

Requests on behalf of H.M. Queen Victoria for reports on wounded from South

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LP. 35/1

from the wounded
Queen - re
from Africa & Major
Halke's in particular
Halke's. Dred at Netley

Osborne

Isle of Wight

23rd Aug. 79.

Dear Colonel Stewart

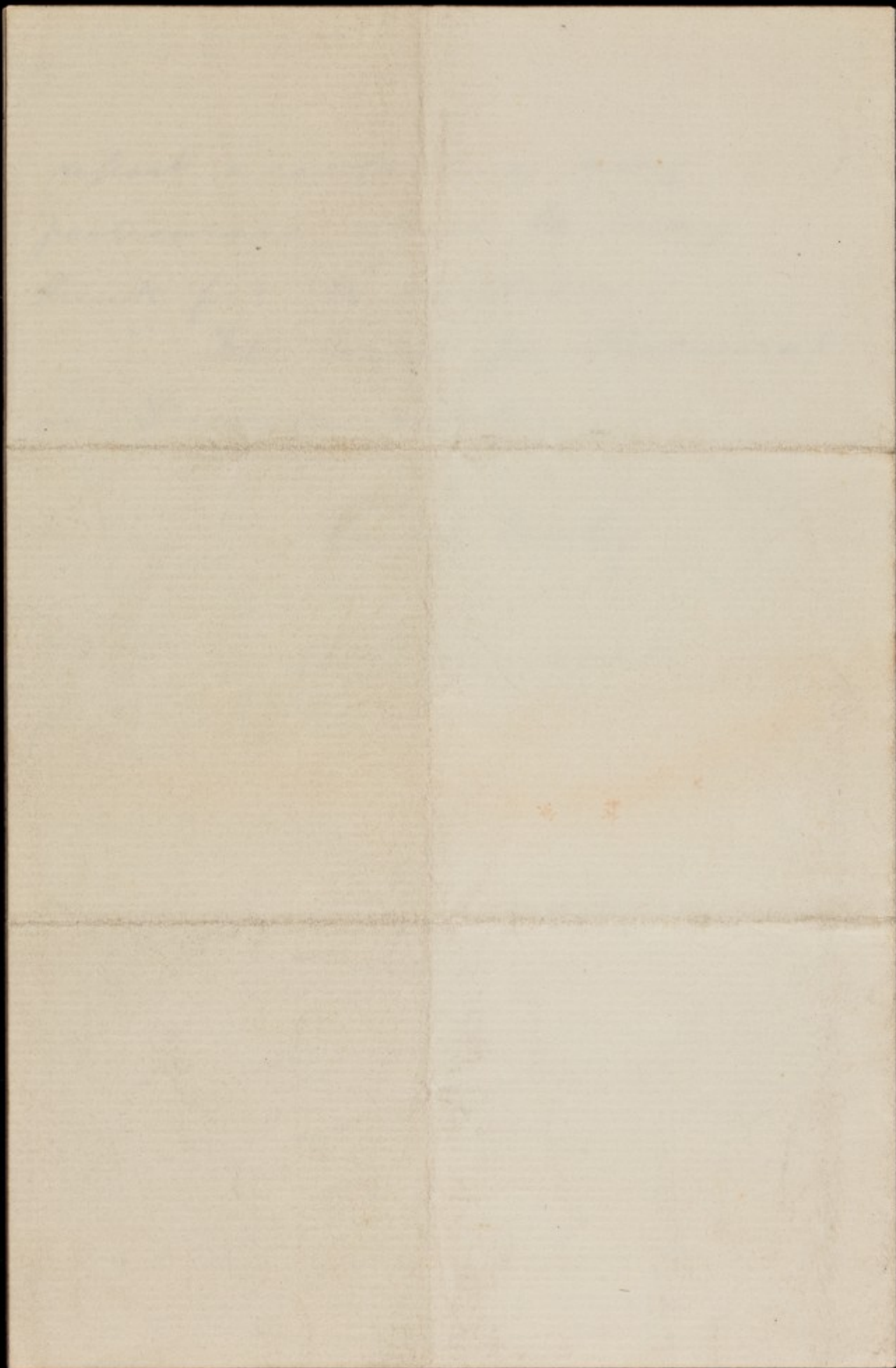
In answer to your telegram
of today I write to say that the
Queen would be glad to receive
twice a week, until further
notice, a report from Professor
Langmore of the State of the
Sick & wounded from South
Africa. Will you kindly
inform Professor Langmore
of this, & ask him to write
to me, on each occasion,
a letter to accompany the

report & containing any
particulars which he may
think fit to mention.

We leave for Balmoral
on Tuesday next

Yours truly

A. H. Pickard



Army Medical School.
Royal Victoria Hospital.
Netley

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Dear Sir,

Colonel Stewart ^{same} instructed me
instructing to send a report to you for the
information of Her Majesty the Queen on the
state of the Sick & W^d from S. Africa,
& at the same time to write to you any
particulars that ~~seem worth mentioning regarding them.~~
I accordingly send a ^{statement} report of the progress of the
patients and also a detailed report of
the case of Major Hackett ^{written} in non-technical
language, some particulars of which may
probably be of interest. I also send a short
statement of the cases of the wounded men
that came to Netley from the "Jumna" on
Friday last.

I remain, Dear Sir,
Colonel A. F. Rickard V. C.
Royal Artillery
Her Majesty's Household

Very truly
Yours
Thos Longman

Major Hackett's case. ZP. 35/3
23rd Aug. '79

Cicatrix of Wound of Entrance, not yet quite closed, is situated in the right temple. The depression left by the bullet is $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch behind the outer angle of the ^{right} orbit, (junction of external angular process of the frontal bone with the frontal process of the malar bone) and on a level with it.

The cicatrix of incision for extraction of bullet is ~~precisely~~ in a corresponding situation in the left temple.

The ~~depression~~ vacancy left by the bullet at its point of exit in the skull is precisely at the same distance from the outer angle of the left orbit, and on the same level, as ^{it is} at the wound of entrance on the right side.

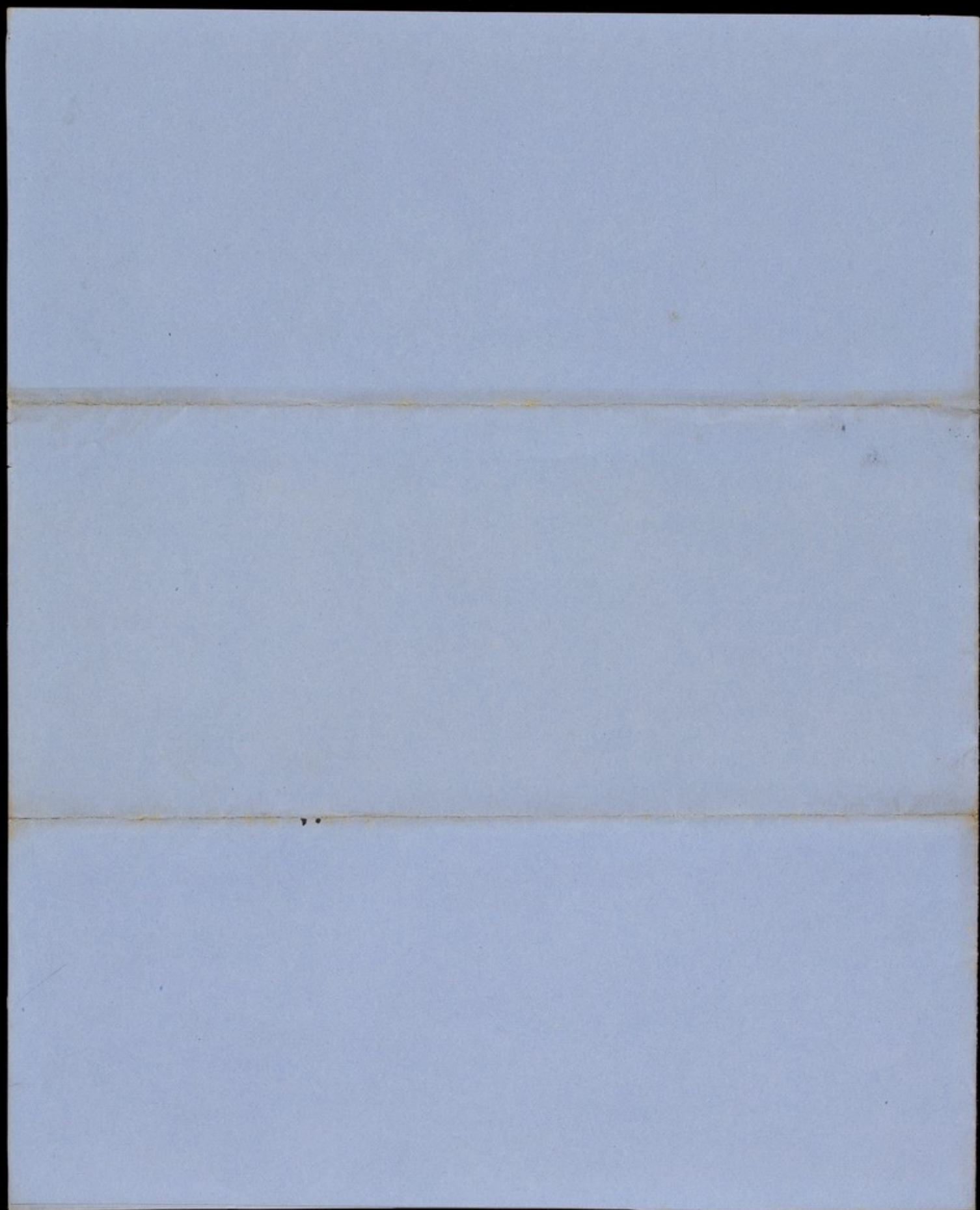
The ~~base~~ bullet evidently traversed horizontally between the two points of entrance & exit.

Probable course of bullet. ^{Through} temporal fossa - orbital ^{plate} ~~surface~~ of greater wing of sphenoid bone - ^{inner aspect of} orbital plate of frontal bone & portion of orbital plate of ethmoid bone - have traversed the cribriform plate of the ethmoid opening the roof of the posterior nares -

3rd - 4th of phth^e sin^{us} of 5th & 6th sin^{us}, the sphenoidal process - the optic nerves & phth^e sin^{us} probably destroyed.

I have passed through the corresponding
bones ^{on} his left side in an inverse
order.

Major Hackett was on foot when
he was hit - thinks the Zulu who
fired at him must have been on
the same level with himself -
I was about 30 yds off.



Army Medical School,
Royal Victoria Hospital,
Netley, 27th August 1879.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the wounded Invalids from the Cape of Good Hope at Netley are all progressing as favorably as the nature of their wounds will allow. I beg to forward short abstracts of the cases of the wounded men who arrived at Netley on Friday last the 22nd Instant, together with a more full account of the case of Major Hackett, 90th Regiment who arrived at Netley on the same date.

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Inflozares

Several of the sick men from the Cape in the Medical Division of the Hospital are still very ill. I beg to forward a report by Surgeon Major Keale, who is in medical charge of these patients, on the most serious cases among them.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your obedient servant
(Sd) Thomas Longmore

Colonel Dickard, V.C., C.B.

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Asst. Private Secretary to the Queen
Balmoral.

Surgeon General H.P.
Professor of Military Surgery.

to have Halhett & others - Halhett was a son of Sir Arthur Halhett of Pitferran - & I stayed with them when the Forth Bridge was closed (then) & also saw the grave of Robert the Bruce - When it was opened in Dunfermline Abbey - then it was moved to a different position.

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Lauchman
 3rd Sep. 1879.

Dear Colonel Stewart

The plan proposed by you, in your letter of 1st Sep^r, will fully meet the Queen's wishes -

Please assure Professor Laugmore that it is quite unnecessary for him to forego his proposed leave of absence, as he so very kindly thought of doing but, in his absence, the Queen

will be perfectly satisfied by
the remarks being made by the
officer in charge of the Surgical
Division -

Sincerely trust that
Major Rickett will be
well & strong enough to
bear the journey you
mentioned before long.

Yours Truly
W. H. Pickard

Worlston Lower

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Windsor Castle.

10 May 1885

(2pp)

Dear Mr. Langman

I have delayed writing
to you respecting my
brother until I had
observed the effect of his
journey upon him.

The transit was
made as comfortably
as the circumstances

permitted, and he felt
the jarring when the train
stopped and started, but
beyond that there was no
inconvenience. —

It was very cold after
leaving Watley, but
the Railway Carriage,
& Ambulance omnibuses,
which were well closed,

prevented his feeling this.
He arrived at Clapham
quite warm. —

It would perhaps be
as well to place the
litter on the floor of the
Carriage, as to have it
slung, as this would re-
duce the lateral motion
a little. —

Colonel Bond's attendance
was of great value. both
on the journey and at
the Hospital; and when
he left yesterday, those
in charge of my brother
were fully acquainted
with all the details of
the nursing & attention
required.

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10 May 1885



Windsor Castle.

I was with my father
yesterday, & he said
that he was most
comfortable in all respects,
but he has not quite
recovered the inevitable
consequences of the jaunting
yet, though they are gradually
disappearing - He says

that he felt this just
at the point when the
fracture took place. —

I see that his mind
is certainly less strong
than it was, and that
there is less hope and
cheerfulness: still hope
is so strong that, he

tells of what he proposes
doing, and of what
he thinks he can now do.
Everyone at the Hospital
is most kind, & the work
soon establish a pleasant
round of visitors —

With repeated thanks for
all your kindness, and

Yours truly.

Erin

Yours truly

Ed. L. S.

LP. 35/7



Windsor Castle.

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Dear Professor Longmore

The Queen has commanded
me to thank you for the telegram
and the letter regarding Captain
Dalrymple which you sent me
to the Continent, and to say
that she would like to hear
occasionally how he goes on -

I rather think Her Majesty -
intends running down to Netley

to see the wounded Soldiers -
probably about the end of
next week (This is for your own in-
formation - I am not authorised to
say so) -

Sincerely yours

James Reid