailors,grocers and publicans were there in abundance.

Having never attended a dance or a ball during my service, I waited till the function was over, then wrote to the General Officer Commanding to secortain

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maring electron by two surves of vironit Steward in the Wesleyan Methodist Church (Sethel circuit) in December 1883, I had an opportunity of gauging the windom (or otherwise) of severing the West Indian Churches from the control of the Foreign Missionary Committee in London. I opposed it in the District Meeting both on financial and geographical

rounds, urging as my principal objection, the absence of the laity from the Annual conferences as an unsuperable barrier to the success of the innevation. The agitation was pressed by the native-born West Indian ministers, who saw a ray of celestial glory behind the President's Chair.

To the ministers the outing promised an enjoyable annual re-union at the expense of the Churches, while the laymen would have the luxary of paying mil boat fare from the various islands -with hotel expenses until the fortnightly mail returned.

At the Conference of 1885 the lay representatives of the Barbados District alone attended, while at the Second Conference in Antigua only two lay representatives were present.

This together with the extreme commercial depression in the Islands augured ill for the success of the movement.

The First Conference (by the casting vote of the President) decided to establish a Theological College and a Higher Grade School in St. John's

Antigma. I opposed the project vehemently from the fact that one of the most successful ligher Grade Schools in our Colonial Empire was established at York Gastle Jamaica under the Principalship of the Red. Dr. Murray,one of our most talented native ministers in the West Indies.

The Antigua School was doomed to fail, but it's demise was hastened by earthquakes, hurricanes,floods and fire, having in turn depleted the coffers of the supporters of the missions in the Carribean Seas.

Retrementment is fatal to spiritual progress, but in the then condition of the West Indian Iclands retrementment was an absolute necessity.

The smeering peripatetic literary tourist has now and again sought to discount the work of the West Indian Rissionaries, but from an extended service in Church life at Home and in our Eastern and Western Colonial Possessions I unhesitatingly affirm that as fine a specimen of the regenerated christian can be found among our coloured population as among the highly privileged christianas at home, while their liberal contributions

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A dissenter found preaching the Gospel in St. Vincent was for the first offence subject to a fine of one hundred pounds sterling, or imprisonment for lengthemed periods if unable to pay the fine : for the second offence thirty-mine lashes, and for the third the extreme penalty of death. Notwithstanding repeated applications of these inhuman laws, sanctified perseverance trimuphed over bigstry and appreciator yet the dregs of intelerance still lingers on in one form or

another wherever a religion is esteblashed, be it Protestant, Papist or Heathen . In the month of March 1884 the Staff Officer Army Hospital Corps conceived the idea that as the Principal Medical Officer was located in Barbados the Estrict Officer serving there might take over the duties of the Officer Army

Sampital Jamaica and control the doings of his subordinates one thousand miles from the base of operations. Accordingly the Officer A. H. Corps serving in Jamaica was ordered home and I was instructed to proceed there and relieve him of his duties, making the necessary local arrangements for the weekly payment of the men of the Corps with proper arrangements for the oversight of Hospital stores and provisions, then return to Barbados.

The Senior Medical Officer demurred to this arrangement because of the refusal of medical officers to undertake the financial responsibility involved

in the new departure. Through the orans ignorance of the Staff Officer of the Corpust the Mar Office the warrant officer was located in the Blue Mountains with the Baropean troops, instead of with the Senior Medical Officer at Kingston. Being deprived of the experiance of the warrant officer the Senior Medical Officer insisted that I should visit every six months.

To this I had a decided objection, my experience of the station being such as to negative the proposal

I accompanied the Principal Medical Officer to Jamaica on Inspection duty. I pointed out to him the pecular hardship to which I was subjected owing to the Wir Office Regulations limiting perconal allowance to seven days to officers datached from Headquarters, the regulations compelling me to come on the local allowance of three shillings a day during the remaining twenty one days of our stay on the Inland.

I was charged seventeen shillings a day at the Hotel, while the Principal Medical and the Chief Paymaster were being entertained as the guests of Colonel Miseman Clarke Commanding the troops on the Island.

Wy appeal was lightly treated and I was recommended to do as others had done similarly situated that is to take a week at Up Park Camp, a week at Newcastle, a week at Fort Noyal and the fourth week back at Up Park Camp and thus circumwent theWar Office. I declined to act on the proposal as my duties at these stations did not justify my stay, while neither an Hotel or a Boarding House existed at theme stations. I was told that I must put up with the inevitable, if I objected to follow the traditional umages of the Service.

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I and an interesting experience when visiting the Garrison at Newcastle in relief of Quartermaster Hant A.H.Corps.

This station is over twenty miles from Kingston. Prom Kingston to Gordon's tawn we travel by ordinary cab, and from Gordonstown to the top of the Blue Kommains on horse-back through forests, ledges, ravines do. To my intense disgust I found the place destitute of even a common lodging house.

We had intended to have a day or two in the Blue Mountains to explore its botanical treasures, notably its ferms (of which I possess over one hundred fifty specimens) but in this we were bauked owing to its primitive condition. On arrival we presented our cards at the Orderly Room and at the Officers Hese of the " Royal Scots" and returned to the Hospital to transfer the stores from the outgoing officer to the warrant officer who was taking over, and to be in permanent charge.

We naturally expected that, under the existing circumstances we would have had attended to us the usual courteeies of the Service, but being Quartermasters, branded by the War Office as having but " Honorary rank ",which the great Samal Johnson calls " the semblance of a rank " we were left out in the cold to dime and breakfast of bread and cheese from the Canteen and water from the mountain brook. We carried out the transfer os stores during the night, verified by the inventories, reporting the result by letter to the Medical Officer in charge Surgeon Hefferman of the Army Medical Department- and left for lingston at daybreak, hoping to reach in time for a late breakfast.

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I returned to Barbados by the next homeward smil regretting that it was beyond my power to order a contingent of War Office clerks, who frame the allowance Esculations, to spend a month at a Kingston Hotel on a quartermaster's pay and subter month in the Elus Mountains on bread and cheese, after which the next allowance warmant would deal more reasonably with the allowances of subordinate officers. During my service an officer under the rank of major was allowed but ten shillings a day when absent from his station for a night, while the higher ranknews allowed fifteen shillings for the same duty. Extel Keepers ignored wir Office Regulations and charged all ranks alike.

The day following my return from Jamaica, I was hurriedly called to the Hempital to see an orderly of the Army Hempital Corps admitted to Hospital with a Incertaion of the army from the bite of a drunken corporal of the West Indian Begiment. In submitting the charge sheet against him I was careful to include the

detruction of a pair of trousers belonging to the injured man. This the officer community the West Indian Regiment (Najor Patchett) deleted

and tried the corporal for drunkenness only. When the Court Martial was promulgated I applied for the price of a pair of trousers and was told that, as the CourtMartial had not sentenced the man to pay for the trousers the charge was inadmissible.

I appealed to the Gameral Officer Commanding, who ordered me to issue a pair of trousers and charge it to the Public.

I knew the Clothing Regulations too well to make the issue until I knew who was to pay for the trousers. Eventually after much correspondence the Officer Communing the West Indian Depot was ordered to remit me the cash and the Deprespondence ceased.

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Shortly after this incident the Principal Medical Officer, Deputy-Surgeon Joneral Holtom was invalided home, to the regret of everyone whose duties brought them into contact with him, and closed the career of an able and courteous administrator and a most considerate Chief.

On the retirement of General Ralph Brown, the West Indian Command fall to the lot of Major-General Sir Charles Knight Pearson K.C.B., the Commandant of the Woyal Victoria Hompital, Metley.

I did not look forward with any pleasure to his assumption of the Command. I had been instrumental in ourtailing his interference in the routime duties of the Hospital at Netley (referred to else where) and knowing his dislike of the Army Medical Department in general, felt that I should soon feel the full weight of his resentment.

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I had not long to wait.

han the Building known as . The Naval Exepital ceased to be used for lumatic patients of the West Indian Regiments, the War Office directed the General to re-appropriate the building as quarters for the Commanding Officer of the West Indian Regiment Depot. This officer,whose sanity had never been questioned by those who knew him, however much they might question his judgesset, positively deolined to be thrust into such insanitary quarters. After three unsuccessful attempts to get it certified by a medical board as fit for occupation the General deolded to dispense with a Certificate of the Redical Department and applied for War Office authority to convert it into quarters for the Surveyor, Royal Engineers and the quartermaster Army Medical Suff.

The former of these officers was allowed a large consolidated allowance in lieu of Quarters and foreign service pay, while the latter was allowed £ 54 per annum for lodgingu but nothing for foreign residence.

I declined after six months in these quarters to continue living there. The Surveyor, Royal Regimeers fitted up his end of the buildings with all the scosessary sanitary arrangements, while the end I occupied was left as it was when condemmed by the Medical Board.

The General refused my appeal for a bath room.

The sea was so near at hand and I could use it if I needed a bath and forget that the coast swarmed with sharks.

The newly appointed Principal Medical Officer, Deputy Surgeon-General Muschamp declined to forward my complaint against the occupation of those quarters, but so much was the General's refusal resented by the Medical Officers that Surgeon Major Brown occupied the latter's quarters between them.

The quarters thus placed at my disposal remained in my possession during the remainder of my residence in Barbados. My successor had to occupy the very poor quartermaster's quarters in the old Maval Hospital, he was not given the opportunity to occupy the quarters proviously leaned to me. In the departure of the "Royal Scots" for the Gape, their place was taken by the 64th. "North Staffordshire Regiment". I met this Regiment twenty years previously, when under the command of Golenel Mockler, a period when Commanding Officers could remain in command so long as they were able to

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For the first time in my commissioned service I was made an "monorary Nember" of the regimental Mess, a courteny appreciated the more because conferred without seeking it.

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his will always remain as a fragrant memory of the old "24th." The flight of time brought round the season of confidential reports. By Chief sent a very flattering one to the General regarding the performance of my duties, the influence I had over the men of the Corps,

performance of my duties, the influence I had over the men of the Corps, and the readiness with which I assisted the medical officers in the work of the Respiral.

This did not meet with Sir Charles X. Pearson's approval. The report was sent back with the request that a less favourable one should

be sent to him, with special reference to my refusal to occupy a quarter provided for me by War Office authority. The Principal Medical Officer declined to alter a sentence, and returned it to

the General. Whether he added any unfavourable commonts or not I was never able to ascertain, but my reputation was so well known at the War Office that General Pearson's estimate did not trouble me much.

On his next visit to the Hospital he entered in the Visitors Book that such was the cleanliness,orderliness and general arrangements of the Hospital, that where he disposed to do so, he could find mothing on which he could ground a complaint.

On the retirement of Deputy Surgeon General Muschamp, Deputy Surgeon Tippetts we detailed for duty in the West Indies. This officer had the misfortune to be one of those for whom, the late Director General Sir. Mm. Muir had mo particular regard and passed him over for promotios.

Sir Thomas Grawford dealt with his officers on their personal merits more than on the jaundiced reports of prejudiced superiors and on his assumption of office promoted this intelligent officer.

For the first time I served under a Chief who treated his quartermaster with the same courtesy as he extended to his medical officers, such kindness being extremely rare in the Army Medical Department.

Shortly after the appointment of the new Principal Medical Officer I was instructed to represent the Department at a Court of Enquiry convened to enquire into the circumstances unar which two rations of bread and beef appeared to have been drawn by the Hospital Steward for a period o twolve months on account of two men belonging to the Depot West India Regiment, who had been returned to duty from the Station Hospital to their Corps. For this period the men were in meas and did duty in the Depot, and said to

be shown in the Company states as in Hospital employ . The Hospital Steward was charged with having received the bread and meat and knowingly misappropriated

I repudiated the accusation and produced documentary evidence showing the due of their removal and notification of the same to the Commanding Officer and to the Paymaster. I was told by the President that I was not to question the witnesses, but simply to listen to their statements. I declined to sit there under these conditions, while such charges were being made against the Hospital Steward, and intimated my withdrawal from what I regarded as a onesided enquiry at the same time handing my Protest to the President. The objection to my questioning the witnesses was withdrawn and I took advantage of this to subject the Paymaster and the Officer Commanding to questions that emphasized the utter carelessness minifested in the preparation of their Ration Returns. I was intensely amused with the absence of the most superficial knowledge of the interior economy of the Corps by these officers. My mind reverted to an incident in the Court of Sessions in Edinburgh where ord Jeffry failed to get any information in a contested will case from an

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I involuntarily came to the same conclusion regarding the gentlemen who figured as exponents of the interior economy of this usually well officersd regiment. Verily, the British Officer of the 19th. Century was better at fighting than at Parade or Barrack-room displays.

It was not the man butthm system that was to blame. After considerable sparring with President and members I succeeded in clearing the Hospital Steward, and in teaching the haughty acting gaymaster that he had much to learn before he could adequately fill the position of a military accountant

Eaving in this instance been mulot in the sum of fifteen pounds sterling, it is probable that the paymaster's slumbering genius must have been quickened by the process.

It is wonderful how sensitive the human brain becomes when guickened by the infliction of a monetary penalty.

(W.K.W. 24 Feb. 1973 I may be forgiven for onceasin noting how cirange, the Father and his two soms W.K.W. & H.W.cl.W. all spent quite a time during their service life in "defending" soldiers . H. became a barrister-in-law and defended many after he had left the service. I asked for, and had one inferview with the Judge Advocate General at the War Office on this subject.)

Being within measurable distance of completing my foreign service tour, I noted a few characteristics of the West Indian negro. In variety of colour they are as interesting as a milliner's shop window, representing every shade from Chinese yellow to the Mubian blackness depicted on the show cards of the Plymouth Dome Black Lead manufacturers.

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Mark they have been instructed property in evangelistic schools they soon rise to an appreciation of spiritual things, and many are sealous and conscientious in the maintenance of their faith

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May regard the lack of enthusians and ritual in Protestant worship as due to the lack of faith in its adherents.

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and Orininal Courts it requires not stretch of imagination to assert that during the period they have been under religious teaching the negry has advanced with more rapid strides towards conformity to the divine ordinances than the highly privileged anglo-maxon.

Here and their we have met with native christians of unblemished life, and with commine faith in fervent prayer.

An instance of this was onceoberved in a prayer meeting where a devout enthusiast was appealing to Heaven to increase the intellectual equigment of her English

pastor " Lord 1 Bless de minister and give him brains". The responsive " Amen " affirmed the principle that her discernment was

superior to her discrimination. These people have been imperfectly taught.

They have been preached at, instead of being first grounded in the doctrines of the christian faith.

They required the teaching of the Sunday School and not the highly ormate essay on "Thou shalt not steal."

Deir spiritual training has been very defective and because of this their moral obligations are deplorably defective.

A girl of fourteen years whom I employed as an assistant murse had ten brothers and sisters, but no two could claim the same paternity.

The attempt to impress on her the evils of her home surroundings called forth the remark that the majority of the married women with whom she had come into contact would have been happier if the wedding ring had been at the bottom of the sea. This is on a par with the general trend of the irreligious portion

The sea. This is on a par with the general trend of the irreligious portion of the community. I was much amused with the metaphysical deductions of my dook. Being remonstrated

with for an outburst of temper, she repied with some degree of warmth " How I know good unless I know bad first ". She had a peculiar method of emphasising her opinions.

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The reasoning was unanswerable.

Returnly rude in speech, she was thoroughly honest and trustworthy. I had no complaint to make regarding my servants and in consequence made no change during my period of my service in the Command, a fact not often chronicled is Nest Indian Garrisons.

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While quartered in the old Naval Hospital pending the promised reconstruction , I ap plied to the Assistant Adjutant General for a labourer from the Corps of military labourers for fatigue duties.

My request was uncoremonionizely refused. J pointed out to him that half a dozen or more were attached to each of the Public Quarters appropriated to officers in the Garrison and I was the only Departmental officer in the Garrison occupying

a public quarter with grounds attached to whyse this privilege was demicd. I was told that I must hire a civilian to keep the Government grounds in order. (The assistant adjutant general was the commanding officer of the Corpe of

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I was told that men of higher rank and social position than I had tried to disband them and had failed.

Shortly after my return to England some friends, who consulted me in 1883,on matters commected with the Army Medical Department during the mitting of the Norley Committee, suggested to Lord Enndolgh Churchill, that he should ask me some questions on West Indian Expenditure bearing on his retreachment crunds. (W.K.W. Lord Randolph Chuncellor of the Exchequer 1886)

Hs private secretary applied to me to furnish him with such items of gublic expenditure to which I considered the pruning knife could be applied without interfering with the efficiency of the service.

Accordingly I submitted a few suggestions bearing on unnecessary expenditure giving special prominence to the disbandment of the Military Labourses, the withdrawal of the Deputy Surgeon General and Quartermaster Army Medical Staff and constituting Barbades and Jamaica into two separate charges, and various minor items connected with Garrison expenditure.

I had previously submitted the proposal regarding the Army Medical arrangements to the Director General Sir Thomas Crawford, who at once fell in with the suggestion.

The Hilitary labourers disappeared from the Estimates notwithstanding a stubborn resistance from the local military authorities.

A friend writing from Barbados some time after remarked that I might be thankful that the Atlantic was between me and the ire of the Barbados Garrison. Thanks to the samitary improvements effected in Barrack construction in Barbados it is not the death trup it formerly was. Pure water has been brought into the Garrison and private dwellings in tawa and suburbs, but the common people must still beg water from their more opulent neighbours or trust for their supplies to brackish water from surface wells.

In the Eastings District the poor were deprived of the luxury of pure water because a local publican refused to pay the water rate. He thought it might takinger his trade.

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The dread mocarge of West Indian Islands is the periodic epidemics of YellOW Perer. This will gradually disappear before the advancing wave of sunitary science. An intelligent sanitary officer making an importion of the town of Fridgetown would wonder how an epidemic of smallpox has not swept out of existence the dwellers of that densely populated District. **** If a meroiful Providence withhold this mocarge, it will not be because of the forewight of those responsible for the health and cleanliness of this congosted town.

mero is no real drainage in the town (1886), the officials taking it for granted that the porous mature of the soil will atome for the culpable neglect of sanitary repirements. This accounts for the emormous prevalence of enteric fever. Mere is no more enjoyable Island in the West Indies than Barbados, but this

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On enquiry I ascertained that it was a light-house in course of erection . On a close inspection I concluded that by the time the lanterm platform was reached, a rat could not squeeze himself through the aperture. On returning

to my quarters I twitted the Assistant Surveyor Royal Engineers on the superior intelligence of his draughteman who had designed the edifice. I was informed that the Department of the Royal Engineers was responsible for its erection only. Next morning the Commanding Officer Hoyal Engineers as informed of my oriticism and summoned the designer into his presence and upbrided him for allowing the imperfect plan to reach the contractor, without verification

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Next morning it was razed to the ground.

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Usion an officer from the ranks this stronious blunder would not have occurred pefore leaving Barbados, I appealed to the Principal Medical Officer to interpose and to send the Detachment home by the mail when relieved by the incoming detachment, as the arrangement was so monstrously absurd that the Quartermaster General would alter it, if it was brought to him notice.

Knowing the aversion of the General Officer Communding to show the least interest in the welfare of the Army Hospital Corps he declined to move in the matter.

On 28th. Octomer 1886 I embarked on board the Steam Ship " Para " for Degland. The voyage was tame and uninteresting : the passengers few in number, and apparently invalids, returning home after having exhausted their energies " gathering gear by every wile ", too often disregarding the poet's dictum "that's justified by homour " a clause that seldom enters into a successful colonist's consideration.

Among them was a lady going to join her humband on the West Goast of Africa. Her annemic condition led the ship's doctor to prescribe the usual remedy of the insperienced, a daily portion of Henney's "three stars"vinum Gallaci" from a consciousness that what he enjoyed others would find a palatable "cure all Buying finished the first quarter bottle, she confided her dislike of it to a clergyman returning home from British Guiana, on leave from a Government Beformatory. This worthy underestimated the sincerity of the run of the general penients and rudely replied "You seem to take very kindly to it", an expression of opinion that commanded general confirmation. After twelve days run we reached Plymouth and to avoid crossing to

After twelve days run we reached Plymouth and to avoid crossing to Prance en route to Southampton, the most of the passengers landed in Plymouth and trained to London.

On reaching London I reported my arrival at the Army Medical Department. I first interviewed the Staff Officer Army Hospital Corps with the hope of inhoing him to send the Mest Indian Relief A.H.Corps home by the Mail and mays the women and children the disconforts of five monthe purgatorial maffering on a Troopship. He declined to take any action.

The had blundered and the arrangement must stand. They were only soldiers'wives and had no representative in Parliament and no voice would be raised there to expose the inhuman treatment. If found in a romance this story of administraive incompetence would be regarded as incredible even on the part of a Whr Office Official. I left the office with a supreme contempt for the man who was pitchforked into an office for which he was wholly unfitted. This was the officer, who in 1861 illegally altered the status of the officers of the Army Bospital Corps from combatant to relative rank .

W interview with the Director-General Sir Thomas Grawford K.C.B. was of a much more cordial nature.

He informed me that he had a request from the Senior Medical Officer in Cathan - Brigsde Surgeon Made, who was my Commanding Officer in

Iderabot in 1880 - urging him to send me to him on my return home. Bir Thomas added that he had been to Devomport on the previous week and that the condition of the heepital was deplorable and that he had determined to send as three, but as this wan the first personal application he ever had for an officer of our Corps he would leave set to make my choice. I decided to go to person't being the larger heepital.

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I pointed out that keeping a Deputy Surgeon-General in Barbados, having the adical administration of scattered Garrisons from the Bahamas to Demorrara involving a forthnight's stay in each Garrison for an inspection that could be carried out in five hours, was unsound administration. In Jumics the compuleory stay was for one month.

It seemed better to withdraw the Deputy Surgeon General and the Quartermaster, and to appoint A Brignde Surgeon in Barbados for the Windward Islands and British Guiana, with another in Jamaica for that Colony, including British Undersa and the Bahamas.

I explained that questions of administration first came to Barbados, remain there a fortnight before it could be sent out to any other station, and a whole moth in Jamaica before it could be sent back to Barbados, remain there another fortnight before it could be sent on to London,

The change was shortly afterwards carried out on the score of efficiency.

On the 15th. November 1886 I joined for duty in Devonport.

I found the place the reverse of a bed of roses. The Sergeant-Major was my senior as a Staff-Sergeant, when we were both seployed at the War Office (W.K.S. 1879), and the supercession reakled in Mis mind. He exerted himself to thmart me at every point, and was assisted in this by the Senior Medical Officer - Brigsde Surgeon HEMBERT. As a disciplinarian the Sergeant Major was woefully deficient, but as a

statistical clerk he had few equals in the Service.

He was verily a round pin put into a square hole. I was made to understand that I was not wanted there, whatever the Director-General might think of the Hospital's needs.

I want on my way quietly until I finished taking over the ward equipment and stores. On reaching the Medical Stores I was informed by the Brignde Surgeon that he had placed the Medical Stores in charge of a Surgeon and that his decision was final. I told him that finality was a most inappropriate phrase to use in the Army Medical Department and referred him to the Regulations on the subject, remarking that I allowed no one to usurp my duties expland to me by the Regulation of the Department, and that, if he pervised in his opposition I would complain to the Director General.

He refused to mubmit my complaint to the Principal Medical Officer. I then informed him that if he persisted in him attitude that I would pass him and the Principal Medical Officer and would interview the Director General on the following Sunday"

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when he found that I had the confidence of the Director General he changed his taction. A few mornings after the matter of the medical stores was sottled, I found two patients on an "entire" diet and a pint of porter in one of the wards. I found nothing was known in the office about the reason for these atims. I sent for the previous twelve months diet sheets from the Commissariat Office and found that seventeen different medical officers had treated those sm in ten months not one of thes changed or notified the various stages that had expervened during the ten months. No entry was made in a case book and only by the diet sheets could ary information be obtained.

The Brighds Surgeon railed at the unfortunate officer who had charge of the word. He sought to purge himself of negligence in supervision by blaming the man who had the least responsibility in the matter. He hinted that a pair of vigilant eyes might be better employed than overlooking the shortcomings of

sen whose multifarious duties condoned their negligence. I had not been long in the station, when I suspected the existence of the usual geoulative mania on the part of the cock

The difficulty was to secure a conviction. I gave the cock to understand that I was discastified with the weight of the dists after they were distributed. A few days after, an order came from the War Office directing the transfer

of the cook to one of the hospitals in the Home District. He had applied to one of the sergeants in the War Office to get himself transferred to one of the Hospitals in the Home District fearing he might come to grief in the appropriation of what he regarded as his rightcous perquisites, but which I regarded in a different light.

His successor was an adopt in prevaricative ingemuity. Finding twolve pounds of beef concealed in a drawer in the kitchen after the diets had been in process of cooking.I questioned him as to how it came there.

Be informed me that he was in the habit of " boning " the reasting meat, so as to improve the soup diets by the addition of the bones.

I remarked that " boming " the remark meat was a peculiarity of Hospital Gooks for other purposes than the improvement of the soup and ordered him to discontinue the protice and placed him in arrest for having most in his possession when it should have been in the over.

To had an accomplice that assisted him out of his difficulties and when the case want before the Principal Medical Officer, I found it had been discussed in my Absence and he was only given a reprimand.

Next morning he waylaid the Senior Medical Officer and anked to be allowed to continue his former practice for the improvement of the song. He succeeded in his speak and boasted that he had checkmated the quartermaster. I dared him to repeat this questionable practice and taid the Senior Medical Officer that it was inversive of dissipline to allow this man to ignore my ruling in order for him to early out his metarious practices. He at once cancelled the permission given under a simpprehension. Within a year I placed him four times in arrest for robbing

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while I went to report the matter to the senior medical officer. After his spending half an hour in discursive talk trying to impress on me the disgrace involved in bringing a non-commissioned officer to trial for thet, two medical officers were sent with me to examine and report on the find. During my absence scene green knock tas had been added to the packet. I protested against this addition but the steward persisted that no one had interfered with it. This matinfied the medical officers who accepted the cock's story when backed up by Sergeant Quelch (whose piety was unquestioned, it being generally known that he spent two weeks out of every year doing penance for his shortcomings in a monstery in the neighbourhood of Backfastleigh.) Personally I had come to the conclusion that this was a most inadequate expisition for a year's spiritual transgreesions.

The medical officers admitted that without the addition of the green ten it was a perfect example of Government ten. I was again baffled in securing a conviction but arranged with the staff officer to remove him from the district. He was sent on forsign service. I thus got rid of him. After he had left the station, the Sergeant Major informed that I was right in my surmise regarding the ten added during my absence at the Senior Medical Officer's office. The steward sent his wife to the mearest GrOcer's shop for green ten and mixed it with the ten left by me in his oursdy. Such has been the disciplinary instinct for many years of the average soldiar bequeathed to the mation by the Cardwellian system.

The information in the possession of the sergeant major was withheld until it was of no use.

On the assembling of the Militia Medical Staff I was requested to apportiom them their work on fatigue duties in the passage, the cookhouse, and grounds. As I had been specially interested in the original suggestion for the formation of a militia medical staff, I was specially interested in their efficient training and suggested they should have lectures, drills and ward instruction in marsing the sick. I argued<u>thes</u>the Director-General would not send thirty men there for fatigues. This was, at first, bitterly remented as it would encovach on the leisure of the medical officeru, but on producing the Mir Office Orders it was men that their proliciosary had to be reperted on. This had net beem done previously After a month's training the men were better mick norses than some of

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Some of them ordered beer on their own account and pocketed the proceeds. I determined to upset this arrangement but found I had contend with unseen influences. I suggested an appeal to the General Officer Commanding the District to place the canteen under a pensioner sergeant.

On the application being submitted to the assistant adjutant general, the P.N.O's clerk sought the assistance of the General's Chief Clerk to refuse the application, which was accordingly done.

For more than a year I had to witness the demoralization of the men of the Detachment to enrich five or six sergeants of the Corps by the Monopoly. One morning I accompanied the adjutant-general Colonel Waughan - Jones round the hospital wards and in course of conversation he asked if I could find an opening for a good old exidier about to be discharged from the permanent staff of the 3rd. Battalion D.C.L.I. . He had been

The colour sergeant with " Captain" Yaughan-Jones in his regimental days and had ever since received many favours from his former captain. I suggested that a place could be found for him as steward of the Hospital Canteen, if the General would approve of a change being made in its management. I reminded him of my previous application and its refumal. I was told to renew it, which was at once carried cut.

I was determined to suppress what I regarded as an unnitigated ourse. The application was reluctantly forwarded by the Principal Medical Officer and was immediately sanctioned.

Before the new regime was six months old the men of the Detachment had a boat, a football and a cricket club all well-stocked out of the profits of the Canteen, with also a decided improvement in their messing. Shortly after the Canteen was established on proper working lines, I was visited by a Brewer's Traveller with price lists and testimonials. His firm had been reccommended to me some months previously an officer, who, in the absence of the General Officer Commanding, came from one of the Regimental Districts to inspect the Station Hospital. On enquiry, I found that this officer was a Director of the Concern hence his commendation. The traveller was sanguine of success and informed me that he had"squared" the other members of the Committwhich I took to be some mystic touch in Presensenry to which I was a stranger, and asked him to explain the reference. He had been told by a mmeber of the Committee that he had first to convince me that his Pirm supplied a bester article than the one from which I got wy supplies, and that as I was Λ working member of the Committee business transactions were left in my hands. If I approved, he was to send a mime gallon cask to the canteen as a sample, and if approved by the men he would have a twelve month's contract. I informed him that I was a life abstainer and could not, except by analysis, differentiate between his beer and our contractor's, Mr. Carton of Bristel against whom I never had a complaint, but so far as I was concerned I was disposed to leave it to the non to make their own selection. I demanded an explanation of what he

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wished to convey in the phrase " squaring the Committee ", as I knew the President to be a gentleman who would not be "squared" by anyone on unvorthy grounds and as for the other sember I did not know his sufficiently to sit in judgment on his motives. He was not propared to give me the required explanation but rose to take his departure, whispering as he did so that if I gave him the comtract he would on the first order gives me ten sovereigns. I immediately opened the door and bowed him out.

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The sample cask came the following day, was communed and favourably reported spon by those who partook of it. I made out a cheque for the contents of the cask and having signed it brought it to the President for his signature. Be declined to sign it as it was a sample cask and as it was favourably reported on, I was henceforth to order my supplies from that Pirm. To this I replied that so far as this firm was concorned the supply could not be changed so that the cask muct be paid for. On this he became rather crusty and informed as that he had promised it to the traveller.

I remarked that I had very strong reasons against giving it to that Firm . I was requested to accompany him to the Brigade Surgeon's office, where he stated his case and requested that I should be ordered to complywith the vishes of the majority of the Committee. The Brigade Surgeon saw no reason for witholding the supply from that Firm in question seeing that at his last inspection, the Inspecting Officer recommended that particular Firm. I then informed his of the offor made to me and added that the man thought that every danteen manager had his price, but having for the whole of my service sorrigulously avoided taking gifts from contracters, it was too late to begin it on completionof my thirtisth year of service.

The Commanding Officer approved of my action, the cheque was signed and duly transmitted. That this unhallowed practice is largely carried on in the Army, from the War Office to the Drummers' Mess Boom is well known to every rank in the service, carried on with unscrupulous audacity at Home and Abroad. Discussing this disreputable practice with an Edinburgh tradesman (after leaving the service), he informed me that on one occassion he had to give the Commanding Officer of one Unit 5% discount on the year's supply to the sergeants mess on behalf of

some regimental charity. Such a practice would not have been countenanced in the " purchase" days the officers of that period maintained regimental charities without outside aid.

I had not been long in Devonport when the Foreman of Works Hoyal Engineer Department called at my office and anked for a covering requisition for fifteen days of a shater on the Bospital roof. Having never ordered a shater to the roof, I declined to give him the requisition telling him that as long as I was in charge no requisition would be certified for unsuthorised repairs. I was well aware that the roof was the usual milch cow from which unsuthorised adornments to certain quarters were inwarlably recouped. I have seen Oreenollouses and alterations carried out that never' appeared in the Annal Argy Estimates.

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An entry in my note-book about this time recalls an unpleasant incident. A small non-disted Hompital was mituated in one of the Forts above Turnchapel, Flymouth District. The quartermanter Medical Staff had to visit this Fort on inspection duty, crossing by the Ferry Beat. Trum and beat cost five-pence. Having made four such visits he presented a bill for one shilling and eight pence for counter-signature, by the Frincipal Medical Officer. Critically examining the document the F.M.O. refused to sign it, on the ground that the War Office allowed thirteen shillings and sixpence for the journey, and as he and others charged that amount, the Quartermaster must do the same. The Quartermaster declined to alter it, having to certify that the amount charged had actually been paid, so the amount due was never recovered.

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With Principal Medical Officers and officers of the Medical Department in general, Quartermasters have been treasted as of the barrack-room casts and ineligible for participation in social functions. They were made to understand that the teamin court was forbidden to them, that they were to see that the grass was kept out, but they were to view the game from a distance. One quartermaster madaciously presented himself at the residence of the Principal Medical Officer, and was graciously received by the family to whom his rank was unknown. Being intelligent and well-mead

he could hold his own in general conversation, and always made a good impression on those with whom he conversed. On the arrival of a Sargeon of the Department (the son of a local dancing-master) the status of the Quartermaster was revealed and immediately he found himself transported into the Artic regions. The Quartermaster was the better educated of the two and hy far the more intelligent, but he had the misfortune to have graduated through the Barrack-room and that was enough to disqualify him for acceptance in the military social circle.

I could offer him no commiseration as I felt he should have saved himself the indignity . If he performs his varied duties in strict accordance with the Regulations of his Department the quartermaster's position is not an enviable one. He is the only officer in the service who is on duty daily from reveille until tatoo.

He is branded by Horse Omards Regulations as being incapable of being entrusted with momey, except when it serves the purpose of the War Office, or exercise his knowledge or his common sense in dealing with supplies, and is seldom a <u>personal grata</u> with superiors or subordinates.

It has been my misfortune always to have insisted, sorupulously, on the letter of the Regulations rather than seek to interpret its hidden meaning.

By those Regulations I was officially debarred from passing judgment on the quality of supplies delivered into the Hospital stores, but had simply

to see that the quantities ordered were delivered. The inaxperianced medical officer on joining the Service can accept or reje

explice, but the Quartermatter of forty years service is forbidden to exprise, his judgment or knowledge in that matter.

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of subordinates, and felt that the sconer we came to grips the better friends we were likely to be in the end.

I examined and weighed the meat, setting aside such portions as were in accordance with my requisition, and put the remainder back into the Butcher's basket, and directed him to hasten back to the shop and tell him master to comply with my requisition at once.

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On this, the Surgeon-Major stepped forward and laying his hand on the basket, remarked with startling emphasis " You forget that it is my prorogative to reject or accept the meat." To this I quietly replied " You should by this time know that your

I our relation reprint - four module by this time know that your percognitive begins where mine ends. I do not reject, I only return what I did not order, and as soon as I get what I ordered I shall call on you to accroise your prerogative."

Th Contractor was one of the weeds of the Plymouth Meat Market Por several years he supplied the hospital at a fraction less than five pence per pound, usually the refuse of the market. I was directed by the Principal Medical Officer to assist the young medical officers in the impection of supples and in the general working of the hospital. This did not please the Meat Contractor. He never anticipated any friction

on the change of stewards, cooks, or quartermasters. He was a strong believer in in solidified palm oil as a wonderful lubricant,

when secretly applied and held the opinion that every man had his price. He found his mistake and appealed to the Senior Commissariat Officer for protection.

He met with soant encouragement in that quarter .

Haing failed there, he applied to the War Office to interdict the Hospital Quartermmatter from inspecting the Hospital meat supplies. He accused the medical officers of subordinating their judgment to the Quartermmater's dictation, adding that he had repeatedly (in the absence of the quartermmeter) insidered with nuccess mean that had been rejected the previous day. The War Office called for an explanation.

The Principal Medical Officer justified his action in the matter, exonerated the quartermuster from the restrictions of the CEntractor, and intensified the need for such supervision as the Quartermuster had carried out since joining the station.

The War Office blacklisted the Contractor, cancelling his Contract. Ny difficult with hospital supplies and attras were not with contractors only. A sentimental nursing sister is not always the heavem-sont treasure that Newspaper Reporters and enthusiastic faddists represent her to be.

Into certain wards, including infectious wards, they were not allowed to enter. Their presence in the ward did not reduce but rather sugmented the male attendants .

Wy objection to them, was on the score of extravagance and ill-considered fads,

On one occasion I was ordered to supply half a pound of grapes daily for a patient under the care of Surgeon Nicholas. As it was winter I was bound down to Spanish grapes. I supplied the best procurable.

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This did not satisfy the nurse. She insisted on having English grown grapes. This I positively refused and pointed out that the Regulations restricted m to " fruits in peason " .

The Contrictor was in the passage during the controversy. surgeon Micholas sought to strengthen the Sister's appeal, and roared out as only a Cornishman can " I must have the grapes, blue grapes, even if they cost twenty shillings a pound. "

I suggested that he should first obtain the sametion of the Principal Medical Officer .. to this extraordinary demand, after which I would procure a sample. This he declined, and I as emphatically, declined to order English grapes. He then instructed the fruiterer to procure English grapes.

This he supplied at sixteen shillings a pound. At the end of the month a bill was presented for twenty eight pounds fifteen shillings for the grapes supplied.

After an angry remonstrance from the War Office the bill was paid. This incident did not enhance my estimate of the fitness of the average medical officer for any responsible charge outside his professional duties. I had reason to be dissatisfied with the manner in which advances on to the higher rates of working pay in the ranks of the Aray Hospital Orps was conducted, and had good reason for suspecting that the Principal Medical Officer's Clerk reaped a rich harvest in consequence. I apprised him of my suspicions and was cooly told that to a certain extent I was correct. but that he would take good care that he would defy me to secure a conviction against him, if I attempted to do so.

I was reluctantly compelled to admit that military law as administered under Army Act of 1881 he would be sure to escape, an act framed not to he would be sure to escape, an act framed not to vindicate outraged justice, but to shield the transgressor, and made it almost impossible to obtain a conviction.

On my next visit to London he was transferred to Ward Daty at another station in the Western District. He has since been commissioned as a quartermaster, but for some reason or another disappeared from active service. Changes of Senior Medical Officers at Devonport under the "pot luck " system of the unification scheme were too frequent to allow of much interest to be taken in mastering the detail of the work. In five years we had six such in charge.

To master the elementary principles of military law, drill, Queen's Regulatns, together with the varied Regulations which the nature of their multifarious duties imposed on them left little leisure for professional reading. As a rule they had all returned from India where everything done for them, and where they would return again and forget all the military knowledge they had acquired at home.

One of the most unfortunate appointments made was, the transfer of an officer from a Female Hospital, by Deputy Surgeon General Meadows. Surgeon Major Martagh, the senior officer of his rank was doing duty in the Plymouth Citadel and would have made an excellent Commanding Officer, but in additional to his professional attainments he had an independent judgment on all matters connected with his Department. This was considered by the Principal Medical Officer a sufficient reason for superseding him by a junior.

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I was instructed to coach the new comer in the duties of his office, especially in matters affecting military duties connected with the Corps One morning on making my usual daily visit to the wards I found a patient

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One morning on making my usual daily visit to the wards I found a patient in one of the isolation wards about to be discharged from the Service. He presented every appearance of entering on the early stage of acute mania, Which, after former experiences at other stations justified my calling the attention of the Senior Medical Officer to the case. In a tone of offended dignity he replied " I am prepared to take your adivce

In a tone of offended dighty he replied " I am prepared to take your adivos readily on administrative matters but in professional mattef, please offer no opiniom "

I thanked him and returned to my office.

about midnight the patient in question (Sergeant Glesson " 18th. Royal Irish ") broke out of hospital and on the alarun being given a dosen orderlies started in gursuit. He however outditianced them and reaching the Citadel Guard Room classoured for the protection of the Guard maintaining that the orderlies wanted to kill him. He was brought back and placed under restraint. In the morning I reported the matter to the Senior Medical Officer and suggested that, instead of sending him to his sister-in-law in Bristol, he should be sent to his Parish in Northern Island. I was again reminded that I was not to offer an opinion on professional matters. I rejoined that is was act his sister-in-law, he would probably marder her air children or take his own life. To this he angrily replied " I shall not write another case which your suggestion would necessitate. then apply to the War Office for permission

suggestion would necessitate , then apply to the Mar Office for permission to send him to Ireland. " Two days later, he was ment under escort to Bristol. On the third day of his

residence there, he took his own life by jumping off the Clifton Suspension Bridge.

This would never have occurred under the Regimental Hospital System, as the Medical Officer was so much in touch with his men as to interest himself in their welfare.

Today the soldiers medically are nobedy's bairns, except when a kind-bearted murse interests herself in them.

When the sub-accountant Army Hospital Corps took his annual leave his dutie full to my Lot. To my intense disgust I found that his clerk was a non-commiss ioned officer, whom I had had on the Curragh some years before. I found the man had not improved either in ability or moral character. ¹ had repeatedly to rouse him up to a more intelligent appreciation of him

dities, but all to no purpose. On the sub-accountant's return I suggested to hi to rid himself with all speed of his clerk. I was told that I expected too much of the non-commissioned officers. I told him that he would soon regret his refusal to entertain my suggestion. He had not long to wait. His Clothing Ledger should have been dispatched to Pinlico not later than the first of June, and was entered in the Postage Account as having been sent off.

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As it had not reached its destination before the first of November, the Department called repeatedly for the Ledger but every application was suppressed by the Principal Medical Officer's Clerk, as no other had access to them. Weary by non-compliance the Director of Clothing wired to the P.N.O. for the Ledger and the reason why it was being withheld so long. The fat was in the fire . The receipt of previous applications was denied . while the controversy was raging in the office, the man's wife hastened to the post office to dispatch the ledger. It was kept back far five months hoping that he might have left the station before his misdemeanours were found ou. The result was that the good-matured dupe who trusted him had to pay out over thirty pounds sterling for his misplaced confidence. The subordinate was allowed to escape with a simple reprimand. Each year on the embodiment of the Militia I had to requisition the CommissariatiStaff for extra bedding and clothing in consequence of the inadequate provision made for the Equipment of Station Hospitals.A grandiose scale of Equipment was laid down in the Army Medical Regulations , but no hospital in the Kingdom had a quarter of that amount of that scale. This is a glaring absurdity in leaving the control of Hospital Stores and

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Equipment to be vested in the Army Service Corps, the most effete service in the Army from 1871 to the time I left the made the Service in 1895 made up as it then was from the Civil Service candidates and in the Army momenties from Combatant services. Here and there a batch of particularly mart officers would crop up now and again out of the Civil Service batches, but the general run were usually more feeble. One practical officer of the Purveyor's Department was worth half a dozen

of these semi-aristocrats

All stores are in the first instance drawn from the Ordnamce Department and why the Army Service Corps should be a buffer between that Department and other corps can only be to provide situations for the surplus insue of the middle class community.

I requested the Officer in charge of Barracks to equip the hospital to the standard scale. He blandly informed me that there were not in the whole Western Command as much as would complete the Devonport Hospital to that scale.

Such scales exist but to gull the Public, and Whig and Tory Governments alike must plead guilty to the sacrifice of efficiency at the shrine of soonomy.

Even blatant Socialism will raise its leonine mane erect, when economy is hinted at in connection with our spending departments where the tradeunionist flag floats alonguide of the Union Jack. Estimates may be reduced over the Army and Navy but they must be personnel of the services, it ware hereay to reduce the output of Government Mavafacturing Departments while socialists olamour for work. Before leaving Dewomport I had an unusual demand made on my services.

I had an application from an officer serving in ALBERNHOT skotregressent him in the Stanuaries Court in Truro.

Before proceeding on foreign service some years ago, he unfortunately invested some money in a Cornish tin mine. The concern collapsed, and the

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collapsed and the unfortunate shareholders were called on to contribate \mathcal{E} 10 per share towards its reconstruction, acceptance to be sent to the Registrar within ten days. Wy friend being in Ceylon at the time could not possibly comply with this absurd condition, and naturally supposed that his case would be dealt with on the equity of his standing. On his return home he was penalised \mathcal{E} 50 for non-compliance. He reputiated the claim and was directed to give his reasons for his refusal before the Judge of the Stanmarice Court.

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He appealed to me to represent him in the Court.I applied for the letter bearing on thd claim sent to him in Ceylon or the envelope that bore it. He had thrown them namey and with them I clearly saw his £ 50 go. that without these his claim was hopelessy He was however anxious that I should appear, hoping that the impossibity of replying from Ceylon in ten days might influence the Judge in his favour. I accordingly appeared in Court and was kindly received by Judge Fisher. My friend's case was the first calledFeeling that I had no case legally I pleaded for equity, and pointed out that it was impossible for residents outside Barope to comply with the circular. The Judge called for the production of the letter. I suggested that he should appeal to the Registrar's letter book. I was told that I was not to ask the prosecution to supply ne with evidence, that I must produce the evidence or lose my case. This I could not do and had to submit to an adverse verdict. A solicitor representing a Royal Engineer Officer stationed in MADRAS produced his circular intact and carried his case.

The Western Division Army Hospital Corps was at last fortunate in securing a permanent Commanding Officer. In Brigade Surgeon Atkins we found one whe had the intervets of the men at heart and encouraged the promotion of his subordinates when qualified for advancement. To contrast the pleasure I had working under his and Surgeon Najor A.H. Stokes, with the misery I endured, while striving to maintain my position against the Commandant who bossed the show at Netlay, and Surgeon Najor Vesle and Tobin who had nominal command of the Companies, A.H.Corps there, was an experience in which the english language fails to furnish me with adequate words to bring out the contrast.

After five years, five happy years, at Devonport. I was transferred for duty to the Station Hospital, Colohester.

At Colohester, I found a good class of man commissioned officers more experienced in marsing than I had set in the Corps for some years, while the orderlies were generally men of five years service and upwards, who took a real interest in their work. This was due to the fact that as the Hospital was a collection of semi-delapidated huts no provision had been made for mursing sisters, so that the whole responsibility for arraing the sick devolved on the Mardmaster and his orderlies, and after colose on three years experience there, I can say that no mother could exceed in tenderness the intelligent orderly of five or mare years service. While much can be said in favour of female mursing in

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in General Hospitals, my experience of thirty two years Hospital work. where it was wholly entrusted to the Wardmaster, and in Hospitals where a staff of nursing sisters super-intended the work, the most painstaking and efficient mursing was in Hospitals where the Wardmaster felt his responsibility and where the orderlies were the patients' own regimental companions. Medicines were issued with more regularity where the Warring Sisters were, but this would scarcely justify the enormous expenditure involved in their employment, together with the influence their presence had on the orderlies, in creating an indifference to their daties seldom seen in a Hospital wholly worked by Corps orderlies.

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While serving in Colohester I was grievously shocked to find that luorative positions in the Corps were apparently given to favourites at out-estations from 15 Victoria Street, notwithstanding the removal of the "ranker" Staff Officer. One morning a lance-sergeant employed as Assistant Mardmaster came to me for an advance of ten shillings. for the purpose of going to see a friend of his at the War Office. I declined to make an advance except for very special reasons and that I

must see that reason in writing. He produced a pencil nate, bearing to me well known initials, informing him that a certain cookhouse in Aldershot would soon be vacant, and he could have it if he first came to the office to test his testh. I offored him the advance after the Sergeant Wajor had read the note. He was the most useless non-commissioned officer at the Station, and I was anxious to get rid of him. On his return from Yondon, he informed me that the conditions were too

exacting and he and his friend could not come to terms. I instRMcted him to write to his friend and tell him that I had seen the note, and if the appointment was not given him that I should bring the

matter before the Director General. I reported to the Daputy Surgeon General C. H. Giraud, that the note bad come into an paper surgeon General C. H. Giraud,

had come into my possession, and pointed out that subordinates in authority were not immaculate the' overshadowed by the glory of a medical Staff Officer.

He suggested that I should take no action in the matter , as it was never intended to have come into my possession..

Had the office been in the hands of a "ranker" the decision would probably have been otherwise. On hearing that the note had come into my hands the appointment was given

to the applicant, and I get rid of a useless non-commissioned officer but a good cook.

Pinding that the dispenser of medicines was constantly on duty, and as I would never approve of a haphasard arrangement that would allow the dispensers daties to be performed by the wardmaster on duty, while the responsibility rested on the hapless dispenser. I submitted an application to the Senior Medical Officer for a second dispenser. He informed se that he had previously applied and was refused. A few days after, I went to the Director-General's office stated ay grievance, and was requested to apply for a second dispenser, who would take his turn with other dispensers

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the offending subordinate, railing at the insubordination of the Detachment from the Sergeant-Major to the bugler in seeking the advice of the quartermaster rather than their commanding officer whenever they had a grievance or a supposed grievance to rectify. The clerk audaciously replied " He understands us and our affairs better than the medical officers we trust him and appeal to him for guidance ". This was regarded as gross incertimence.

I happened to come into his office to have some papers signed when this coloquy was going on. Immediately the clerk was ordered out, and he stormed at me, at hurricane velocity, for my presumption in acting as guide, and communished to the Detachment, encouraging them to ignore their Communing Officer. I reputiated the charge with some vebesence claiming the right to give advice when sought. He then informed me that

when making his half-yearly inseptiions at outstations several staff sergeant informed him that they always applied to the quartermaster for information

regarding matters affecting their interests in the Service. Having exhausted his obvicest expletives he awaited my reply. I informed his that when his olerk came to me, I directed him to make his application in the proper quarter and when he had done so I would arrange to meet his viewe. As to his complaint that I stood between the men and their Gommanding officer. I repudiated the impeachment and bluntly informed him that the post of arbitrator was not of my seeking and that whatever orders he might issue the men would come to me with all their grievances. I told him that I was commulted by officers and men of my own and of other branches of the Service. Wy papers were signed and I took my departure.

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He called me back and remarked " I suppose you are angry with me for the way I spoke to you this morning. "

I replied that I had reason to be. He apologized on the spot.

This confirmed my previously formed estimate of him, that, as a gentleman he had no superior in the Army Medical Department.

My transfer to Colchester had brought me into a red hot combatant community. It was regarded as rank heresy to call a medical officer a "doctor ". They were Generals, Colcnels, Majors &c &c. That it was an infringement of medical etiquette to call some of them "doctors " I readily admitted, they were mostly surgeons, and one or more having but one qualification that of L.S.A. .

In conversation with the Director General Sr. N.A. Mackinnen I was called to task for calling one of them by his relative rank, which was that of " Major ". Turning sharply he remarked " I am surprised to hear you calling them " Majors". " I would as soon call myself a Bishop as a General ". He felk keenly the demand for combatant rank.

In this we could not agree. My contention being that if there is any virtue social or otherwise in combatant rank, no one has a more righteous claim to it than the Army Medical Officer.

On active service he is more exposed to danger and fatigue than any other officer and liable to be struck down by overwork and infectious diseases, while others are enjoying their rest.

By night and day he is at everyone's book and call and at iselated stations is never off duty. When combatant rank was conceded to the Army Service Corps and to the Army Pay Department, it was a gross ismult to have withheld it from a body of educated professional menmore in touch with the soldier than any other suxiliary Departments. I strongly resented their assumption of store, pay and drill duties. These could be more efficiently discharged by the intelligent quartermaster than by the medical officer.

This transfer of the Pay and Store duties from the quartermasters branded them as unworthy of trust and succeeded in removing the nominal responsibility of the pay duties from the guartermaster to the medical officer, who took over the duties of a subaccountant felt the responsibility of his new duties of so little importance as to sign a fiveshilling book of blank cheques for the quartermaster to fill them in as he found mocessary. I was shown this book exultantly as an indication of the trust imposed in him. .It is presumed that the fidelity with which he executed this trust was the sole reason for the bestowment on this officer of the " Good Service Pension ".

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There was a feeling of resentment in this costerie when they realised that the Quartermanter's wife was in demand locally as a lecturer on Social and Political Roccordy . They expected that a quartermaster's wife could be nothing more than a common wash-house hack, and were not prepared to find her her equal in birth and education and not infrequently their superior in intelligence. I was made conscious of this at the first annual meeting of the Corps after our arrival, when the Principal Medical Officer's wife volunteered,on car arrival, to introduce my wife to the sergeant-major's wife, but to nome other of the ladies of the Garrison (about fifteen in number, who formed her entourage).

She was informed that there was no need, as the sergeant-major's wife had already introduced herself previously.

The small talk of this representative gathering of Garrison intelligence could rise no higher than cards, wine, horse-racing and flirtations. One of them being questioned as to her luck at cards at the house of a retired

general replied " I cannot go there much, as it costs me seventeen shillings a night. " On enquiry as to who this notorious card player was, the Principal Medical

Officer's wife made the testy rejoinder " She is my intimate friend. " This intimate friend, an Officer's wife, eloped a few days after with a married officer serving on the Garrison Staff. (W.K.M. 1st. March 1973. It is not irrelevant to enter here a few lines

from the obituary notice about my Mother in THE METHODIST REDORDER August 21 1930 " From her earliest days she was a keen and eager Church worker. ... a great worker for temperance amongst women ..leares a record of stalwart service and a fine inheritance of character and memory to her children." A.J.G.S. (Rev. Alfred J.G.Sacton) Ky Mother had a fine sense of humour. She used to relate what an awdoward situation the was in as a CHAIRWOMAN at a large, Women's Meeting at The Central/ Edinburgh and all was going well until a young man came in to sing a solo and began to sing " Where are the boys of the Old Brigade. ")

I had occasion to reprimand my clerk for neglect of duty. Next morning his chair was vacant. On enquiring at the Senior Medical Officer's office as to his whereabouts, I was informed that he was admitted to hospital. I was told that he would be discharged in a few days. I explained to the Senior Medical Officer the circumstances that induced his ailment and requested that he should be kept in three weeks by which

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A quartermaster, when he is not a persona grata can be turned out at any

time, but even if he is on the high road to angelic perfection he must gue at 55. On what basis this inhuman enactment has been fixed fm difficult to understand, but in the case of Riding Masters and Quarters alone it costs the country half a millions of money overy fouriese years by their retirement at 55 instead 65.

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characteristic. No. 2 was the most cynical man I have met with in the Service, his mationality contributing materially to the leading traits in his character. An apostste from the faith of his fathers, he was a vigorous wsholder of his adopted country and tenets.

No. 3 was a veritable porcupine whose quills shot out at any advance mude towards him.

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I was adjured by my Chief not to bring the ordinary discipline of common military hospitals into this Elysium of luxury and contentment. I moticed where the War Office red tape limited the powers of the

medical officer in food or medicines, the Brigade Surgeon always supplied from his own bounty whatever was required in the treatment of a case. In no Hospital in the Kingdom was so much professional interest taken in the soldier as in the Guards Hospital in Mestminster. Hy old learning towards the superiority of the Regimental Hospital

system awar the happy-go-lucky methods vogue in Station Hospital received ample confirmation after a year in Ecchester Naw. I had not been long in the Guards Ecepital when I noticed that pilfering was going on at a rapid rate in the Cook-houses, I found the mouts

too much on the alert to allow me to catch the transgressors in one form or another.

I socordingly suggested to the Brigade Surgeon to accompany me to the two outside Mospitals,(the Coldstreams and the Soots Guards), and weigh the diets before they left the kitchen. I informed him that from practical acportence I was sure that a varied diet should weigh ten and a half sunces, allowing thirty three percent for loss in cooking, while a half diet should weight not less than six and a half cunces. After weighing the diets in both hospitals we found the average weight of the varied to be under eight cunces and the half diets under four onnees. The Brigodie. Surgeon thes suggested that we should visit the

" Grenndiers" Hampital in Rochester Row and ascertain how matters stood there. This would not suit my purpose as had we gone there we might have it found as the others and my testimony discounted. I preferred postponing our visit there until the next day. The result of the inspection

flew like fire. Next day we visited Bochester Row cock house and found the dists considerably over my estimates. This was convincing proof of what was going on but to avoid scandal no official notice was taken of it. Cocks in large Military Hospitals invariably have rich uncles in America. Who supply them with funds when one or two new houses come into their possession, but too often being made out of kitchen dripping melt away by degrees proving that the way of transgressors is hard. I have found scane times that other Departments of the Army could beast of rich friends in our Colonial Possessions, whose liberality increased in proportion to the distance they went from home.

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I found similar defects in the Hespital Block in Vincent Square and also in the Wauxhall Bridge Road Hospital of the Scots Cuards. I reported these to the Brigade Surgeon,who,having unsisfied himself

as to the accuracy of my reports brought the matters to the notice of the Principal Medical Officer, Deputy Surgeon-General Churchill, who in company with the Officer community theRoyal Engineers improted the warkous items complained of and ware mainfield with the need for rectifying the complaint. The Commanding Royal Engineers seemed pleased to have had the defects brought to light and complimented me on the result of my investigation, but the Principla Medical Officer was in an ill tempor because it was the Quartermaster, and not the medical officers, who had or brought these defects to motice.

On leaving the Soots Guards Hospital he turned on me and in a rasping voice and aaked " How did you find this out ? ". To this I could only give the only possible answer " By looking for it ". This did not please him, and I maw no more of him, as he was more after appointed to a District in India.

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Bail been a Regimental Quartermanter I would have been paid two shillings and sixpence a day regardless of whether or not I attested recruits provided I was a recruiting officer. I had attested over elseven hundred recruits in fourieen months, while some General Service Recruiting officers attested in the same period less than thirty recruits. This is one of the many class-made and administered injustices of the War Office.

On the 5th. May 1895 I came under the ejecting clause of the Royal Marrant having completed within two months a service of thirty five years, and was awarded the mass genuice as granted to a Combatant luminous of theory works mervice.

Lieutenant of twenty years service. Quartermasters of the Reyal Artillery and Reyal Engineers, who had attained the age for retirement were provided with posts in the Mar Office, so long as they had friends in power, but the Army Medical Staff Quartermasters could expect no mercy from these who should have befriended them, when it was in their power to do so. I had completed thirty two years uninterrupted charge of Hospital stores and discipline and during that period never paid a penny for lost stores, rather a unique expressions in the Serdes.

I left the Service with regret, as sound in mind and in body as when I entered it as a country lad of twenty summers, and never regretted having taken the Queen's shilling on the 4th. JUNE 1860.

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The Medical Staff Corps was formed, mine companies strong, each of 73 men -a high standard of education required. This was the beginning of what evolvally became the R.A.M.C.

(Note regimental orderlies were still used in army hompitals in Mesopotamia in 1970/21 and in India in 1934 and later.)

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In May 1898, The Royal Commission recommended the establishment of an any medical school, bhe formation of a statistical branch; the establishment of the general hospitals, improved pay for medical officers, improved scalary reangement in barracks, and the setting up of a HOSPITL COURS.

Non the warrant appeared , in September 1958, the military surgeon was given increased pay, and placed on a par with the regimental officers. There were only toorning emissions rome was that the president of a court-entrial should always be this confor combinant officer ; the other was that the complisents paid by the parrison or regimental guard to all other officers were to be withheld from the surgeons. In other words, nobody saluted the melical officer as he entered or left the barracks.

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The B.M.A. Deputation, most formidable and authoritative called on LOED LUESDOURE, The Secretary of Mar and on 4th. Nay 1998 he, at a banquet at the Lord Mayor's Nession House announced the formation of the NOVAL ABMY MEDICAL COMPS.

lord Lister addressing him in reply, observed " You have removed a terrible cloud from the medical profession, and a terrible evil from the nation. " The First World Mar begun only sixteen years afterwards; The cloud had been lifted just in time. ED OFTHE B.M.A. DOGTORS' CONSIDES' extracts. .

Note. It took a long time for some of the army medical officers to recovar-free their and treatment over the years, as is shown in the remarks of Sir Mired Downing Pring 0.3, (0.40, 1), (5.40, 10.40, 20.40), as reported in the Minutes of Dridence, Royal Sommission on the Mar in South Africa. Restions No. 1222 Upon whom did the responsibility really rest for the state of things : that is to say for not coping with these difficulties ?

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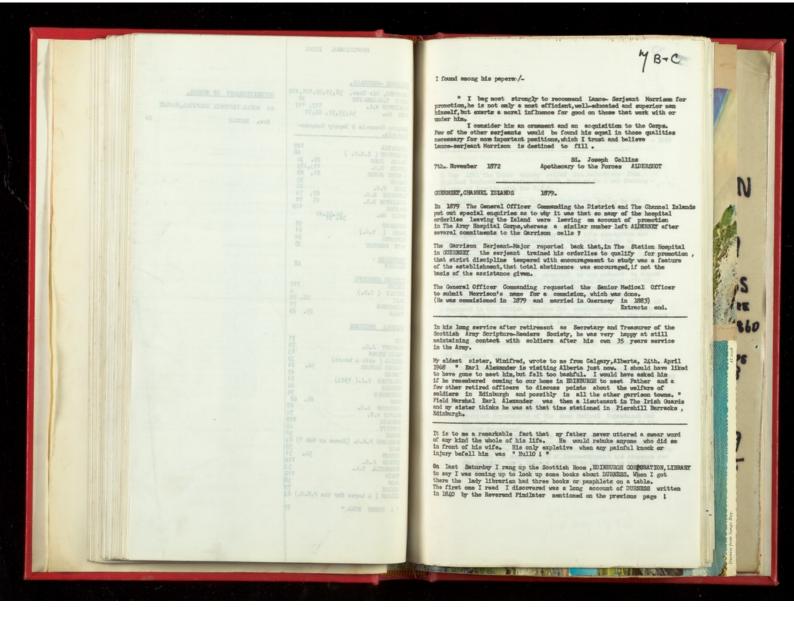
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as equally misguided when I sold my house in GRIMSET in 1956 and

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all had a very good education at JAMES GILLESPIE SCHOOL, where the fees not high and special consideration given for large families.

I passed a competitive examination for a BURGH BURSARY, ago 11 , be five years free education at GEORGE WATSON'S COLLEGE .

mgest sister, later M.A., and myself attended the University as "Carnegie mts" M.B., Ch.B. 1913.

a I was due to enter the Royal Infirmary for six months as a house-surgeon. RUTESSOR ALEXIS THOMSON, October to March 1913/14, while seconded from as R.L.M.G., after qualification I went out doing"locums" until I had noted 36 guineas to keep/for my six months in the R.I.E.. (In the ents' Mess, there was a complicated system of fines -the most you could was ten shillings in one week)

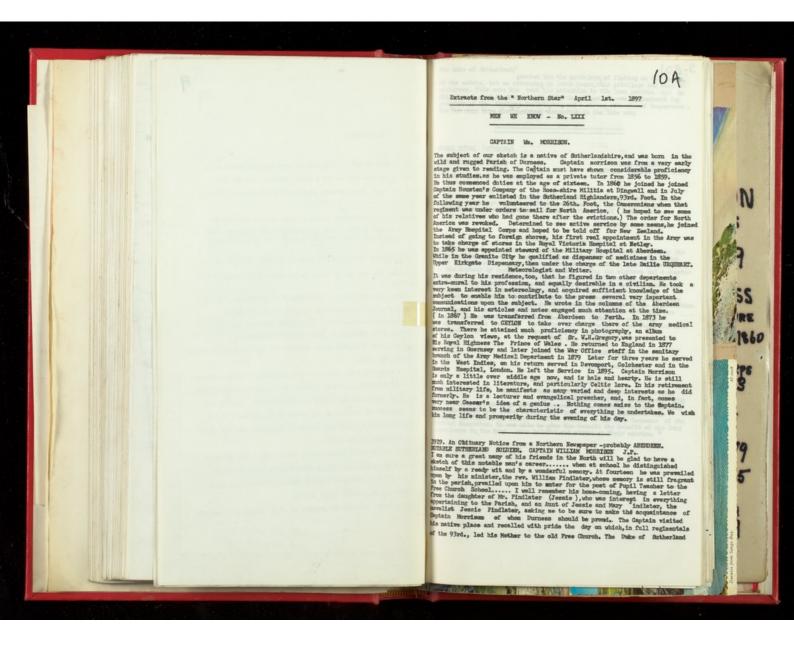
retirement my father's pension was £ 200 a year ; for six years at round as a commerfial traveller ; after that he became Secretary MARITRY OF THE ARMY SCRIPTURE READERS SOCIETY, SCOTLAND, for which tived £ 200 a year, possibly later £ 250.

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JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

To William Morrison Esq. J.P.

A DECEMBER OF STREET, S

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Sir, I as desired by the Lord Provest to inform you that, upon his Lordship's recommendation, your mame has been added to THE COMMISION OF THE PEACE for the County of The City of Edinburgh......

Sd. DAVID LYON, Clerk of the Pesce.

City Chambers , EDINEURIH 31st October 1907

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(Sd.) R. G. WARDLAW RAMSAT

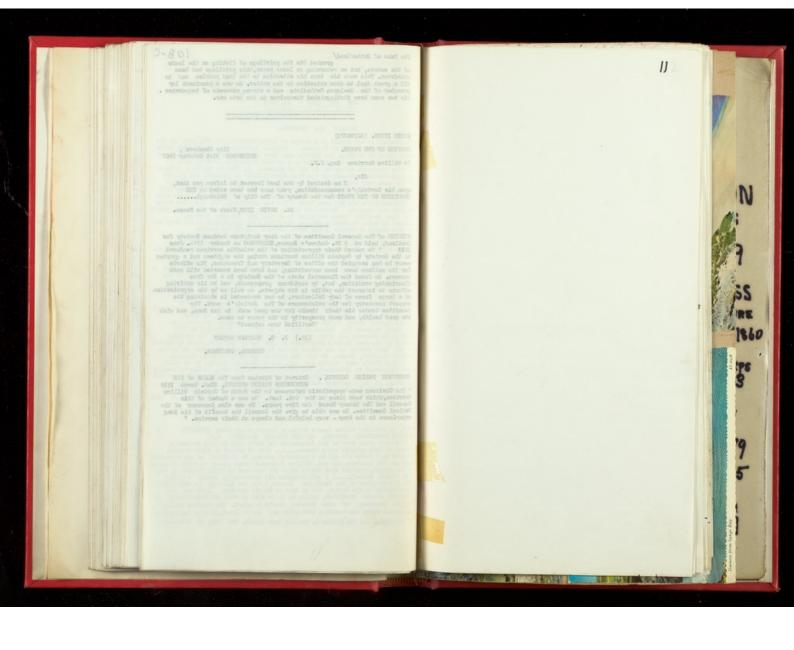
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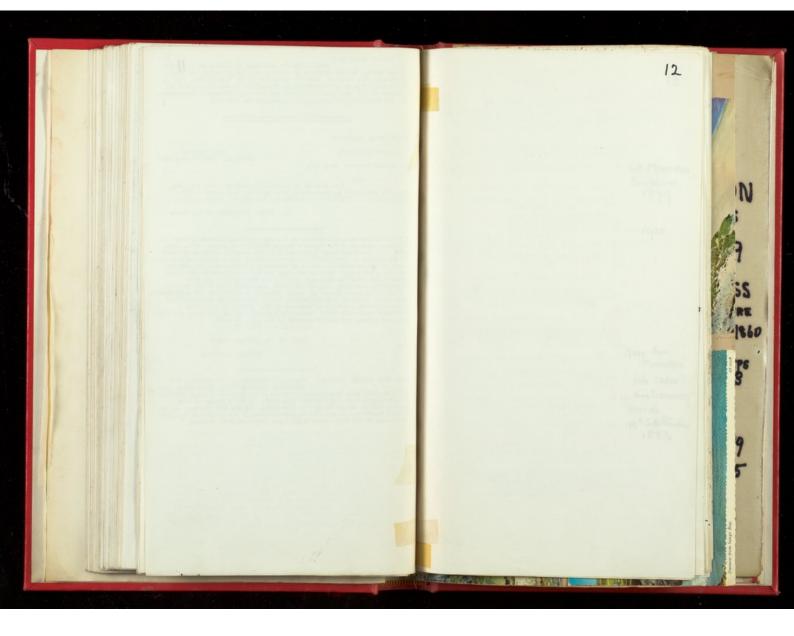
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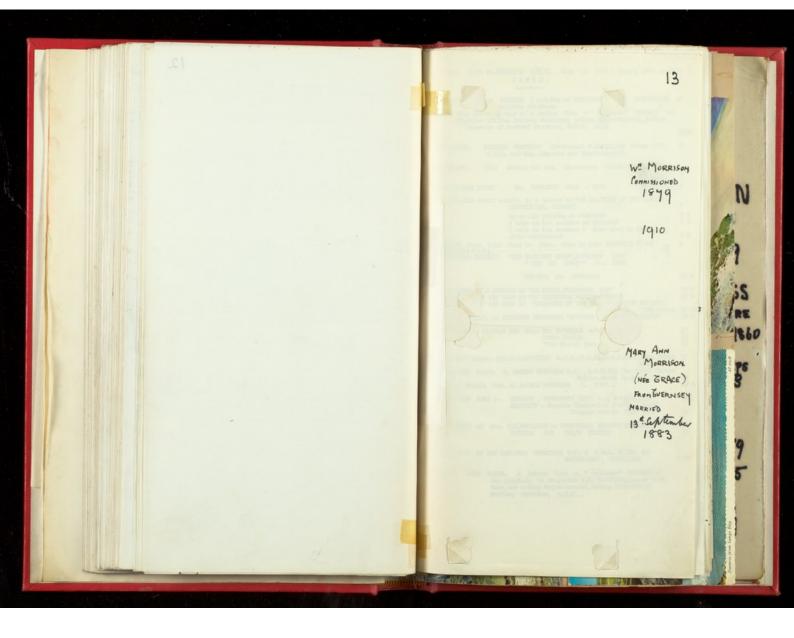
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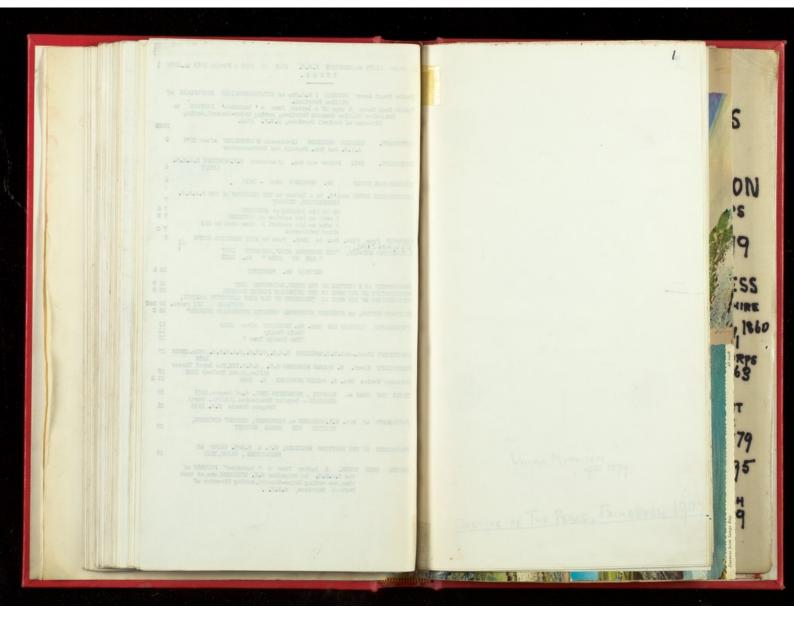
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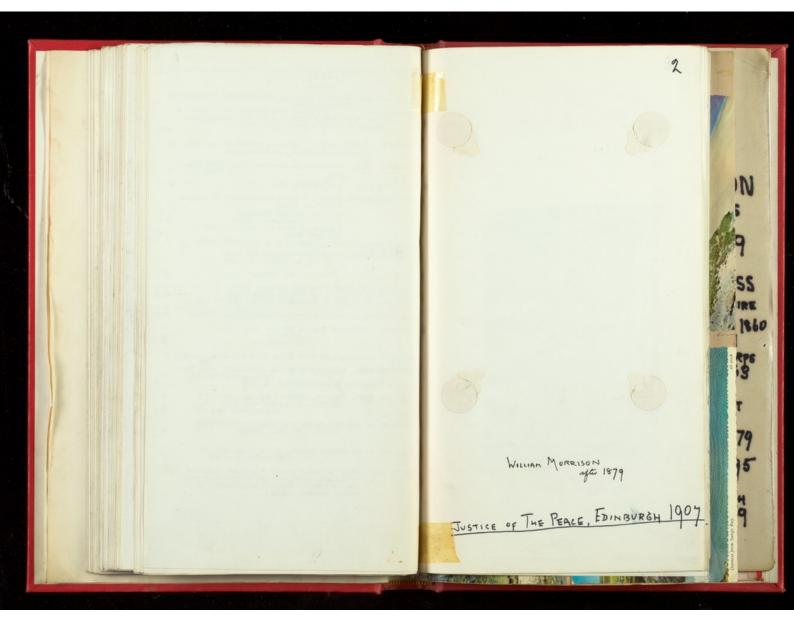


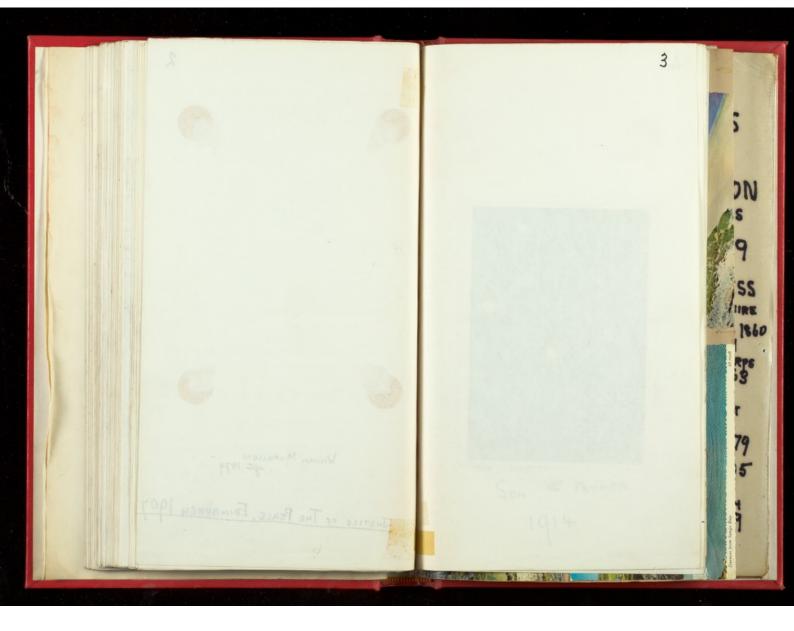


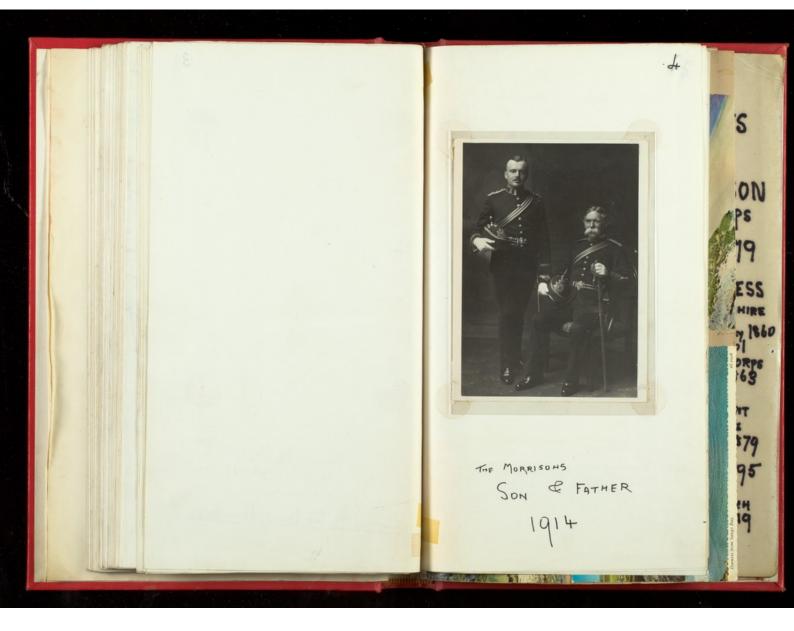


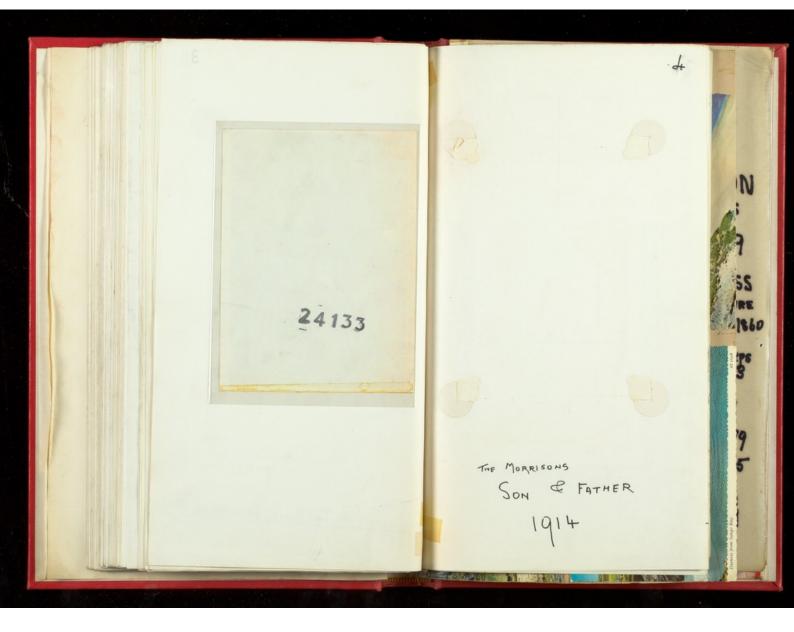
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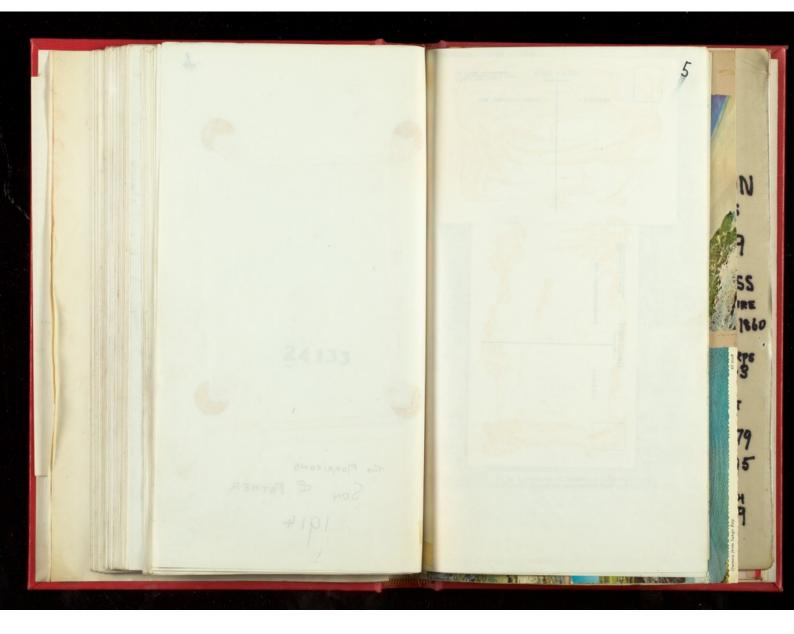














The following extracts from a letter sent by no to The CHITMAN of the Grinnby RLANCC (Dr. J.D.HOSSBURGH) on 18th. April 1966 An ASSOCIATION , which had been started by no at the request of Sergeant Sergeant and Sergeant Butcher after I went to 15ve there as a consultant rediologist to the Grinsby Group Hospitals, 19/8. 5 To be read at their Annual Dinner. CAPTAIN Mn. MORRISON J.P. 1840 - 1919 ANNT 1860 - 1895 A crofter's son from DURDESS, SUTHERLANDSHIRE. After his brother Hugh was killed at LUCKNOW, he was doubly keen to join the Kray. He records a conversation with the Severand Mr. Finilster,while my father was carrying out the dution of a teacher in the local school and and also private tutoring in the district. DN "What career do you intend to follow ? " " I have made up my mind to be a soldier." S " Suppose they won't have you ? = " I shall join the Navy ." " If the Navy won"t have you ? " 9 " I shall be a minister " . * I shall be a minister ". He was medically commined by Surgeon-Mejor BHIDON C.B., the only man who escaped in the Afghanistan disaster in ISAO and whose picture used to show the Staffacture in ADEXENSO. Solid the 97st Ford, now the Xryll and Stherlanders. We found himself in cost ungenial company in Castlehill Barrenks, ABENDUM. I wanted the two betick the recruit who failed to join the drinking with beer from failed to provide to carry him to the canteen and soak him " I appealed to his seems of honour, that I had been a total absteinor from thirteen years of ago." " You can tall that to the Marines. " " Seeing that he was about to use force, I warned him that no matter his rank, the man who touched as would be unrecognized by his Nother." "You will fight for it will you ? " " You will fight for it will you ? " " You will fight for it will you ? " SS IRE 1860 3 s I was left alone for a few days, then a burly recruit of 12 stones sought to make a quarrel with me and at last succeeded. The dispute was estiled in the wash-house. That evening, siter dank, he left the barracks with a much disfigured face, left the barracks and never came back. From that day I was left severally alone . onse back. From that day I was left severely alone . In New 1861 he treansforred to the 26th. Foot, The Cameronians, as that Beginent was supposed to be going to Canada and he hoped, when on antive services there, to pat s chose to see many of his relatives, who had gone there after the evictions from the Highlands. "Baving secured up that CARS CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for service with the WITHING TOLES CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for service with the WITHING CHASS CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for service with the WITHING CHASS CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for service with the WITHING CHASS CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for service with the WITHING CHASS CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for service with the WITHING CHASS CHRIPTICATE OF EDUCATION, I volunteered for the infit in its infit atteger." Many station is STURE BOUNDARY (MASSING AND AND AND AND AND AND regret his ignormous) MEDUCAL Breach in the All.C. and lived to be reached at total sheatans all his life and wherevere he served took a special interest in fighting on behalf of temperate. Foury station he went too, he tried to gather young soldiers round his and help them with their procedious and advancement. 9 5 I note the following items I found among his papers An appreciation from an APOTHECANY TO THE FORDER and one from the G.O.G. 1879 1874 IN MALE AND A STRATEGY



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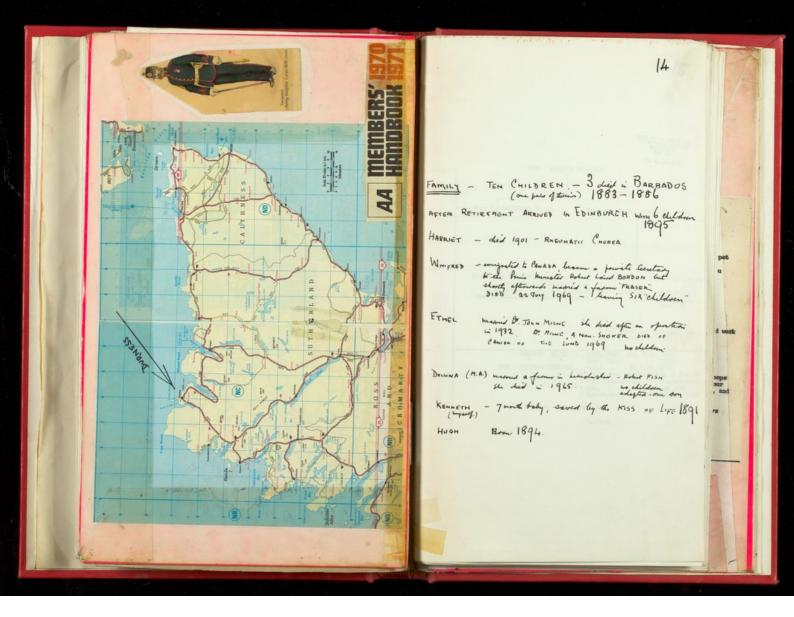
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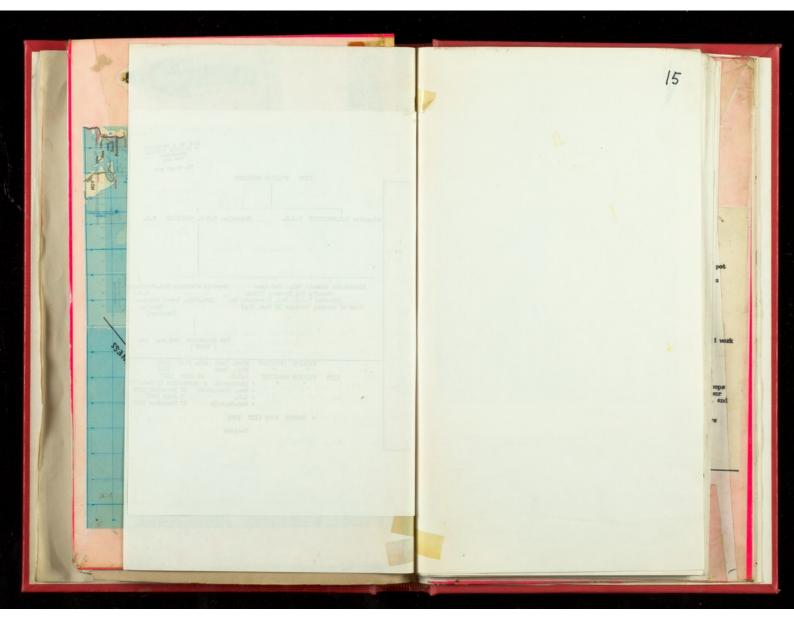
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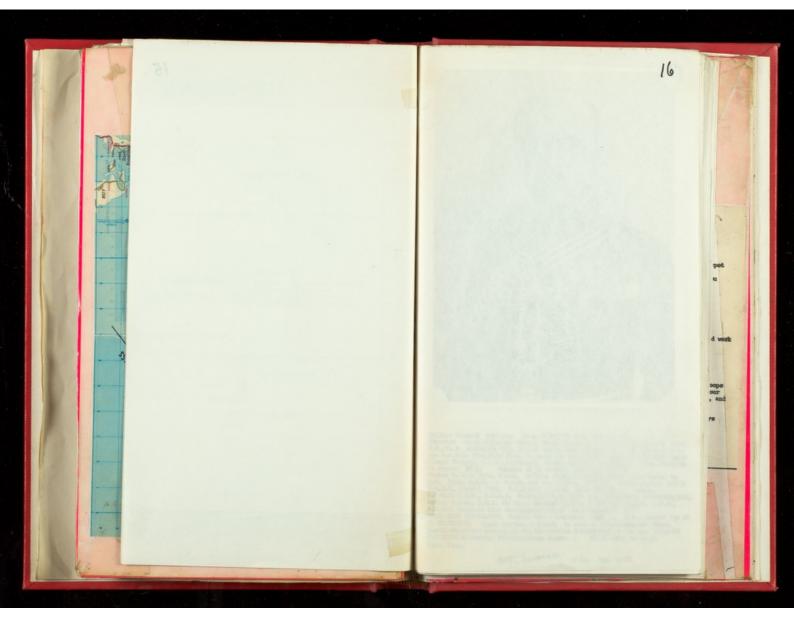
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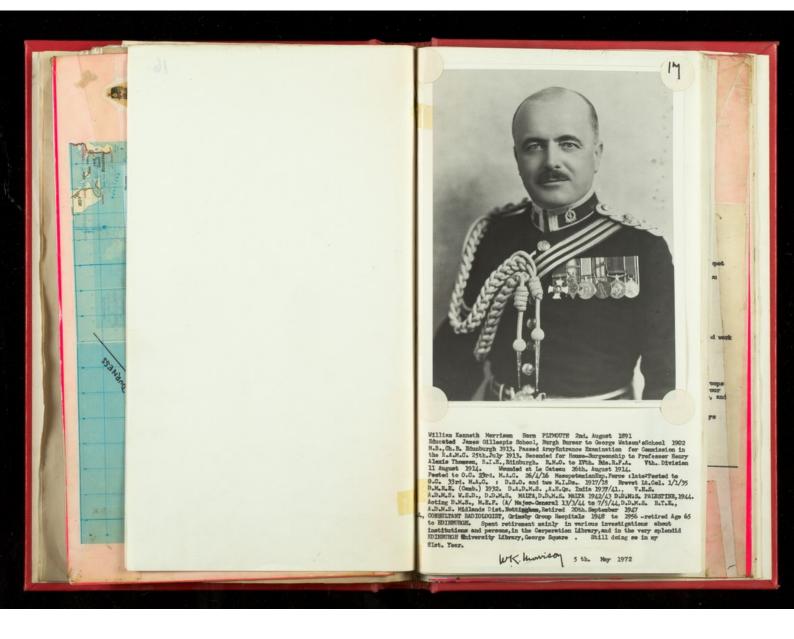
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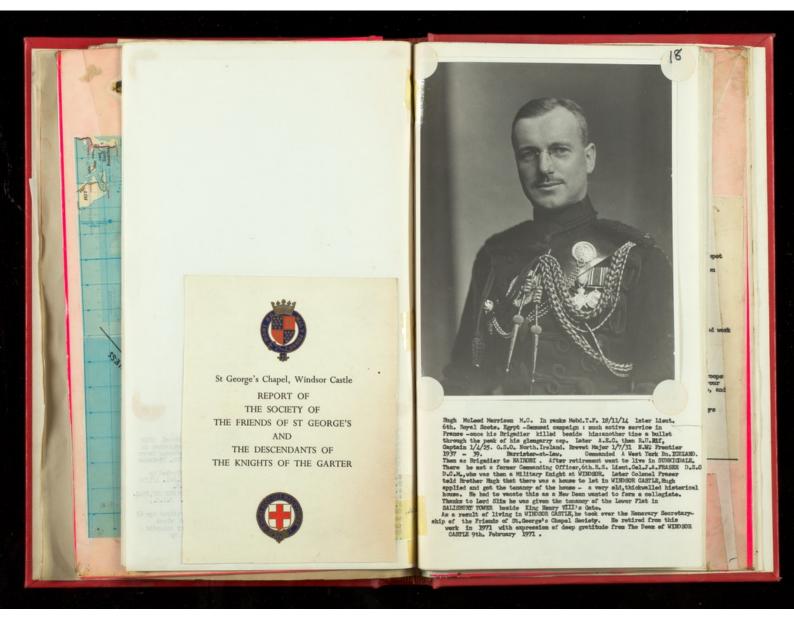


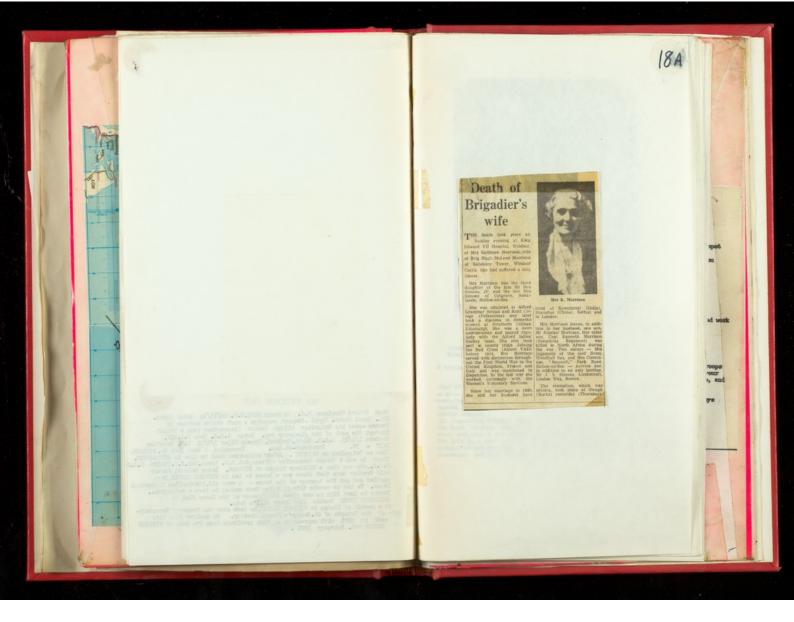
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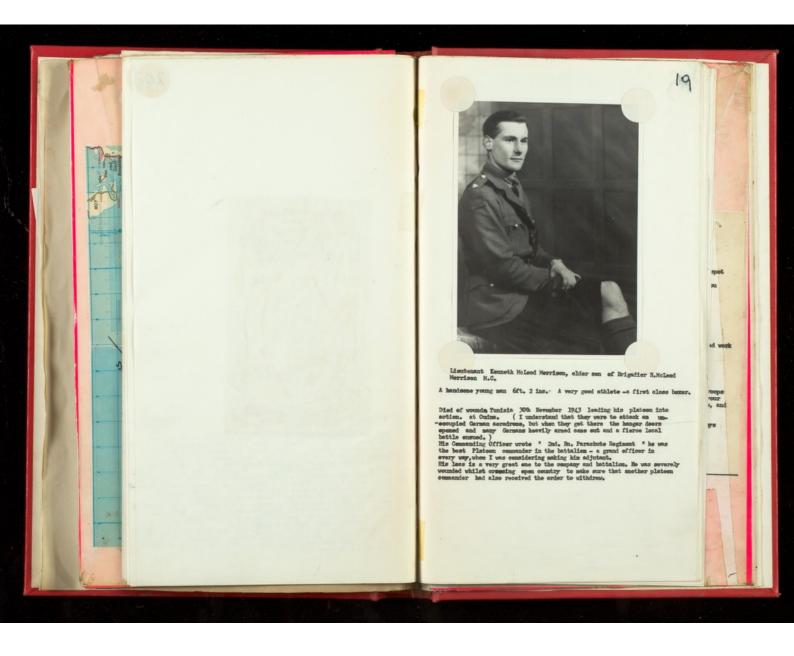


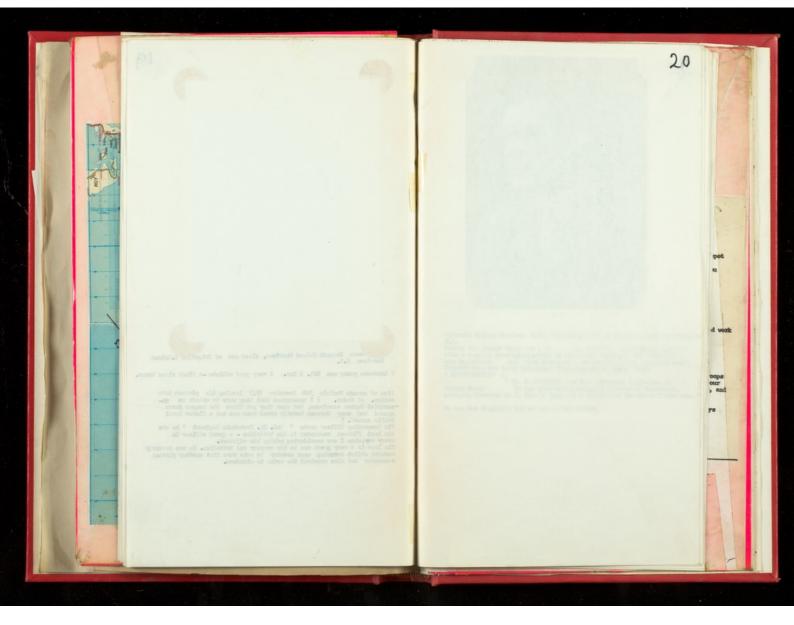


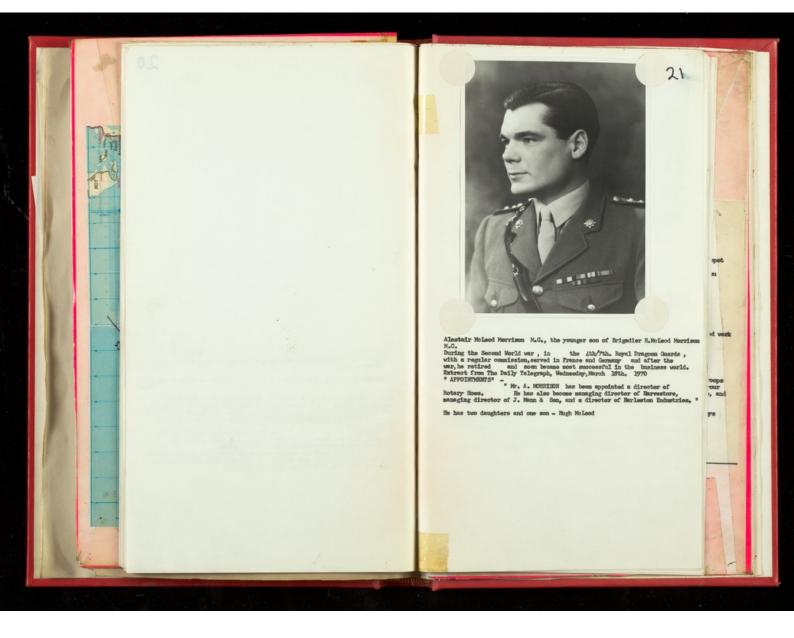


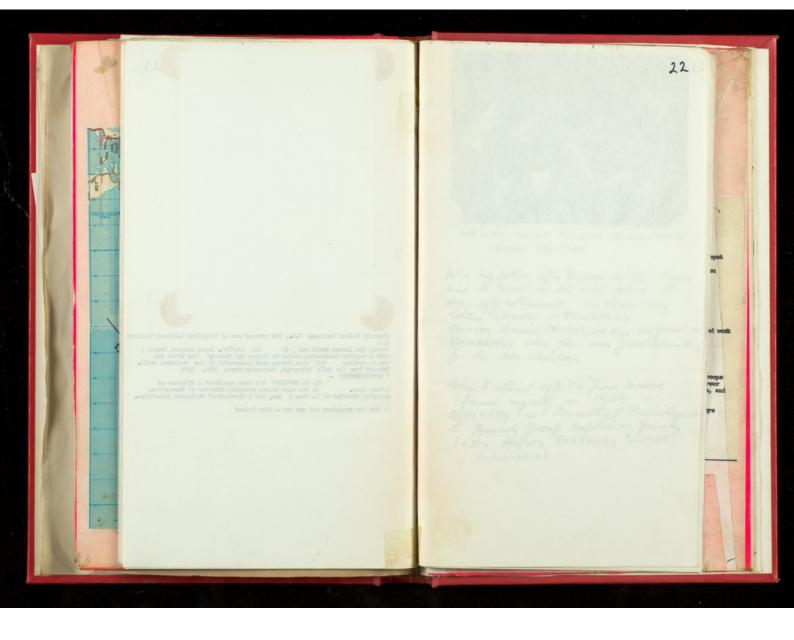




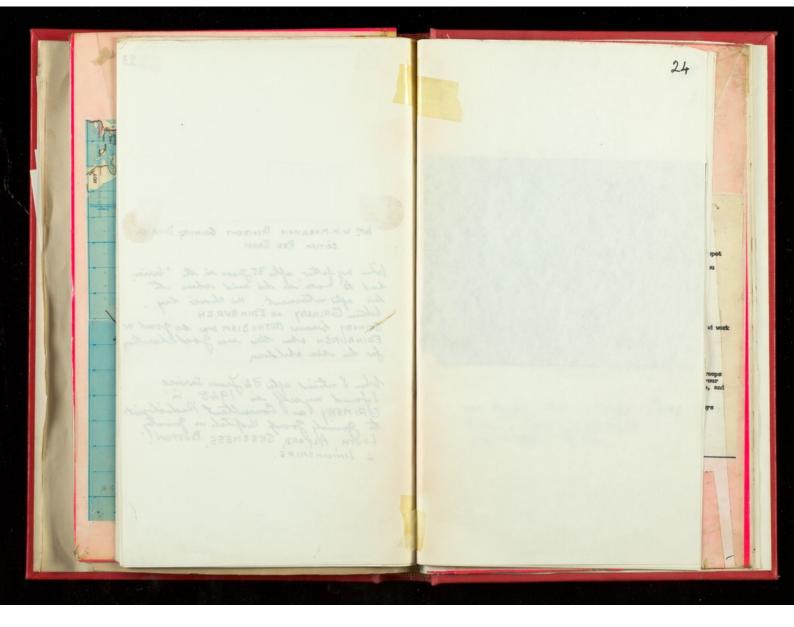


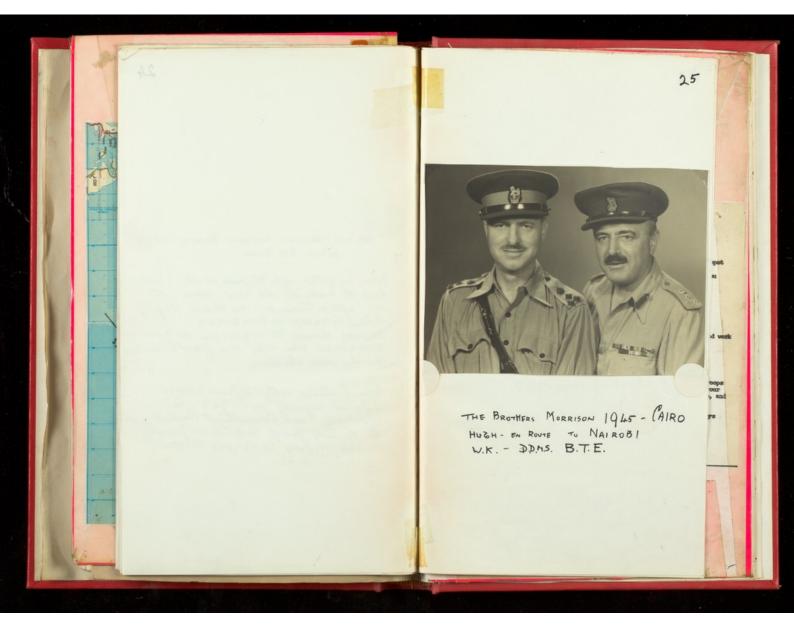


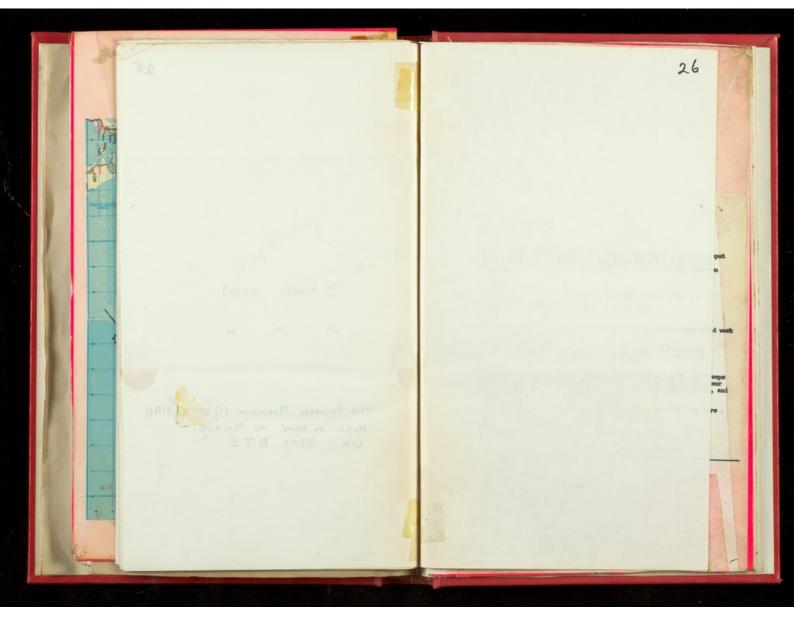




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	This I did, and was insterested in the reply - copy below s - To Brigadier L. Morrison D.D.M.S. H.Q. Falestine. Sir, May I first of all spologise for not writing earlier, but must plead work as the excuse. The tes you so kindly premised was delivered, personally I think, by Colonel First, who had phened our H.Q. proviously on the subject
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