

Correspondence with the Purveyor's Department re stores; a Commission of Inquiry; the diet of the female nurses; a dispute with Florence Nightingale over the nurses' occupation of huts allotted to the Purveyor's Department; and the arrest of David Fitzgerald

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FC07/1a

Principal Medical Officer's Office
General Hospital Scutari
18 June 1854. -

Sir
I have the honor
to acquaint you, in reply
to your letter of the 10th
Instant, that a quantity
of Surgeons Stores will be
shipped on board the "Hydaspes"
at 6 o'clock a.m., tomorrow,
for Varna.

It appears that
it will be impossible to
comply with the whole of
your Requestion and I
beg to enclose a ^{copy of a} letter from
the Surgeon here for your
information

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient
humble Servant

D. Dumbreck
Dy Insp. General
Co. Med. Officer
Varna

Thos. J. H. P. M. A.
M. J. P. M. A.

Purveys Office
General Hospital
Scutari 16 June 1854

Copied

Sir

In reference to the requisition for certain Hospital Stores and Medical Comforts dated Varna 6 June. received here on the 14th I have the honor to inform you that the quantities in Store here will not admit of the whole of the Articles required being forwarded, as many however as can be spared and which are detained on the other side have been packed and are now ready for shipment.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Signed L Ward

Purveyor to the Forces
The Principal Medical Officer

Se &c &c

Scutari

Invoice of
Provisions Stores & Medicines
Compl't shipped aboard
the *Hydaspes* from Seattle
19 June 1854

P.R.
19 June 1854

FC07/14

Return of Hospital Stores & Medical Comforts al-
luded to in the annexed letter now in the Purveyors
Store and ready for Shipment to Varna.

2 Cases (marked B) each Case said to contain 1 Nest Sawdust
1 frying Pan 2 Ladles 2 flesh Forks 10 Cups 3 $\frac{5}{8}$ 120 Pots

1 Case (Do. No. 2) said to contain 30 Chamber Pots

1 " containing 6 Scrubbers hand 6 short sweeping brushes
3 long scrubbers 6 white wash Brushes.
with all blocks

1 - " - Marked No. 6, containing Bed Pans Kettles & Urinals
7 2 Spades

3 Cases marked 13 containing Nest of Kettles

✓ 4 Copper 112 Gallons each

✓ 4 Trivets

✓ 40 Bags of Bedding 3 cts each

✓ 20 Bags of Hair Beds and Bolsters 2 in each

✓ 1 Bale Waterproof Bed covers (20)

✓ 12 Brush Handles

✓ 4 Washing Tubs

✓ 3 Tarpaulins =

Medical Comforts

✓ 10 Cases Port Wine 6 Dozen each

✓ 1 - " - Arrow Root

✓ 1 - " - Sago

✓ 1 - " - Essence of Beef

✓ 5 - " - Preserved Potatoes

J. L. Ward
Purveyor to the Forces

J.H.A.
W.B.

FCO 7/2

Office of Ordnance
13 July 1854 ^C 672

My Lord,

The Board having, at the request of the General Commanding in Chief, given orders for the immediate supply of the undermentioned Bedsteads for Hospital use, to meet the wants of the additional Force about to proceed to Turkey
viz.

500 Bedsteads of the new pattern

500 Bedsteads and Mattresses.

I have the honor, by the Board's Command to notify the same for your Lordship's information.

I have, &c.

(Signed) J. Wood.

Lord Raglan,
H. L. L.
Turkey.

Dec 29 July 1854

FC07/3

Referred to Mr. Tucker per report

LB

Purveyors Office

Scutari

5th July 1854

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the "Taurus" arrived from England with Purveyors Stores to deliver here, With the concurrence of the Principal Medical Officer Dr. Menzies it was deemed expedient to get them transhipped and sent on to Varna, through the Admiralty Agent, this has been effected without breaking Bulk here; - and in compliance with your letter of the 29th Instant, state that four pairs of Canteens A & B with twenty four bags of bedding have been shipped to the charge of the Purveyor at Varna - The Bedding considered sent by mistake, marked Canton Bedding was known at the time and taken to facilitate the shipment at the moment, all the bedding in the Store is packed in the same way three sets in each, in quantity and packing precisely the same, but contain sets marked Canton Bedding -

Fifteen traps were sent up with the Stores shipped in "City of London" with Purveyors Clerk Harrington - No return

Dr. Hall

Inspector General of Hospitals

per
Varna

If receipt for the stores so sent has now
been received and the Invoice was
entrusted to W. Harrington -

I have the Honor to be

Sir

Yours most obedient
humble servant

L. Ward
Mayor to the Honor.

General Hospital
Varna 17 July 1854

Sir
I have the honor to inform you in reference to Mr Ward's letter of the 5 Inst. stating that the Stores which had arrived from England in the Taurus had been transhipped & sent on to Varna through the Admiralty Agent, that only a portion thereof has arrived here in the City of London Steamer and upon which a Board of Survey was held on the 15 Inst.

In reference to that part of his letter respecting the 10 Canteens & Bedding, I beg to state that six pairs of Canteens & 23 Sets of Bedding, marked to accompany 10 Canteens, have been received at City of London & not 4 pairs of them with 24 Sets of Bedding, but it is quite possible that a Set of the ordinary Bedding might have been received instead and which would escape discovery as 122 Bales in all were landed from the Vepel.

Mr Harrington explains in reference to the Stores sent from Scutari in the same Vepel with himself, that he had nothing whatever to do with the Shipping them and that the Stores were landed from the Vepel in Varna without any person being present to receive them over, and that the Captain of the Vepel had given no receipt for them to the Surveyor at Scutari -

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D. Hall
Inspector General of Hospitals
Principal Medical Officer
Varna

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant

W. A. Tucker
S. J.

Varna 17 July 1854

Mr. Tucker's acknowledgment
of receipt of part of Tucker's
Money for City of London

Memorandum
of Medical Comports remaining
on the 9th August 1854 -

		Required
195 dozens	All Bottles of Port Wine -	200 Dozen
40 Gallons	of Brandy	200 Gallons
300 lbs	of Tea	200 lbs
120 "	of Barley	} already demanded
none	of Arrow Root	
none	of Sago	
none	of Sugar	
		1000 lbs
30 Chests	of Dried Potatoes - Devaux & Co's	20 chests
2 "	of Preserved Potatoes - Edwards's	6 do
5 "	of Preserved Concentrated Milk	5 do
3 "	of do - Hoccoa	5 do
2 Casks	of Boiled Mutton - (400 lbs)	2 Casks
449 quarter Pints	of Essence of Beef (about 1 1/2 Chests)	6 Chests x
		useful during great demand

J. Apple
J.B. of Hosp.
W. A. Tucker
Surgeon to the Forces

General Hospital Varna
9 August 1854 ±

Account of Stores Shipped in London on Board the *Taurus*
12 June 1854, transhipped at Scutari by the Admiralty Agent
on Board the *City of London*, the *Gertrude* & the *Tonning*
Varna 16 August 1854.

	Bill of Lading of the <i>Taurus</i> London 12 June 1854	Received at Varna 13 July 1854 on the <i>City</i> of London Steamer	Received at Varna August 8 following Days in the <i>Gertrude</i>	Received at Varna August 14 following Days in the <i>Tonning</i>	Deficiencies	Surplus
Blankets	5100	2175	375	2550		
Rugs	2550	1600	175	775		
Paillasses	2550	1015	350	1190		
Sheets	7650	3600	300	3750		
Cover. Bolster	2550	600		1950		
Beds Hair	500		204	296		
Bolsters - "	500		204	296		
Heads Mop	300		100	150	50	
Cotton Wick 1/2	75		150			75
Heads Long Sweeping Brushes	100	100				
Brushes Hand scrubbing	100	100				
" Sweeping	50	50				
" Whitewash	100	100				
Thread White	50		50			
" Whited Brown	50		50			
Baths Slippers Tin	3	3				
Plates Tin Dinner	2550	2550				
Dishes Meat Tin 13 1/2 inch	500	500				
Kettles Tin in Pasts of 8 in a lot	15	15				
Burners - double Wick	400	400				
Boards Bed	3750	200	3349	113		
Trunks - Wood	2500	1690		810		
" Spans "	100					
Tarpaulins for Canvas 12x9	100				100	
Water Buckets	250				250	
Tails Water	100	16		83	1	
Handles Long Sweeping	100			100		
" Mop	300	268		32		
Bedsteads Portable Clark's Patent	100			100		
Cholera Belts	20000	2000		17000	1 Belt	
Rose Bags	300				300	

Account of Hospital Stores for Field Service of the 2^d Division
of the Expedition (15000) Shipped at London on Board the
Taurus 12 June 1854 transhipped at Scutari by the Admiralty
Agent on Board the City of London, the Gertrude & the Tanning -

	Bill of Lading of the Taurus London 12 June 1854	Received at Varna 13 th July in the City of London	Received at Varna August 4 th Morning days from the Gertrude	Received at Varna August 4 th Morning days in the Tanning	Deficiencies	Surplus
Case No 1	15			15		
" No 2	15	11		4		
" No 3	15		3	12		
" No 4	15		1	14		
" No 5	15		1	14		
" No 6	15		1	14		
" No 7	15			15		
" No 8	15		3	11	1	
" No 9	15		2	12	1	
" No 10	15					
" No 11	15		4	10	1	
" No 12	15		3	12		
" No 13	15		4	11		
" No 14	15		15			
" No 15	15		3	12		
" No 16	5		1	4		
" No 17	5		1	3	1	
" No 18	5		2	3		
<u>570 Bags of Bedding</u>						
Blankets - Single	3060	732	1386	942		
Rugs "	1530	366	693	471		
Quilts "	1530	366	693	471		
Bolster Cases "	1530	366	693	471		
Sheets " 3672	4590	1098	2079	1413		
" Hospital 918						
<u>300 Bags of Bedding</u>						
Hair Beds	600	100	170	230	4	
" Bolsters	600	100	170	230	4	
Bed Covers Waterproof	300	60	60	100		
Stretches	1500		1107	373	20	
Boards for do	2250			1991	259	
33 Bales	Grogs Blue Serge	396	156	240		
	Trowsers "	396	156	240		
	Waistcoats "	396	156	240		
	Caps Woollen	396	156	240		

	Bill of Lading of the Taurus London 12 June 1854	Received at Steam City of London	Received in the Fortitude	Received in the Tanning	Deficiencies	Surplus
15 Bales {						
Shirts Flannel	450		30	420		
" Linen	900		60	840		
Towels Round	100		12	160		
" Hand	100		12	160		
Water decks	150				150	
Shovels, Common	15				15	
Spades, "	15				15	
Handles for long scrubbers	60					
" for sweeping	60			200	92	
" for traps	100					
Coppers 20 Gallons	15			15		
" 12 Gallons	30			30		
Trivets for do	45			45		
Water Pails	60		40		20	
Washing tubs Hospital	45	32	10	3		
Pairs of FP Canteens $\frac{A+B}{2}$	16				16	
<u>Bedding 12 bales for each</u>						
Blankets	192			156	36	
Quillasses	96			70	10	
Rugs	96			70	10	
Cases Bolster	96			70	10	
Shirts	200			234	54	
Shops for FP Canteens	32			16	16	
Aces, Pick, Handled	30				30	
<u>Extra</u>						
Frames Close North Iron	90		40	50		
Pans - " Linic	90			90		

W. A. Tucker
Surveyor to the Free

FC07/7a

(Enclosing FC07/7b & c)

Dunrobin's Office

Varna 21 Oct 1856

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 6 Instant (received yesterday through the Principal Medical Officer) notifying your displeasure at my disregard of the instructions you had given me about sending down stores to Lentari and that you had reported my neglect of duty to the Commander in Chief -

I beg in reply thereto and in reference to your letter of the 3 September, to state for your information that the stores which arrived from England in the "Jason" were transhipped upon their arrival here & sent back to Lentari - These stores according to the Invoice received from the Director General,

Comprised,	3468	Blankets
	1734	Rugs
	1734	Quilts
	1734	Bolster Cases
	5202	Sheets
	1020	Serge Gowns
	1020	" Trowsers
	1020	" Waistcoats
	1020	Worsted Caps
	570	Flannel Shirts
	570	Worsted Stockings
	850	Pr of Slippers
	600	Hair Mattresses
	600	" Bolsters

Sufficient for the immediate accommodation of at least one Thousand Five Hundred Sick

Dr Hall

Inspector General of Hospitals

Turkey

Your instructions, in reference to sending some Bales of Bedding by the Mercia, were, "Should you find that the Jason has been ordered to tranship her Stores into the Mercia you need not send them" I was also told by you in the same letter that the "Bombay was ordered to sail last night & the probability is she would not have time to receive the Stores from the Jason" and I heard on the morning of the 4th that the Bombay had sailed, application was therefore made to tranship ^{them} to the Mercia as directed and I was of course under the impression that such had been the case and it was not until a long time afterwards that I accidentally learned they had been put on Board the Bombay, a circumstance I was glad of inasmuch as the Stores must have got to their destination sooner.

I may here remark that as far as I can understand from a communication from the Surveyor at Sentani dated 16 Septem^r: (received 16 Oct^r.) that Bed Board & Ladders were the only Stores urgently required, both of which Articles formed a portion of those sent in the Bombay on the 3rd Instant -

Until the return of the Bombay to Varna no other opportunity occurred to send Stores from hence and to which every possible advantage was taken.

The difficulties that have always existed here in obtaining Water Transport even for disembarking Stores when the Captains are anxious to get rid of their Cargoes, are multiplied greatly when Stores are to be shipped and no other means but what the Captains can or will afford are to be obtained for the purpose.

In the case of these Stores, day after day, applications were made for the necessary Transport - Sometimes Land Carriage (a few Arbatas only) could be had to take the things to the Wharf & then neither Boats nor Lighters, although promised, were to be had.

Since the Bed Boards & Trestles, had to be brought back from the Wharf & upon the third time of their being sent I directed that they should be left in charge of a Sentry to await the first opportunity that might occur to ship them - This did not offer until the morning of the Vessels' sailing, when they were sent off by the Garrison Adjutant.

The Statement of the Captain of the Bombay was to the Effect that he had scarcely the least room left for our Stores and that he was only prepared to receive a few.

The State of the Weather for many days was unfavorable in the Extreme & one large Lighter containing Ordnance Stores was sunk & the Stores lost.

To have thought of committing Bedding to such chances under such unfavorable circumstances, supposing the possibility of getting them conveyed to the Vessel, would have been highly culpable & such Cases as could be embarked had to be sent to the South Side of the Bay, where we were obliged to leave them on the Engineer's Wharf all night - no Boats being there to take them to the Vessel - and the Ship was under weigh in the morning when the Boats left the Beach with them.

With reference to that part of your Letter of the 3rd Ultimo, viz^t, that I "must gradually diminish my Stores in Varna as opportunities presented" I have to state that it had been determined upon by the Principal Medical Officer & myself to have sent away

about three fourths of the Stores in my charge by the
Bombay when she returned - but I trust I have
sufficiently shewn that difficulties, insurmountable
by me, occurred to prevent it ^{which} were, I understand, duly
without loss of time, reported to you.

An Invoice of Bed Boards & Pistols & such other
Stores as could by any possibility be sent ~~with~~
in that Vessel, I duly notified to you and I am
sorry they had not arrived in Sentari by the 6
of October (the date of your letter to me) and which
under ordinary circumstances might have been
Expected, as the Vessel sailed from Varna Early on
the morning of the 3^d, as I might then have
been spared the pain of receiving a severe, and
I trust, upon reconsideration, you will admit an
undeserved rebuke.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient
Attentive Servant

M. L. Tucker

Samoa to the press

P.S. Dr Jameson informs me that he has
written to you also on this subject -

Copy No 1

FC07/7b
(Enclosed with FC07/7a)

Scutari 6 October 1857

Received 20 Oct
HST

Sir
Your disregard of the instructions I gave you about sending stores to Scutari has put the Service to ^{the} greatest possible inconvenience, and has added greatly to the sufferings of the Sick & Wounded here.

As I have been Compelled to report your neglect of duty to the Commander in Chief, I shall be glad to be proved with any explanation you may have to offer - I have &c &c
Signed J Hall
Maj Gen of the Staff

Copy No 2

Very Urgent

Scutari 4 Oct 1857

Medical Dept. Order

1st Class Staff Surgt. Jameson will take the earliest opportunity of sending 1st Class Staff Surgeon Carr & every disposable Medical Officer from Varna to Scutari, with directions, to report themselves to the Principal Medical Officer for duty in the General Hospital there

Where their Services are
urgently required at present -
and he will direct Mr Tucker,
Surgeon, to lose no time in shipping
all the Purveyors Stores with the
Exception of an Equipments for
150 Patients which will be
sufficient to retain at Varna in the
present reduced state of that
Garrison - Dr Jameson will direct
Apothecary Mr Intosh to send down
to Scutari a large proportion of
his Medical & Surgical Stores &
he will order the Cutler to proceed
at once to Scutari with all his
Apparatus -

Boards & Trestles are much
wanted here and the Inspector
General of Hospitals is greatly
disappointed to find Mr Tucker,
Purveyor, did not obey his
instructions of the 3rd September
to send down a portion of Stores
by the "Mercia" Transport.

Signed J Hall

Genl of Hosp &

Dr Jameson
Class Staff Surgeon
Varna

No 2

The first intimation I had ~~that~~
from the Hospital at Scutari that
Boards & Trestles were wanted
did not reach me until the
16th October - at this dated 16th Sept -

By a Communication then
received from the Purveyr it
appears that Bed Boards & Coppers
were the only Stores required -

Bed Boards & Trestles are not
noticed in Dr Hall's letter of the 3rd
Septemb^r, upon which he lays stress -

Both however formed a portion
of the Stores I sent in the "Bomby"
on the 3rd October I must have been
in Scutari before I received any
official notification that they were
wanted -

On the 10th of September I had
written to the Purveyr at Scutari
requesting him to inform me if
he required some in preference to
other Stores that I may meet his
wishes in that respect - to which
I received answer on the 16 Oct.
replied to above -

Copy No 3.

Varna 3 Sept 1854.

Sir

I request you will forward
to Scutari by the Transport Ship
Mercia

250 Sets of Bedding
50 Bales of Sheets
50 — of Blankets
15 — of Rugs
20 — of Hair Rugs

and advise the Purveyor there,
Mr Ward, that you have done so -
When the Bombay returns you
will ship such portions of the Stores on Board,
in Cases as you can spare and
advise Mr Ward in like manner
of what you have done - The
Bombay was ordered to sail last
night, and the probability is she
would not have time to receive the
Stores on Board the Jason - Should they
you find that the Jason has been
ordered to tranship her Stores into
the Mercia you need not send the
above - But you must gradually
diminish your Stores in Varna
as opportunities present before
the bad weather sets in, so as to be
able to close the Hospital easily
Should you receive orders to do so.

I have &c &c
Signed J Hall

W Tucker Esq
Surgeon to the Forces
Varna

No 3

From a conversation I had
upon this relative subject in
the afternoon of Dr Hall's departure
when he came to my Office to
speak upon the matter, I am
perfectly satisfied that these
directions were given under the
impression that the Jason might
not be able to tranship her Stores
at all, but proceed at once to the
Crimea with the Troops she had
on Board, landing over the Stores
to me upon her return, and I think
it could matter but little whether
they went in the Bombay or the
Mercia, further, than going by the
former Vessel, a circumstance Dr.
Hall thought not likely to happen,
Should they go to Scutari somewhat sooner

Since the Mercia & Bombay
left the only opportunity of
sending Stores to Scutari occurred
when the Bombay returned
and every exertion I or the
Principal Medical Officer
could make, was made to
effect as great a Clearance
as possible, without I am

Edw Wright

Varina 21 October 1854
Mr Tucker's Explanation of the
non-transmission of Yellow
from Varina to Leicester -

Sorry to say, owing to unfortunate
circumstances, much worth -
a detailed explanation of which
will be found in my letter to D Hall
of the 21st. Which also have been
fully explained to him by the
Principal Medical Officer -

N D Tucker
Surgeon to the Forces

Copies

FC07/7c

(Enclosed with FC07/7a)

Punwari Office

Scutari 11/ Sept 1854.

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th Inst. and to inform you the Stores of the "Jason" transhipped to the "Bombay" have been received here.

With reference to my letter of the 6th. we then required urgently as many Boards and Trussels with large & small Coppers as you could spare, none have yet reached this Station and are much wanted to complete the Mos Equipment here I must therefore request you will cause them to be forwarded by the first conveyance -

I have &c

Signed L Ward

P. T.

W. J. A Tucker Esq

P- to the Forces

Varna.

Immediate

Copy

Purveyors Office

Scotland 6 Sept 1854.

Sir,
The Prin^l. Med^l. Officer at this
Station D. Menzies. 1st C. S. I. has just
informed me that he has received
instructions from J. G. of Hosp^l D. Wall
to draw upon your stores for any
Articles the Gen^l Hos^l - ^{here} may be in
need of.

I therefore beg that you will send
to this Station by the earliest opportunity,
as many complete sets of Bell Boards &
Jessels
as you can spare the same being urgently
required also small large or small Coppers

Signed

L. Ward.

W. D. A. Tucker Esq^r.

P. J. Varna

Purveyor to the

Scotland 6 Sept 1854
Delivered to the
Station

Recd - 29 Oct 1854 - ^{Supply} Ordered up to lampat once
FC07/8
State Balaklava
20 Oct. 1854.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that 67 Large & 13 Small Cases of Lime Juice have been landed here, and ~~are~~ informed by Mr. Adams of the Commissariat Department that they have no advice concerning the same, further that application was made to him for 18 Cases for the use of the Highlanders serving under Sir Colin Campbell, but he declined issuing so large a quantity until communicated with you on the subject.

Mr. Adams also states that if you deem it advisable he can send a portion of it immediately to Head Quarters. — I have the honor to be

D^r Hall
Inspector Gen^l of Hosp^s
in our Army
Crimea

Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant,
H. Jenner
Pres^t to the Forces

P.S. I am under the impression that the large Cases contain 18 & the small 9 Bottles each —

28 October 1856

Mr. Sumner notifying the
Receipt of Louis. Ince 84
H. M. S. Stromboli -

Copy

FC07/9
General Hospital
Balaklava 6th Nov^r 1854

Sir

I have the honor to report that I obtained from the Commissariat sufficient Hay to stuff 151 Packasses and that on making application to Commissary General Filder for a further supply, was informed by him, he could not let me have any, as the Cavalry horses were in danger of being starved;

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your Most Obedient
humble servant.

(Signed)

H. Jenner

Purveyor to the Forces

"True Copy"

Daniel Fitzpatrick
Purveyor to the Forces

(D^r Hall

Ins^p Gen^l of Hosp^{ls}

Crimée

Taken from Ambulance Wagon.

Pulv: Opü 3 small bottles
 Liquor Opü feremic 3 "
 Pulv: Specac: Comp: 3 "
 Liquor Plumbi deacet: 1 bottle
 Al: Ricini 1 "
 Pulv: Confectio Aromat: ℥j.
 Confectio Opü . . . 1 jar of 2lb.
 Hydrag: C. ceta . . ℥ij
 Cupri sulphas ℥ss.

David FitzGerald

R. M. in Charge.

9 Dec. 1854.

(3pp.)

FC07/11
Gentle 5 Jan. 1855

My dear Hale

As I can write more fully in this private manner I judge it wiser to communicate with you on the subject of my department and its disputation - My letter will have informed you of the almost sudden death of Mr Ward on the 1st Inst. and I have now to add to it the death of his poor wife she was attacked with the same disease (Cholera) on the morning of the 3rd and at one o'clock a.m. yesterday she also succumbed - I am now therefore with only two that can be said to be at all deficient and though Mr Stuart exerts himself to the utmost he has to learn the duties of a General Hospital. Mr Rogers P. S. is in charge of the General Hospital and Mr Stuart of the Barrack; Mr Ward's accounts I regret to say are incomplete. although I have made effort to get them more forward and I tried to make him clear the way. June accounts are closed. and those for the quarter ended 30 Sept. very nearly so. the last quarters are in progress and will I trust in due course be arranged and brought to a something like satisfactory state. the pressure however has been so great upon a small and inefficient staff and the demands for out door duty so important that it has not been possible to do more than keep up current duties. The six new clerks as advised have now arrived and are already at school for such it literally is and it will take time to train them. - They appear smart young

with considerable Capacity and as far as his acquaintances
can judge possessing aptitude for Business with a fair promise
of becoming useful. offering a considerable contrast to the
last batch of whom three one of very little use indeed
two by reason of youth and inexperience and Mr Turner
from a total absence of all the requisites to become
even a tolerable Clerk. from perhaps his previous antecedents
Now I wish to consult you on a re-distribution of these
Gentlemen. and whether you think it indispensable to continue
the Purveyors Clerks with the Divisions - could it not be
managed that good non-Commissioned Officers could take
charge to try to meet our necessities in this case. for even if
you think it absolutely necessary to continue the system
of having a small depot of stores with each Division. the
duty connected with it cannot be arduous at least so
I presume. - In the event however of this ^{plan} being still deemed
and in your opinion necessary. then I propose to send
up three new hands to relieve the three now in charge
as the latter having had some experience are essentially
necessary here. - where the duties are multiphase daily
and cannot be satisfactorily carried on without
efficiency as well as strength. In addition to
these two Hospitals the Barrack & General Hospital

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We have opened one at Hydrabad the Sultans Palace
in the Valley to the left of the General Hospital with some
400. Men and more going. The Stables to at the back
of the Barracks will be occupied as soon as a kitchen
is ready and Kutchie immediately all of which
require Purveyors officers. and then there is Smyrna
to which I have notice to prepare for ^{soon} It appears to
me therefore that I shall require every individual
that we can possibly get down here. in order to meet
the demands which will be made upon the Department.
Mr Fitzgerald will be I consider indispensable for this
place or Smyrna. and Mr Foker is reported well of
as also Mr Harrington. pray oblige me with your
opinion and assistance in all this —

Now come to another question and
that is that I am fully satisfied more officers are absolutely
and indispensably necessary. and I am of opinion
that Messrs Fitzgerald and Rogers should be
recommended for promotion to the Rank of
Purveyors without delay. the former is Indian
the Senior in point of service out here and I

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Bellevue has mented your approbation the latter
is a very efficient officer and is spoken well of here
by all the authorities. and I have known some of your
friends of which I knew with me in England.

Now I do not know if you wish or are of opinion
that the recommendation should go through yourself
if so I shall most readily comply with it. Believe me
My dear Sir I have but one object in view
and that is to carry out the duties in the best
manner possible I have neither inclination
nor desire to stifle affairs and will accede
to any wish you may express to me on the matter.
J. W. Howe, the Dy Secretary at War writes to me
privately that my recommendations regarding
assistance &c will meet with already consideration
and not be too minutely scrutinized He wishes
the Department & the Hospital to be efficient
and we cant make the one or the other do
without ample assistance

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I have no doubt whatever that D^r Forrest and myself shall get on together well and mutually assist each other in our numerous and arduous I can assure you the Purveyors want support - more devolves upon them here than even you ever contemplated. - and the responsibility of stores is immense - a staff should & must be appointed to the Superintendence of of the Bedding Stores and another to the Provisions Stores of these two large Hospitals as the non commissioned officers are constantly falling sick if there is the least pressure or taken away to proceed to England or to join their Regiments, thereby leading to all kinds of irregularities and derangements Oblige me with advice at your earliest convenience Give me your opinions and wishes friendly & truly & I will do my best to meet your

in all things and with the assurance that I
shall be, as I have ever been, assisted with your friendly
advice

Believe me

Yours most truly & faithfully
Wm. W. W. W.

John Hull, Esq.

5 Jan^y 1853
Mr. W. W. W. - Prin. Chief

Am? 9 Feb 1858 - ans? 9th

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My dear Hall.

We have sent up what we could by the "Army and Navy" Steamer which ought to start to day. but I am sorry to say it falls short by much of the Requisitions of Mr. Fitz. In fact the Market here for such supply and eager demand does not admit of doing anything other than by drafts and gunnicks pour down upon us in such numbers and rapid succession that the pressure upon stores is beyond all calculation and I was snubbed last night by a captain Lord for not taking care of W.O.T. before sending any thing to Batavia. The fact is we have too many Masters - Dr. Manning is now on P.M.D. and yesterday made some judicious arrangements which I hope he will enforce much of our confusion and trouble has been the want of regularity in the Wards, arising from I apprehend so many young and inexperienced Medical officers being sent out and the small number of the higher grades being available here to look after them. While the Ward-masters from various causes are most of them weaklings and uncontrollable. Accasion to strength has arrived but not to efficiency as they will all require time

to instruct and under of etc. But the arrival of Mutton and
Helm on office Gentlemen is ~~an~~ an appreciable event to me at
least. as I can assure you I am fast knocking up
and thought last week I must have given way. My
health is by no means good. & the relapse of my last year's
severe attack of Bronchitis, are more and more manifest
themselves. This is in truth a fearful service and a
fearful country I am gratified to hear however from
those who have recently seen you that you bear up
bravely against the wear and tear of this kind and
body to which you have been subjected. and I sincerely
hope your health will continue good.

The War Office attended to my recommendation and
have coupled Mr Rogers in the promotion with Mr F. Gerald.
They are two promising Officers and I hope will justify it.

Mr Mutton only made his appearance yesterday
to morning I presume he will commence business
or at all events look about him. with the view
to do so. - If Cunningham's health stands it the
week I think being things into a better order,

which cannot but add to the comfort of all. The
Expenditure here has been beyond all precedent. I should
often by the example set by parties which in my opinion
are out of their place. but all things find their level
in time. Dr Ferriell I believe goes by the Arabia
to get his for England I am sorry his health gains
way. Mr Jenner is getting better and will I trust very soon
be well. as a staff must go down to Longona forthwith
the equipment for the Hospital there must be purchased
from this morning go to see Mr Whitehead at the office
of that place respecting it and bring him to head Mr
Paulet.

Mr Tucker has come up from Egypt and
must take charge here when he will find work I
have sent down a very promising Clerk to relieve
him a Mr Pijott. will you send down Toller
and Harrington if we send up two promising
young hands to relieve them. Mr Toller is anxious
to leave Hospital duty and the War Office people
are interested about him - Mr Watson is here

but useless absolutely useless. Milton I have
dealt with him. - I have had letters to appear set
but in some things may be better. but whether
I am in health or out of health. I shall

remain

Sincerely and faithfully Yours
W. H. P. Ford

John H. P. Ford

Inspector General of Hospitals

Head Quarters

D. Lawson promised to send me a letter
of dispassion for the "Army Magazine" last
evening. but I have not received it
as yet

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My dear Hale

I have again to thank you for your kind letter and also for the prompt attention you have given to my recommendation. The War Office authorities see the absolute necessity of creating more responsible offices and holding out the hope forward to merit and good conduct. - The War Office Gentlemen form a committee of Inquiry and aid combined. Mr Melton the Head of it is an old friend of mine and well acquainted with Hospital duties at Home. is very sharp and clever at his work. and being armed with considerable power from the War Office much may be expected from him in aiding the Organization of the Department which you know was reduced to nil. and I can tell you that if I had foreseen one tenth of its difficulties no earthly consideration should have induced me to have accepted the appointment. - With respect to Miss. Nightingale and her Staff I shall not say much - Good she has undoubtedly done but be assured much mischief will hereafter be the result. In fact she is only a link in the Chain of events which is fast destroying the entire Moral of the Army. The Expensiveness in the Hospitals here has been frightful I scarcely know how we have been able to keep up the Supplies at all. - and my surprise is not that we may have had short comings but that we could keep the thing

going at all. Such eating and drinking I can before met,
with in Military Hospital and I shall not even the Indian
System has been out done. - Of course no doubt possesses
and exercise greater power in keeping things abate down but
he too is I fear better with the R - few. - Confusion
however is hereover - I think the Lie of the papers &
also of custom paper absolutely beneath contempt. I
am happy to say they have given me no concern. I have done
the best I could and from that I shall draw support & con-
solation. - I was certainly very nearly done up just before Mr.
Mellor's arrival and told both Lord W. Pountney and Dr. Jones
that I could not continue to contend against it much
longer. Curran recommended my lying up, but I thought
I would make effort to struggle on until Mellor arrived
I did so and his assistance and advice did in
our case and I too has had a good effect upon my
health which is decidedly better than it was, and I shall
be glad if it enables me to work on awhile longer.

Doctors are now pouring in upon us in great abundance
and we shall be at great loss to find store room for them.
The "Eagle" is nearly discharged - and the "Whitby Park" commonly
besides these two ships - we are to receive supplies twice
week by the "Messageries Impériales" from Marseilles

purchased through the President agent of Transports Capt. A.
Caldwell. R.N. by order of the Minister of War. to the
following extent.

2000 Iron Beds
2000 pairs Blankets
2000 Hair Mattresses
2000 Coverlets
2000 pairs of Sheets
2000 pairs of Pillowcases
2000 Chamber Stools
4000 Handkerchiefs
2000 pairs Slippers
4000 pairs Wadded Socks
4000 pairs Drawers
2000 " Boots
2000 Knives, forks, & Spoons. &c.

Lady Shaftesbury to with Lord W. Pountney having been
entered into an arrangement with some man at
Paris to furnish a part of the Hospital of the
Ladyships ideas. Cost about 400,000 francs. I
was presented with a bill for the same the other day
of something like £6500 - and which according to Mr.
John Herbert views we must pay. In fact my
knowledge I don't know where they wish even to pay
any one in England appears to be obtaining under
Monmouth on the subject of the List of goods

of the same Army, and John Rule must for the paper

I have sent up such articles as we could procure to
Mr. Agnew - and in a few days, that is when I may be
had I will send some Boards & Trussels or perhaps
Iron Beds then is a very portable description come
out about 200 only however with lashing attached
they fold up quite flat and do not take so much
room as the old Barrack beds - perhaps Boards &
Trussels are the best for Balaklava. ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind} ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind}
they may be burnt are the cheapest ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind} ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind}
improvement in the weather is producing ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind} ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind}
in the camp we have had some fine days here and I trust
the beneficial effects from it are very ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind} ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind}
is to be the salvation of the British Army ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind} ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind}
could now pick out of this Hospital 800 Convalescents. if
there were an establishment for them. I am afraid the recently
erected Sheds in the Centre of the Barrack Square will
not be found to answer all that was expected
as yet they are not occupied except one of them with
apartments of the Depot - I hear the Medical Commission
of forced their look and Mr. Medd with starts for
England tomorrow - Let me say open friendship
to unite to the privacy when open ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind} ^{as I can find} ^{of the same kind}
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I shall send you copies of the *Stor* of "Eagle" & "Whalley Park" that you may know our resources. we can any number of fronts. I am sorry to add however that Ulcers are very scarce with us. I hope the "Hollander" which I am verbally informed by the New Medical Storekeeper. at Dr Smith's request has a quantity of stores on board may have a supply. as our Requisitions went home upwards of two months ago.

Poor Stuart has been again on his back two or three days. He is not strong and the work big new to him has tried him very much. Dr Tucker is here. and I hope to get something out of him but it will be hard work. - As to the Clarks recently sent out. I never saw - with one or two exceptions - such a lot of raw material. so very inexperienced that they are present much more "plague than profit". Dr Watson makes no improvement and as Dr Helton holds the power of sending him or anyone else to England if found inefficient. I rather think he will have to visit that part of the world soon.

The Count Martini on that young man Stagger. is much vexed he. I cannot suppose he thought he was committing a fraud. at the moment but it is an unfortunate affair today the least of it.

Two of the War Office Commission we have sent down
to Malta. - As I had neither Pump nor luck to send
as directed by Mr Hawes to do. and Genl Wm Paul as
yet knows nothing of Invalids being sent down to that
place. - Jenner is getting on admirably well at Smyrna
and Abeydot is a Stopped Pet. - and well it may be they
work down stone enough for more than double the number
of Patients they could accommodate. 1382 Blankets. 594 Rugs
640 Pillcases. 647 Bolster Cases. 1646 Sheets
526 Hair Beds 522 Hair Bolsters — — — — — Linn. and this too
at a time when we were rather disheaped for stores. Mr Fisher
says Dr Jameson had the selection and not himself.

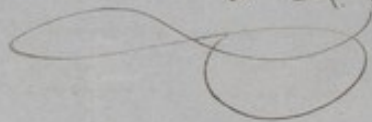
I sincerely hope you maintain your health and get good accounts
from Mr Hall. You should also take care of your eyes. they are
too precious to lose.

Believe me

Yrs all sincerely

Your sincerely attached and faithful
friend

M Macfadyen



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Balakhova

4th March 1855

Sir I have the honor
to acknowledge receipt
of your letter of yesterday
and beg to offer the
following explanation
The 30 Bottles of Port wine
were Required on the
31st of Jan^r and received
and credited on the
2nd February as will be
seen in my return for
that month.

The 14 lbs of Snowroot
on the 19th January were
credited. When the Ar-
rowroot arrived at the
camp I noted the number
of Cases and have credited
the number of Pounds
which those cases run
when issued by me
I should also state
that some small loss
must have occurred on

D. Hall

Inspector General
of Hospitals
P. M. O.
Head Quarters

The road from the
cases being damaged

3rd Jan 62 lbs Tea under-
credited. This Tea came
up in a chest which is
in the possession of J.
Green and was covered
with canvas and could
not I believe by any pos-
sibility contain the quan-
tity with which I am
debited. A great loss oc-
curred in the issue of
this article as I had to
accept it in half pounds.

13 Jan 20th Potatoes Ptas
too under credited.

The only explanation I can
give of this is that the
potatoes were issued
loose and the Ambulance
men who came for them
had to wrap them up
in their great coats &c to
enable them to carry
them. a loss also may
have occurred from the
manner of issue the same
as with the Tea.

24th Jan^y 72 No. of
Lime Juice was accounted
for. The only explanation
I can give of this is that
I may possibly have
in copying the Return
omitted that quantity
but in the Duplicate
in my possession is the
following entry

Recd from Balaklava from
the 14th to 27th Jan^y

84 bottles Sherry
18 " Lime Juice
142 lbs Snowroot
150 " Sugar
140 " Premium Potatoes
150 Lbs Beef
81 " Mutton
80 " Cocoa
100 lbs Smokes

With regard to the deficit
of Barley I must inform you
that on landing at Kalamita
Bay the Barley got wet with
salt water and the Box not
being required for issue
until last month I did not find
it having another Box open
I then found that there had
been a loss from leakage
and also that a large quantity

was milked and
totally unfit for use
Trusting that the
above explanation
may be satisfactory
I have the honor to
enclose Certified Copy
of the Account for
last month and
to be &c

Yours most Obedient
Humble Servant
Sydney C. Harrington
Paymaster to the Forces

The Rum was received from
the Commissariat by measure
and bottled in all sized
bottles to the Regiments

Castle Hospital Balaklava

2 Feb. 1855

Sir

With reference to our
 communications regarding the
 means of transport given
 me for the conveyance of
 Medical Comports, from Balaklava
 to the Camp of the 1st Division
 during the winter of 1854,
 we have to inform you
 of the following circumstances.

On the 2nd December
 1854, I requested leave to be brought
 up from Balaklava, I got an
 order from the Asst. Quarter
 Master General of the Division
 for its conveyance, by the
 Commandant, but owing to

D. Fitz Gerald Esq
 Dy Quarter Master in Chief
 Balaklava

the want of horses I was
unable for a few days to
get any means of transport,
I was then given a mule
but in such miserable con-
dition that he was only
able to carry the case a
short distance out of Kadokoi;
when he fell down, and died,
I was obliged to leave the case
in charge of a sentry, as I
had but one man, and it
was nearly dark. I reported
the circumstances to Dr
Luston Principal Medical
Officer of the Division, &
though he exerted himself
to his utmost, he was
unable for twelve days to
procure me any transport
for the case of wounds.

On its being brought to
Camp

Camp. I had it opened in
the presence of Dr Linton
and found it was deficient
few bottles of wine, &

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours most obt. Serv^t

Wm. Morris
Quayor to the Genl

Concerning Transport for a Case of
Wine in Dist. 1854 - from Duluth
to the Camp of the 1st Division, by
Mr. Thayer - the breaking down
of the transport truck - the time
remaining 10 days before arrival
Cassella obtained first removal
order when examined it was
found that it had been plundered
of 10 bottles -

Recd 22 Feb 1855

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Camp before Sebastopol
July 21-1855

Sir

In answer to your letter of
17th instant respecting the Journal &
your letter of 10th of all demands made
by me during the month of December
1854 & January 1855 for Medical
Compliments I have the honor
to inform you that as I have not kept
any account of expenditure I am unable
to comply with your request. I can
however furnish you with the amount of
Medical Compliments which I have received.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours Most Obedt Servt

Edw. M. Wall

Aug: 23 Parisian

S. Hall

Inspector Genl of Artillery

cc cc cc

23 *Twilins*

*With marble pencil copies
his acquisitions for Dec 54
and Jan 55*

Private

Scutari.

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April 10th 1855.

My dear Sir

I have received from the War Office a copy of the Report of Mr. Maxwell's Commission with orders to peruse it, and to forward any information on the subject that I can afford or obtain.

So many startling things are stated as regards the Hospitals in the Crimea, that I should have wished to have myself come up and waited upon you to talk the matter over with you, and to have examined more particularly into the present state of all the Hospitals, so as to have been able to have borne witness to the greatly improved state of them all. But Mr. Stretford's departure for England and my being ordered to assume his duties too far down here, I have therefore sent my colleague, Mr. Alfred Haffer, back to the Crimea; and should be very much obliged by your giving him any information in your power on the points which I

Dr. Hall

Love

Super. to several of Hospitals.

71 7037
Have instructed him to enquire into, and by your
affording him facilities for visiting the various
Hospitals of the Divisions of the Army. My object
when recently in the Crimea, was to see if I
could by any means improve the Hospitals
(as regards the Purveying system) for the
future. I enquired therefore but little
as to the past. I am now, however, anxious to
ascertain the truth of the case as regards the
past, in order to clear the Purveying Department
as much as I can from the attacks made
upon it: and I trust that you will assist me
in this object by furnishing Mr. A. Hagger
with the information and aid he seeks for.

I have the honor to remain,

My dear Sir,

Yours very faithfully

John Wiltshire

April 10 1852

Got Mellin about Per-
ceiving in the General
State of the Hospital

Recd 25 April 1856 -
Hall

Referred to Mr. H. G. G. to know if he can supply the articles
out of the stores received from the Crimean Fund

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38th Regimental Field Hospital

Camp before Sebastopol
24th April

Required for the use of the above Hospital

Soda Water
Apple Jelly
Water proof linen

Approved

Fred. T. Baker
Surgeon 38th Regt

P.M.O.,

D^r. Hall
Asst. Gen^l of Army Hosp.
P.M.O. British Army
Crimea

The supply of articles from the Limerick Fund has been placed
at the disposal of the Superintendent of H.M. Nurses
by the Principal Agent of the Fund - but on application
to that Lady, she will distribute them in proportion
to the quantities - and demands.

David Fitzgerald
Purveyor to the Forces.

Requisition for Soda
water supply for
38th Regt.

Requisition for Medical
Compass etc
for the 38th Regt 1853

38th Regt. 1853

The Doctor is requested
to bring when he calls
to attend the Requisition
for 38th Regt.

General Hospital, Pateklova,
23 May 1855.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that the following
applications for Shaw in the Commissariat Department
appear in the Little Book, between 1 November
and 31 December 1854;—

12 December 1854

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The copy of a letter dated 6 November is
enclosed, the demand referred to is in the Commissariat,
is not recorded.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
Worshipful Servant

David FitzGerald
Quartermaster Genl.

D. Hall
Inspector General of Hospitals
L. L. V.

Demands on the Corn =
superior for Hay, or Straw
to stuff mattresses during
Nov^r & Dec^r 1854

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General Hospital, Balaklava,
22 September 1855.

Sir,

I have the honor to report, with
reference to the letter of Mr. David
Rae, herewith returned, —

That in answer to an application
to a letter he addressed to me
I explained the reason for my
having declined to pay him, —
that he calls "special pleading"; —

I have already explained to
him, as I have submitted to you,
that the purchase of Coodey
of Peter was authorised from
Mr. David Rae, — by you; —

D. Wall
Inspector General of Hospitals

this was mere authority - and not
an engagement; - neither condition,
nor penalty was attached - nor
anything binding - save that
Mr. Rae should have delivered
the Porter on arrival at the
Dock Wharf;

The vessel arrived - the
"Queen of the Dart." - Mr. Rae
was absent; - I knew not where -
nor does it matter - when he was
not present to fulfil his engagement,
I wanted the Porter - I applied
on Mr. Rae's name; - his authority
was not recognized; - I do not
wish to use harsh terms - or I
might add, his credit was
dishonored; -

Another held the Bill of
Lading; - and although I
am not an asserted - or
assumed Merchant; - I have

acquired sufficient Commercial Knowledge
since my arrival here, to know,
that the holder of the Bill of
Lading is the only authorised
Party to receive the cargo, be
the consignment as it may; —
Were I disposed to be uncourteous
I might presume the change of
opinion in the real Proprietors
of the Pater, Messrs. Wright
& Muir — a want of confidence;
I have said real Proprietors, — for
in my experience of Law, — articles
not paid for, — nor delivered
remain the property of the original
Proprietor — or Vendor — until
possession be taken of them by
the purchaser.

Mr. Rae — under these
circumstances, was neither entitled
to the Pater — as a Cargo — not
being possessed of the Bill of
Lading, — nor as a Proprietor

not having paid, - nor received
possession.

But matters of this description
had nothing to do with me, -

I wanted the Pater, - Mr. Pomeroy
was the only person recognized by
the Master, - he had the disposal. -
freight and other charges were to be
paid; - Mr. Rae was absent,
and could neither redeem the
consignment from those charges,
nor meet his agreement, by
landing it; - further - demurrage
was immediate, - and were Mr.
Rae the only person concerned, -
the value of the Pater would have
been but a secondary consideration
to the charges for continued demurrage; -
as a Public Officer, I should provide
for the sick, - but on no account
become a sub-agent - to a
sub-agent, in advising him of
arrivals - or non-arrivals of cargoes.

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I have no alternative - but either
to purchase from Mr. Pinner,
- or not purchase; - the article
was required, - I purchased -
and paid the price from
whom I purchased, - with your
authority, - and the consent
of legal advice.

I apologise for the debt; -
I may have been "wrong out
and out" in having done so;
it is for you to judge of that; -

But with reference to Mr. Rae -
there is no question of right
or wrong, - he has defined his
obligations -

"The goods being sold to you,
delivered at the Hospital Wharf,
it was for you to look to them
there, and for me to place them

there:-

He did not deliver them at the Hospital Wharf, - to look for them there under such circumstances, would have been not merely absurd - but stillification.

This gentleman boasts of having been in the Trenches in Uniform; - being in Uniform argues a Lieutenant subaltern, - further on Officer, - and finally a Patriotic subject; - these are conditions inconsistent with lucre, - and the more so when gain is to be made from sick and wounded soldiers; - the Uniform implies Comrade; - as Mr. Rae appeared gentlemanly, and claimed the high feelings of one, - I am assured that on being informed the Patriotic was purchased for the sick - and given them - he will feel

Porter onboard the
Queen of the South

Letter from Mr David Ral
& one from Mr David
Fitzgerald

I. Hall Esq. M. D.

Head Quarters Constantinople

Constantinople 15th September 1855

On board "The Annulet"

FC07/21

Sir

due me by the British Hospital. —

Unwilling I beg to hand you account of account

As the gentleman who granted me the written order of purchase of the goods and which was signed to me at that time, is the party liable for payment of the same and as you are the party in this instance, it is of course to you I look to, for the amount. I have therefore to request immediate payment of the sum of £390⁰⁰ from you as I shall of course feel myself compelled to adopt proceedings for that sum if you do not.

I have nothing to do with Mr. Gibbons or any other person in this instance, he is merely I believe your messenger in carrying out your orders, it is you I have to do with. — And still less have I any thing to do with your obligations to him, I think proper to find himself under such for the Hospital, for you, or for himself or for any one. — He may do so as often as he chooses, it is none of my business. — All he was ever asked by me to do was (as I may possibly not have happened to have seen) to Salaklara on the arrival of the ship (by taking his goods brought from me by you as of your own authority) but in my possession) to go to the Captain and request the goods which were shipped "of the British Hospital Salaklara" — this was late and he did not. — But instead of this he takes what (in my opinion) was a very rash step he goes to another party and binds himself to him in the whole value of the goods? This is quite his own error and a fatal mistake in reason his fault and one which no mercantile man of the time what merchantile law is what he should have done was this, in finding he could not get delivery of the goods he should have sent written notice to the person he bought them from and demanded him to deliver the goods, but he did not do this and thus was the fatal mistake which he has made and for which you are of course liable as the document of purchase is signed by you. — It was for me to have gone to the person who placed the goods for the ship and for me to have arranged with him for the goods but which Mr. Gibbons had no right to do whatever. — The Bill of Lading placed not after the case put what in so far as you or he are concerned, as that document concerns me and the ship master only, the goods being sold to you delivered at the Hospital Wharf and it was for you to look for them there and for me to place them there, and although it might be the case that you have been obliged for me to have some under obligations to other parties who happened to have got the goods by mistake, yet that was my business not yours or Mr. Gibbons's, the laws of the empire make legal advice and that he is right, my legal advice tells me he is wrong and wrong on account of his own mercantile law which will ultimately decide this if not now, I know would not listen to such special pleading for a moment. —

The case is very plain, you bought from me a certain quantity of goods and gave a written order for the same which I told you have received, these goods this is not denied by you, therefore please pay for the same, if you or your messenger in the interim chooses to bind yourselves under obligations to third parties not only without my orders or authority but against them, clearly you must take the consequences of so doing. —

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I have therefore submitted but at the same time very respectfully
to leave upon you for the payment of the sum of £390.00. I will
not attend this matter till I receive your answer which will
be shortly at hand. I have the whole matter before the Court of
Sessions and I have submitted to get my complaint fully satisfied and satisfied

I am however aware to do anything which
will show up more to the Court or otherwise the Honourable Judges of the
Court. I am aware of the Court and I am willing to settle this matter
amicably and agreeably and what I now propose is to pay you and I don't doubt
you will think it is that you repeat your order for the same quantity
of pepper as £200.00 (two) of more for the same 12.00 and
that I shall be disposed to give the price of pepper to be of the same quality as
that always sent. You will be aware that by the way you may as well offer it
from the fact you may and you may make the best use of it and I will
according to your present offer being willing to let you a pepper as a pepper

The arrangement which can be easily performed
by you will enable me to get what I have ordered for and in the case
it is not fair & reasonable to me, as I cannot think you would willingly
do the same and to a fellow subject and to end with the fact that I have
been in the service in his life and in the fact of the enemy.

On your sending me a million order to deliver to
the British Hospital Balaclava 12.00 and I will be sure to deliver it as
formally as I shall have all the necessary documents with me and I will
be personally in the office of the Court. I have to you that for the fact
I sold to you which you have received a 13/4 and I was offered
over your from 14/ 15/ 16/ 17/ 18/ 19/ 20/ 21/ 22/ 23/ 24/ 25/ 26/ 27/ 28/ 29/ 30/ 31/ 32/ 33/ 34/ 35/ 36/ 37/ 38/ 39/ 40/ 41/ 42/ 43/ 44/ 45/ 46/ 47/ 48/ 49/ 50/ 51/ 52/ 53/ 54/ 55/ 56/ 57/ 58/ 59/ 60/ 61/ 62/ 63/ 64/ 65/ 66/ 67/ 68/ 69/ 70/ 71/ 72/ 73/ 74/ 75/ 76/ 77/ 78/ 79/ 80/ 81/ 82/ 83/ 84/ 85/ 86/ 87/ 88/ 89/ 90/ 91/ 92/ 93/ 94/ 95/ 96/ 97/ 98/ 99/ 100/ 101/ 102/ 103/ 104/ 105/ 106/ 107/ 108/ 109/ 110/ 111/ 112/ 113/ 114/ 115/ 116/ 117/ 118/ 119/ 120/ 121/ 122/ 123/ 124/ 125/ 126/ 127/ 128/ 129/ 130/ 131/ 132/ 133/ 134/ 135/ 136/ 137/ 138/ 139/ 140/ 141/ 142/ 143/ 144/ 145/ 146/ 147/ 148/ 149/ 150/ 151/ 152/ 153/ 154/ 155/ 156/ 157/ 158/ 159/ 160/ 161/ 162/ 163/ 164/ 165/ 166/ 167/ 168/ 169/ 170/ 171/ 172/ 173/ 174/ 175/ 176/ 177/ 178/ 179/ 180/ 181/ 182/ 183/ 184/ 185/ 186/ 187/ 188/ 189/ 190/ 191/ 192/ 193/ 194/ 195/ 196/ 197/ 198/ 199/ 200/ 201/ 202/ 203/ 204/ 205/ 206/ 207/ 208/ 209/ 210/ 211/ 212/ 213/ 214/ 215/ 216/ 217/ 218/ 219/ 220/ 221/ 222/ 223/ 224/ 225/ 226/ 227/ 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Clyde Grain Mills

14 Commercial Road,

Glasgow, 23^d November 1855

A. Hall Esq. M. D.

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of 23^d September enclosing at same time the answer of Mr. Fitzpatrick my letter to you from Constantinople of 15th September, and note the contents of both. I would have replied long ago were it not for a very severe attack of Diarrhea with which I was seized in Hongkong in August last and for some time while laying in board my ship "The Bonnet" in Glasgow Bay my life was despaired of even by myself. Thanks however to Dr. Minniear of H.M.S. "Hedney" whose attention & medical skill I shall never forget I was so far recovered to be able to reach Constantinople where I have to lay up 3 or 4 weeks from excessive weakness and the I spent some time in. Thanks to order of my medical attendant I am still so weak that I have not until now been able to answer your letter which however only reached me a few days ago.

I am not surprised after the flippancy & common style of Mr. Fitzpatrick's report containing as it does many false assertions & concealed facts or not having notice of that you should not understand it and I shall have to be as clear & distinct as possible in what I now put you keeping truth as my sole aim.

I beg then to ask you but in the most respectful manner and with all the Comfy which one gentleman owes to another whether you are prepared to subscribe to Mr. F's doctrine as to the order of purchase further that you and signed by you and docketed outside of it in the handwriting of Mr. F. himself (if I am not mistaken in the identity of writing) "Authority of 24th March 1855. For purchasing the firm Bonnet" and over in very large letters of course "is not an engagement on your part" is not binding on you "is meant to signify little or nothing". I assure that. But if you change information think for the sake of my opinion I am myself in the estimation of every one who considers the matter far less the signature of a British Officer as given as this and I am prepared at once to submit the document and the whole case to the proper tribunal who will determine what is meant by plain English which by no Parveyors I suppose can be twisted to mean anything but what I think you intended it should mean. My what it is docketed outside as already stated as such quibbling in words can be far more becoming in a law attorney's mouth than from where it has proceeded. It is not hard to the Mercantile Office of this Country to say the least of it, and there is not a Chamber of Commerce in this Country who would tolerate such conduct in any of their members in explaining or any as Mr. F. has done a plain unadorned order for goods. Truly Mr. F's Commercial knowledge has, as he says, only commenced since his arrival in the Crimea not a present, nor ever likely to be in our day, a very favorable school for the education of young

Parveyors

Proveyors in any branch of mercantile business judging from the Cleanness & thorough proficiency exhibited by its pupils hitherto. I shall expect a distinct reply from you on this point in your next. —

I find myself, most reluctantly however, compelled to inform you of a sort of misunderstanding which I formed subsisted between Mr. J. & Mr. Pinnore, the effect of which, had it been carried out by them, but which my timely arrival at Balaklaga from Kamiesh, prevented, would have been to have deprived the British Government of the advantage of the rise in price of the fish, such in the Hospital of the Port as altogether, while the difference in the cost of the Port including freight &c. and the price Pinnore was by this misunderstanding to have sold it at to other parties who were prepared to pay a far higher price for it than what you bought it at was that to come to me & myself was offered as I mentioned in my former letter to you 16th 22. 1853 for it, you bought it of me 13. 1/2 pence. —

Being informed by Mr. Richard of Oppenheim, (a Madathir) that a man named Pinnore had my letter of fishing & was endeavoring to sell the Port to other parties I immediately proceeded to Balaklaga & saw Pinnore & found him in possession of my letter of fishing which had been forwarded to him by the Shipper Messrs. Wright & Minn for the reason these gentlemen stated to me 2 days ago & I was well when speaking to me on this subject that they supposed I might possibly be absent with my ship from Balaklaga when the Port was sold. That Pinnore was a resident and as to want of confidence in me as Mr. J. very impudently remarks &c. for which he will have to answer in another place. Such a thing Messrs. Wright & Minn declare never once entered their minds, this Messrs. W.M. are prepared to state on oath or if you should think it necessary they will send out a letter to you to that effect. This is therefore a false assertion of Mr. J. and you can form your own judgment of the man who would say such a thing of me when my back was turned as we say in Scotland & such. Don't you say Pinnore my astonishment when Pinnore told me that Mr. J. did not want the Port only that he had got Mr. J.'s consent to allow him to sell the Port to anyone he (Pinnore) chose. I immediately wanted on Mr. J. to ascertain the truth of this when my astonishment was assuredly not lessened when Mr. J. told me with his own lips over & over again "he did not want the Port" "he had plenty of Port" "he had as much as last time for months" &c. &c. and from them that made the disgraceful offer to me or proposal that as the price had risen I should take advantage of it, thus depriving the Government & the sick & maimed of the several benefits.

This monetary advantage might doubtless have been easily secured by some parties but I am not one of that number & most truly & true I had refused the base offer then then came Mr. J. saying as he does in the report to you more than once "I wanted the Port" The Article was required &c. so on. Not content with merely refusing to be a party to what was in my humble opinion such a dishonest transaction I wrote Mr. J. a letter on the subject from my hand "The Committee" in Kamiesh Harbor dated 30th June 1853 in which I brought him to task in as offensive a manner as possible for daring to put such a disgraceful proposition for my acceptance for his "love" of which he makes such

o parade about in his report. This letter Mr F has carefully concealed & taken no notice of in his report & that, altho it has a very important bearing on the subject matter, would you be so good as ask him to produce this letter from me to him dated 30th June 1853 & peruse it, certainly you will have no difficulty in coming to the same conclusion as I have done & I trust I need not have had recourse to whom I have shown the whole Correspondence. — I also wrote on the 1st July to Col Commandant Harding requesting his assistance in getting the Government of the Hospital at the Port, for I was determined to defeat this "Scheme of Mr F." & I regret if I could, and that the gallant military should not report it. Mr F should not get a farthing to myself. Mr F may say he did not lend himself to this but my letter of 30th June & 1st July speak for themselves, and you may perhaps remember of "The Gentleman" Mr F. applying to you as to the "Port" & how to do it. Make a record of application to you to take the Port, but Mr F would not let him see these facts & other which if necessary I can bring before my tribunal. He spoke with his statement to me "I do not want the Port" "I have plenty of Port" and his statement to you in his report "The Port was wanted" "The Port was wanted" Why I wrote him the letter of 30th June Mr F. you can ask, he is on the spot, I am not, from illness as already stated.

As to Mr F's insensibility breathing about "The Gentleman" boasts of having been in the trenches in his uniform, and in the Red Tape Routine style which has been the cause of our disaster on the Crimea that is so contemptible that I deem it unworthy my notice. Sufficient to say for his enlightenment that I was engaged not in leave but as a volunteer who all the more was with 10 fresh men, and on three occasions saw the same troops who were there and also that on three occasions I wore the uniform of the Regiment I am proud to be a member of although it is not in the Crimea nor is likely to be. I did not however report myself to Gen Raglan as Mr F seems to think I should have done because it would have looked like "boasting" I should be glad to hear of Mr F taking a night from his mercantile studies & volunteering for a night French duty, it will then but not till then be time enough for him to sneer at others. I need have mentioned this subject to you at all only I thought you had so much to attend to you must forget to overlook my letter.

I have no doubt from this very long explanation you will now see the true state of the case, and that I am acting very sensibly indeed in the circumstances in the offer to stop proceedings which I must make to you in my letter to you of 13th Sept. I now repeat the offer which I refused & which will not again be offered. — Upon this I observe that 600 dozens Port @ 10/- is a very different order indeed from 600 dozens @ 13/- — I have no objections however to forward you 600 dozens Port of each, say 600 dozens @ 10/- and 600 dozens @ 13/- — the profit on the latter only making up the loss on the former.

I must however have an order

Order from myself in my hope for such, before I can send
it and which I shall expect from you on receipt. I shall take care
that the quality & condition is, as it ought to be.

Regretting extremely that I have troubled you at such a length
and that my illness has prevented me doing it sooner, and hoping you will
see it to be only bare justice to settle this affair amicably & promptly
& without any unnecessary correspondence. Please direct to me as
noted in the beginning of this letter, Lyde Gram Mills &c &c

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your loyal obedient servant

David Rae

I enclose copy of part of the letter I wrote Mr. Fitzgibbon 30th June 1855. David Rae
to hand "The Peninsula" Reminiscences 30th June 1855
David Fitzgibbon of British Hospital, Balaklava

Dear Sir In reference to the conversation I had the pleasure of having with you
where I informed you that half the quantity of Port wine bought from me for the British Hospital was shipped for
me & of course solely on my account. I am of the opinion that the said parcel was heavily expatriated & arrived
in Balaklava you must excuse me when I take this opportunity of informing you that my feelings
were rather hastily hurt when you said that in consequence of the great rise in the price of Port
& Balaklava since you purchased it from me you supposed I had sold it to someone else to sell it
to other parties at the exorbitant price. Such a base & dishonourable conduct I cannot allow for one
who is in as high estimation as Military honor is by an officer in the Army. You gentlemen
bearing & conduct of manner to me in all our interviews must have been calculated to undermine the idea that you
could have parted with your mind that an unworthy thought in connection with me and I am sure
I am sure feelings will coincide with mine in agreeing that I am not as thing too much if you so long
I regret that you will not agree with me in agreeing that I am not as thing too much if you so long
I am so glad to hear of a provision as that I have now mentioned. It will not be necessary
that I should again allude to this subject. — V E V E V E
signed David Rae

I General of the Hospital
Crimea

Recd 11 Nov^r 1853

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FC07/23

Purveyor Store 3^d Division
Novemb^r 10th 53

Sir

I have the honor to inform
You that according to Your instruction,
I made a requisition for twelve bottles
of Calves foot Jelly on Mr. Fitzgerald
the Purveyor at Balaklava. The answer
sent back, was, that there was none
in store

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most ob^d Serv^t
Henry Shaw
Purveyor Gen^l
in Charge

S. R. Laycock
Depty Asst Gen^l of Hosp^{ls}
3^d Division

A supply of this article of silk
 for such a number is much
 desired and would be particularly
 advantageous in a case now
 under consideration in 38th St

Respectfully —

J. B. Thompson
 D. C.

Nov 10/83

Compliments that along
 your very kind
 be obtained from the
 managers of the
 the use of the
 in the field!!!

10 Nov 1883

Rec^d 4th Dec^r and answer sent to Mr Robertson ^{FCO 7/24a}
with Mr Fitzgerald's letter ^(inclosing FCO 7/24a)
It
Castle Hospital
2nd December 1853-

Sir,

I beg leave to enclose a
Copy of a letter, which I have received from the
Surveyor in Chief, I have the honor to request you
will be pleased to inform me, (for his information)
if the linen mentioned in his letter, has been received
and if the Arm chairs, which I received on the 29th
ultimo, were detained in your Stores

I have the honor to be

Sir

David Fitzgerald Esq^r
Surveyor to the Forces
Balaklava

Your Most Ob^d Servant
(Signed) Edward Morris
Surveyor to the Forces

Surveyor in Chief's Office
Barrack Hospital. Poulton
22nd November 1855

Sir,

Complaints having reached me that articles of Hospital Stores, including old Linen and Arm Chairs, forwarded hence to Balaklava per Buschante, Harbinger, John Bowers, and partly intended for the Castle Hospital, had not reached that Hospital, I have the honor to request that you will report to me the distribution of the bundles of old Linen and the Arm Chairs sent out by those ships, and that on no occasion should the requisitions of Surveyors be refused without the express order of the Principal Medical Officer.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant

(Signed) J. Scott Robertson
(Surveyor in Chief)

Mr. Surveyor FitzGerald
General Hospital
Balaklava

(Copy)

FC07/25c
(Enclosed with FC07/25a)

Purveyor in Chief's Office
Barrack Hospital Pentari
22nd November 1855

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, that Miss Nightingale has reported to me that she has been unable to obtain articles, viz, Linen and Arm chairs for the Sick from the Castle Hospital Stores, although these Articles had been delivered at Balaklava by the Bacchant, Harbinger and John Bowes; I have therefore to request that you will inform me whether you have received such Articles from the General Store, and to point out that, if you have not in store any Articles demanded by Miss Nightingale or the Principal Medical Officer, you should at once send a requisition for them to Mr Purvey Fitzgerald at the General Hospital at Balaklava, and if you find any difficulty in obtaining from that gentleman's Stores sent out for you, upon your reporting the same to me I will send a supply of such Articles to you direct from here

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Mr Purvey Morris
Castle Hospital
Balaklava

Your obedient servant
(Signed) J. Scott Robertson
Purveyor in Chief

Recd 14 Dec 1885

FCO 7/25

Private.

2 lrs. dated 13 Dec.

General M^r. B. C. M^r.
13 Dec. 1885

Sir,

Have the honor to return the letter
of the 12 instant, the objectionable
Paragraph being omitted;—
I at the same time send a
correspondence received this Evening
from Colonel Combs, which may
supersede the letter of the 12th.—
— as it is more than likely the Colonel
may wish to have back his Memoranda,
I beg the favor of its being returned.

Have the honor to be

Yours most faithful & obedient servant,
David Fitzpatrick
Private Secy to the Hon^r.

Recd 14 Dec 1885

FC07/26

2 Pcs. dated 13 Dec.

Private.

General Hospital, Balaklava,
13 Dec. 1885.

Sir,

On re-perusal of the Memo.
of the Quarter Master General, and
the period that has elapsed since
the issue of the General Order, I
fear that I may be accused of
retarding the Estimates for the
Army at large, were I to await
a communication from Turkey,
and I therefore submit an
Estimate; - of course - when

The articles shall be forthcoming, & I
will be apt to send with me to show
them, or leave such as I may find
expedient, in the Quarter Master
General's Store. Unless my Storage
in Store shall be much extended,
a week's supply in addition to
my present stock could not be
received into Store.

In submitting the Estimate I
merely take your pleasure - and
endeavour for the best, - awaiting
your instructions, should they be
thence, - to act on them - obediently
and by preference -

I have the honor to be
Sir, your most faithful & devoted Servant
David Forsyth
Peru, 11th Decr.

13 Dec 1855

Mr Fitzgerald - about
Conveyance, Estimates

Aug 29 March 1856

FCO 7/27

Mr Fitzgibbon will give directions to the Purveyors' clerks, to diet the Medical Staff Corps, orderlies, & nurses, employed in the Land Transport Hospitals in the usual way, and account for the same under its proper head in their returns -

Head Quarters L. I. Corps

20 March 1856.

He will also give directions, for Requisitions, from Miss Brightingale, or the Superintendent of the nurses at the Land Transport Hospitals, for the personal use of the nurses, to be completed with or without further Committee signature - but the

As the Medical Staff

articles so drawn must appear on the face of the Expenditure returns in a distinct shape -

The dieting, & supplies of the nurses & orderlies is in no way to be mixed up with the issues to the sick

Corps are entitled to Hospital Diet, & as Miss Brightingale wishes the Nurses attached to the Wing Hospitals of the same scale of diet as the Medical Staff Corps, moreover as the Comm. office considers he

requires your authority for the issue of Rations to the Nurses,

I have the honor to request you will be pleased to give directions to the Dr Purveyors

Yours

John Robinson Esq

Sir John Hall K. C. B.

J. G. Horph

— — —

is - Chief to supply diets
& Extras for so many of
the Hosp^l Staff Corps & Nurses,
as may be attached ^{by} your
approval, to the Hosp^l of the
L. T. C. This would sim-
plify accounts & be more
convenient, without, I hope,
putting any unnecessary
trouble on the Purveyor's
dept. I have the honor to be

Sr

Your most obed^t Serv^t

G. Taylor
S. S.

28 March 1855
G. Taylor regarding the manner
of debiting the nurses in the
Lundburyport Hospital, as
suggested by Miss Chapman

Copy

Extract from General Orders of
16th March 1854

"No. 1. It is notified, by desire of the Secretary of State for war, that Miss Nightingale is recognized by Her Majesty's Government as the General Superintendent of the Female Nursing Establishment of the Military Hospitals of the Army."

"No Lady, or Sister, or Nurse is to be transferred from one Hospital to another, or introduced into any Hospital, without previous consultation with her. Her instructions, however, require her to have the Approval of the principal Medical Officer in her Exercise of the Responsibility thus Vested in her."

"The Principal Medical Officer will communicate with Miss Nightingale upon all subjects connected with the Female Nursing Establishment, and will give his directions through that Lady." —

Recd - 31 March

1856

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FC07/29

General Hospital, Balaklava,
29 March 1856.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your Memorandum
of this date on a letter from
Major Staff Surgeon D. Taylor
of yesterday's date, submitting
arrangements for your approval
which had been agreed upon
in this Office the day
previously, and to state
that I have communicated

your instructions to the
Surgeon Clerk attached to
the Land Hospital Corps,
the Inspector General of Works, cancelling a recommendation

Sir John Hall M.D. M.B.
Head Quarter Camp.

I have given & having all
Requirements, for personal use
of Nurses - or themselves -
Approved by the Principal
Medical Officer of each Hospital.

I have the honor to be,
Sir John

Your most obedient
Humble Servant

David Henry Quail
Deputy Purveyor in Chief.

FCO 7/30-7

Apr. 1856

Correspondence between Sir John Hall,
David FitzGerald, Henry Powell, etc.
concerning Miss Nightingale's
occupation of huts allotted to
Purveying Dept.

Palaklana,

11 April 1856.

My dear Sir John,

Events have developed themselves here, and with the most affectionate deference for your views - I must say in favor of my anticipations. The Sisters of Mercy went on board about 4 p.m. - On return - about 5 p.m. I met Miss N - she stopped me - and questioned about the Keys; - at the time I had received one - that of the Store Room on the Extras - Kitchen -

I told her I had received it -
and would take Inventory - and
add the Contents to Public Stock -
She was annoyed - and urged that
there were free gifts on it, which
she had supplied to Miss Weare -
I replied that I knew nothing of
any such gifts - that Mr. Pudgeyman
had said nothing of them - and
what I had given me - I would
resume into the Public Stock -
She then asked for the Key of the
Quarters - I told her that as the
Quarters had been given over by
the S.M.O. & they were of course
returned to him. The Key of the

Quarters adjoining the Surgery was
given to Dr. Huisk by Dr. Hamilton.
about 7 p.m. Miss K. called
at the Hospital, - I was at Dinner -
she asked for the Keys - and was
refused to the Medical Officer -
while in my Office she mentioned
that she had seen Dr. Beaton -
and that he had authorised
her to resume the Nursing -
as it could not be interrupted.
She did so - and on return
from Dinner - I found her in
possession of the Extra Kitchen -
with one of her Nurses; - she
soon after by some means - got the
Key of the Room adjoining Surgery,

which is now occupied by her Nurse.
She next sent to me for the Key of
the Store Room - but I informed her
that I had given it over to the
Charge of the Officer in Purchasing
Clothes for the Hospital. I next
sent for Mr. Powell - told him
to take the Stock - and keep
the Key according to my first
instruction to him - until you
could authorize other parties to
succeed to a Nursing - duties: -
Mr. Powell understands me - and
will obey.

I fear she has gained a point
by the obsequiousness of Dr. Beutson.
- but if you will authorize my

occupying the Shells - by bearer -
I shall at once call on D. Huish
to give me the Keys -

This may be done - as
my communication must reach
you before Mass &c - can
make any move in the
Head Quarter direction.

She has gone far enough -
however - to rotate the notorious
S. O. Order, - unless - by
equivocation - and ambidexterity
she invests D. D. - with
the power of the S. M. O. of
the Army & the Crown.

We have Colonel Hurding -
and a suite of Russian
Officers round Wards and
Stores - I shall tell you
all - when honored with a
meeting -

As usual - our
system - our Hospital -
are the themes of unintermit-
ting praise - but more of this
verbally.

Your decision about the
Orderly of the "Indies" is
excellent - but we are in one
fix - the "Indies" is gone

to England - and I am
ignorant of the name - and
whereabouts - of the Military
Officer who was in charge:-
I shall defer a reply to
Captain Radd - until I
take your further instructions.

I remain,
My dear Sir John,
Your most respectful and
Devoted servant
David Fitzmaurice

Rev. April 12 1856

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FC07/31a
(Enclosing FC07/32a-c)

General Hospital

Balaclava April 12th 1856

Sir,

I have the honor to enclose
The Deputy Purveyor copy of a letter, from The Deputy
in chief is requested Purveyor in Chief O. Fitz Gerald
to comply with Mr. log to Sir John Hall, applying
Parnell's request for two Hubs for the purposes
J. Jackson therein mentioned; and I shall
S. J. Jackson feel obliged by your ordering the
12-4-56. Keys to be handed over to me
this evening.

The Deputy Purveyor in chief received
no Keys of the Hubs alluded to, but
understands they were handed by
Dr. Whistler to Dr. Hinch.

D. Fitz Gerald

Dr. P. A.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient
Humble Servant

Henry Powell

Acting Purveyor to the Forces

Dr. Hinch

P. M. Officer, Gen. Hospital

Balaclava

Copy.

FC07/32a

(FC07/32 & attached)

General Hospital

Balaclava 11th April 66.

Sir,

Recommended

Signed

J. Hall,

J.G. of Hospitals

Approved

By order

Signed

Percy Herbert

Q.M.G.

April 12th 1866.

With reference to my
Requisition of the 23rd March,
applying for two Huts as Offices and
Quarters for the Acting Purveyors or
Purveyors Clerks in charge of the
General Stores and General Hospital
Balaclava.

I have the honor to state, that
the Supervisors and Sisters of Mercy
having gone on board for passage to
England, and vacated their Quarters
here, their huts become available, and
I have to request your authority to
appropriate two of them to the purposes
named.

I have &c.

Signed

David FitzGerald

Deputy Purveyor in Chief

Sir J. Hall K.C.B.

&c. &c. &c.

Head Quarters Camp

Rev. 24 March 1856 deferred until
the departure of the Sisters of Charity

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FC07/326
(attached to FC07/32a)

General Hospital, Balaklava
23. March 1856.

Required,

as Quarters for the Purveyor in Charge of
the General Depot Stores, and the Purveying
Officer in Purveying Charge of General Hospital
Balaklava - under superintendence of the
Deputy Purveyor in Chief -

One Hut - with two compartments.

Diana F. F. F. F.
Deputy Purveyor in Chief.

Recd 24 March 1856 deferred until
the departure of the Sisters of Mercy

Attn H.

FC07/32c-

(attached to FC07/32b)

General Hospital, Balaklava
23 March 1856.

Required,

for Officers for the Purveyor about to assume
the charge of the General Depot Stores,
and the Purveying Officer about being
appointed to the Purveying Charge of
the General Hospital, Balaklava, under
the superintendence of the Deputy Purveyor
in Chief—

One Hut - with two compartments.

Daniel FitzGerald

Deputy Purveyor in Chief

Rev. 13 April 1856

FC07/33

12th April 56.

Dear Sir,

Miss Nightingale has the keys of the
Huts in question and she informs
me that she requires the accomoda-
tion for some nurses whom she
expects soon to arrive from Venturi
Will you order these circumstances
have the goodness to favour me with
your instructions

Believe me

Yours very truly

J. Jackson
D. O. L. 66

Dr. Beaman

P. O. S.

Beaman.

Ru-13 April 1856
JH

FC07/34

General Hospital

Balaclava April 13. 1856.

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that yesterday I enclosed a copy of your Letter (addressed to Sir John Hall Inspector General of Hospitals applying for two Huts lately vacated by the Superintendents; as Quarters and Offices for the Purveying Officers in charge of this Hospital and Stores, which application had been recommended by him and afterwards approved by The Quarter Master General) to the Principal Medical Officer in charge of this Hospital, requesting him to furnish me with the keys of the Huts in question; but not receiving them I again to day wrote another Letter a copy of which is enclosed when you will perceive by the reply thereto that the subject has been referred by Dr. Beakow to the Inspector General of Hospitals.

I beg, respectfully to call your attention to the great inconvenience already suffered by the delay in being provided with Quarters and that at the present moment I have no proper

D. FitzGerald Esq.

Deputy Purveyor in Chief
Balaclava.

place or Office for carrying on the duties of this Hospital in, and also that for the last ten days I have been living and messing in a small Hut with seven others and one of those on the Sick list; and I am convinced that much of the sickness amongst the Officers of our Department stationed here arises from their being crowded too much together and so inadequately quartered.

The warm weather is now fast approaching and I trust you will forward this communication, to the proper authorities for favorable consideration.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most obedient
Humble Servant

Henry Bourle

Acting as Purveyor to the Forces.

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General Stores Balaklava
12th April 1856

Sir,

I have the honor to inform you that I am put to serious inconvenience by not having a proper Office in which to carry on the duties; the one I have at present being very dark and dusty as it is made out of Wine Cases in Sir Richard Aireys' Store -

I also beg to represent that I am at present quartered in a hut with six other gentlemen (one of them on the sick list) and humbly to suggest that so many sleeping and messing in one hut is likely to be prejudicial to health and that I had hoped ere this I should have been provided with better quarters; as you promised me

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant

Freil Howard
A.P.F.

David Fitzgerald Esq^r
Dep. Surgeon in Chief
tc tc tc
Balaklava

General Hospital

Balaclava April 13th 1856.

Sir,

Referring to my communication of yesterday with respect to the keys of two Huts, lately vacated by the Superintress, being handed over to me in compliance with the recommendation of The Inspector General and approval of the Quarter Master General, - I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to inform me whether the keys are to be given up which will enable me to report the matter to The Deputy Surgeon in Chief for submission to the proper Authorities.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient
Humble Servant

Henry Powell

Acting Purveyor to the Forces

The subject has been referred to the Superintendent General of Hospitals

J. Jackson
N. 1666

14-4-56.

Dr. Jackson

P. M. Officer

General Hospital

Balaclava

General Hospital
Balaklava
13th April 1856

I have the honor to report
that immediately on the receipt
of the Authority of the Quarter
Master General of the Army in
the East, to receive over two
of the three Huts vacated by
the Superiors of the Sisters
of Mercy and Sisters, as Offices
and Quarters for the Purveying
Officers in charge of General
Depot Stores, and General
Hospital Balaklava, I
directed Mr. Powell to forward
a copy of the Authority and
request the delivery of the
Keys from the Medical
Officer in charge of the
Hospital; The Purveying
Officer in charge complied, inquiries
were made, and it would
appear that the Keys had
been delivered over to some
Nurses or Miss Nightingale - by
what authority I know not;
reference was made to Q^r.

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Lieut. John Hall M.D. R.C.S. Beaton 1st Class Staff Surgeon
The Inspector General of Hospitals
but

no keys have as yet been
given to the Surveying Officers
referred to;

This morning I received
two applications from the
Surveying Officers in charge,
and submit them for your
consideration; - not anticipating
objections I promised to those
Officers on the 1st instant, on
their reporting for duty at
Balaklava that I would
apply for two of the Huts
then occupied by the Sisters,
on the departure of those Ladies.

There were three Huts, and
two Apartments in addition,
adjoining Surgery, in possession
of the Sisters, who numbered
originally 13, and two deaths
deducting, left 11 for embarkation
for England; -

It can scarcely be
contemplated without apprehension
of Sickness, that in this
Hot-weather 7 Gentlemen
should be quartered together
in one Hut - while three
are almost untenanted -
adjoining them: -

I have promulgated the
Authority of the Quarter-Master
General, and I trust that

I shall be held irresponsible
for disobedience of — or hesitation
in complying with the order
of the Commander of the
Forces.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient
Humble Servant,
David FitzGerald
Deputy Surgeon in Chief

13 April 1856

Mr Fitzgerald concerning
Huts assigned by the
nurses - given over
to Miss Nightingale by
Mr Jackson - in
disobedience of an order of the
Sanitary General appropriating
them for the accommodation
of the Officers of the Sanitary
Department -

Mr Jackson's arrangement
not allowed to be interfered
with, the contrary to orders,
in consequence of the incon-
venience such interference
would occasion Miss Nightingale

J. Hall

Note this and the accompanying
correspondence I did not discover
until I had dispatched my letter
to Mr Sidney Herbert. 22 April 1856

Ans 24 April
ans 24 April
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Scutari
April 20/56

My dear Sir John,

Last Tuesday I had the pleasure of paying a visit on board the Cleopatra to the Nurses, and was very glad to find them all well and in good spirits. They are all full of expressions of really heartfelt gratitude to you for all your consideration and kindness to them, & which I am sure you found them worthy of. Mrs Bridgeman asked me when I wrote you to say how much they all felt & appreciated your disinterested kindness, & what they

had not been able to
express to you sufficiently.
I am glad they are all
away, for I do not think
they could have worked
well under the new order
of things. I know of no
body or class of women
however who have proved
themselves more fitted
or more useful in the
East than they have,
and this is not a solitary
opinion.

You will no doubt
have heard of my trip
to Athens for a few
days, a fortnight ago

where I entered into the
the ~~the~~ blessed state of
Marriage - a very
proper introduction to
peace. I suppose ere
long we shall all be
going home, but I should
not like all the prisoners
to be cleared without
paying it a visit of a
few days, if I can find
it possible.

I hope you are quite
well, and enjoying the
near prospect of getting
home to congratulate Lord
Ball upon the happy
termination of the

eventful & (to you) trying
chance.

If you see Fitzgerald
sooner than I can write
what will be by next
post, I shall feel very
much obliged if you
will express Mr. Burdett
& the others thanks to him
for his attention & kindness
to them, which I was
commissioned to do.

20 April 1841
Mr. Burdett & the others

With my best wishes
I am
my dear Sir, Yours,

Yours very faithfully
Wm. W. Chubb

No 1.

FCO 7/39a

(FCO 7/39b - & attached)

General Hospital

Dalacana April 23rd 1856.

Sir,

In reply to Miss Nightingale's complaint that the Nurses attached to this Hospital have not received the full Diet to which they were entitled since they have been placed on the Provision Ticket.

I have the honor to inform you, Miss Nightingale on the 15th Inst. drew upon requisition for the use of the Nurses 10^{lbs} of Tea and 10^{lbs} of Sugar in addition to other Articles and upon the 18th they were first ^{sent} upon the Provision Ticket and since that time they have received a full Diet of Meat Bread and Potatoes, and with respect to the other Articles of a full Diet, upon Miss Nightingale's servant being asked by Assistant Steward Mr. Jones if he would draw them, he stated that they the Nurses had a sufficient quantity to last for a few days longer and when necessary he would draw them altogether.

In my letter addressed to Miss Nightingale on the 13th Inst. I informed her the same principle of Dieting the Nurses would be adopted here as introduced agreeably to her own wishes

D. FitzGerald Esq
Deputy Surgeon in Chief
Dalacana

the Land Transport Corps, but that she was at perfect liberty to draw Army Articles required upon Requisition.

I beg also respectfully to submit that if Miss Nightingale or the Nurses have suffered any inconvenience from not being able to obtain what was requisite it must have been through Miss Nightingale's own misapprehension and not from any fault of mine as I have always been most anxious to render her any assistance, and if she had addressed me upon the subject of this communication I should have immediately removed the imagined cause of complaint and I wish to state it never was my intention to charge the Nurses with any Articles on the Provision Ticket except what had been actually issued to them and I have been waiting for some days to issue the remaining portion of the Ticket due to them in accordance with the words of Miss Nightingale's servant and as I considered most convenient and agreeable to herself.

I enclose a letter from Assistant Steward Mr. Gurie in which you will perceive he fully corroborates my statement respecting Miss Nightingale's servant's conversation with him and upon this morning when he the servant

was asked if he would draw the groceries &c due to the Nurses he replied he would rather draw them every seven days as it would be much less trouble.

I also enclose the testimony of Acting Wardmaster Wright and private James Brazill of the 50th Foot which fully bears out Assistant Steward Mr. Gwies statement.

In conclusion I cannot refrain from expressing an opinion that Miss Nightjale must have been misinformed or she never would have made this complaint and I much regret she did not deem it necessary to communicate with me in the first instance instead of the course she has pursued when if there had been a just cause of complaint, it would have been a pleasure to me to have immediately seen it removed.

I enclose also a statement of the number of Nurses here and the total Diet for each day from the 15th Inst. when it appears there should be still a quantity of Tea and Sugar remaining.

The Assistant Steward has just informed me that Miss Nightjale has drawn the whole of the Articles of
of

the full Quib due to the Nurses up
to and including to day upon the
Provision Ticket, which appears to
me to be upon the part of Mrs. a
highly pale equivalent to an acknow-
ledgment that she has been misin-
formed in the matter.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

Harry Powell

Acting as Purveyor to the Forces.

11-7

19 April 1856
Mrs. Chillingdale about the
Baptist Church & nurses at the
General Hospital, but a letter
sent containing their not
being provided with all
the details of their duties
which -
has answer of the 27th containing
the same with the signature of
H. Powell

General Hospital Malaklan (attached to FCO 7/39a)
23rd April 1856

Sir

I beg leave to state. I believe on the morning of the 18th of April 1856. I asked Miss Nightingales servant if he would draw the rations that were allowed the Nurses on full Diet in addition to the Bread Meat and Potatoes. His answer was no; as he could draw them when necessary as at that time they had sufficient to last for a few days longer. and that I have been prepared to issue them when called for to do so.

And I also declare that I never at any time sent a message to Miss Nightingale by her servant that they had already drawn sufficient to last them for any given period. On the morning of the 23rd I asked Miss Nightingales servant in Keane's Store in presence of Private James Brazell 50th Regiment if he would draw his groceries I being ready to issue them. His answer was that he would sooner draw them every seven days

Henry Powell Esqr
Acting as Purveyor
To the Forces

John McGuire
Assistant Meat & Staff Purveyor

Apr 3.

FC07/39c
(attached to FC07/39a)

General Hospital

Prasadaclawa April 23rd

1856.

I was in Stearns Store this morning when I heard Mrs. Nymphopolis' servant in reply to a remark from Assistant Steward Mr. Givie; whether he would like to draw the groceries for the Nurses daily but he replied he would rather draw them every seven days as it would be much less trouble.

James Brazell 50th Regiment

General Hospital, Balaklava.
April 23, 1856.

Sir,

I beg to state, that I was present in Kean's
store this morning, and heard the lad employed in drawing
the rations for the use of Miss Nightringale and her nurses,
distinctly state to Assistant Steward M^cGuire, that he
preferred drawing the groceries for their use weekly, as
he said "it would save trouble"

I am, Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

A. Wright

Acting Wardmaster M.S.F.

Mr. Powell

Acting Purveyor to the Forces.

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FC07/39e
(attached to FC07/39a)

N^o of the Nurses attached to General
Hospital Balaklava. From 15th to 22nd April 1856.

April 15 N^o of Nurses 10

16 " 9

17 " 9

18 " 8

19 " 9

20 " 9

21 " 9

22 " 9

72 Total N^o of Diet

Quantity of Sugar remaining out of 10^{lbs} = 3^{lbs} 4^{oz}

Quantity of Tea remaining out of 10^{lbs} = 8: 14

Rem^d.

Copy

FCO7/398
(attached to FCO7/398)General Hospital, Balaklava
22nd April 1856

I certify that during the stay of Miss Wear on the General Hospital, Balaklava as Superintendent of Nurses, the whole of the Cooks ordered by Medical Officers were marked on the Provision Ticket, and on the Provision Ticket being presented at the Issuing Store, the whole of the ingredients were sent to the Cooks Kitchen, and that no Requisition for any of such ingredients was ever presented at the Issuing Store, nor were Requisitions for them ever asked from Miss Wear, and those Officers whose names appeared on the Diet Rolls, were invariably included in the Provision Ticket and none of the ingredients included in the Provision Ticket for Officers or Men have ever appeared on Requisitions furnished by Miss Wear.

(signed)

Edward Bond
Sergeant 33rd T.C.W. Regiment
Hospital Steward

I certify that the foregoing Statement is correct, and to my personal knowledge none of the ingredients included in the Provision Ticket for Officers or Men have ever appeared on Requisitions furnished by Miss Wear.

(signed) W. A. Hagarty
M.D.

22 April 1856

Rec^d - 3 May 1856

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B.

FC07/40a

(FC07/40b attached)

General Hospital, Dalahkara,
3 May 1856

Mem^o

In looking over the accounts that have been furnished to me from the General Hospital at Dalahkara I notice that you have 12 female nurses, and 71 other servants for the services of the sick officers, and 99 patients. Do you employ all these? as they seem to me to be out of all proportion unless there is some mistake in the account - Will you be good enough to inquire into it, and let me have your report as soon as you can - as the Melbourne will take sick to England soon - you can send those of the 9th and other Regts that were before the first Regt, by her.

I send Mr Morris' account for Feb^y which is incorrect regarding the quantity of gunpowder or balls -

Desire him to correct it, and his books and then send the return back to Mr Fitzgibbon. I shall
S. Benson

Sir John Hall, M.D. M.P.

The Inspector General of Hospitals

As from my observation about this Hospital, I conceive that the attendants and Medicines with the sick was exceedingly disproportionate to the number under Medical treatment as

Patients, I called on Mr. Poore to furnish me with a list enumerating the number of

regular or Soldier Patients, the
number of Extra Patients, -
of Nurses, Servants, and
Sick Officers, daily, during
the past month, and I
hereunto submit one of the
two Returns furnished me
accordingly:

From this Return it
would appear that instead
of attendants diminishing in
proportion to Sickness demanding
their Services, - they increase
as disease and number of
Patients decrease, - at least
such is the inference to be

drawn from the numbers given by
Mr. Powell:-

In addition to the number of
attendants on the accompanying
Return, four boats are detached
daily to the Extra Kitchen and
Ordinary Kitchen, - two to each, -
and six boats to the
Ordinary Diet Kitchen.

I have the honor to be

Yours most obedient
Wm. L. Sumner
David Fitzgibbon
Deputy Surgeon in Chief.

FC07/406

Return of the number of Soldiers and Extra Patients in the
General Hospital Balaklava; and of Nurses and Servants doing duty
From 1st to 30th April 1856 inclusive.

Date 1856	Soldier Patients	Extra Patients	Nurses	Servants	Sick Officers	Total	Soldiers including Officers	Remarks
April 1 st	43	94	11	64	3	215	140	The number included
" 2 nd	36	95	11	64	3	209	134	under the head of servants
" 3 rd	36	97	11	67	4	215	137	have all been supplied
" 4 th	36	98	11	64	4	213	138	with the Hospital full
" 5 th	38	102	11	62	4	217	144	with Ration as in attendance
" 6 th	39	99	11	67	5	221	143	on the General Hospital
" 7 th	35	100	11	69	5	220	140	Sick; and no other
" 8 th	35	93	11	68	5	212	133	Servants are included
" 9 th	28	93	11	68	4	204	125	except Assistant Ward
" 10 th	24	91	11	68	3	197	118	masters and Orderlies
" 11 th	26	89	5	68	3	191	118	HP
" 12 th	26	86	6	71	3	192	115	
" 13 th	25	73	10	69	3	180	101	
" 14 th	25	74	10	70	2	181	101	
" 15 th	26	74	11	70	2	183	102	
" 16 th	26	67	11	70	2	176	95	
" 17 th	24	67	11	71	2	175	93	
" 18 th	25	66	11	80	2	184	93	
" 19 th	24	65	9	74	3	175	92	
" 20 th	13	72	9	73	3	170	88	
" 21 st	13	70	9	73	3	168	86	
" 22 nd	13	70	9	75	3	170	86	
" 23 rd	12	71	9	73	3	168	86	
" 24 th	12	73	10	73	2	170	87	
" 25 th	13	73	10	78	2	176	88	
" 26 th	13	72	10	71	2	168	87	
" 27 th	10	73	10	71	2	166	85	
" 28 th	10	71	11	69	2	163	83	
" 29 th	12	67	11	69	2	161	81	
" 30 th	37	62	12	71	2	184	101	
Total	735	2397	304	2100	88	5624		

24.5 / 79.4 / 10.1 / 70. / 2.93 / 187.46

May 2nd 1856.

H. G. G. G. G.

Acting as Purveyor to the Forces

Mr. Powell is requested to state if the numbers included under
the head of "Servants" - have all been supplied with the
Hospital - full - diet - Station - as in attendance on the
General Hospital - sick - and if the numbers comprise
any other denomination of Men - women & - then report.
Wm. Brewster - one Circular.

3 May 1856.

D. H. H. H. H.

Return of the number
of Soldier and India
Patients in the General
Hospital Proclamation and
of Nurses and Servants
done duty.

From 1st to 30th April
1856.

Rec^d 3 May 1856 - What hours do the
men work - to what reg^t do they belong
and how long have they been employed
in the wash house

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23.

Respectfully submitted herewith
A Return of Washers, and Memo.
of hours of employment suggested on
1 May.

D. Fitzgerald

5 May 1856.

St. Quynain (Chief)

I have the honor to forward
the accompanying letter addressed
to me by Mr. Howard, in
Surrey's Charge of the General
Lair and Washhouse stating
the Soldiers employed as Washers
wish to Organ their Regiments
as they consider the hours of labor
imposed them too severe;

I beg to advise that
on the 30 Ultimo, I called at
the Wash-house about 4 p.m.
and found that work had been
concluded;

Yesterday a Great-labourer
who had been detached for fatigue
at the Wash house, reported to
me that he had been beaten
for having upbraided soldier fatigue
men for idling, and his face was
bleeding from wounds inflicted.
I called to the Wash-house, and

Richard Hall, M.D. R.C.B.
The Inspector General of Hospitals

Had any reason to think that
the Greco's statement was true,
but his evidence was baffled,
and he seemed intimidated.

Then gave directions as
to hours of labor, and rather
than be compelled to work the
Soldier-was now asked to
open their Regiments.

Have the honor to be,

Very respectfully,
Wm. H. Tarrant

David Fish, General
Deputy Purveyor in Chief.

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R.P.L.

FC07/414
(With FC07/410)

General Stores Balaklava
2nd May 1856

Sir,

I have the honor to
forward you a letter
received from Mr. Murray's
Clerk Withersall this day
relative to the Mch. of
several men employed
in the Washing Establishment
to repair their Regiments;
the reason assigned being
that they find the hours
appointed by you for
labour too severe.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant
Fitz Howard
R.P.F.

C. D. Fitzgerald Esq^r
By Murray in Chief
&c &c &c
Balaklava

FCO7/41c
(with FCO7/41a)

Reg. No.	On duty at the Wash house	Date
2506	He Wm Thompson 89 th Regt	15 th Sept/55
3534	He Wm Topcliffe 118 th Rifles	25 th June/55
1631	He Wm Pearce do	18 th May/55
2454	He Sno Bryans 44 th Regt	10 th Aug ^r /55
3404	He Geo Rowe 118 th Cold Ldts	11 th June/55

The hours appointed by D. Fitzgerald Esq^r
 Lt. Durvayod in Chief were as follows

6 o'clk to 8 A.M.	for labour
8 " to 9 "	" breakfast
9 " to 12 "	" labour
12 " to 2 P.M.	" dinner &c
2 " to 7 "	" labour

In all 10 hours of labour per diem.

FCO 7/41 d
(with FCO 7/41 a)

Return of Non-Commissioned Officers and Men employed
at the Workhouse in the Prisoners Department Baldoona
In the month of April 1856.

Regiment	Rank	Name	Capacity	Remarks
41 st	Corporal	Henry Piches	Charge of Prisoners	24 Oct 1855
"	Private	Joseph Adlam	Washer	prior to July/55
11 th	"	Pat ^l Lacey	"	do
"	"	Henry Griffiths	"	Joined this Regiment on 1 st April
"	"	Samuel Fawcett	"	prior to July/55
95 th	"	Thomas Jones	"	do
"	"	Thomas Madden	"	do
4 th	"	John Potter	"	Joined this Regiment 5 th April
1 st B. R. B.	"	William Pearce	"	prior to July/55
"	"	William Sopcliffe	"	do
2 nd	"	John Barber	"	Adm ^d into Hosp ^l 24 th April
"	"	John White	"	prior to July/55
90 th	"	Samuel M ^c . Duck	"	do
Col ^l 9 th	"	Jonah Pome	"	do
44 th	"	John Ponce	"	
"	"	John Bryan	"	
89 th	"	William Thompson	"	
2 nd B. R. B.	"	Edward Bowen	"	
50 th	"	Michael Cuyver	"	Joined this Reg ^t on 8 th April

May 5th 1856
Henry Bull
Acting as Prisoner to the Forces

Recd 5 May 1886

St.

FC07/41e

(with FC07/41a)

General Hospital, Bala Klau,
5 May 1886.

Sir,

With reference to your letter
of yesterday's date, received
today, I have the honor to inform
you that I consulted with
2 Class Staff Surgeon Throck,
and find that although
a number of men may become
available, by apportioning
three Cribules to each two
Wards of 12 men each,

Sir John Hall, M.D. M.C.B.
The Inspector General of Hospitals
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which would be 11 to 14 Wards,
and the same number to the
Wards, with less accommodation
when full, for sick, - and
by placing superabundant
Assistant Wardmasters as
Cooks; -

the arrangement will
require time and your direction
to effect, - in the interim,
I would therefore beg to propose
that the 15 Washermen be
replaced by Medical Staff
Corps men from the General
Hospital of the 3 Division
now breaking up.

I beg to observe, that

there are some of the Medical
Staff Corps Attached to the
strength of this Hospital,
at present under the punishment
of Hard-labor, - and pack
drill; - punishment might
be inflicted in a productive
labor - by sentencing men
to wash - without pay -
for a certain number of hours
daily, - and the same
Sergeant & Washmaster
who now conducts the Pack-
drill, could, if approved of,
keep the Defaulters in continued work.
Should the honor to be
Gent. Your most obedient
Worshipful
Samuel D. G. G. G.
Deputy Prison Chief.

14 May 1856

General Hospital Malakka

57 Patients

68 orderlies

11 nurses

79 attendants.

Miss Lightfoot with this
enormous and disproportionate
Establishment - applies to the
Military authorities for an
additional soldier in the
Extra kitchen - making
four assistants there -

This preposterous piece of
extravagance was applied
without any reference to
me -

Copy

General Hospital. Balaclava
May 13 1856

Mem^m

FC07/416
(with FC07/412)

Private Horsefield 50th Regiment being added to the number of Orderlies in the Extra Diet Kitchen, making now four, including one for the Sisters' service, it will not be necessary to tell off any more Fatigue men for the service of that Kitchen.

Private Horsefield will draw Rations in the same way as the Nurses - making thirteen in number upon Hospital Full Diet.

S. Florence Nightingale

Mr. Deputy Surveyor - Chief

Memorandum

On whose authority was
private Horsefield employed
as an orderly in the
General Hospital at
Balaklava - with the
number of medical
staff corps employed there
at present, his services
not being necessary
for the duties of the
Hospital he can neither
be paid nor reckoned
as an orderly

John Hall

Inspector Ent-guards

13 May 1856

FCO7/42a
(with FCO7/42b)

General Hospital, Balaklava,
23 April 1856.

Private

My dear Sir John,

I return the enclosures, which
are violent and ~~unfeminine~~ in the
extreme; - I have called on Mr. Pouch
for explanation regarding the deficiency
in Hall Diet, which you shall
have in the course of the day - fixing
the blame on Miss N's own
attendant.

Do you wish me to notice

her tirade - and splenetic allusion
to the "Confidential Report" -

I should like to see you before
writing the original of my letter -
I have already drawn up a
searching Draft - but strong language
to a Lady would be sure to
entail censure from obsequious
authorities.

I remain,
my dear Mr John,
your most respectful and
Devoted servant
David Thompson

Private

FC07/41g

(with FC07/41a)

General Hospital, Balaclava,
15 May 1856.

My dear Sir John,

On receipt of your decision
regarding P. Husefield, 5th Regiment
employed in Extra Kitchen I
wrote to Miss N — informing her
that as this was the first instance
in which a Soldier Cadeby had
been returned for Full Diet, I
had referred the matter to you,
and that your decision was,

that

the Soldier was not entitled to a
Hospital Full Diet, and I
would cause him to be returned
accordingly - for the usual
Ration issued to Soldier Centinels.
I said nothing to her of your Memo.
desiring that he should receive
neither Ration nor Pay; - but
when Bush returned - I showed
him your Memo. - and learned
from him that Miss A. - had
written to some General for
Windsor - and obtained him -
Bush did not know how to
proceed - and I advised him

to write to her - and say - that
from the low number of sick -
several Assist. Wardmasters, and
Orderlies of M.S.C. were disengaged,
and she could have one instead
of the Soldier - if she ^{had} no particular
objection. This will draw out
a written statement of her direct
communication with the General
Officer - if such has taken place.

I think she will have little
excuse in future - in denying
interference on her part.

I remain
my dear Sir,
your most respectful & devoted
D. Fitzpatrick

FCO7/426

(with FCO7/42a)

General Hospital, B. & M. W. A.
23rd April 1856.

Confidential

Sir,

With reference to Extracts from a
Communication from Miss Nightingale
of the 1st Instant, referred to me
for explanation,

I have the honor to state that
the maximum sick in this
Hospital on any day in January
1855 was 335, - the minimum
175 on 2nd, and the average
for the month $236\frac{8}{31}$ -
according to Diet Rolls, -

Sir John Hall, M.D. K.C.B.

The Inspector General of Works.

That the sick in the Hospital
in January 1856 - averaged

$177\frac{23}{31}$ - and

in February $163\frac{22}{29}$;

That the maximum sick
in March 1856 was 189,
the minimum 136, and
the average 162.

That the current month
diminished gradually from the
1st to 22nd - the numbers in
order of dates are, -

1... 139	11 th 119
2... 133	12.... 116
3... 135	13.... 102
4... 137	14.... 103
5... 143	15.... 104
6... 142	16... 97
7... 139	17.... 95
8... 133	18.... 95
9... 126	19... 92
10... 129	20... 88

21st..... He and
22..... &c.

That the complaint of
Miss Nightingale in regard to
deficiency of ingredients of
Diet is shown by the accompanying
papers from W. Powell and
Special Steward Madge
to have been the fault of
Miss Nightingale's messenger.

That the Full-diet ration
to Nurses was Miss Nightingale's
own suggestion to D. Taylor,
in my presence.

That if Miss Nightingale's
object was merely to see justice
done her Nurses, and to
discourage their carping at
privileges, and accumulating
causes of complaint, she had

only to mention the articles withheld
from the Fall - diet - Issues,
on the first moment of its
surrender to Mr. Powell,
a polite condescension, and
cautious system of adjustment
which was to be expected from
the high reputation of that
Lady for goodness, and
business-like habits, - and
the inconvenience, if there could
have been such a thing with
unlimited supplies at the disposal
of Miss Nightingale or her own
Requestion for use of Nurses, -
would have been gladly attended
to, and remedied: -

That the observations of
Miss Nightingale "that the
Purveys' Accounts should

not falsely represent the Nurses
as drawing both returns and
Requisitions," is, I need not
dare repeat her own expression.
pivoloous, } but, - with all
due deference to the excellence
ascribed to the distinguished
Lady, - severely and unaccom-
panied with her knowledge and
personal of the "Confidential
Report."

But I am happy to be
able to inform Miss Houghton -
if she desire to know the
truth, rather than have it
indirectly perverted, - an evil
which could not but be
repugnant to, and inconsistent
with - her lofty moral attributes, -

that Extras ordered in Diet
Halls, have been included in
the Provision Tickets, and
issued on the latter by the
Steward from the Issuing Provision
Store, and that none of such
articles have ever appeared on
Nurses' Requisitions, or been
charged to their consumption: Copy
declaration on proof submitted
from Steward Board, supported
by the Certificate of Purveyors
M. Waggarty, who usually
requisitioned Nurses' Requisitions in
my Accounts.

People's ideas of "immorality,
molestation, and extravagance"
may differ widely, as the
habits of various Countries - but

female sensibility must be unusually obtuse, and delicacy lamentably enfeebled or effaced, if drunkenness, and lewdness, and threats of personal violence, are considered to be virtues, — or too inconsiderable as faults to be epithetized by "immorality and inordinateness."

That extravagance existed can be too well attested by any person who was connected with this Hospital when

Dr. Anderson was appealed to, to limit the use of drinks.

I must admit that several of the articles drawn in Mrs. Wear's Requisitions had been

issued to Sick Officers and Patients—
but who authorised such an
appropriation?—

I am of opinion that none
of such articles, so administered,
had been prescribed by Medical
Officers, and I feel assured,
that not one article had been
regularly marked in the Diet
Rolls; such a distribution was
therefore gratuitous;

The only useful application
of Extra articles I knew of, from
the Extra Kitchen, was the
furnishing small demands
for Sick Officers not in the
Hospital.

You can assure Miss
Nightingale, from the strong

representations of Misses staff Surgeon
D. T. Hadley to you in my
presence, of the ill-judged and
injurious exhibition of articles
from the Extras Kitchen, not
ordered by Medical Officer, -
which assumed in order to
Miss Wear and the Extras Cook
that they were to discontinue
such practice in future, and
they should therewith only
draw for their own personal
use; - This order was given,
as far as I can remember, in
June 1855, and much importunity
was exerted to induce you to
permit the Nurses to have
some discretionary power in

representations of Messrs staff Surgeon
D. Hadley to you in my
presence, of the ill-judged and
injurious exhibition of articles
from the Extras Station, not
ordered by Medical Officer, -
which assumed in order to
Messrs Wear and the Extras Cook
that they were to discontinue
such practice in future, and
they should thenceforth only
draw for their own personal
use; - This order was given,
so far as I can remember, in
June 1855, and much importunity
was exerted to induce you to
permit the Nurses to have
some discretionary power in

bestowing Medical Comforts on
their visits to the Wards, not
marked on the Diet Rolls;

If Miss Nightingale will
have the goodness to refer again
to the "Confidential Report"
she will find that I have given
credit for a large quantity of
articles drawn on the Nurses
Requisitions, which have been
accordingly deducted from their
consumption of Provisions.

If confusion were at all
experienced in keeping the
account of Nurses' Requisitions,
the fault is solely accountable
to their having usurped a
power of issues, foreign to
their proper functions and
position, meddling besides all mention of issues,

or distinction of sense for which intended, on their
demands, which should be more
appropriately a subject of
regret to Miss Nightingale,
than one of injurious and
hostile animadversion towards
"the Purveyor," which is the
more to be deplored, because
emanating from a Lady —
invested by Public Opinion with
a halo of gentleness, devotion,
Charity — and perfection.

I have the honor to be,
Sir, Your most obedient
Humble Servant
David Fairbairn
Deputy Purveyor in Chief.

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Rev.^d 10 June 1856

Mr

FCO 7/43a

(FCO 7/43 & attached)

General Hospital, Walsbrook,
10 June 1856.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward a
copy of a letter and a List of Prices
received this morning from the
Purveyor in Chief at Scutari, and
as the Prices differ from those
authorised by General Orders, owing
principally I presume to the
Charge for freight from England to
Scutari having been added to
the cost price in England, I have
to request your instructions thereon.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient
W^m Herbert

David FitzGerald
Deputy Purveyor in Chief.

For John Hale, M.D. M.C.B.
The Inspector General Hospital,
Walsbrook.

Copy

FCO7/43b

(attached to FCO7/43a)

Purveyor in Chief's Office
Barrack Hospital, Scutari
June 5th 1856

Sir

I have the honor herewith to forward lists of Prices of various articles of Medical comforts & Hospital Stores shipped by the Army Medical Board, and to request that you will dispose of as many of these articles, as possible at the prices mentioned in the lists.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your obedient Servant
Signed J. Scott Robertson
Purveyor in Chief

David Fitzgerald Esq
Purveyor in Chief
Glasgow

List of Prices of Medical Comforts

including cost of Freight to Scutari

Articles	Cost delivered at Scutari	Articles	Cost delivered at Scutari
Barley 3	26/6 p. cw.	Pres. Soup & Bouilli	10 ^c alb
Rice 3	26/6 p. cw.	Minced Collops	1/6 . . .
Sugar raw 4 3/4	44/6 p. cw.	Solidified Milk	3/9 p. . .
" refined 5 1/2	45/6 . . .	Soda Washing	10/6 a cw.
Porter in bottle	8/11 p. dry	Macaroni	8/6 a lb.
Ale in Cask	2/6 p. Gall	Tapioca	8/6 a lb.
" in bottle	10/1 p. dry	Prices candles	12/6 a doz lb.
Port Wine p. Gallon	8/6 a Gall	Wax L:	22/6 . . .
" in bottle	23/10 a doz	Salt	23/6 a cw.
Cherry in bottle	20/10 a doz	Pepper ground	1/4 a lb.
" in Cask	6/6 a Gall	Opelatine	2/2 a lb.
Brandy in Cask	10/6 a Gall	Cocoa rubs. ground	9/6 a lb.
" in bottle	27/6 a doz	Tamarinds	14/6 a cw.
Lemon Juice	3/6 a Gall	Preserved Fowls	3/11 each
Soda Water	5/6 a doz	Simmon	2/5 a lb.
Arrow Root	7/6 a pound	Muttons	3/4 a lb.
Pago	3 3/4 a L:	Ground Ginger	1/4 . . .
Soup	44/6 a cw.	Peonies	8 ^c . . .
" Soft	23/9 a fiction		
Vinegar	3/6 a Gall		
Preserved potatoes	32/9 p. cw.		
Dried L:	66/3 . . .		
Vegetables compressed	1/2 p. lb.		
" non	1/3 . . .		
" Carrots & Cabbage	1/7 . . .		
Preserved Milk	5 3/4 a pint		
Essence of Beef	1/2 for 4 lb.		
Oatmeal	20/6 p. cw.		
Cocoa and Milk	1/4 p. lb.		
Concentrated L:	2/2 . . .		
Preserved Mutton	11/6 . . .		
" Beef	10/6 . . .		

2nd April 1856

a true copy

Signed G. W. Rippon

Recd. in the Bazaar 10 June 1856

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FC07/43c
(attached to FC07/43a)

Lot 43c of the
estate of the
late 1802

FCO 7/44

My dear Sir John.

I sent you my
answer to Mr. Fitzgerald if proper
communication this morning.

Mr. Fitzgerald acts here
in a double capacity - sometimes
he speaks as a peer - at other
he retires upon his independent
position as Dr. Parnell's chief -
just as suits his caprice - or
he considers his dignity compro-
mised - Dr. Beaton has

applied to me - to have the
orders put on horse - as early
as convenient. The Thomas⁴
requiring a good deal of fitting
up - Many of the orders are
temporarily employees under Mr.
Fryer's - which were sent
there by myself - he may now
dispute my right to take them
an of. or ask for any explanation
as to their employment - considering
himself - only under the direct
control of yourself and the C. L.

This kind of independent
authority. (except as regards general
stores.) must be fraught with
inconvenience and delay - more
particularly - with a man like
Mr Fitzmaurice. who even presumes
to question the ^{or authenticity} validity of a
signature. because a name
is spelt differently. from the
accepted mode - altho I do not
consider him a competent
philologist to decide such a
point. much less to make
impertinent comments thereon.

I think were I to refuse to
comply with an order from you,
the Asst-Sgt. or Chief of the Staff
because either in the hurry of
business - a signature has been
^{omitted}
or a word spelt wrong - such
conduct - would only be viewed
as Contumacious or disrespectful.

Believe me

My dear Sir John

very sincerely

J. Mordaunt

June 14/56

Sir J. Peel. KCB

FC07/45

General Hospital, Delhi, India,
18 June 1856.

Sir,

In obedience to your Memorandum
of yesterday's date I have
the honor to return my letters
of the 3rd & 7th instant
bearing your marginal
Memoranda, in reply to them.

I have the honor to be,

Sir, Your most obedient
Humble Servant

Dr. John Hall M.D. R.C.B.
The Inspector General of H.M.S.
H. L. H.

David FitzGerald
Deputy Surgeon General

I consider Mr Fitzgerald's
apology satisfactory, and I am
quite satisfied I should
will consider it so too, &
recommends that he be
released from arrest &
return to his duty.

John Hall

Inspector Genl of Hops

This apology having been
shown to the Chief of the Staff
Lieut Genl. Wyndham C.B.
and considered satisfactory, anything,
I am authorized by him
to release Mr Fitzgerald from
arrest & he is hereby released.
Accordingly with return to and to
apologize for any thing
his duty.

As this business is now approaching its end
I am at an end General Wyndham.

I am sure the correspondence
between the two will remain that no discord
may remain to create discord
in future - In this opinion
I fully coincide, I hope the
advice will be adopted
Sir John Hall and H. C.B.
Inspector General of Hops

General Hospital Calcutta
20th June 1856

Sir

On reviewing the correspondence

which has taken place between Dr
Monat C.B. & Inspector General
of Hospitals, I am, as some of my

observations may be viewed in a
different sense from that intended

I beg to state that if I have written

respectful, or inconsistent with

the relative positions of Dr Monat &

I beg to retract such observations

accordingly with return to and to

apologize for any thing
which you may consider even

as this business is now approaching its end

I am at an end General Monat.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient

Humble Servant

David Fitzgerald

Inspector in Chief

Hops

Recd. 22nd Apr - 1856

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FC07/47

London, Whitehall Yard,
21 November 1856.

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In reply to your inquiries respecting
Requisitions for Rugs for use of
Hospitals in the Crimea, in the
Winter of 1854, and early part
of 1855, I have the honor to
state that after a minute
examination of the letter and
Requisition-book, from 16 September
1854 to 8 February 1855, I
can only trace one Requisition
on the Quarter-Master-General's Stores,
dated 24 January 1855, for
2000 Blankets and
1000 Rugs.

I have the honor to be,

Dear Sir,
Your most obedient
Wm. L. Stewart

David FitzGerald
Deputy Quarter-Master-General

Sir John Hall, M.D. K.C.B.
The Inspector-General of Hospitals
London.

London 21. Nov. 1856

Mr. Figgess's reply about demands
for hogs, and Manby, on the
Lodge's Department during the
winter of 1854-5. in the winter

FCO7/48



Pressing

War Department

Home Guard

31 Dec/56

Dear Sir

I take the liberty of
applying to you for a
written testimonial in my
favor during the period I
was under your command
in the Crimea for the
purpose of sending in my

claim to be placed on will kindly pardon the
the list of 1st class liberty of my application
clerks about to be I am
formed -

It is of much
importance that I should
receive this as soon as possible
I therefore trust that you

Dear Sir
Your Obedient Servant
Henry De Burgh Adams
Surrey Clerk
Sir J Hall KCB

FCO 7/49



London

2 Jan 1857

Dear Sir

I take the liberty
of asking a friend to
call on you in reply
to my note of yesterday's
date as I am very anxious
to send in the certificate



Early this day

Trusting that

You will pardon

this liberty

I have the honor to be

Dr Sir

Your obliged Servant

Henry Deburgh Adams

Sir J Hall K L B

FC07/50

Whitehall Yard
1 January, 1857.

My dear Sir John,

Mr. Adams landed at Balaklava
on the 16 August 1855, — and left
for England on 24 June 1856 —
The Division to which he had been
attached having been broken up —
and having expressed a desire to
~~visit~~ reach England as soon as possible
to arrange about a Paymastership,

you permitted him to leave on the
24 June.

The Wine has not yet been sent
to you; - I spoke to Budgett about
it - and in consequence of what
appeared in The Times, & I could not
induce him to forward it - until
he was assured of immediate payment -
I offered a written guarantee - but
as he still hesitated, - and feeling
assured you were in no great
hurry to use it, - I desired that
the wine you had selected should
be reserved; - this has been done -
and at any moment that you

Can conveniently favor Mr. Bridgett
with a check in payment, I
shall desire him to make out
a bill - and have the same
delivered.

Wishing Lady Mabel - and you -
I family a happy new year -
and many returns,

I remain,

Yours &c &c,
from most faithful & respectful
David FitzGerald

1 Jan^y 1857

W. D. Burgh Adams
applying for a Certificate
for service in the
Armed

FC07/51

This is to certify that Mr Henry
De Burgh Adams served in the Crimea,
as Purveyor's clerk, from August 1855,
to June 1856 - and was found steady,
active, and efficient. - His knowledge
of accounts, from his previous training
in his father's office in Dublin, was of
advantage, and his services were es-
timated to me by the Dep^y Purveyor in
chief to be of more value to him than those
of some others -

John Hall Esq.
Inspector Genl of Hospitals H.P.
late Principal Medical Officer
in the Crimea

London
1 January 1857

London, Whitehall^{way}
12 January 1857

My dear Sir John,

I have made every inquiry -
not merely at the London-docks,
but also from Bonus and Sons,
and Cavan Co. - 29 Finsbury
Circus, and regret to add that
nothing can be traced of the
purchase - unfortunately it appears
that you have no receipt - if

Yours

had there is no doubt the puncher
would be forthcoming.

Trusting Lady Hall and
family are well, and that
you are in the enjoyment of
your usual good health,
Remain,

Y^r dear Sir John
Yours most faithfully, respectfully,
David Fitzjerald

12 Jan^y 1856 [1857]

Mr Fitzgibbon about
punchon said to have
been sent from St Vincent
in the Arabian - but
never arrived.