March 26 – 63

Dear Mr Longmore,

I have just heard it reported that you have been invited by the Director General to succeed Dr Logan, who it seems is about to return from imperfect health to Egypt. I hope the report is not true

as your leaving the
School at Mr. Merrill
would not fail to
inquire. I cannot help
adding that I think
the Director General
has acted rather disin-
genuously with the Committee
in not acquainting them
with his intention &
also to the Senate of
he has not made
them acquainted with it.
May let me have a
clear room & believe
me in haste Ever
Yours truly
J. A. Clark

Copy.

(called twice at Athn. Club, and not see Sir J. this letter sent from J. N. S. Club to Athenaeum Club.)

27th March 1863

Dear Sir J. C.

It is true that the D— of — has offered me promotion in case of Dr Logan's retirement & my acting as his successor in office. I have talked the matter over fully with Dr Parker & he agreed with me in thinking that I could not have refused such an offer.

I quite adhere to all that I have said, in conjunction with my colleagues, respecting the advisability of the Professorships being made permanent appointments; but they have always been aware that if promotion were offered to me my duty to my family would cause me to accept it — the advantages afforded by promotion, both present & prospective, more especially as to the pension of my widow in case of my death, would so greatly preponderate —

But

But I would not have said that I would accept promotion, with all its advantages, if I believed my doing so would have injured the School, the great importance of which I am keenly alive to. In the present instance however I believe the change contemplated would benefit the school. My proposed successor happens to be a much more experienced lecturer than I am, has seen service in the field, is an author, and, I understand, for I do not know him personally, is a gentleman in every sense of the word. At the same time I feel that although quitting the Professorship I should not be separated from the School or my present colleagues; so far from it, that I could be the means of promoting its & their interests very materially, if I had a voice in the Council at Whitehall Yard

Believe me
My faithfully yours
Th' Longmore

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

April 3 – 63

Dear Mr Longmore,

I have just received a note from Parkes, in which he requests me to write you a line stating that I did not receive any information respecting the Director General's intention to remove you from the Board pro tem.

to fear you Parker
being given me the
information I have
not heard you here
certainly for the last
three weeks – this infor-
mation came quite from
another quarter – But
I was very glad to
hear you yourself that
you had communicated
the communication to Parker
as one of your colleagues.

I would have much
rather seen you pro-
moted in the school
than out of it, & I
should still hope
that you may be
retained for the sake
of the school –

Very truly yours
J. E. Clark

29th July 63

My dear Sir James,

If I understand your question rightly, it is whether ~~I am right to your question respecting the probable occasion~~ administrative difficulties are not likely to arise in case of the Prin. M.O. of this hospital being junior to myself in the Army ~~rank~~ Mr. Dr. ~~I am right~~ My reply is that I do not think they are likely to occur.

Why because, ~~our duties~~ the office of the P. M.O. is a special appointment ~~nominated~~ by the Director General, as is my appointment with the School by the Secy. for W. & our duties are so distinct as not to lie ~~[illegible]~~ in any ways.

It often happens that a Captain in a regiment is higher in General army rank than the Lt Colonel of the regiment in his Commanding Officer, and I should feel no more difficulty in acting under a P. M.O. ~~in such a case as that referred to than I do~~ in the case referred to when ~~in such matters~~ he is but ~~as those~~ we are brought into relation with ~~each other~~ them

Rolly 10th Dec/60

Dear Sir James Clark,

I have been for some time past contemplating writing to you on my prospects in the School so far as they have been modified by what took place in reference to the Dir. Gen's offer of promotion to me last March, but I have hesitated to trouble you about personal concerns, and, to tell the truth, I have not seen & do not now see any definite way in which you can assist me beyond what I feel assured you have already done. But the matter is so important to me who have only this income wth my position in the public service procures me that I feel constrained to write & place my prospects, as they appear to me, before you, trusting to your good nature to pardon the trouble I give you in doing so. What I particularly feel is this – that I have no right to expect again from the Dir. Genl an offer of promotion, and if I am right in this view, I feel what a great loss it is to be debarred from the chances of future advancement with its advantages, pecuniary & other. The increase of income my removal

from Colchester to the School brought me was a little under forty pounds a year, while, on the other hand, ~~it entails~~ my position entails on me unavoidably additional expenses which I should not incur elsewhere, and, in my present rank, if I were serving in a colony, my income would be increased one hundred a year while my duties would occupy but a comparatively small portion of my time. My whole time is now occupied in connexion with my public duties & here I am at some disadvantage as compared with two of my colleagues who have a certain amount of leisure for private pursuits at their command. Professor Maclean has also the advantage of his Indian service. If my future is to be stationary in my present rank, my connexion with the School in pecuniary, & perhaps some other respects, will have proved a serious loss, & this I am sure those who placed me in the School never intended. Had the Dir. Genl's recommendation of promotion been adopted, the gain to me in income would have been small compared with the gain I should now be making in prospect

toward, the prospect of ulterior advantages on retirement. I know it may be justly said I had no right to expect promotion at the time it was offered to me, & I only regarded it as one of those accidents which occasionally happen in all branches of the Military Service. However, it is not any regret as regards the past that makes me write, but uncertainty as regards the future. ~~But~~ This makes me anxious because it involves not only myself but others who depend on me, and I feel sure, if the opportunity should happen to arise not of your late position in relation to the School Organization Committee, of removing this uncertainty, you will serve me by doing so.

I remain
My truly yours
Th'L —

Sir J. Clark, Bart.
Bagshot Park
Surrey

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

March 1 – 1864

Dear Mr Simpson,

I was very sorry to find, when in London to day, that the Queen had declined personally for L & G Malkan, to sit, but they gave us been reason that it was laid down originally that all the professors stored were the same salary.

Lord Grey was
engaged otherwise & I
would have seen him
and I will still do so;
but I wish you to write
me your position, in
order that I may be
able to state the case
correctly - I think &
know the arguments
in favour of your pro-
motion, but I should be
glad if you would put
them on paper again,
so that I may make no
mistake, but give them

them as soon as you can -
a few lines will be
sufficient -

Very truly yours
J. Clark

Satis H. Rochr. 3d. m./64

1. Lord H. only told me of this Profr. I act as D.I.G. as well as Prof? Other Profs' duty done at close of session, & take leave. I ask leave of H. Gds &c. Act as P.M.O. in absence of appd P.M.D.

2. I my would be better as D.I.G. alone in any colony. Nearly the same as D.I.G. at any station at home.

3 Nearly a year ago I was offered Promn as an Inspector by the Head of my Dept, & this was approved by the then Sec. of State for War Sir C. Lewis. It appeared to be my conversion w. the a.m.s. wh caused this great prize to be lost to me.

4. Would certainly not have accepted the Profr if I had known it was to be a bar to promotion in the service without equivalent advantages.

5. I am on a disadvantageous footing as regards my colleagues. Markham has all the advantages accruing from his past medl service plus the Profr. – P. & A. have leisure for private pursuits plus – I have none of these –

Return to Netley on 15th.

To Sir J. Clerke –

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

March 15 – 1864

Dear Mr Sergeant,

You have omitted to put your name to the enclosed. – I thought there might have been something more, but can find nothing – Pray let me have it as soon as you can. –

Yours truly
J. Clark

I serpent you might have enrolled to enclose a

a perfect of your note
as it has neither date
nor signature – Date
it a few days back
you as say –

P.S. 16 March

It was decided I feel
sure on my death
bed I believed it
in your power before
this time —

H

Write without delay

Private

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

April 10 – 1864

Dear Mr Sergeant,

Your case is still under discussion, and I send you Captain Galton's note to Mrs. Nightingale, in order that you may see exactly what they mean & how they view the case. I send the note in order that you may have no mistake about their

their offer. I send you Galton's note which Mr & Mrs have, so pray consider it sent private return it to me with your answer by return of post if possible - answer it to me as if I had asked the question without any reference to Mr & Mrs or Capt. Galton - but suppose that I had stated as you ~~the tab~~ that I understood the Heavens would do - Do this as briefly as you please as I may show it, altho I think this will not be necessary.

Very truly yours
J. Clark

When I suggested your coming here with Parkes it was meant privately, to give us the advantage of your advice, but not to appear at the meeting.

(3pp)

R. C. V. H.

Welly 11th April/64

Dear Sir James Clark

You inform me that what you understand the Treasury would accede to in my case, is to make me an Inspector General, ~~but to pay me~~ & to give me the lodging money of that rank in addition to the salary I now receive. ~~with, in addition, the lodging money of my rank~~. Excuse my making a few remarks on this proposal & in doing so reverting to some former occurrences.

When the late Lord Herbert offered me the appointt. of Professor at the A. M. S., I was in receipt of an income of £653, 19s, per annum as a Deputy Inspector at Colchester. The increased pay to £700 a year was hardly a consideration with me, ~~but~~ for I knew I was changing a comparatively light for an onerous position: but the honour of the selection, & the hope of being useful, had great weight with me. At the same time before deciding upon accepting the offered appointment I asked Lord Herbert's permission to consult the Director General, chiefly with a view to ascertaining how it would affect me in the department to which I belonged, ~~& to give me three days for this purpose before deciding~~ and Lord H. at once kindly advised me to do so. I saw Dr Alexander, & the result of the interview was that he told me he should be glad if I accepted Lord Herbert's offer, and that though ~~it was not in his power~~ he had no authority to make any guarantee, he had no doubt, if I ~~succeeded in~~ proved successful

in the office, it would lead to my promotion at the end of five years. I then wrote accepting ~~that~~ the Professorship, but without any limitation as to ~~time~~ duration of holding it, as none were proposed to me.

I should not have thought therefore of alluding to any change in my ~~st~~ position ~~in the service, &c~~ at any rate until after the period named by Dr Alexander, ~~unless~~ had it not ~~been~~ when circumstances changed. The chief was the offer made to me last year of promotion to Deputy in the ~~regular~~ ordinary service of the Indian department which my connexion with this school prevented me from receiving. Had I got the appointment my pay & emoluments would have been £1000 a year. The next is that the Professorships being made permanent appointments, I find myself in a position which if things remain as they are, cuts me off from all the improvements in pay, rank, & emoluments, which my whole ~~life in the public service~~ previous career has given me a title to aspire to.

I write thus much to ~~by~~ show my anxiety on the subject of my position has not been unreasonable. Moreover I find that by being a Professor, I am now actually a loser of £12-0-4 a year. ~~now~~, for being a Deputy Inspector General after 5 years' service, my lodging allowance would be ~~now~~ £100 a year instead of what it was when I was at Colgaba ~~at the time~~, & this with the pay of my rank, present pay, & forage allowance, & allowance for one servant, would give me £712-0-4 per annum

I am ~~quite~~ willing to accept the proposal which your letter conveys to me of the Inspector's rank ~~with~~ and lodging money, in addition to my present pay, but at the same time, I hope that I may, in my senior, whatever may seem fit to the authorities, look forward at some future period, to receiving all the other advantages of the Inspector's rank ~~and to be on the same footing~~ such as I should have been had I received my promotion ~~as~~ had the offered to me ~~of the Director~~ last year been confirmed.

I am

Private

Extract -

115 Park St. W.

April 20/64

LP. 41/10

My dear Sir James Clark

2. It always answers to bully, it never answers to reason with, the W. O. My bullying talk of last Thursday about Longmore produced the first [illegible] I ever made on that subject They now propose to make him a full Inspector Gen'l. But they say that he could not act under a Principal Med Officer of his junior - which he could if he had only local rank, & they want to know whether he could be P. M. O. ± Professorship with help). I can't say it seems to me a desirable thing. But I have no opinion And we are desired to ask what Sir objections to it are. there! you -

This is not official The letter to the Treasury has been drafted but not yet approved by the W O and I shall never believe in anything good, till I see the Treasury's answer ever yours most truly F. Nightingale

& Read the enclosed note first

(2pp) LP. 41/11

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

April 21 — 1864

Dear Mr Longmore,

Another phase of the subject has turned up, as a note from Miss Nightingale informs me this morning. The W.O. it seems wishes me to ascertain from you how this is likely to act — I cannot understand their stupidity in coming back on this question after you stated your

exceptions in writing
readily to agree that
you would consider yourself
rank for the time as local,
or at least would not
interfere with a Principal
medical officer of the
Hospital of superior to
you. Was it not so? —
I cannot judge how it
would do for you to
be Principal Medical
officer, but I should think
that it would not. It
could scarcely fail to interfere
with your Professional
duties, which it would add
considerably, I should think,
to your labours. It strikes
me also that it would
be unpopular in the
army medical department,
as it would reduce the
opportunity of Principal
Med. officers by one, & to
increase the fatigue
that exists among a con-
siderable part of the
medical officers in the
school. — I see other objections
in prospect, but you will
be good enough to consider
the matter & discuss it
with your colleagues.
I hope you will also,

if you have not done so already, go over the work with Parker, & consider my point that we should prep. Parker comes here on Saturday & I have asked Sutherland to meet him, as it will give us more time to discuss matters before our meeting our brothers. This is no official meeting mind - it is private, & if Parker signs think that you could aid us in making up our minds then I think you could, I should be very glad

Netley 27th April 1864

LP. 41/12

Dear Sir James Clark

It is certainly hospitable for me to act as P. M. O. while Professor ~~but I~~ as I have done so on occasions already, but I do not consider it desirable that I should. Certain menial duties of the P. M. O. – the minding duties – occupy a considerable time at the season of the summer session, & if engaged in them I should ~~[illegible]~~ be taken from so much time from my professor's work. In the intervals between the sessions there is no difficulty in regard to my acting as P. M. O. If my own declaration of willingness to act as subordinate to the P. M. O whenever he wants, be not sufficient, there need be no difficulty in ensuring the Principal Medical Officer, though my junior, if the authorities so wish it. Just as the authorities constitute a Colonel a Captain Governor ~~Commandant~~ with defined powers though others of superior rank may be acting under him, so they may define that the Principal Medical Officer is not to be interfered with in his duties by any Professor though of senior standing to him. (In letter also quote the case of Brevet-ranks in regiments – Unett's case)

Dr Parkes and I have had a full talk about the Warrant question. We are quite in accord on the subject, & he will explain to you personally why, under all the circumstances, it seems to me best that I should not accompany him ~~on~~ tomorrow. ~~With many thanks for~~ I must, I ~~must~~ repeat, thank you for all the trouble you have ~~taken~~ so generously

p. 2. 21 Apr. 1864 LP. 41/11

if you will accompany
Parkes – you can do
your Hospital duties on
Saturday as Parkes
does not leave till
7 o'clock & you can
return on Monday morning
or even Sunday night –
Pray settle the matter
with Parkes & write me
a line tomorrow early –
I enclose Miss Nightingale's
note about you wants
Hue & Parkes of course
but otherwise circumstances permitting

Yours truly
Jas Clark

Army Medical School.
Royal Victoria Hospital.
Netley 2nd June 1864

Dear Sir James Clark,

I have received the decision of the War Office and the Treasury respecting my case which has been the subject of so much correspondence. Dr Parkes tells me you are probably not aware what the decision has been, and I therefore write to name it to you. It is that I am to receive the lodging-allowance of

a Deputy Inspector General, until an official house is provided for me, (with the understanding of the 2/6d per diem recently sanctioned being discontinued,) in addition to my pay as Professor.

The loss of the promotion, which, I may almost say, I held in my hand last year, has been a considerable loss to me pecuniarily, and serious as regards my future prospects; but I feel quite assured that had your influence been of avail this loss would have been made up to me by equivalent advantages as I was led to expect they would be. Had nothing been done during this session, I had made up my mind at the close of it as I announced to my colleagues to beg to be allowed to resign the Professorship; as it is, should hereafter an opportunity of promotion in the Service again happen to me, I hope that I shall not be expected to forfeit it in order to be retained in a position far more onerous and responsible, but without equivalent ~~advantages as regards pay or~~ ~~[illegible]~~ recompense present or prospective – between Ld

T. L.

4 Lyna Place LP. 41/13
Hyde Park
Private 25 April 1864

My dear Lansdowne

This morning in coming down with Sutherland he referred again to your appointment & we discussed them fully. Finally he said he thought the best arrangement would be this.

That you should have the Inspectorship at the next vacancy.

2 That till a vacancy occurs you should receive house allowance as Inspector

3. That when Anderson leaves in the natural course of service you should be P.M.O. assistance being given you as Professor.

I impressed upon him very strongly that no injustice should be done to Anderson and that your promotion might not be cause any arrangement to be made to get him elsewhere, ~~until~~ but that he should serve at Netley as long as he would do, nere there no question about you. He quite agreed to this.

On the whole then this seems the best plan

so that protection may be
done by you. It will keep
you at Netley in a
comfortable position and
with good arrangements
will not perhaps delay much
damage the Proposed work
as you will be able to
look after it to some extent

Whether Sir Rutland can
carry all these points I
dont know but I suspect
he can. If you do not approve
let me know & write me
a note I may send him.

Copy . Original returned to Dr Parkes) LP. 41/15

115 Park St. W.
June 7/64

My dear Sir James Clark

Nothing is so desperate as to put reasons (for a course) before a man, who puts those reasons before himself much better than you can yourself.

15 months ago, just before Sir G. Lewis' death, Lord de Grey put before himself (in my presence) the reasons for continuing Longmore at the School & therefore for promoting him — & for giving Minn the sanitary place under the D.G. (then proposed for Longmore) in order that Minn might be the future D.G. —

He put these reasons much more strongly than I could myself.

And, more than this, after Sir G Lewis' death, he made these a reason why he should be his successor.

Your only hope is with people whom you have to convince. But what is your hope when people are convinced already? In this case you have not even to take the horse to the water. He has taken himself there already. But you can't make him drink. I have communicated with the W. O. since I had your letter. And I enclose an Extract from their answer

What you have to say to Lord de Grey is, it seems to me, to nail him to this. And I have no objection if you choose to communicate it to Dr Longmore. We must not lose him at the School. And I need not say I will do my best to keep the W. O. to this pledge. But I am weary of seeing them break their pledges. And I have told them that no pledge shall ever be conveyed through me more —

ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

(Here follows "Extract" (retained))

I send you this as I have received it. I need not say that I do not agree with it. I think Longmore very hardly used. And I have drawn up his case not less than 12 or 15 times in the last 15 months for the W. O. at their own desire. [I have even said that his was the "grossest piece of magnanimity" I knew.]

I foresee all sorts of difficulties. E.g. there is always to be one Insp. Genl in the three branches of the D. G.'s office. Now already Balfour has put in his claim (a most rightful one) to be the next I. G. when Logan retires. He uses the self-same argument that Longmore does. (a most legitimate one) viz, that it is too hard,

because he is the only man to fill the statistical branch, therefore he should lose promotion by it — he being also a married man, with a child (or children) & having relinquished a better pecuniary post (at our request) for this.

F. N.

It is 3 years today since Sidney Herbert sent me the news of Cavour's death, by telegram, with these words: "This is the life I should like to have lived: this is the death I should like to die". In less than 7 weeks he had his wish.

How incalculable is the mischief, more apparent every day, of the loss of those two men, more regretted every day by those who know anything of the incalculable mischief

F. N.

June 7/64

Copy

LP. 41/16

Byfleet Park, Surrey,

June 10. 1864

Dear Parkes

I enclose an extract, or rather memo, respecting Longmore. The latter you can show to L, whether you should see Mr Nott you can judge. ~~Thank heard L~~

* * *

Yr L. gets made an Insp.r with all the privileges I suppose he will be — ? for the present.

* * *

Lord de Grey says (he has been here for two days) &c

* * *

I think Lord de Grey is unprepared with the value of the school & of the importance of keeping Longmore & satisfying him with his position — Yrs Clark.

Copy

LP. 41/17

Hamble, nr Netley
25th June/66

My dear Sir James Clark

I have been intending to write to you, especially since about a week ago when I received officially the decision of the Sec. of State for War regarding my promotion, but I put off my letter from day to day, for I had hardly made up my mind what to write. A conversation with Dr Parkes today has made me now write without further delay. The official decision, which was sent to me by the Dir. Gen.l, seems to correspond with the decision expressed in Capt.n Galton's note to yourself, viz, that when the turn comes for the Dep. Insp. junior to myself on the list to be promoted I shall get promotion also. This decision is very different from a statement, made (but unofficially) in a W. O. letter in June 1864, that there was no reason to doubt I should succeed to the next vacancy in the Insp. Genl's rank; & even this last decision leaves open to doubt whether the promotion by selection of any one junior to me would carry my promotion with it.

I consider it however a great advantage to have an official record that I am not to be passed over in regular promotion by any one below me in the list of Dep. Insp.rs on account of the position I hold at the school, though I do not understand Capt.n Galton's argument that the increase of my income — which was given to me in common with my colleagues after 5 years' service — is to be looked upon as a settlement of ~~personal~~ the special personal matters which formed the grounds of my expectation of promotion. I am quite satisfied with the emoluments of my position, & have been so even since my income at the school ceased to be less than it would have been anywhere else as a Dep. Insp. of 5 years' service; it has never been in respect to current income so much as

contingent advantages that the Insp.'s rank would have been a gain to me.

But I feel that after the official decision of the authorities, further agitation of the subject would be only irritating to them, & that any attempt to alter the decision would be almost certainly fruitless. I therefore write to ask you not to take any further steps in the matter. I am well aware of the continued efforts you have made, with much expenditure of time & trouble, to obtain a different result, & I am as sincerely grateful to you for the concern you have felt in my interest as if I had got the promotion asked for.

Believe me
my sincerely yours
Tho' Lapsmore

19 July 1865

Dear Sir James Clark,

Dr Parker has ~~shown~~ made acquainted with me your letter of the 16th instant. I regret that I shall not have ~~not had~~ the opportunity of speaking with you, ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ both on account of the cause which ~~has~~ prevented it ~~[illegible]~~ & also for my own sake, for I feel repugnance in troubling you again about my affairs in writing. But as you ~~offer~~ offer to give me ~~permission~~ to write, I feel I ought not to neglect the permission.

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been carried out I am now afraid that
the circumstances connected with myself which occurred in 1863 when
the School Organization Committee was sitting
may be officially forgotten, & I may find myself
deprived by my connection with the school not only of the honors which I see others in my
branch of the service ~~also~~ gaining but also of all
~~prospects~~ further advancement in my position ~~in my position~~.
I have a good deal of private correspondence
in reference to the circumstances alluded to in
this letter, but I think it is only just that
I should be put in possession of some document of the nature of an official
~~in the intention~~ recognition of them & promise of promotion
~~Government~~ such that I could rest on with security
for the future. ~~for~~ Even the War Office document
quoted above bears no signature, & indeed I
have no authority for making ~~public~~ official quotation of
it — it was only conveyed to me for my private information.
Without some such definite understanding I feel it ~~to be too~~ a great one
a sacrifice to remain in my present position. ~~Your~~
Indeed, when I believe you ~~are~~ a gentleman who has honored me with that confidence
mentioned that I am cannot divest myself of the idea that my Chief
does not exert himself in my behalf, but after the

Enclosure of his letter referring to me in 1863 & claim which needlessly has the terrible effect of
interfering with his advancement. Pray excuse my troubling you with so

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Hamble, 19th July 1865

Dear Sir James Clark

Dr Parkes has made me acquainted with your letter of the 16th instant. I regret that I shall not have the opportunity of speaking with you, both on account of the cause which prevents it, & also for my own sake, for I feel repugnance in troubling you again about my affairs in writing. But as you offer to me to write, I feel I ought not to neglect the permission.

It is now more than two years since (March 1863) Dr Logan sent in his retirement, & the Director General recommended, and Sir George Lewis approved, of my being promoted to be his successor. As you are aware, Dr Logan's retirement & my promotion were stopped chiefly for the purpose of

retaining me at the School — & you were kind enough, as President of the School Organization Committee, to tell me I should not be a loser by the steps which had been taken in the matter. Difficulties however were met with in doing anything for some time. In April of the following year the following proposals were conveyed to me from Dr. Sutherland through Dr. Parkes: —

"1. That I should have the Inspectorship at the next vacancy."

"2. That till a vacancy occurs I should receive house allowance as Inspector."

"3 That when Dr. Anderson left in the natural course of service I should be P. Dr. C. assistance being given me as Professor."—

and in June 1864, an extract, which I was permitted to retain, from a War Office letter, stated: —

"When a vacancy in the Inspector Generals occurs, there is no reason to doubt that Longmore will succeed to it, in which event the Treasury have consented to his receiving the emolument of an Insp: Genl, in lieu of those of his Professorship."

"Dr. Longmore would have good reason to complain if passed over in promotion by someone else — but none so long as no one is promoted for want of a vacancy!!"

With regard to these several points — As regards No. 1, as well as the War Office extract, Dr. Thomas was promoted to an Inspectorship in October 1864. He is at present ~~Stoffer~~ supernumerary, I believe, but will I presume fill the next vacancy as a matter of course.

As regards No. 2. The house allowance of a Deputy Inspector (not Inspector) was allowed me at the end of April 1864. And a question is now raised whether the full allowance due of a Deputy Inspector was intended, or only a

modified allowance.

As regards No: 3. Dr. Anderson has left, & Dr. Jameson is P. M. O. —

Seeing how these several points have been carried out, I am now afraid that the particular circumstances affecting myself which occurred in 1863, when the School Organization Committee was sitting, may be officially forgotten, & I may find myself deprived by my connection with the School, not ~~only of the honors which I see all others in my branch of the service gaining,~~ but also of all further advancement in position.

I have a good deal of private correspondence in reference to the circumstances alluded to in this letter, but I think it is only just that I should be put in possession of some document of the nature of an official recognition of them with such a promise of promotion that I could rest on it

with security for the future. Even the War Office document quoted above bears no signature, and indeed I should not be authorized in making an official quotation of it — it was only conveyed to me for my private information.

Without some such definite understanding I feel it a great sacrifice to remain in my present position with the School — a greater one, I believe, than you, or any one who has honored me with their confidence, knowing all the circumstances would require me to make.

Beg you to excuse this long letter, and to believe me

very truly yours

(signed) Tho' Longmore

P.S. I omitted to Dr. Parkes that you could not divest yourself of the idea that my Chief does not exert himself in my behalf – but after the failure of his plans in 1863 it seems hardly probable that he would be likely to interfere for my advancement.

Dear Sir James Clark. Kelly 30th Jan. 1866

Account of my visit to Lady Bell. LP. 4/20

I take this opportunity of mentioning to you that the Director General spoke to me on Saturday last (27th inst.) in reference to a letter you had kindly written on my account to Lord de Grey. There had been some communication with the D.G. about it, & I was led to see that circumstances connected with my promotion as D.G. would involve him in such ~~departmental~~ serious difficulties departmentally that I felt constrained to say to him that, rather than such difficulties should be created, I would wait till my promotion came in regular turn. ~~Sir J. the D.G. had previously~~ Sir James some time ago told me that he would be pleased at my own promotion, provided it was supernumerary to his regular staff. but it appears now that my promotion would involve his promotion of another Deputy Inspector, and this step, which I perceive would fetter him very much in his office. I don't know what steps the D.G. may

take in consequence of my remark to him,
but I feel it necessary to tell you of it, so that
if ~~to~~ in his reply to Lord de Grey he were to say
I no longer wanted the ~~cancel for the~~ promotion now, you
might understand on what grounds he ~~had~~
made the question. I thoroughly feel that
you have done everything that could be done
in the matter and I shall feel equally
~~feel~~ grateful to you for your exertions
whether the promotion is got or otherwise.
I mentioned the circumstances I have
related to you to Dr Parkes on our
return from London together.

Yours very truly

T. L.

Copy

Letter about my
Hon.ᵗ to Sir James
Clark, 30.ᵗ Jan.ʸ 1866.
& correspondence connected
with it.
Sir J. Gibson.
Dr Crawford.

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

Saturday Feb: 10th/66

Dear Mr. Sergeant,

I have this morning received a note from Mr. Galton enclosing a new proposal by Mr J. Cobden. – It is to provide you & put you on half pay at once. You are to be made permanent Inspector as a supernumary. The half pay to be for ten years.

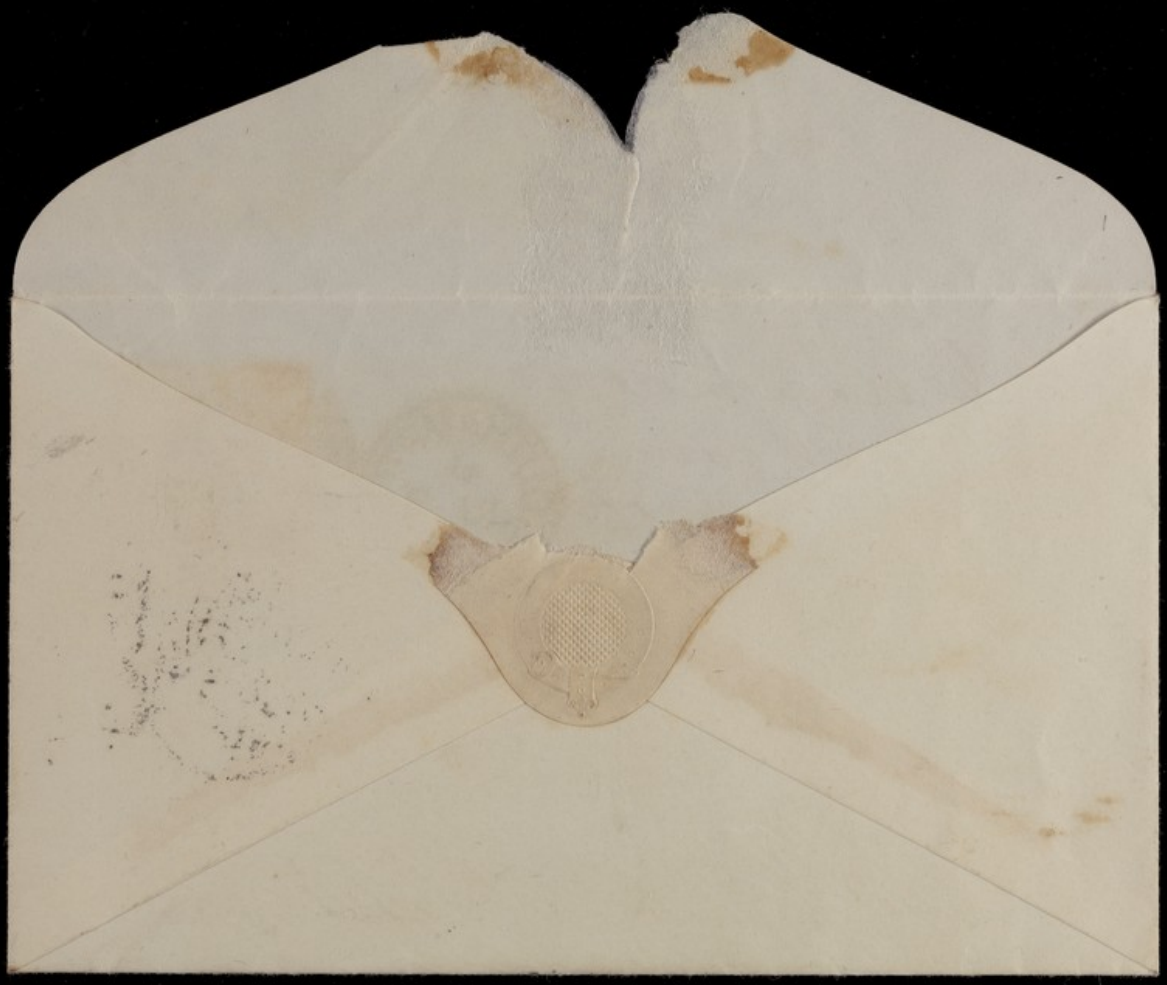
In the meantime you are to have, in addition to your daily pay, the salary of the other Office,

that is to take place at the end of the Longport daily pay he does not say. I owed have sent you Galton's letter, in place of Parkes, but I was rather doubtful about your address. I enclosed it to Parkes, telling him that I had written to you recommending you to go over to Parkes tomorrow early, in order to discuss the matter at your leisure, & let me know what I am to say to Galton, who must come here myself, but of course nothing can be done till you are consulted, & it was therefore of little use to write me, as I want

probably wanted an advice
upon a subject which I
do not understand –

Gallery does not seem
to like it. However yours
or Parkes wire I take
would be by tomorrow post
in order that I may reply
to Gallery's note on Monday.

Yours sincerely
J. Clark



Dear Longmore
I think your
letter is for you
P.P.
~~Dr Sankey R.N.~~
~~C. Longmore Esq~~
~~Sydney Cottage~~
~~Bitterne~~ near Southampton.

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Private

War Office

9th Feb. 1866

Dear Sir James Clark

After further consideration of the case of Dr Longmore, Sir James Gibson suggests that we might deal with him by promoting him to be an Inspector General, permanently supernumerary to the ~~establishment~~ necessary establishment for the administration of the Department, and in the same Gazette place to place him on Half Pay (it might be temporary for 10 years) as is done in the Navy, giving him the half pay he would have served he entitled, and in addition the same pay that may be allowed to the other Inspectors.

There appear to be objections even to this course, but will you kindly let me know what you think of it?

Yours very truly
(Signed) Dorset Fakhan

Sir James Clark Bart

Copy

At Dr Parkes'

Sunday 11th July 1866.

Dear Sir James Clark

I am writing this reply to your letter, which I received this morning ~~at Hamble~~, at Dr Parkes's.

The proposal contained in Captain Galton's letter ~~would~~ will be fully acceptable to me supposing I understand it rightly, viz; that I am to be promoted to be Inspector General, ~~that~~ in the same gazette I am to be ~~placed~~ reduced to half pay ~~by reduction of pay~~ on account of my being supernumerary to the necessary establishment, and that I am to receive the Inspector Generals half pay ~~to which I would be entitled~~ then in addition to my pay as Professor. It would suit me better that the half pay should be temporary say for 10 years as Captain Galton wishes, than to fix it to be permanent, as there does not appear to be any good reason, either as regards the government or myself, for shutting the door to any change after the expiration of that period should circumstances occur to make a change ~~desirable~~ in my duties or position desirable –

I shall be very glad indeed if this proposition ~~should~~ be carried out, not only on its own account, but also that ~~the~~ the great trouble which ~~this~~ my affairs have unfortunately caused you may at last be brought to a conclusion

Believe me

Very truly yours

Thos Longmore

Private

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

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My Dear Sir,

I enclose a note from Dr Sutherland, which you will perhaps enable me to answer. One of the complaints which I made to Lord Lifey when I saw him the last week was that the ship had been made a parade to keep a medical officer from occupying the chair at the ship table. His reply was that the ship had always been considered a parade. I cared

only expressing surprise, as I had understood it had been done since the Warrant was signed. He must have derived his information I presume from some good authority – You must know how the matter stands –

With respect to your own matter I had hoped that it was settled, as at a previous interview with Lord de Grey he stated to me that he recommended both you & Dr Allison & he made no objection & that it was before the House Guards. I am to see him tomorrow again before the Warrant was actually signed – I will then speak to him strongly on your behalf, but to enable me to do this with effect – put the circumstances of your position, as briefly as possible, on paper – contrast the advantages of your present position with what it was at Colchester, on the one hand, and on the other what was the position the Director General offered you. – To whom indeed do the same as regards his present position & what it would be had he remained on his company service – The thing I presume will be to get you made Director General with all the advantages of that rank? On ground I

will press the matter of necessity – but I hope Lord Derby will see the justice of your claims.

I asked Parkes to talk with you & send me any other point that appears to you to be important – to mention to the Minister of War –

I do not expect to see Lord Derby till after Christmas, but you may let me hear from you as I may have to ask a question or two on the points you suggest for or your own affairs, & that of the Wed. Warrant –

Yours very truly
J. E. Clark

Bagshot Park
Surrey.

June 8 – 70

Dear Dr Lorgmore,

I have been just reading some pamphlets sent me by Mr Lister on his experiences in the antiseptic system, with great interest. I think they cannot fail to interest you likewise, & I send them herewith for you. Many thanks for your address, like every thing that you write it is full of good sense –

Yours sincerely
Julia Clark

This letter written 3 weeks before Sir James Clark's death.

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Sir James died at Bagshot Park on June the 30th 1870, aged 82.

G. L.

The address referred to by Sir J. was the "Opening Lecture" of the 20th Session of the Very Med. School 1st April 1870