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L. 44/13

14, EVELYN GARDENS.

S. W.

Nov. 13. 1891.

My dear Sir,

I have written to the fute to ask Sir St. Perrett or Mr. Turbott to send me D. fute address direct.

Nearly two years ago I asked the Authorities at the fute to relieve me of the responsibility of superintending the execution of Orders for Ambulance Transport material & some months later recommended them to hand it over to the Military Equipment Co. As they have taken no notice of my wishes my successor Lord Limerick did not accept my assistance, I have now taken

This step. Since the my patents & letters will be worked by the M. & Co under my control & they will employ the same men who have worked for me for twelve years. This move is very satisfactory: This branch formerly was doing 2 pieces and several orders for Carriages were lost because the applicants were not referred to me. Now all trouble is taken off my shoulders & I can give my attention in a pleasant way in Pall Mall. To show that the company are in earnest they have adopted my suggestion & are putting up in Battersea

a Show Room 72nd + 50th
for my Carriages, Sitters & Stretchers.
It is almost incredible that after
what I have done at the fair, & the
handsome Reserve (£1,000) created
by my labour they should now do
them best to buy with me.

I know my opponents are in
a futile minority, nevertheless
the treatment is very disagreeable.

The fiscal committee is sent
on the 19th to settle the question as
the manufacture of Transport
material, then it will be referred
to the Council of the Order & finally
to H. R. H. Meanwhile I have

Settled it in my own way.

I am very sorry for poor Maria,
but I hope he will soon be re-
lieved again.

My wife joins me in kind
wishes to Lady Lawrence & your
Family

Sincerely Yours
John Furley

Sir John Furley - old friend &
one who did much for P^rince
Arbuthnot & Red Cross affairs

W.H.

Cambridge Mass.
Bath

April 14th 1867.

My dear Lyman,

D. Maclean told me you
were unwell, but I hope you
are now quite reestablished.

I am trying to obtain a month
here but I must go to Torrington
next week for two days.

Our medical meeting at the
State in report of the Invalid
Transport work was very successful.
Sitting in the Chair supported
by Sir Richard Bennett, de laune,
Crawford, MacKinnon, Stubbins,
Farquharson, and A. C. Corneil.
As my remuneration was

accepted I hope on Tuesday next
that Staaff, Gari, Baroffio &
de Martinis will be appointed
the Associates of the Order.

I intend also to propose the Queen
of Denmark as Dame Chief.
H. M. signifies ^{her} willingness
to be appointed.

I have plans & specifications
for a carriage that to be attached
to one of my Carriages, serving
three or four beds, creating
table &c. Such a Combination
would be useful, say at Exeter
on a Busy Day, but it is a
question with me whether it
would not be better to have
an independent tent to be
carried in a two wheeled

Cart, leaving the Ambulance
Carriage free to run to a hospital.

I am also arranging to form
two ~~extra~~ detachments of men,
(five men in each) whose
services with Carriages & I
shall be able to offer to the
Chief Commissioner of Police
on days when vast crowds are
expected to congregate in or about
London. I shall have no
difficulty in finding a doctor
to take the Command, I
holding the day management.

I am keeping this matter
strictly secret, until I am in a
position to put the scheme

depro Sir C. Warren.

I hope before long to have
the pleasure to see you in
London.

Having paid £1000 for
Esmerald bandages to a German
house - I have now had a new
pattern (after Esmerald) prepared
on larger & stronger material. This
we shall be able to sell at 2^d a
bandage cheaper. I will send
you one as soon as it is completed.
I hope the A. M. S. will give us an
order.

My wife joins me in kind
regards to Lady Lawrence &
herself. Sincerely yours
John Furley.

L 44/12

Ashford, Kent
Feb: 5. 87.

My dear Langmore,

I am very much obliged
to you for your kind letter.
It appears that I made a
very stupid blunder by
asking you about University
Coll: Hospital when I
meant King's Coll: Hospital.
However all information as
to Hospitals is useful to me
now.

My father, I am sorry to

day is still in a very critical state, perhaps there is a decided improvement I must give up a real good time. the journey to Karlsruhe: this would be a very great disappointment. In any case now my wife cannot go with me.

I regret to hear that you have been unwell, & it is quite right that Lady Langens should travel with me. The change will be a pleasant one, as you know from experience the ladies in

these occasions have what our American cousins call which way shall you travel? Either by Strasburg & Cologne or Calais, Brussels & Luxembourg would be the best.

I have intended spending a week in Alsace with Baron de Wespierre & then continuing the journey to Karlsruhe, but this is now quite out of the question.

If there should be an imper-
ment in my father's state
during the next few days, I
shall travel as far as I can
to Carlisle & back.

I will write again soon.
I am having three ambulance
carriages of different patterns
built here, one for London
one for a Colliery & one for
a Knot Union.

My wife joins me in kind
wishes Hoping soon to hear
from you with every assurance
I remain,

Sincerely Yours

Wm Furler

L. 44/10 b



Stonypits, Reigate
Aug: 29: 1876.

My dear Longman,

Many thanks for your
prompt reply to my last.
I have forwarded copies of
this to the Committee at
Bolton Row & to Sir E. Lubbock.

I would not anticipate
your opinion & any remarks

of my son; but I may now
tell you that the Council of
the U. A. S. agreed to take over
the doctrine sent out by the
Eastern War Relief Committee.
But on Sunday last Kingsley
sent word to say that this
Council must be cancelled as
McKellar & his party had
adopted the Serbian Unifrom.

The Conduct of the Chief
of the U. A. S. has been
on collecting most unsatisfactory.

Lord Bunsford was
offensively impatient to Sir
E. Lechmere & W. A. Johnston,
also to his niece, Miss Bray.

Since the last meeting at
which Col. Lord Lindsay presided
no meeting of the Executive
has been convened, & stores
& Doctors have been sent
out without any authority
beyond that which is sitting
at Craven Street. Of course
the Eastern Relief Committee

but they have been jockeyed.

Two local committees -
acting in connection with the
U.S.A. offered assistance &
were told that the Central
Committee recognized no
provincial committees.

All this is extremely
unsatisfactory.

I am afraid you will
not be at the Brussels Congress.

With kind regards

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely
John Fisher.

L. 44/10

Ashford. Kent.

May 31. 1865.

My dear Sir,

I am sure you will pardon me for taking the liberty to encroach on your valuable time, especially as I am working on a matter which is of special interest to myself. In Moynier -

Appian's book which I am translating, frequent quotations are made from Evans & Miss Nightingale, & it would of course be better if I could copy them from the original English. I have tried to obtain the books but cannot do so. Can you

tell me how to obtain "Army
Sanitary administration, and
its reform under the late Lord
Herbert," by Florence Nightingale
London. 1862 " and "The Sanitary
Commission of the United States
by Dr. Evans." If I cannot buy
or borrow these, perhaps you
can direct me to a Library in
Town where I may make Extracts.

I intend to keep at this work
now until I have completed my
book, & I trust assisted & enlightened
the British public. We have a
meeting in Town tomorrow, & Burges
will make a report of the proceedings
at the Conference.

I hope you returned to England

in good health and that you
will remain so.

Bursop left me at Dresden,
& I then travelled through Saxony
Hanover, Holland & Belgium,
& I reached home on Thursday.
General Renard enquired after
you - I stayed a week with him.

Should you see no objection
being doing so, I think of
publishing the Conditions &
regulations under which the
Esays, relative to ~~the~~ volunteer
aid in connection with Naval
Engagements, are to be written
and sent in. England ought
certainly to furnish information

on this subject

With repeated apologies
I am, My dear Sir

Very sincerely Yours
John Furley.

P.S. The last day I was at
the Belgian Ministry of
War, Your new Book came
in.

L. 44/18

Ashford. Kent.

June 4. 1865.

My dear Sir,

I am very much obliged
to you for your prompt & very
kind attention & my note, also
for the American "Medical
Record"

I do not intend to remain
inactive with regard to the
objects of the Société de Secours.
At present I am very much
occupied, but I think the

translation of Moynier & Appia's
book will call public attention
to the subject, and until this
appears, I shall have little
time or inclination to take other
steps. I shall hunt up the
extracts I require in the libraries
in name.

Believe me,

Very truly yours

John Furley.

Paulz Hotel. L 44/2
La Haye.
Sep: 10. 1865

My dear Sir,

I have often thought of you since
I have been here, and as often wished
that you could be amongst us, and I
am sure your pleasure would be great
could you see the very excellent Exhibition
of the Red Cross Society - This name,
by the way is becoming popularized in
Holland. - I have as yet seen no
detailed descriptions of the Exhibition,
& I cannot venture to touch on subjects
of which I understand nothing. I
have, however, found a gentleman
connected with the Amsterdam

Exhibition who will soon give a short
upset to the Times. He was in the
Exhibition yesterday. M. M. Basting, Poupe
Dinkhuysen & others have promised
me some notes and from these I will
send you particulars which perhaps
you may feel inclined to publish
in Medical Journals.

Admiral van Kamebeek wished
me to send you a Catalogue in his
name, but I found that one had been
already sent to you. M. Basting has
often spoken of you. She desires me to
convey to you the expression of his kindest
Compliments. He will shortly write to
you. I believe that a medal would
have been sent to you for your last

book, had you sent it to the Exhibition.
A copy was lent, and this attracted much
attention from members of the Medical
Profession. M. Bopcha (the President)
gave a sumptuous dinner last night.
Twenty four were present. The only
foreigners were Dr. Castiglione & another
Italian, & myself.

Being a member of the International
Statistical Congress I have plenty to
do, but my chief attention is devoted
to the Society in which I feel I can be of
some little use. The members of
the Congress will be received this morning
by the members of the Red Cross.

The King has taken much interest
in the Exhibition, & has paid three
long visits to it. — (He has not

been once to the Amsterdam Exhibition.
Can you furnish any notes for the first
No of the Bulletin? but perhaps you
have already done so. M. Moquies
is here. If I can be of any use to you
pray tell me so. My address until the
17th will be "Hôtel des Bains, Rotterdam,"
afterwards "Ministère de la Guerre,
Bruxelles." but do not trouble yourself
to answer this.

Believe me, My dear Sir,

Yours very sincerely
John Furley.

L. 44/3

Ashford. Kent.

Oct. 8. 1865.

My dear Sir,

I am very sorry to hear
that you are suffering in the
eyes, but I trust that you
will be quite relieved of this by
the time this reaches you.

I sent Dr. Bastings's notes
to the Lancet as you suggested,
I shall probably make
up a short article on the

same subject in the United Service Magazine:

I shall certainly make an attempt to see your Report of the Berlin Conference.

I am just settling into my saddle again, after an absence of five weeks. With regard to our English Branch of the Société de Secours, I do not think my time has been wasted, as I have gained much additional information on the subject, and I have established new

links of correspondence in
different countries.

I have not lately heard of
Bury, but I hope he is
rushing my translation through
the Press. My part of the work
was completed before I left
England, but I suppose I
must devote some time to a
reusal of the proofs.

I hope that some of our
Countrymen are engaged in

preparing for the Literary
Prize offered by the Berlin
Committee.

Believe me,

My dear Sir,

Yours very sincerely

Sam Furdy.

soon,
Lafayette
up

L. 44/4

94, Piccadilly,
W.

1st Decr. 1869.

Dear Mr. Longmore.

I am trying to get
together a private meeting
of men interested in the
matter, to discuss the
formation of a Society in
Ireland in this County.

Can you attend, and
bring anyone with you?

Wednesday next at

room, at S. S. Martin's Place
Trafalgar Square. (Officers
of the Order of S. John) I have
named as the time place
& have asked. Col. Lindsay B.
Lord Curzon. Capt. Dalton C.B.
Major Lecky. &c.

Believe me Yours very truly
L. Burgess.

P.S. Should I ask Sir J. G.
Lyon to come?

L 44/5
St Albans. Kent
Dec: 14. 1865.

My dear Sir

Immediately after I last
had the pleasure to meet you,
I went to work to obtain
an answer to the question you
asked me, relative to the
Continental Government.

I have received uncertain
& unsatisfactory responses:
& M. Moynier, in a letter
just received, promises

I put the question in the
next "Bulletin" & request
answers from all foreign
representatives. This, I fear,
will hardly help you.

A friend & myself are
endeavouring to work out a
system of "Flying Hospitals".
My friend who is a Medical
Man undertook the work
with a view to the employment

of such hospitals in case
of epidemics. I am trying
still further to develop it
in the benefit of the "Société
de Secours." I have one
model in my possession, &
when I have completed
some details, I hope I may
have the advantage of your
opinion.

Regretting I cannot give

In the information you
require

I am, my dear Sir
Yours very sincerely
John Furber

My Reports

Complete 2
10th Vol 25th Dec 1843

Indian Council

L 44/6



Jan: 31. 1870.

My dear Sir,

I conclude that you have seen the last number of the "Bulletin International" and noticed the manner in which the Editor proposes to arrive at a satisfactory answer to the question you not long since put to me. This, I fear, will be too slow a process for you, but it opens a good subject for the Bulletin. You have probably also received Magnier's last work, "Etude sur la Convention



de Genève". I propose to publish a translation of this in English, & thus endeavour in a small way to do my share towards propagating the ideas of the International Society.

My other book, translation of La guerre et la Charité & Burgep's Compilation ought to be out in a few days. Notwithstanding it is to blame for the delay. The Secretary of the United Service Institution gave me a copy of your lecture, & I believe I have Burgep's permission to

republish it.

I heard from General Rieuard the other day - he had just held a meeting at his ministerial residence, the object of which was to establish a permanent Red Cross Society in Belgium.

I have not yet seen our copies of the Berlin Report (April 1865) although I have before me a letter from M. de Sydow to say that they had been sent off.

I hope that you are in better health than when

I hasten to you, & that your
eyes are as well as they formerly were.

Believe me,
my dear Sir

Yours very sincerely
John Furley.

I see that Mognier continues
to call you "Dr."

Burgee has banished himself
to Biarritz.

My little Hospital here is a
great success - we opened it on the 1st.
& already two important operations
have been performed.

L 44/7a

Ashep. Kent

Feb. 6. 1870.

My dear Sir

I was very sorry to learn
from Mrs. Longmore, whom I
beg you to thank for kindly
writing me - that you are
again an invalid. I can only
hope that your indisposition
may be of brief duration, and
that more genial weather may
soon restore you to health.

Burpee has forwarded to me
your note & the enclosure from
Dr. Gault. I shall order a copy
of his Memoir for myself, & I
will endeavour to bring it to the
notice of others.

It is strange that I have
never received a copy of the
Berlin Report. I hope soon
to see one.

I am steadily working on
in the hope that I may soon

Live real assistance towards
the Establishment of a Red
Cross Society in England. I am
sorry that Burgess has - at any
rate for the present - given up
the work, but I trust he will
soon return to it.

Shall we be able to have
an Exhibition devoted to Field
& Stationary Hospital requisites
similar to that held at the Hague
during September last.

I know of nothing which would
bring the objects of the Société de
Lévens before the public in a more
practical form. - But, perhaps
I am getting on a little too fast.

Waiting soon to hear of your
news.

I remain, My dear Sir
Yours very sincerely

John Furley.

Do not trouble yourself to
Mr. Ingham to answer this

L 44/78

Ashford. Kent.

March 6. 1870.

My dear Sir,

I hope you are now quite
recovered, and that you will
continue in good health &
not be again troubled as lately
you have been.

As you kindly allow your
Lecture to appear in the Book
which has been so long on the
Press, & for which delay I have
only the Publisher (Hotten)

I blame, - I venture again
to trouble you and to submit for
your criticism the Preface I
propose to attach to the work -
and I am sure you will give me
a candid opinion.

Also, please give me your
full titler as you would wish
them to be printed. - I might
otherwise make a mistake.

I am at present interested
in two or three Hospitals, and

I wish to adopt the most
simple & inexpensive form
of stretcher, one, if possible,
that can be ~~adapted~~ adapted to the
position of the patient.

On this point also, a word
of advice from you would be
gratefully received by

Yours very truly & obliged

Wm Furley

but which from its very
nature tends to diminish
the probability of the occurrence
of war itself

L 44/8a

Ashford. Kent.

March 10. 1870.

My dear Sir,

Very many thanks
for your kind note & advice.
I have adopted the suggestion
with regard to the Preface.

I hope now that I shall
soon be able to send you
a copy of the Book, that

it will meet with your approval.

I have at last received the Berlin Reports, also a Report of the proceedings of the Dutch Central Committee & of the Exhibition held in October last.

I am glad to hear that you are swiftly working the Government round to your views. - I shall of course

Consider Your Communication
on this subject as private
& I thank you for the
information.

But what gives me most
pleasure is to learn how
much your health has
improved - and I sincerely
trust you will continue in

This happy state.

Believe me, My dear Sir,

Yours very truly

John Furley.

P.S. - Justice what you say
difficult to war being rendered
impossible - This idea is only
remitted to one's pen & perhaps
to John Bright!

L 44/86

Ashpw. Kent.

May 17. 1870.

My dear Sir;

With this I send you
Extract from M. Moquiers's
Answer to my letters of the
4th & 6th inst. - Should you
not wish to retain this Copy,
it will save me much trouble,
if you will kindly return
it to me at your convenience.

I think you will agree with

me that the letter is very explicit.

M. M. Moynier & Appia are very pleased with the translation of their Book, of which I sent them four copies.

Did you notice how favorably the "Daily News" & "Telegraph" noticed the Book.

The Earl of Mount Charles has asked me to propose him as a member of the

Order of St. John: he has
promised his assistance
with regard to the formation of
a Red Cross Society in England.

Believe me,

Very sincerely yours

John Furley

P.S. I hope to be able to leave
England on the 25th June - in
order to visit Geneva, & afterwards
to spend some five weeks
at the Hague, or rather at

Schweninger. Should I be
able to carry out my plan, I shall
be happy if I can, in any way,
be useful to you.

Ashford. Kent.

Nov. 24. 1872.

My dear Seymour,

On Thursday last I met Col.
Lord Lindsay in London by appointment,
and I endeavoured to prove to him
that the Nat. Aid Society had obtained
a position which it was bound not
only to maintain but to improve
upon; that the subscribers would
naturally wish to see something done
with the income from that large
surplus which remains in our
hands; and that foreign Societies

were looking to as against them in
Carrying forward the important work
which we had undertaken not for
any particular war, but for any
war which might occur in the Future.
Another Member of the Council
was present - I cannot remember
his name. Further of them agreed
with me, and they said the public
would not approve, if we touched
the Fund which ought to be allowed
to accumulate. Lindsay said
he would take on himself the
responsibility of inaction. And
Shaftesbury & Sir Harry Verney,
I think agree with me.

Colonel Lindsay, however, said
that if I would present a scheme
to the Committee which is to be called
together in December, he would give
it his best attention. Now, I am
neither able, nor ~~have~~ am I well
enough in health, to prepare an
elaborate scheme: but if you
think it advisable, I will, use
a vulgar expression "bell the Cat"
and introduce the subject. But
it will be useless to do so, unless I
am supported. You properly
carry more weight than any other
Member of the Council, as your
opinion is that of a professional,

practical & at the same time,
military man. Would you
introduce a scheme, or if I open
the Ball, will you keep it going.

In the latter case I will prepare
some notes and send them to you
for approval and in order to show
you the line I propose to take.

I think I have put a difficult
question to the French Central
Committee. I have asked them
what course they propose to pursue
in case of a civil war, in which
the French Army may happen
to be divided into rival camps.

It is well to be prepared in emergencies,

So I thought, to repeat an expression
I have already used I would tell
the Cal for them. As I was a
member of their last foruited
d'Action, they must pardon my
inquisitiveness. In the
Austrian Army, each of the
Inty divisions has a Volunteer
Ambulance Corps attached to it.

I think we might in a humble
way follow their example; and
have a skeleton Ambulance
Corps in reserve for each division
of our Army, in time of need
the Cadres could be readily

filled up. My experience of
Lindsay's rough & ready manner
of finding doctors, nurses &
ambulance directors at a moment's
notice is, that not one third of
those hurriedly collected and
sent to the seat of war are of any
great value; and it is utterly
impossible to maintain discipline
amongst them. My skeleton
Corps might be formed without
any expense to the Society during
Peace; but I should like to see
our income of £3000 per annum
devoted to the training & encouragement
of nurses, & the formation of a

Small Library & museum in
Connection with the Society.

I will not at present trouble
You further on this subject.

I hope that you & all your
family are well. Pray make
my kindest compliments to
Mrs. Longman

& Believe me,

Very sincerely Yours
Wm Furley.

P.S. The Hospital Sanitary
Dept. of the Vienna Exhibition has
been abandoned. If we are to do

Nothing, Why should we have
a Secretary & Offices?

L. 44/10a

Eastern War Sick and Wounded Relief Fund.

Sir E. A. H. LECHMERE, Bart., M.P., *Chairman of Committee.*

Captain H. C. PERROTT,

V. BARRINGTON KENNETT, Esq., M.A., L.L.M.,
Honorary Secretaries.

13, BOLTON ROW, MAY FAIR,

LONDON.

Aug: 28. 1876

My dear Longman,

Will you kindly give me
an immediate answer to the
following question, the original
Committee having decided to
abide by your opinion.

Some of the surgeons who
first went to Serbia having

found they could do nothing
except in uniform adopted,
under the advice of Dr. Lacombe,
the Swiss uniform.

Is this against the Rules
of the Convention of Geneva,
or the regulations of the
National Aid Society?

Believe me
very sincerely Yours
John Furber

Please answer to
Hofmeyer, Reigate.

- Replied - no - provided they are for the time
regularly admitted as part of the personnel of the Serbian
military hospitals, & have passports issued by the Serbian War Office
Otherwise no claim to neutrality under Geneva Convention, & wearing
the uniform of one of the belligerents is calc^d to get them into
trouble. U.A.S. has issued no rule on the subject.