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LORD CHAMBERLAIN'S OFFICE,
SI JAMES'S PALACE, S.W.

4th November 1914.

Sir,

Your letter of the 29th ultimo to Lord Stamfordham has been forwarded to this Department.

In reply, I am desired by the Lord Chamberlain to inform you that your application for the loan of the Nelson bullet, for the purpose indicated in your letter, has received careful consideration: and he greatly regrets that it will not be possible to meet the wish that you have expressed.

I am, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

Comptroller.

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C.J.S. Thompson Esqre.

29 October 1914.

The Lord Stamfordham, P.C., G.C.V.O., K.C.B., Buckingham Palace.

My Lord,

We are arranging a special exhibition of objects connected with Naval and Military Surgery, Nursing and Ambulance in this Museum, which I hope to have ready about the middle of next month. We have already gathered some interesting medical relics of famous Naval and Military men, including Lord Nelson's medicine chest, the Duke of Wellington's medicine chest, surgical instruments and other relics of Dr. Gillespie, Physician-General to Lord Nelson's Fleet, several miniatures and autograph letters of Miss Florence Nightingale, and many other relics of Mursing and Ambulance used in the Crimean War.

I wish to know if His Majesty the King would be graciously pleased to lend us the bullet extracted from Lord Nelson after his death, which I believe is in His Majesty's possession.

We have an old engraving of this from a medical journal of the time, but the original bullet would add greatly to the interest of the exhibition.

I may say that the Museum will be open free to members of both Services while the exhibition lasts.

The Museum is guarded night and day, and objects lent will be insured for any reasonable value that may be placed upon them.

Awaiting the favour of your reply.

I am.

Your Lordship's obedient Servant,

C.J.S.T.

Stamfordham.

28 July 1913.

The Lord Stanfordham P.C., G.C.I.E., Buckingham Palace.

My Lord.

I beg to thank you for your kind letter of the 26th inst. with reference to the Historical Medical Museum, from which I note with regret that it will not be possible for His Majesty to visit the Museum this week.

May I ask you to mention that the Museum will remain open until the end of October, and should His Majesty desire to inspect it any time after this week when he may be in town, would you kindly let me know.

Apologising for again troubling you on the matter,

I have the honour to be,
Your Lordship's obedient Servant,

Prince Orthur of Connaugh

26 July 1913.

The Lord Stamfordham P.C., G.C.I.E., Buckingham Palace.

My Lord,

The Historical Medical Museum of the International Congress of Medicine which meets in London shortly was opened recently at 54A Wigmore Street,

Cavendish Square, by Sir Thomas Barlow, Bart., Sir Fréderick Treves, Bart.

and Dr. Norman Moore.

Knowing the great interest which His Majesty takes in the Arts of Medicine and Surgery, I venture to submit a specially bound copy of the guide book to the Museum, trusting you will kindly bring it too His Majesty's notice, as I feel sure there are many interesting objects in the collection that he would like to inspect.

The Museum consists of a remarkable loan collection illustrating the History of Medicine from the earliest times, and contains many historical relics and portraits including a most complete collection of relics connected with Healing by Royal Touch.

Should His Majesty be desirous of inspecting the Museum before the Congress meets in a week's time, I should be glad if you would kindly let me know.

Apologising for troubling you, and trespassing on your galuable time,

I have the honour to be

Your Lordship's obedient Servant,