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Add Mss 45763 correspondence with Douglas Galton 1865-66, 284 folios, 230 pages, Adam Matthew reel 13

signed letter, ff1-2v, pen, black-edged paper

f1 27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.
6/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I have received the enclosed from Capt. Pilkington Jackson, R.A., who is now in London (at the Junior United Service Club.)

In matters of this kind, I have always felt the greatest reluctance, & have usually positively declined, to interfere.

But in this instance

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you will perhaps remember that you wrote me a note early in 1863, saying Do not let poor Jackson think that he will be passed over. The first opening we have he shall be thought of (or words to that effect.)

A little later in 1863, & shortly before Sir G. Lewis death,

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when I was in Cleveland
 Row, Lord de Grey
 was so good as to
 have some conversation
 with me there, &
 speaking of Pilkington
 Jackson, regretted
 that he had indisposed
 Sir G. Lewis against
 himself, & then stated
 almost the same
 as you did, as quoted
 above; tho' not
 implying that I was
 to give the comfort
 to him, P. Jackson.
 These are my reasons

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for enclosing the note
 I have received. And
 I hardly need repeat
 the opinion I have
 given that Capt. P.
 Jackson's services
 merit acknowledgment.
 The best acknowledgment
 would be to use them.
 yours most truly
 F Nightingale

unsigned letter, ff3-4v, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.
6/1/65

There is no objection to the Director General's proposal, provided it be carried out with perfect fairness. To do this, however, something more must be done than he proposes. The men entered the Service without studying at Netley, & consequently

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they gained 6 months in time, before their Commission - which they would have lost if they had gone to Netley. To make everything equal, do as follows: -

1. admit the men to the competitive examination in February
2. give them 6 months at Netley
3. take from their period

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of service these 6 months
 This will be equivalent
 to placing them 6 months
 back as to the date
 of their Commission.
 This, you will see, is
 only fair - otherwise
 men could gain the
 6 months by simply
 volunteering for
 Africa, & then being
 allowed to compete.
 Therefore the D.G.'s
 proposal that they
 should retain their
 present position

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according to their
 respective dates of
 Commission, would be
 unfair to the others.

Of course, while at
 Netley, they will
 receive only the pay
 of "Candidates". The
 case is an important
 one, & should be
 carefully considered -

The dates of the men's
 Commission are: -

A.J. Belmore 16 April 1862

A. Lewis 24 Nov. 1863

Every year in Africa counts as two
 years for promotion & retirement.

Would it be fair in surrendering
 this, to retain the dates of the Commissions?

initialled letter, ff5-5v, pen, black-edged paper

f5 6899/259

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.
10/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton

[15:407]

I have been making
enquiries as to the D.G.'s
proposed alterations
in the Diet Scale.

Would you be so good
as to get from the
Purveyor in Chief: in
how many instances
Medl Officers have
departed from the
Diet Scale or claimed

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to depart from it -
at home Stations
within (say) the year
1864?

Yours most truly
F.N.

It would be most
important if the
kind of variation
could be stated.

[end]

signed letter, ff6-7, pen, blue paper

f6

27 Norfolk St. [15:170-71]
15/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton

Dr. Sutherland told me, about ten days ago, that Mrs. S. Stewart had written for leave to take on a Nurse under age.

In this matter of age, in *all* Hospitals, Civil & Military, at home & abroad, religious & secular, the Regulation is made, merely to prevent kind friends, e.g. (like Col: Wilbraham & Sir E. Lugard) from sending you orphan girls for a provision, or old ladies for a superannuation, who ought to be in an almshouse -

And *all* Superintendents of

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whatever denomination, have always plenipotentiary authority to break it, in favour of a fit object. [We are always breaking it at St. Thomas' & King's Coll: Hospitals.]

If there is anything you may trust Mrs. S. Stewart in, it is this.

If there is anything in which the Supt. should have power to break a Regulation, it is in a matter of which she *can* be the only judge, & ~~of~~ /upon which the person who is responsible for the efficiency of the Nursing Service must be capable ~~supposed to be~~ /of giving the only competent decision - & can only wish to uphold discipline.

To thwart her in this, while Governor P.M.O., Capt. of Orderlies have been so flagrantly violating

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all Regulations, to the destruction
of all discipline, for two years,
would be indeed to strain at a
gnat & swallow a camel.

You may give my experience, if
you like it, that, in no Order or
Institution whatever, would this Regulation
be ~~done~~/rigidly upheld & that the present
S. of S. for War would be *the first*
to set such an example.

I should have written before,
but Dr. Sutherland assured me
the paper was coming to me, as
promised. And I did not like
to appear to interfere especially in
a woman's matter, where the S. of S. would
be sure to ever yours truly
seek my advice
as he said I was F. Nightingale
in an "official position"
with regard to Mrs. S. Stewart!!

signed letter, ff8-11, pen, black-edged paper [8:169-70]

f8

*The papers on Female Hospitals
just returned to Mr. Cooper*

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.
16/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I should have made
very short work of
answering those papers.
But Dr. Sutherland
would keep them, till
he could go down &
inspect the Chatham
Hospital.

The questions in
them were two:

1. should Erysipelas &
such like cases be
received into the

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General ward of a
Lying-in Hospital?
Answer (by F.N.)

No:
in the best Civil Hospitals,
all Erysipelas, Gangrene
& generally what are
called "offensive" cases
(*which does not
mean the Supt. of
Nurses*) are always
placed under complete
segregation, (or removed
when, unfortunately, they

f9

arise within the Hospital)
to complete segregation)
in a separate set of wards
under a separate Head
Nurse & Nurses.

The reason is: that
no ventilation or
construction will
make these cases,
(or any, where there
is offensive discharge,)
non-infectious, as
Scarlet Fever &c may
be made. Because
good-natured Patients
will lend their things,
whatever you do to

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prevent it.

Now the very mug
of a case, like the
above, ought to be
washed separately.

Such cases ought
therefore to be always
in a ward *entirely*
detached.

2. Would not the
appointment of
separate Medical
Officers, one for the
Lying in Ward, one for
the General ward, (including

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fever, bronchitis &
such like, but *not*
Erysipelas & such
like,) obviate all
danger of "carrying"
infection?

Answer (F.N.)

If a Medical Officer
is such a fool that,
either by dirty hands
or any such neglect,
he can "carry" ANYthing
from the general to
the Lying-in Ward,
he will do as much
harm to the lying-in

f10v

cases, *with* OR WITHOUT
the general ward
under him.
There is no such thing
as "carrying" *infection*.

Please however to
return us those
papers, in order that
Dr. Sutherland may
inspect the Chatham
Female Hospital -
And we will then
give you a splendid
answer.

ever yours truly
F. Nightingale

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I have had a letter
 from Col: Wilbraham
 overflowing with milk
 of charity, quite
 "relieved that there is
 not to be a change
 in the Supt. Genl."
 she has made him
 an apology, which was
 all he wanted &c &c
 It is really a nice
 letter. But how long
 will it last?

Is it that the Supt.
 Genl has had her dose,
 but the Commandant
 has not yet had his
 from the S. of S?

signed letter, ff12-13, pen, black-edged paper

f12

27. Norfolk Street. **[15:171]**
 Park Lane. W. {printed address:}
 17/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton
 As Mrs. Shaw Stewart
 has been desired to
 "adhere" "to Regulations",
 & to "allow" no "deviation",
 (with regard to the
 age of Nurses) and
 as I have had a
 letter from Col:
 Wilbraham, stating
 that Mrs. Shaw Stewart

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has been so dealt
 with (by the S. of S.)
 as to write an
 apology to him,
 Col: W., with which
 he is greatly satisfied
 might I ask what
 steps have been
 taken, upon your
 Netley Report, in
 order to bring before

f13

Col: Wilbraham's
 notice the gross
 breaches of discipline
 which he has
 allowed to exist
 in several Departments
 under his charge?
 yours very truly
 Florence Nightingale

[end]

initialled letter, f14, pen, black-edged paper

f14

27. Norfolk Street. **[15:407]**
 Park Lane. W. {printed address:}
 25/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton
 Sir H. Verney has -
 with a rapidity of which,
 of course, the W.O. has
 been to him the example,
 been to Gosport, as
 you desired, seen the
 Reading room. And
 here is the result:
 Pray take a note of
 what requires notice
 And return me the
 enclosed
 ever yours truly
 F.N.

signed letter, ff15-19v, pen, black-edged paper

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Private

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 26/1/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I understand from [9:397]
 Dr. Sutherland, that
 there has been a tempest
 in a pint-pot, about
 Sir C. Wood receiving
 from me a copy of
 your 'Remarks' upon
 Dr. Leith's Report.
 That Report was
 publicly circulated *in*
extenso in the newspapers
 of India as far back as

f15v

August last. It was
 widely quoted from,
 in such terms as these
 viz. that it shewed the
 R. Commission's Report
 to be all nonsense.
 I first received it in
 a newspaper from India
 from a private hand.
 I wrote to Lord Stanley
 to ask Sir C. Wood to
 submit the Report,
 which was doing such
 extensive mischief

f16

to your Commission.

And then (& not till then, I believe) it was sent you from the India Off:

Another 2 ½ months elapsed before the reply was ready.

In the mean time I received (on November 18) a note from Sir C. Wood, who had taken the trouble to find out my direction - a very kind note - but quoting Dr. Leith's Mortality of 12 per 1000

f16v

as a kind of triumph -

After your "Remarks" came out, I waited for several days, not only till after I knew they had been officially distributed, but till after I was informed that the covering letter had been written & sent to Sir C. Wood. I then replied to his note, already two months old, & sent him a copy to his own house.

All that *I* regret is, my excessive discretion

f17

(which indeed is my besetting sin) which prevented me from fore-stalling the reply to Dr. Leith, and my answering to Sir C. Wood, instead of waiting for some days till after it had come out. Since it would be far better if the temporary 12 per 1000 had remained at 69 per 1000, if people are to be deluded by it into the belief that any material improvements - securing a *permanent*

f17v

improvement in health have been made at Indian Stations

As we are going to have exactly the same game to play in replying to Col: Norman's answer (to the R Commission's Report) which has arrived at the India Office - & may arrive in the course of years at your Office, I have submitted to your Honour my sentiments on the occasion.

f18

As for Sir John Lawrence,
of course I send him
 all this class of papers.
 The extreme celerity
 with which the "Suggestions"
 were prepared, which
 he begged & prayed for
 on December 1, 1863,
 (when he was appointed
 Governor Genl), & for
 which he wrote ~~for~~
 repeatedly in these
 terms, "we are standing
 still for want of them,"
 "we are in danger of
 doing worse" &c &c &c

f18v

emboldens me to hope
 that, as it is desirable
 such papers should
 reach him during his
 life-time, my master
 will condone the sin
 I have committed - &
 shall commit - in
 sending them him
 by Book=post direct **[end 9:398]**
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

To sum up: it will be fully **[9:399]**
 seven months and a half
 since the public circulation
 of {printed address: 27. Norfolk Street.
 upside down} Park Lane. W.
 Dr. Leith's Report by

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newspapers in India,
before the Reply, sent
by me direct to Sir
John Lawrence, will
reach him.

[It may be seven
years and a half,
for aught I know,
before the copies sent
by the India Off: will
reach him.]

O'Connell said: it
was worth while to
make a lie to last
24 hours.

How very much worth
while, then, for Indians

f19v

to make a lie which
lasts 7 ½ months,
at shortest!

I hope, then, that
the over-haste and
indiscretion, with
which this lie will
have been treated, so
as to receive its reply
in less than 8 months,
will be pardoned - !! **[end 9:399]**

F.N.

f20, D. Galton, February 18, 1865, cd we usefully make any enquiry into the
apparent cause of scarlet fever?, on embossed WO

unsigned note, f21v, pencil

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I am not sure that it would
do to submit this paper to
Mrs. Wardroper -
She conceals it even from the
Probationers.
It strikes me very much that
it would not do to send
this paper either to Mrs.
Wardroper or Miss Jones
I ought not to call
Miss Jones *our Training &c*"
anyway

initialled letter, ff22-23, pen, black-edged paper

f22

Private 6998/107
27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 2/2/65

My dear Capt. Galton
 This is a remarkably
good letter of Mrs. Shaw
Stewart, & bodes well
for the future.
 About the Night
Orderlies, the difficulty
is one which necessarily
results from the
absurd construction of
the Hospital. No one
can re-echo more strongly

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than I do Mrs. Stewart's
observation about the
difficulty of night
attendance on these
small wards.

Yet, for all that.
Orderlies must not
sleep in the wards.

*Remit the question
to the Appropriation
Committee when it
goes down, as to
where Night Orderlies*

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should sleep -

And give no other
answer in the meantime
Of course the Appropriation
Committee will hear
Mrs. S. Stewart's "reasons",
which she further
alludes to.

yours very truly
F.N.

initialled letter, f24, pen, black-edged paper

f24

7390/942

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 3/2/65

My dear Capt. Galton

It will be very
 useful to make an
 enquiry into the
 apparent cause of
 Scarlet Fever at these
 Stations.

I would suggest that
 it should be made by
 the B. & H. I. Commission.
 But of course you are
 the best judge whether
 the D.G. should not
 make it. [Dr. Logan's services
 will be on it either way.]
 ever yours truly F.N.

initialled letter, ff25-26v, pen, black-edged paper

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7557/579 and 624

27. Street. **[15:407]**
 Park Lane. W. {printed address:}
 10/2/65

My dear Capt. Galton

The Assist Commandt
 is an Officer whose
 existence is absolutely
 ignored by Regulation.
 He may be of any class of
 officer - and added
 for any purpose, as
 in this case for invaliding;
 but he is only a third
 hand to the Governor.
 When Col: Wilbraham

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leaves Netley, Dr. Anderson
is undoubtedly Governor.

If this is not set
right, you may, on the
very first emergency,
in time of war, have
a disaster.

For Commandant is
specially commissioned,
P.M.O. is specially
selected - But Assistant
Commandt is merely
an unrecognised Officer

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of the Governor; and (in
his absence) of the P.M.O.
acting as Governor .

After this exposition,
it need hardly be said
that Dr. Anderson, in
the absence of the
Governor, was quite
right in forwarding
his communication,
regarding the Billiard
room Gas, direct to
the S. of S., and *not thro'*
the Asst. Commandt

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As to the Gas, I am
indifferent: also as
to the nocturnal
Billiards. Let them
pay to play.

[end]

signed letter, ff27-28v, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 21/2/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I have to trouble
 you and (if you will
 forward my note)
 Lord de Grey about
 the oft-repeated
 matter of pay to the
 Custode (an English
 N.C. Officer, Serjeant
 Lyne) of the Scutari
 Burying - ground. The

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salary was fixed - &
 was to be paid at
 the English Embassy
 at Constantinople.

But "Serjeant Lyne
 "has heard nothing
 "further about his
 "appointment, & has
 "been left without any
 "salary for more than
 "3 months, which has
 "placed him in a
 "position of very great

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"embarrassment all
 "the more as his wife
 "is again expecting
 "her confinement."

I have been asked
 to ask Lord de Grey,
 if he would be so
 good as to remind
 the Foreign Office of
 this fact.

Believe me

Yours very truly
 Florence Nightingale

initialled letter, ff29-30v, pen, black-edged paper

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Private

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

Mar 4/65 [14:1020]

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you the short
 statement I made of
 what Sidney Herbert did.
 That work is still going
 on. The Death rate in
 the Infantry was in

1862 6. 69

3 8. 95 x

x

~~(This was an unhealthy year
 all over England)~~

I do not know, of
 course, what Ld Panmure's
 point is. But, the last

f29v

time I ever saw Ld Panmure,
he told me himself:

(I tell you this in
confidence)

"You claim for S. Herbert
all the credit of what
I began.

"It was up to '46 that
the Mortality (Infantry)
was per 1000 18 (17.9)

"I brought it down to
per 1000 15 in '56 when I was
in Office.

"From whose measures, too,
originated the Crimean
diminution of sickness

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& Death-rate? mine not
S. Herbert's"

I tell you just what he
said. Of course I have
a great deal to say
on the other side.

But I would concede to
him that he *did* begin
measures for bringing
down the Mortality at
home - also that the
Crimean measures were
certainly his.

But you cannot have
a better illustration,
in brick & stone, than
Netley & Woolwich.

f30v

Hospitals, of what the difference (essential) between his & S. Herbert's measures was.

I have no influence whatever with Ld Dalhousie. He told S. Herbert that I was "a turbulent fellow." I told him Ld Dalhousie afterwards that I knew he had called me "a turbulent fellow". And of course we had a very good joke over it. And of course he denied & apologized. But that was all. **[end]**

F.N.

unsigned letter, f31, pen, black-edged paper, written lengthwise on page

f31

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Would it not be better for you to be at the HO: of Lords & 'coach' Lord de Grey in his answer to Ld Panmure to night.

If we can get up anything farther for you, pray command us.

Ld Panmure will be sure to do his worst. Mar. 6/65

signed letter, ff32-33v, pen, black-edged paper

f32

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 Mar 7/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I don't know whether
 you remember a certain

Revd C.B. Gibson,
 a Presbyterian Chaplain,
 dismissed the Irish
 Convict Service,
 because he wrote a
 book establishing
 certain facts against
 that Service, & in
 favour of Sir J. Jebb's

[16:438-39]

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Rather more than a
 year ago, we made great
 efforts to have him
 made an Army Chaplain.
 For quite independently
 of the above facts, he
 is a Chaplain who
 obtains an extraordinary
 permanent influence
 over the men - which
 Chaplains, I am sorry
 to say, in general, do
 not. And this, though
 (perhaps because) he is

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very Irish & "gushing" & all that.

A semi-promise was obtained for "the Revd C.B. Gibson" then, that he should have the first vacancy among Army Presbyterian Chaplains.

It is said that "the War Office is about appointing two Irish Presbyterian Chaplains".

The Chaplain-General told Lady Herbert, in a note (which she sent

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me) that he "had put down the Revd. C.B. Gibson's name, but that there was no vacancy *then*." There is one now.

If you think it desirable, Sir Harry Verney would wait upon Lord de Grey & restate what we know about Mr. Gibson.

I think I sent you a copy of his book.

ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

[end]

signed letter, ff34-35, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

Mar 7/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I thought Lord de Grey's
speech admirable - & was
by no means alone in
my opinion. From three
peers I have heard this
morning, who were
all ready to speak in
Lord Herbert's defence,
had it been necessary,
that it was not
needed, because Lord
de Grey had managed

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the defence so admirably.

-that Ld Dalhousie
had damaged himself
essentially & that the
tone of feeling all
went with Ld de Grey
- that Lord de Grey
replied so well that
it was quite unnecessary
for any body to say
anything - that Ld
Dalhousie's "vice" had
done good.

f35

I should be quite satisfied
 -being quite sure that
 the tone of Lord de Grey's
 answer had more weight
 than a more technical
 exposition.
 But it has been suggested
 to me to propose, if you
 thought it desirable,
 that we should now
 make a little technical
 exposition of the principles
 of Hospital construction,
 in answer, perhaps, to
 questions ~~by~~ from Lord de Grey
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff36-37v, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 Mar 9/65 [15:408]

My dear Capt. Galton
 A part of the Guards
 at Windsor (owing to
 the prohibition against
 forming Military
 Associations or Societies,
 as being contrary to the
 rules of the Service)
 have affiliated themselves
 to the Windsor Branch
 of the "Church of England"
 Temperance Society.

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It is felt that, when
they come to London,
in April, they will be thrown
upon the world again,
as they have no
power to form any
temperance Society
within the Battalions.

The Serjeant Major
is very anxious about
this.

Would it not be
possible to encourage
temperance, without

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infringing discipline?

Would you please
to let me know about
this - as I have been
asked what to do
from Windsor.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

The Serjt Major says that
one gallon of beer is
consumed instead of
eighteen - that 108
Privates & 12 Serjeants
have joined the
movement - that the

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Serjts go about canvassing
among the men for
names - & that there
will be a great many
more - that, in the
Serjts Mess, coffee is
drunk instead of
beer.

[end 15:408]

initialled note, f38, pen, black-edged paper

f38 {written lengthwise on the page}

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

Capt. Galton

What about my Presbyterian

Chaplain?

Shall I send Sir Harry to bother
somebody? F.N.

Mar 9/65

signed letter, ff39-39v, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.
Mar 10/65

My dear Capt. Galton

If your Chaplain-General

"has nothing to do with

Presbyterians,' there

is ne'er a humbug

in all Ireland equal

to him, to use the

mildest term - as

I shall be extremely

happy to demonstrate

to any gentleman

who desires it - from

a note which I am

f39v

extremely happy to

possess, of said

Chaplain Genl's.

Yours very truly

F. Nightingale

unsigned letter, f40, pen, black-edged paper

f40

7569/42

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 11/3/65

The fire appears to have been accidental - at least arising from over-heating of timbers. The Medical Officer has nothing to do with visiting the Hospital at night; - unless for severe cases, if he thinks it necessary The Purveyor, only has charge of buildings, & should, I suppose, take the needful precautions against fire.

unsigned letter, ff41-41v, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 Mar 15/65

My dear Capt. Galton

[16:439]

The Revd. Gibson (Presbyterian Chaplain) has applied for one of the N.C. Chaplaincies "so the Presbyterian troops at Sheerness, Warley or Shoeburyness" - to which he has received an acknowledgment, signed Partington or some such word.

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"Thankful for small mercies,' he is greatly encouraged by this.

But he wishes to know if he might be "allowed to select between the three places mentioned" tho' none has as yet been offered Your &c
him Importunate Widow

[end 16:439]

ff42-43v, unsigned, undated memorandum {probably D. Galton} re Officiating clergymen

unsigned letter, ff44-45, pen, black-edged paper

f44

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.
Mar 25/65

The age 26 in the Warrant was fixed with reference to the period of forced retirement viz. 55. so that, with the increased pay & advantages offered, the country might get sufficient service out of every one entering: You know how & why the

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scheme fell through,
and how you were
obliged, on account
of want of candidates,
to raise the age
temporarily. By
adopting Dr. Gibson's
plan, you will
assimilate the ages
in the British &
Indian services -
but you will have
to throw away two

f45

years of service - which is the same
thing as giving a
man his retirement
two years sooner
than the Warrant
contemplated.

It is merely a
question of money
not of efficiency -
and you must
decide the money
question.

signed letter, ff46-47, pen, black-edged paper

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27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 March 29/65

My dear Capt. Galton
 Mr. Whitfield, of St.
 Thomas' Hospital, is
 standing at the door
 of Hounslow Cavalry
 Hospital, & has been
 standing there for ten
 days without food
 or water - only snow.

I hear that the **[9:343]**
 B. & H. I. Commission,

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it is proposed, shall
 be called the *Army*
Sanitary Committee.
 The two first words,
 Army Sanitary, (*not*
 'War Office' Sanitary)
 are, I think, a great
 improvement in the title. But
 don't give up the word
 "Commission". I proposed
 it. Lord Dalhousie
 & Sidney Herbert
 acceded to it. And

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now that it covers
India, it would be very
unwise to give it up.

I had a tussle
with Sir J. Lawrence
about the word for
his Presidency
Commissions. And he
gave up the word
Committee - & has, as
you see, christened
them all Commissions. [end 9:514]
ever yours
F.N.

signed note, f48, pen, black-edged paper

f48 {written lengthwise on the page}

27. Norfolk Street. {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

At home

This poor creature removed to

34 South Street
Park Lane

for good (or for bad)

F. Nightingale

May 1/65 *Capt. Galton*

signed letter, ff49-50, pen, black-edged paper

f49

34 South Street
Park Lane W
May 5/65

My dear Capt. Galton

Here is a case of
such obvious necessity
that it occurs to me
to ask what the
War Office is doing
at Malta in
providing Soldiers'
Day rooms.

Please be so good
as to read over the
papers I enclose.

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& return them to me
with any information
you can give me?

I see that, in
your Mediterranean,
p. 9, you advise
separate Recreation
rooms for Barracks
at Malta. To what
extent has this
been carried out?

As the Committee
of the "Soldiers' &
Sailors' Institute "
thinks a joint

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establishment needful,
the Admiralty
should surely help.
And so should the
W.O., unless you
have already
provided *Barrack*
day & recreation rooms.

Could you lend
them rooms? Or in
what way could you
help them? in that case.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff51-53v, pen, blue paper [note address is corrected]

f51

~~32~~/34 South Street. {printed address:}
 Park Lane.
 London. W.
 May 8/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I have looked through
 your Report on the Sanitary
 state of the French Army
 1855-6.

It is to me intensely
 interesting.

And I should like
 to have read it straight
 through.

But I return it,
 because, unless you have

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done so already I think
 it very important you
 should send it to
 Dr. Balfour for his
 forth=coming Report.

It gives the facts
 of the Medical &
 Surgical experience
 of the French Army
 in the Russian War,
 partly compared
 with the results
 experienced in the

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British Army.

The good of it to us
 would be, if you would
 request the A.M.D.
 to make out some
 comparison (for the benefit
~~good~~/ of the Medical
 Officers) between any
 special methods of
 treatment or operations
 in the French Army
 & our own - and also
 to draw up a good
 Statistical comparison
 between the results of

f52v

the campaigns in the
 two Armies -

[There are some
 paragraphs in the text
 extremely unfair upon
 our Army. And when
 you come to look at
 the Tables at the end,
 the results of some
 classes of operations
 among themselves
 are appalling - we
 never had anything
 like that at our worst

f53

time - they seem to
have lost nearly
every case.]

I want to read the
book through for my
own interest in it.
If you have already
sent it to Dr. Balfour,
or when you have it
back from him, I
should like to do
so, if you will kindly
return it to me -

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ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

Please make me a
present of your
General Report

B. & H. I Commission
& its Appendix.

I am *always* making
presents of it - &
I want one now myself.
I have had one before

signed letter, ff54-55, pen, black-edged

f54

34 South Street W

May 13/65

My dear Capt. Galton

Would you think
well to order ~~the~~ a
"Howard" ambulance
to be made
immediately under
Mr. Howard's
supervision?

You have not an
Ambulance fit to
go into the field.

Mr. Howard's

f54v

ambulance is fit
in every respect.

I understand that
your B. & H. I.
Commission is
unanimous in its
favour

Mr. Longmore's caution,
in his Report upon
it, has merely been
made an excuse
for not spending
money

yours most truly

F. Nightingale

f55

Please return me
Mr. Howard's letter.

initialled report, ff56-58v, pen

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A H Corps
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The Report is not
sufficiently explicit
on the following points
to enable me to give
an opinion: -

1. Are "three weeks"
sufficient for
training Orderlies?
I doubt.

2. Why is there
nothing said
about special
training of Orderlies
for *Field* Service?

3. Why is there
nothing said about
Nurses training
Orderlies in making
poultices &c?

f56v

4. I cannot think
it right to
appropriate
Orderlies trained
for *Medical* service
to be "servants" to
"Candidates", & to
take care of
"valuable plate"
as "Mess waiters."
It seems to me
that attendants
on the sick are
trained for quite
other purposes
than these.

At the same time,
it is perfectly
necessary that
there should be
"servants" &
"Mess waiters."

f57

But more satisfactory reasons should be given, than are given in the Report, for appropriating men-nurses to do this work.

[I should as soon have thought of appointing an *in*-valuable Surgical Nurse to take care of "valuable plate" as of appointing her to take care of my cat.]

5. The proportion of N.C. Officers & Privates attending on *sick* (vide

f57v

Table A) seems monstrously small, as compared with the Total (bottom of Table A) of the *Medical* (?) branch & with the proportion of it appointed to *Non*-medical employments.

Also, if "two" privates are attending on Lunatics, is not a N.C. Officer necessary?

Yet there is a N.C.O. (vide Purveyor's branch) to attend on the "Dirty Linen" but not on the "Lunatics." (?) Are Lunatics less valuable

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than "Dirty Linen"?

We consider a
N.C.O. quite necessary
for "Baths." (?)

But "Baths", it
appears, are less
important than
"Grounds", which
have a N.C. Officer
(vide Purveyor's
Branch.)

There are 7 Pioneers
to keep the Grounds
in order.

[I am no longer
surprised that
they require the
"Supt. of Nurses"
to look after them]
And only 17 men

f58v

for the "Surgical
side. ("in winter")

I look upon this
merely from the
Hospital point
of view. There
is much that
I could not
judge of, without
personal inspection.
But, as you have
asked me, I
have raised such
questions as I
think should be
brought before
you -

F.N.

25/5/65

initialled comment, ff59-62v, pen

[15:172-73]

f59

6848/629

1. It is quite evident that £300 placed in the Estimates, for both Netley & Woolwich, will not do. (Mr. Knox.)

2. As female Nurses must be provided for Woolwich, the money must be found.

If, as the Purveyor-in-Chief states, £600 have been put on the Estimates, it is clear from Mrs.

S. Stewart's Estimate that it is too little.

3. Mrs. S. Stewart's Estimate is certainly rather too low than too high. It is quite certain that a good many ("Contingencies"

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not only but) Current
Expences have been
& will be paid out
of her own pocket -
& these not only
"washing" & "postage",
which she admits.

4. The proposed money
allowance being
obviously too little,
on Mrs. S. Stewart's
own estimate, it

i.e. an adequate {there is a line drawn to the word
'adequate'}

cannot be said what money allowance -
it will cover. But to cover the items in
an adequate money her own Estimate
allowance should cover: -

- (1). Pay of superintendent
- (2). Pay of Nurses X X It was stated that
- (3). Regulation Dress the S. of S. for War
- (4). Mess Money proposed to accede
to the Supt. Genl's
estimate that it was
impossible to secure
women of the class
desired, under £30
a year for the first year,
instead of £20.

It should not cover
 fuel
 light
 washing
 postages
 travelling expences

X It was suggested that
 the Purveyor-in- Chief
 should estimate the
 difference between
 the value of a Ration
 and of a sick Diet.

| X sick diets &
 " extras

"contingencies"

These charges should be entered
 separately, excepting fuel & light

to be furnished by Purveyor

5. Mrs. Shaw Stewart
 ought to have been
 refunded the sum
 she paid for Nurses'
 outfits. She ought
 to be applied to for
 a statement of the
 cost. It is not
 desirable that a
 private individual
 should subsidize
 the State.

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{This page has a large X drawn through it}

6. The Nurse is entitled to (annual & triennial) dress by Regulation 32, page 128, new Medical Regulations.

It is not possible that "£5 for each Nurse once for all", as the Supt. Genl proposes, should cover this.

This does not affect this Estimate ~~where dress, & also~~ outfit for ~~at least~~ the new Nurses, is provided for.

But the Supt. Genl should be requested to estimate the expence of dress for ~~each Nurse annually~~.

f61

6. The Nurse is entitled to a certain amount of dress by Regulation 32 page 128, new Medical Regulations.

The Supt. Genl has estimated this at £5 each for the present Nurses, which is not at all too much.

I do not think that her Estimate of £5 each; to be granted her "once for all for each new Nurse", will cover the "table" & "dormitory" articles required for women, But let it stand.

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Unless you increase the Estimate up to her amount, i.e.

£668. 15. 0.

it appears that the best thing to do would be to inform her that £600 have been taken this year & that she is to draw upon it for

[end]

the following items: -

- pay of Nurses
- Dress & outfit
- Mess money
- pay of Superintendent when appointed
- washing
- postage
- sick diets & extras
- travelling expences
- contingencies

f62

This which is necessary
to the carrying out of
the system, is inconsistent
with the amount of money
you have taken on
the Estimates.

signed letter, ff63-64, pen, black-edged, blue paper, printed address 34

f63

Private June 17/65
 34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton [9:527]

As you have no doubt
heard from Lord de Grey,
Mr. Ellis, President of the
Madras Sanitary Commission
is here - & wants you to
help him in every way
in mastering the details
of sanitary work, during
his 6 months' leave.

With regard to the
Military: -
he wants to see & to have
explained: -

1. your best Barrack (e.g. Chelsea

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2. your best Military Hospital
(Herbert)
3. your best Mil. Hosp. at
work -
he must see the Medical
School, Invaliding &
Hospital Staff Orderlies
at work at Netley.
4. your best camp with
tenting, draining, water
supply, application of
sewage &c
(Aldershot)
He wants particularly
to see *camping=out*
[He thought of Chalons
But is not Chalons a
permanent camp?]

f64

5. Should he not assist at
the Meetings of your
Army Sanitary Commission?

He wants, in short, to see
how the work is done
& the results you have
arrived at.

I have all but promised
him that you (if you
can) & Dr. Sutherland,
shall take him to these
places, to reply to all
his queries, yourselves. There
is no one else to do it.

[end 9:527]

ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

Mr. Ellis' address is { in case
4 York Street { you do
St. James' Square { not know

initialled letter, ff65-66, pen, black-edged blue paper

f65

Private June 23/65
 34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 2.30. P.M. London. W. **[15:410-11]**

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have only this moment
 received your note.
 I have sent off a Messenger
~~note~~ instantly to Lord
 Stanley, with orders to
 pursue him wherever
 he is, to ask *him*
 to defend us against
 Col: Percy Herbert to-night
 He is the only man who
 would be of the least
 use to defend us.
 Besides which, every

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"independent M.P." I
 know is *larking* in the
 country. And you see
 there is no time to
 prime any body
 And nobody understands
 the question, except
 Lord Stanley.
I hope he will do it.
 But he is quite over=
 whelmed with Committee
 business just now -
 I must say he is a
 worker.

f66

I have told him that,
 if he wants any priming,
 you will very probably
 be in the House to night.
Can you? I do think it is
 shameful of Col: Percy
 Herbert. But what
 can you expect of him? **[end]**
 ever yours

F.N.

initialled letter, ff67-68, pen, black-edged blue paper

f67

Private June 23/65 [15:410-11]

34 South Street,
Park Lane, {printed address:}
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I sent to Lord Stanley
the moment your note
arrived. His cab was
actually at the door -
You see what he says
Please return it to me.

I don't know that
I can do anything else.
But if I can, please
let me know -

I thought of Mr. Arthur
Mills. But I don't know
that he would be of any

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use. If you think otherwise,
pray command me.
Ld Stanley wilfully puts
"Indian Sanitary Commission,"
instead of "general Army
sanitary question" which
was what I put.
I suppose he means he
would only speak on
that, his own question.
I dare say he is quite
right.

ever yours

F.N.

I wish you had let me
know earlier - For twice

f68

to day I have had to
communicate with him,
Ld Stanley - And you see
he would have staid for us.

~~Burn, please -~~

[end 15:411]

initialled letter, ff69-69v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f69

June 24/65
 34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton **[15:411]**

Would you be so very
 good as to tell me
 whether Col: Herbert's
 motion disappeared
 (I can see nothing of it
 in the "Times") - or whether
 it is to come on, & in
 what shape? I mean,
 is it to be a *general*
 attack? And, if so,
 is there anything to be
 done, as it is vain to
 try to do any thing at

f69v

the last moment.

What does Mr. Gladstone
 say?

[end 15:411]

ever yours
 F.N.

signed letter, f70, pen, black-edged blue paper

f70

June 26/65

Essence of Meat

34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Would you shew the
 enclosed letter to the
 Purveyor-in-Chief -
 it is for the part,
 marked in red,
 about the Admiralty
 contract - the rest
 is nothing -
 & return the letter to
 me?

ever yours sincerely
 F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff71-71v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f71

June 26/65

34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I thought you might
 like to see these two
 heart-felt testimonies
 to your Hospital - of
 which you have borne
 all the personal
 responsibility, acting
 most nobly.

[15:411]

Please return them
 to me -

Please tell me if

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Col: Herbert's Motion
 against Dr. Sutherland
 comes on on Friday -
 whether it is to attack
 the general cause -
 what, if anything, I am
 to say to Ld Stanley,
 to Sir H. Verney, or
 anybody? what Mr.
 Gladstone ~~says~~/ said to you [end]
 ever yours
 F.N.

unsigned draft, ff72-73v, 2 lines pen, mainly pencil, very faint
f72 [archivist: December 1866 FN]

[not FN:] After having read that discussion last night about
 Dr. S.'s salary, I have no doubt you agree with me

that some final settlement or other must
 be come to about it.

You know of course that at the time the Govt.
 asked him to go as Commissioner to the Crimea
 he was Sanitary advisor to Ld Hanover at
 that time Pres. of G. Board of Health
 & that, in order to go to the Crimea, he was obliged
 to surrender the appointment to which Mr. Simon
 was named - with a salary I believe of
 £1500 per annum for part of his time only
 Dr. S. made no bargain in complying with
 the request of the Govt. in regard to this
 appointment. He was paid £4.4 a day
 by the W.O. for every day he was in the E.
 When he returned he served on the R. Army
 Sanitary Commn of 1857 giving his whole time
 without remuneration & holding no appointment
 When the B. & H. I. Commission was organized he was
 asked to serve on it by Ld Palmerston & Ld
 Panmure making no bargain as to salary -
 3 gs a day was offered & accepted by him

And

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The duration of the Commn was not fixed & the manner of providing the pay appears to have been also undecided. The work of the Commn - as you are aware, and as I am aware too is far more extensive now since India was added than it was at first And you will have many questions referred to you from India time after time for solution. The Committee will become more an Indian Comme than a W.O. one in fact. Now considering all these facts and the opposition of anti -Sanitarians in the Ho: of C.-would it not be better that the Govt. should decide at once what they intend to do. It is neither safe nor fair to allow matters to go on as they have been doing. You must either as it appears make the appointment permanent or fix a time within which it must cease or make it an altogether unpaid appointment which of course would be ludicrously unfair as the other Members serving on the Commission occupy other paid appointments. Or you must put an end to it.

f73 [very faint]

I have some voice in this because I have been copying the facts from the very beginning And the fixture of Sanitary improvements both at home and in India to which I have given my life depends [illeg] on the decision If you think fair to show this letter to Lord de G

f73v [not in FN's hand]

[ink] After what took place in the H. of C. last night and bearing in mind the past history, would you say what you think is the proper course for us to take?

[upside down at the bottom, pencil]

You can teach a dog to fetch & carry -
But you never can teach a cat -
It appears that a "box" and a "bag"
partake of the same difference.

There is an Article on Sir J. Lawrence. I have not yet read it all But if you promise to bring it back ~~I can't today~~ You may have it.

signed letter, ff74-77, pen, black-edged blue paper

f74

July 1/65
34 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

After the discussion last [9:529-30]
night about Dr. Sutherland's
salary, I have no doubt
that we shall agree that
some final settlement,
one way or other, must be
come to about it.

You know, of course, that
at the time the Government
asked him to go as
Commissioner to the Crimea,
he was Sanitary adviser
to Lord Hanover, then
President of General Board

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of Health - & that, in order
to go to the Crimea, Dr.
Sutherland was obliged to
surrender the appointment;
subsequently given to Mr.
Simon, with a salary of
£1500 a year for part
of his time only.

Dr. Sutherland made no
bargain in complying with
the request of the Government
to go to the Crimea. He
was paid four guineas
a day by the War Office
for every day he was in
the East.

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When he returned, he served on the R. Army Sanitary Commission. (Sidney Herbert's) of 1857, giving his whole time without remuneration, and holding no appointment -

When the Barrack & Hospital Improvement Commission was organized, he was asked to serve on it by Lord Palmerston & Lord Panmure. No bargain was made as to salary. Three guineas a day were offered and accepted by him. The duration of the Commission was not fixed. And the manner

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of providing the pay appears to have been also undecided.

The work of the Commission as you are aware and as I am aware too, is far more extensive & important now, since India was added, than it was at first. And many questions will be referred to you from India, time after time, for solution. The Commission will become even more an Indian than a W. O. one.

Considering all this, & considering the opposition

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of anti-Sanitarions in the House of Commons, would it not be better that the Government should settle at once what they intend to do?

It is neither safe nor fair to let matters go on as they are.

You must either, as it appears, make the appointment permanent, or fix a time within which it must cease - or make it an altogether unpaid appointment, which, of course, would be ludicrously unfair,

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since the other members serving on the Commission & giving but ~~little~~ a small part of their time, occupy other paid appointments - Or you must put an end to it.

I have some voice in this, because I have been cognizant of the facts from the very beginning - And the future of sanitary improvements, both at home and in India, to which I have given my life - depends mainly on the decision

f77

now taken.

Should you think fit
to shew this letter to Lord
de Grey, pray do so.

Or should you wish for
a fuller account of the
circumstances, & the
information which I
should be able to give,
pray command me - **[end 9:530]**

Believe me
ever yours sincerely
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff78-79, pen, black-edged blue notepaper, printed

f78

or July 29/65 **[16:787-88]**
Oak Hill Park 34 South Street, {printed address:}
Hampstead Park Lane,
N.W. London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
Dr. Sutherland
told me you would
like to see the
enclosed plans &c
of St. Thomas'
The full sized
plans are at the

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London Bridge
International Hotel.
Please return me
the enclosed x in
a day or two, as
I have to write
to the Treasurer. **[end]**

I hope you are
x including printed paper

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pretty well again.
ever yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff80-80v, pen, black-edged

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7644/635 Hampstead
 N.W.
 Aug 11/65

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have never seen
 the Manual. But
 I have no doubt it
 is very good - & that
 it/you ought to give
 Mr. Longmore £50.
 if you want a
 "decision" more "judicial"
 than this, which may
 be said to partake
 of the nature of an

f80v

"hypothesis", please
 send me a copy
 of the Manual.
 You shall then have
 a "judgment" which
 shall "rule".
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff81-82, pen, black-edged blue paper

f81

 Oct 4/65
 34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I send you this
 letter from Mr. Longmore,
 which speaks for itself.
 To this has the temporizing
 policy concerning
 that Professorship come.
 It is still in the power
 of the W.O. to save it.
 But you will have to
 take action at once -
 I need hardly say

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that you have no Army
man fit to succeed
Longmore - & that, if
you advertise for a
Civilian, you will
have the whole
Department charging
into the W.O. (which
will be more disagreeable
than having Longmore
alone charging into
you)

Should not you
consult with Lord de

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Grey, and settle the
business at once?

ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

unsigned letter draft, ff83-84, pencil JS rough hand

f83

{archivist: [see Mr. Chadwick's letter 25 Oct., 1865]
FN to Capt. Galton

I have had more than one letter from Mr. **[9:877]**

Chadwick about a plan he has for
indoctrinating young engineers into the
principles of Sanitary Work. I also saw
the draft of a paper he was to send
to Lord de Grey on the subject. He
writes me to say that he had sent it
in. Now I think the proposal of the
greatest importance; and if you
can arrange something whereby the
men (whose duties on India at
least, will now to a great
extent include sanitary works &
Great canal & irrigation works)
can be brought into contact with
the experience acquired at home
you will have done a great good
not only to the service but to the
Country at large. I entirely agree with
Mr. Chadwick's views on these points &
I know Mr. Ellis will tell you he thinks the

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proposed ~~plan~~ practical instruction
 is absolutely necessary, for there are
 scarcely any men in India at
 the present moment competent to
 undertake the simplest drainage work
 [Dr. P. Walker's
 letter Feb 23 1865] Some time ago I received
 from Bengal an urgent request to
 supply to the Commission ~~there~~ with
 {illeg} the best methods of detecting
 noxious substances in water & **[end 9:877]**

f84 end JS note

signed letter, ff85-86, pen, black-edged blue paper

f85

Private Oct 28/65
 34 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I am afraid, now that **[9:877-78]**
 you are come back you
 will have a whole pile
 of "Addresses" from me.

1. Mr. Chadwick has
 been perpetually writing
 to me about his plan
 for indoctrinating young
 Engineers with the
 principles of Sanitary
 works - He shewed me
 the Draft of his paper
 to Lord de Grey - &
 asked me for corrections,
 which I made. I

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understand from him,
 that Lord de Grey has
 had it, & that Ld de G
 has sent it to you.

The proposal is of the
 greatest importance, as
 I am sure you will think.
 And, if you can arrange
 some way whereby the
 men (whose duties in
 India at least, will now
 to a great extent include
 sanitary works, & great
 canals & irrigation works
 - by Sir J. Lawrence's
 recent Enactment)
 can be brought into contact

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with the experience acquired
 at home, you will do a
 great good, not only to the
 service but to the country
 at large.

Mr. Ellis (Madras Sanitary
 President) thinks that the
 proposed practical
 instructions absolutely
 necessary - for there are
 scarcely any men in
 India at the present
 moment competent to
 undertake the simplest
 drainage works -

[end 9:878]

ever yours

F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff87-89v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f87

Oct 30/65
34 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

Is that unfortunate Christian, [9:878]

Capt. Galton, come back?

Then here comes No. 2.

Last winter, I received
from Bengal an urgent
request to supply the
Indian Commissions
with the best methods
of finding out how
much dirt there is
in the water they drink.

I consulted your
Masters & Pastors at

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Netley. But they could
make nothing of it.
Then I consulted Dr.
Angus Smith of
Manchester. (who, I
think, is more
difficult to manage
than the whole Indian
Govt.) First, he says
one thing - then he says
the reverse - then he
listens to what his
"nephews & nieces
in Argyleshire" say
(sic) & tears up the

f88

paper. [But I had it
in type.]

Five mortal months
& six mortal times
has this paper been
thro' our hands -
& there is scarcely
a word in it which
there was in the
first Revise. But
Dr. Angus Smith is
the only man in
Europe who could
do it. And this paper
is well worth the

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trouble it has cost
us.

I have printed this
at my own expense,
because no mortal
office could be required
to deal with Dr.
A. Smith's vagaries.
When it has reached
the 60th Revise, I
shall make the I.O.
& the W.O. distribute it.

Pray, make the W.O.
take copies for the
Army Medical Officers,

f89

every one of whom
 may be placed any
 time in the position
 of being obliged to
 use the methods
 of testing, contained
 in this paper.

[You may do this with
 perfect safety, as
 it is the best thing
 of the kind in
 existence.]

But please remember
 it is quite "private"
at present. For I

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must smoothe down
 the ruffled feathers
 of Messrs Parkes
 & Hoffmann first.

Or they won't
 recommend it
 to their pupils.

[end 9:878]

ever yours
 F.N.

initialled letter, f90, pen, black-edged blue paper

f90

Private Oct 30/65
 & *most* 34 South Street, {printed address:}
Confidential Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Dr. Sutherland
 tells me that *you*
 "wish him to go to
 Constantinople".

I don't think it
tanti.

There is plenty for
 him to do here -

ever yours
 F.N.

signed letter, ff91-93v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f91

Private 1/11/65

& Confidential

34 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have not said [9:879]

a word to Dr. Sutherland
about the subject of
your yesterday's note.

I would not have
you think that I am
indifferent as to
whether the inhabitants
of Malta & Gibraltar
have Cholera -

On the contrary;
you will remember

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that I never left poor
Sidney Herbert in peace
till he sent you &
Dr. S. (the last act
of his life) to the
Medn Stations.
But Dr. S. ought to be
coming back now,
instead of going there *now*
We are full of Indian
business - business
which must be
settled before Parlt
meets.
Lord Stanley (which I
tell you in the closest
confidence) has consented

f92

to take it up - *One* item
 is: Indian Jails - And
 I have pledged myself
 to have it all ready by
 the time Parlt meets - a
 thing I should never
 have done if I had
 thought Dr. S. would
 be sent abroad.
 You are yourself aware
 that Calcutta Water
 supply has been sent
 home to us (at my
 request) And Dr. S.
 told me this morning
 that *he & I* should
 have to write the Report.

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[Dr. S. is so childish
 that, if he heard of
 this Malta & Gibraltar
 plan, he would
 instantly declare
 there was nothing to
 keep him in England]
I do not weigh the
 importance of the
 several objects. *That*
 is for *you* to determine.
 I merely state to you
 what is on hand - &
 leave you to judge. *No*
 one could do the India
 business but Dr. S. I
 think there are men

f93

who could do the Malta
& Gibraltar business.

About ~~the~~ "Ventilation": -
it was *I* who said
to Mr. Ellis that
Mr. Rawlinson knew
little about Ventilation.
- I said the W.O.
knew a great deal
Mr. Ellis is terribly
bitten (thro' Mr. Chadwick)
with French artificial
ventilation. And I
told him that Dr. S.
was a dangerous lunatic

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(and I a harmless lunatic)
on the subject of
natural ventilation.
But I think it would
be entire loss of time
to send Sutherland
to Algeria to convert
Mr. Ellis.

[end 9:879]

ever yours
F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff94-95v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f94

MOST PRIVATE 9/11/65

34 South Street, {printed address:}

Burn Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I know nothing **[9:540]**
except from the "Times"
& yourself - about the
D. of Somerset & Lord
de G.

But, if the D. of Somerset
comes to the W.O., our
Sanitary Commission
may be endangered
just at the very time
when India & Sir
John Lawrence depend

f94v

upon it - & INDIA work
comes to it -

If you will tell me
the earliest information,
I will do what I can,
about this (Sany Commn)
Lord Palmerston's loss
to us is irreparable -
For nine years I
have never asked
him anything (you
may be sure I did
not ask him often)
but he did it. If there
was anything right to
be done, he made a
joke, but he did it.

f95

It was he who put you
 where you are -
 It was he who put Lord
 de Grey where he is.

&c &c &c

I wrote to you a letter
 I have mislaid,
 congratulating ourselves
 you are not gone yet -
 & stating that Mr. Brown
 was about to be
 Minister at Peking.
 (I hope he will like it.)
 I was very much pleased
 with what you said
 about Sidney Herbert
 at Bournemouth & sorry

f95v

you had not time to say
 more - You are the only
 man who appreciates
 him now.
 How little his wife knows
 him -

I wrote all this to you
 in the letter I have
 mislaid - small loss
 to you.

Please burn this.

I hope you have burnt
 that letter I wrote about
 Dr. Sutherland going
 abroad & the (Ld Stanley)
 work - It was *quite* for
 yourself alone -

[end 9:540]

ever yours
 F.N.

initialled letter, ff96-96v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f96

15/11/65

34 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

[16:444-45]

My dear Capt. Galton

I return your Herbert
Hospital.

We think it is now
complete. It will do a
great deal of good. And
I want a GREAT MANY
copies for myself - one is
promised to M. Husson
of Paris - and I want
to instruct *all* the
Hospital builders in
England - !!

The pictures at the end

f96v

are very pleasing. &
will prove a great
attraction. People
do so like pictures.
[I think them better
than lithographs. But
why can't the sun do
distances?]
We have made one
or two little suggestions
in the margins of the proof.

Remember, I want a
great many copies for
myself, please.

[end]

ever yours F.N.

signed letter, ff97-98, pen, black-edged blue notepaper printed 34
corrected to 35

f97

~~34~~/35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.
22/11/65

My dear Capt. Galton
We don't think
you could have
a better man than
this Dr. Thos. Thomson
(under the circumstances)
as Examiner.

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2. With regard
to your Army &
Navy Committee,
don't allow them
to introduce any
principle which
will damage
(or lead to further
injury to) the

f98

Medical Dept. Warrant
ever yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff99-102v, pen, black-edged blue paper, address corrected

f99

{printed address:} 34/35 South Street,
 Private Park Lane,
 London. W.
 28/11/65

My dear Capt. Galton

Of course I flew at [16:445-46]
 Dr. Sutherland, in order
 to hear how beautifully
 all your arrangements
 at the Herbert Hospital
 worked - how well the
 Governor administered -
 &c &c &c

When I heard his
 account, I thought they
 had been to *old* Woolwich
 by mistake. I can't well
 conceive anything worse -

f99v

I am sure I am thankful
 M. Husson, of Paris, is not
 now here to see.

How "gat" the Governor
 there?

By accident, it seems -
 And because he has 20
 children.

If, after all the pains
 (in sifting) which Col: Clark
 Kennedy, Lord Herbert
 and I took - we only got a
 Wilbraham - it is not
 very surprising that the
 H.G. only got a donkey -
 who is perfectly incapable
 of grasping your details,

f100

or bringing anything under
your Regulations -
But it is very mortifying
indeed to hear, as I do
from the whole A.M.D.,
that there is not a
P.M.O. who would not
have made a better
Governor - mortifying,
because true.

Considering the immense
interests at stake in
making your new
model Hospital work,
I think a little more
trouble might have
been taken at the
beginning to secure the

f100v

only points which could
make it work.

The ludicrous misappropriation
(which do, I assure you,
beat all my experience
of Scutari) may be put
to rights. But the heads,
which could be guilty
of such inventions, will
not be put to rights, ever,
~~except~~ by a 6 months'
course under Dr. Courtly.
I was quite ashamed that
Messrs. Ellis & Chadwick
should see our model
Hospital in such a
condition.

f101

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However, there is one thing can be set to rights at once -

If I understood them right, the sick are all placed in the S. ends of the Pavilions & the N. ends more or less used for stores. Any such arrangement is perfectly destructive of Government or Nursing - I thought the advantage expressly to be secured by the double=Pavilion Herbert Hospl plan was: that part of it could be *occupied, governed & nursed*

f101v

as well as the whole. This was a positive point aimed at in the construction. That "peculiarly helpless creature", the British Army, seems to have been incapable of grasping this.

With the present small number of sick, . they must take either *pair* of the end Pavilions they like, & fill them.
 - make these the present Hospital
 - cut off the communication so as to include Library, Chapel, Day - room in

f102

the part of the building
 allotted for sick -
 And, if they *must* put
 stores in the wards, use
 the wards at the end
 opposite from the sick.
 This is not a matter of
 choice but of necessity,
 & should be done at
 once.

I should think the W.
 pavilions with their
 Operating Theatre the
 best for the purpose.
 But again I say - how
 "gat" the Governor there? -
 que diable allait-il faire
 dans cette galère?

f102v

When hundreds of
 thousands have been
 spent on this model
 Hospital - was it not
 worth while to take a
 little pains to occupy
 it properly?
 or is its *occupation* to
 be a "model" too?
 Shall *I occupy this*
 house after *your* model?

You make me fit for
 Bedlam - which ought to have been
 your Governor's destination - only he *must*
 be incurable. Yours distractedly

F. Nightingale

[end]

{printed address:} 34 South Street,
 {upside down} Park Lane,
 London. W.

signed letter, ff103-04v, pen, black-edged blue paper, corrected

f103

~~34~~/35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Private Park Lane,
 London. W.
 28/11/65

My dear Capt. Galton

~~As~~ I remembered to you [9:880]
 the fact of my having
 been asked from India
 to obtain a Method of
 Water Analysis for them
 - of my having applied
 to Parkes & others -
 of their failure - of my
 applying to Dr. Angus
 Smith - of my printing
 his paper, which has
 been 15 times & 10 weary

f103v

months thro' our hands -
 and 5 months thro'
 9 Revises thro' the
 Printers.'
 Here is a rough Proof
 of the final Revise -
 Tomorrow Dr. Sutherland
 presents it at your
 meeting - & proposes
 a vote for its distribution
 "by authority" to Army Medical Officers
 in India & to your
 School at home -
 I thought I had better
 send you a copy first.
 - asking you to consider
 the number of copies, if
 you do distribute it "by authority",
 that

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you will take - as I
 have not had it
 printed off yet - &
 wish to be able to do.
 Also - to say that I have
 made up my mind
 it is better for me
 to pretend to know
 nothing at all about
 this - instead of
 making a communication
 to Dr. Parkes to mollify
 him (for having failed).
 If it is to become a
 text-book at the
 Army Med. School, it

f104v

is better that Dr. Parkes
 should not know
 that it has any
 connection with his
 failure or with my
 request.

Angus Smith's paper
 is perfect & (hitherto)
 unique - & well worth
 all the trouble.

[end 9:880]

ever yours
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff105-05v, pen, black-edged blue paper, 35 now printed

f105

Dec 7/65
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Do you think you **[9:699]**
 would be so good as
 to have three more
 copies made for me
 of the enclosed
 Malta prison?

Of the two you
 were already kind
 enough to make for
 me, one is gone to
 the Colonial Office.
 And one to Sir John

f105v

Lawrence direct.

But you see India
 is rather a big place.
 And one is now
 wanted for the I. G.
 of Prisons, N.W. Provinces,
 who builds all the
 prisons there - at
 least his subordinates
 do - one for Madras
 Presidency &c - **[end 9:699]**
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff106-07v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f106

Angus Smith's Water-analysis

paper

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

Dec 7/65

My dear Capt. Galton

I don't know exactly [9:881-82]

how to answer your
note of the 4th.

The paper was written
at my request, in
order to comply with
a request from India -

The paper will be
very useful; but, in
order to be useful,
it must be circulated -
And, to be circulated,

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it must be bought,
either by you or by
me.

I shall want 100
copies for myself -
Dr. Angus Smith, ~~to~~
(whom I have asked
will want 200.

If you can buy 1500 or
2000 copies - - - - -

You may do this any
way you like. But
don't drag me
through the Stationery

f107

Office which I know
of old - What thou
doest, do quickly. And
don't bring me into
it. For I would
rather pay for it
than that.

I was in hopes you
would have told me
how many copies
you wanted - And **[end 9:881]**
then I should just
have had it printed
off.

It is of the greatest
consequence to do it
quickly. The two men

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in India who originally
started the idea, &
who would have
worked it, are both
going to resign from
ill- health. It has
been already ten
mortal months on
hand. And I must
have copies to send
out (some) by Sunday's
(i.e. Monday's) mail.
I shall write to
Spottiswoode to send
me 6 for this purpose
unless I hear from
you ~~to the contrary~~/ about the whole
number wanted.

ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff108-09v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f108

Dec 9/65
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

Drunken Medical Officers

The great difficulty
 lies, of course, in ~~the~~
~~dis~~misfitting men who
 have not "sufficiently
 committed themselves" -
 vide Mr. Cooper's pencil
note

1. you cannot lay down
 a rule as to what
 constitutes intoxication?
 This question would
 constantly lead to disputes
 & to persecution

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2. The P.M.O. should
 look after his officers
 & see that they are
 fit for duty. If at
 any time a man is
 unfit from want of
 care in drinking, x he
 should be warned.
 And the frequency,
 with which he is
 warned, should be
 taken into account in

N.B.

x You may drink, but
 you must take care
 how & *when* you drink.

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estimating his fitness.

3. If a man, after warning,
is found at any time
absolutely drunk or
unfit for his work,
let him be brought to
court-martial &
dismissed - or let him
be allowed to retire.

4. Abolish half-pay
rewards for being
unfit for duty through
drink.

5. The most merciful
way to deal with a
drunkard is to let him
have bread & water to

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live on & to work for it.

N.B. Take it as a proof
of my utter demoralization
- brought about by your
Army - that I don't
think, 11 drunkards out
of nearly 1000 Medical
Officers, between 1860
& 1863, a great deal.

My evidence was taken
once as to whether a
person was drunk, on
the ground that I had
more acquaintance
with persons in drink
than any one in Europe.
- which, if not true,
so much the worse
for Europe.- F. N.

initialled letter, ff110-11, pen, black-edged blue paper

f110

Private Dec 15/65
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 For God's sake, - if you
 can, - prevent Dr.
 Sutherland going into
 Algeria - Find some
 one else. You might
 just as well send
 him to Astley's -

I have undertaken
 work for a Govt. Office
 (besides the India
 work) on the ground

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of his assistance.

If I work with
 him every day till
 Feb 1, I shall not
 get thro' the work -
 And to have him
 taken away to go to
 stare at Astley's
 does seem too bad.

ever yours

F.N.

f111

You know - the French
 Govt. won't let them
 see anything. And,
 If they did, it is pure
 waste of time -
 Do send some one
 else.

Might I write to
 Lord de Grey?
 Would it be of any
 use? F.N.

initialled letter, ff112-13, pen JS hand WO embossed, with FN note below

f112

29th Dec

I have just had a note from
 Capt. Galton to ask if you have
 done with the proofs of the Herbert
 Hospital regulations? {The next sentence is crossed out}

The paper referred to by
 Sir Proby Cautley has not arrived.

[FN:]

JS.

My dear Capt. Galton
 These have been lying
 here for a fortnight -
 I "have done" with
 them a fortnight.
 Why Dr. Sutherland

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did not take them
 away was because
 he had not "done
 with" them.
 It is a rule without
 any exception that
 no Hospital attendant
 should be allowed
 to keep Hospital property
 in his (or her) room.
 I say, the "small
 lock=up case" should
 be kept in the open
 ward - Dr. S. says in
 the scullery. Whichever

f113

it is, it must *not*
 be in the Nurse's room.
 Consult Mrs. S. Stewart
 & Miss Jones as to

1. whether dirty *dressings*
 should go by the
 Foul Linen Shoots.
2. whether ashes should
 not be treated
 like coals - &
not be sent down
 by Dust Shoots.

F.N.

ff114-15v, Dr Sutherland's hand, pencil undated, notes about Nurses'
 rooms., on FN blue stationery

initialled note, ff116-18, pen, black-edged

f116

As to a "proof" (about
appropriation of Wards
& Officers in General
Hospitals,) sent me
 some time ago.

Please look at p. 130
 Reg. 44, green book, last
 3 lines -

where it is said that
 "nothing appertaining
 to the ward is to be
 kept in the Nurse's
 room." -

& where it is laid down
 that "lock-up places
 "are to be provided
 in the ward."

[This is still MORE

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applicable/ essential where there
 are men, instead of
 women, in charge -]
 I marked the passage in the "Proof"
 for omission. where
 it says, ~~the~~ in the above
 mentioned Proof, that
 there is to be a lock=
 up place for extras
 in the *Ward Master's*
room -
 I brought Dr. Sutherland
 so far as to say "scullery" -
 but *I say "ward"* -
 There are many reasons
 for this - But *no Hospital*

f117

properly should ever be
 kept in an attendant's
 room -

F.N.

incomplete letter, ff118-18v, pen

f118 {archivist: [1863-1865]}

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into her room, & "knocked"
~~them~~ "about", instead
 of the "chairs & tables".
 They richly deserve
 it.

It appears to me
 that Col: Wilbraham
 has interfered
 entirely beyond his
 province. And what
 she has to do in his
 "Office", if both had
 adhered to Regulation,
 I can't see.

To shew you what
 an impracticable man
 he ~~has~~ is., he told me
 that he had 120 (!)

f118v

Supts. to recommend.
 I said, with the utmost
 seriousness, "send them
 to me, 'I can train
 them all, find them
 all with situations" -

*Not one has he
 sent !! Or not one
 has come !!*

I don't believe Mrs.
 S.S. ever "used to hit"
 a nurse over the head."
 She uses very violent
 gestures. Her temper is
 abominable - But you
 know what Dr. Anderson
 says of her & the Nursing.

It is not true, that
 "we cannot get Nurses" -

But send me the

initialled letter, ff119-22, pen, black-edged blue paper

f119

Private Jan 4/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have expressed the
 strongest opinion possible
 in favor of the Herbert
 Hospl, against Netley, as
 the position for the Army
 Medical School.

[15:413-14]

I did this in/at great
 length in writing; with
 all the reasons - when
 the removal from
 Chatham took place.
 My opinion has never

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varied -

I can scarcely expect that it will have any weight, unless I could repeat the reasons, which I am now totally incapable of doing.

1. I see no course for you to take except re-assembling the Committee, which consisted, if I mistake

f120

not, of

Sir James Clark
Dr. Sutherland
Sir R. Martin
D.G.

- - ?

I think it would be highly unadvisable, in a case involving so much detail, to re-assemble it without Dr. Sutherland - altho' I am certain I could talk over the two others, & the D.G. is already convinced.

If I mistake not, I have

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seen (also in writing) a
 good many of the self-same
 arguments used by D.G.
 (in enclosed paper) in
 favor of Woolwich
 urged by him before
 in favor of Netley.
 [Perdition catch my soul,
 but I do love thee -
 I think I have heard
 that line before.]

2.

As far as I know, the
 Civil opinion is,
 without any exception,
 but Sir James Clark {pencil} (who is connected to
 Netley)
 against Netley -

f121

They think that to put
 a school down in a
 remote corner, out of {pencil} reach
 of {pen} public opinion, (which
 can only be had in the
 environs of London) a
 great mistake.

[If it were possible for
 Parkes & Aitken to have
more than justified
 this opinion, they have
more than done so,
 by their aberrations.]

3. I have the strongest
 remembrance that the

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D.G. urged, in favour of
Netley, exactly the
reverse of the opinion
about Invalids he now
does - {pencil} What can be said if
this is so?
{pen} I really can see no course
for you but to have
the Committee & put
it off till Sutherland
returns. Every one
knows that he was
on all the Committees
regarding this School
since its beginning.
It would be quite a

f122

valid reason - Sir J. Clark,
I believe, would refuse
to act until Dr. Sutherland
could be had to act
with him.

[end 15:414]

F.N.

signed letter, ff123-27, pen, black-edged blue paper

f123

Private &

Confidential Jan 6/65 {archivist: [1866]}

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

The Presidency Sanitary Commission

My dear Capt. Galton

I don't know what you
know about this affair.
Nor how to tell it you
shortly.

But it is just the
greatest crisis we have
had since Sir J. Lawrence
became G.G.

Sir J. Lawrence has
written home a Despatch
"smashing our Commissions."

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so said Dr. Sutherland.

I wrote to the I.O. &
found it was nothing of the
kind.

~~The matter~~ Sir J. Lawrence
proposes to modify these
Commissions - And the
whole matter has been
referred to your W.O.
Commission. The papers
have been actually
sent you from the I.O., they informed me, & as
I informed Dr. Sutherland.
Dr S. said he would
desire M. Frederick

f124

to send them to me -

But a week has elapsed
& nothing has come -

Would you take this in
hand, & make sure
that the papers
relating to Sir John
Lawrence's Despatch

concerning the modifying
of the Presidency Sanitary
Commissions *are sent*
to me forthwith?

I would (& perhaps may
write to Mr. Frederick
myself - But I don't like

f124v

assuming this right.
 It is absolutely necessary
 that no decision should
 be come to till Sutherland's
 & Ellis' return (by the
 W.O. Commission) or judgment
 will go against us by default.
 Sutherland *assumes* that
 no meeting will take
 place till his return.

I assume no such thing.

It is perfect madness
 of these two men to go
 away, when the very
 existence of their India
 Commissions is threatened.
 Mr. Ellis writes to me from

f125

Private

Paris, saying that he
 would get off going to
 Algiers now, *if it were
 not for their Instructions.*
~~And Dr.~~ meaning, I suppose,
 their ladies [I find two
 ladies are going!!!] And
 Dr. S. that Ellis, finding
 this present state of
 affairs to be as it is,
 ought to have delayed
 the Expedition, altogether,
 (which he certainly ought)

And then Mr. Ellis
 writes to me that *I*
 must, at all risks &

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costs, (by the Police, I suppose)
 "delay decision" till
 their return & prevent
 a Meeting of the W.O.
 Commission.

You see, I can't tell you the
 whole previous story.
 You probably know that
 our object was to get
 the Presidents of these
 Commissions made a
 kind of Secies to Govt,
 to get it *ordered* from
 home that Public Health

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in India is entitled to a place
 in the Budget & that the
 I.O. is in earnest in
 wishing that the P.H.
 Dept, Civil & Military, is
 to have a recognised
 position as a branch
 of the administration -
 that the head of it should
 be in direct communication
 with the Govt & not be
 impeded by passing
 thro' the Offices of six
 Secretaries.

Every thing was in good
 train. Mr. Ellis had written
 a very ~~good~~/able paper {pencil} upon it. {pen} I had
 introduced him to Lord

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Stanley, who was helping
with all his might.
Here was the moment to
gain all we wanted.
For we should have said,
we will take your modification,
if you will give us our
principle.

And now these two men
have gone away to stare
at Astley's (when we
know on the highest
authority that all they
can learn in Algeria
they could {pencil} have {pen} learnt at Paris)

And have wrecked

35 South Street, the whole thing
{upside down} Park Lane, {printed address:}

London. W.

wrecked their own business

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Private

if ever a thing was a
man's own business -)
I wrote to Lord Stanley - the
only thing I could do -
And he has answered a
long & well considered
letter - but advising
the acceptance of Sir
J. Lawrence's modifications.

Till I receive the papers,
{pencil} and while I have them
{pen} nothing can be done -
*Please secure that
the papers be sent
me at once.*

yours most disconsolately
F. Nightingale

f128v, D. Galton, undated note, pencil, asking the length of some paper

initialled letter, ff129-32, pen, black-edged blue paper

f129

Private 7391/108 Jan 9/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

Warburg's Tincture is nothing but a powerful *tipple*, which brings back the re-action of warmth (& an immense perspiration) in a marvellously short time.

[I see he himself calls it "*Fever Tincture.*" But that is not at all the designation I have heard given it by

f129v

European physicians in the East - whose opinion of it generally is: that it is a valuable remedy *in cases* where the (above) reaction is required imperatively to save life.]
or to prevent illness.]

I have read thro' many of the enclosed Medical Officers' letters and they appear to have

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been using it exactly as
 an old woman uses
 Brandy *for every disease*
 in her parish - or
 Holloway's Pills -

They appear to have
 used it *even in cases*
 where no man in his
 senses would use
 Quinine - which, we
 are told, is undoubtedly
 one of its ingredients.

I never heard any
 {but these men) suppose
 that it was one
 "principal ingredient" -

f130v

- as indeed its effects
 shew it is not.
 That the D.G. means
 by saying that its
 curative properties
 are "due to its Quinine
 & OTHER ingredients,"
 I don't pretend to know.
I rather suppose they
are- [It is like saying:
 the nutritive qualities
 of milk are due to its
nutritive ingredients]
 I cannot say that I see
 the difficulty of the

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condition: - that "Govt-
 should take *what it*
requires, from him
 alone, for 14 years" -
 What it does *not* "require"
 it need not take at
 all. And if other medicines are
 found as efficacious, it will not.
 He does not *compel* you
 to prescribe it.
 On the contrary, it seems
 to me that *now* Medical
 Officers prescribe it as
 if they were compelled
 to prescribe it.
I quite agree that it is not

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for Govt to admit a
 medicine into the
 Pharmacopaeia - or
 to take the place of
 the "Medical Council."
 And, if entering into any
 engagement with
 Warburg implies this,
 Govt. ought not to
 do it.
 But surely this is the
 kind of matter for
 a man like, & in
 the position of, Sir

f132

James Clark to decide.

F.N.

I may say that Warburg's
Tincture is not considered
a Quack Medicine
(strictly speaking) any
more than Chlorodyne &c
[It has been prescribed
for me, by English
physicians *who had taken it themselves*. But I
declined taking it.]

F.N.

initialled letter, ff133-33v, pen, black-edged blue paper

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6911/853 Jan 10/66
35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

P. in C. strictly correct
technically & by
Regulation
It would be most
desirable, - if the
Female Hospitals
should come altogether
under the W.O., &
(for Nursing) under
the Supt. Genl., - that

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the Woolwich Female
- also the Auxiliary
Hospitals - should
come under the
Governor of the Herbert
Hospital.
But the present
Governor *is certainly*
not the man to
begin such a change
under - F.

signed letter, ff134-37, pen

f134

13/3/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I do not know whether
you know the case of
Surgeon=Major Matthew,
who died at Malta
some time ago, leaving
a widow & 3 infant
children.

Her case has been before
the Patriotic Fund, where
it was strongly urged by
Col: Halliwell, & other
Officers, & by myself -

f134v

Medical certificates - as to
Dr. Matthew having died
of disease contracted
in consequence of his
great labours during the
Crimean War - established
that fact beyond a doubt.
As to his great & successful
services, there was but
one opinion - But
perhaps none can
speak more strongly
than I can as to these.
You know that he was

f135

in charge of the Castle
Hospital above
Balaclava, where the
mortality was kept
down under 3 per cent.
during the whole time that Hospital existed
He was one of the most
eminent Surgeons in
the Army. You know
that he was nominated
to be Professor of
Military Surgery.
The Patriotic Fund was
compelled reluctantly
to decline Mrs. Matthew's
claim, in consequence of

f135

their rule that no widow
who married after
January 1, 1858, should
be considered as a
widow of the Crimean
War. And for this and
no other reason was she
rejected. But they
themselves rejected her
so unwillingly that
they have urged me,
(who had strongly
pressed Mrs. Matthew's
claim) to ask Lord
de Grey to suggest to
the Chairman of the

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Royal Commission, - who is
 at present the Duke
 of Somerset, - to move
 the Royal Commissioners
 to make an exception
 in favour of Mrs.
 Matthew in consequence
 of the importance of
 Surgeon=Major Matthew's
 services. She was
 engaged to Dr. Matthew
 before 1858 - I believe
 before the Crimean War.
 But that point could
 be ascertained from
 herself by me, if

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desired.

This was suggested to me
 as a fair point for the
 Royal Commissioners to
 consider.

I know scarcely any
 one who has so good
 a claim, if services
 are to be taken into
 consideration, as the
 widow of Surgeon Major
 Matthew -

I should be very
 glad if you could shew

f137

this letter to Lord de Grey.
 But if farther
 particulars are wanted,
 I could give them -
 And there are hosts
 of Officers, Military
 & Medical, who would
 speak to the facts.
 But I have not
 mentioned to any one
 that I would try to
 interest Lord de Grey.

Yours very truly
 Florence Nightingale
 Captain Galton

signed letter, ff138-40, pen, black-edged blue paper

f138

Private 13/1/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I wish I could say -
 as to the Report on Army
 & Navy Medical Officers -
 as I do about the Instructions
 to Cholera,
 I shall keep them back &
 you can' proceed without
 them.

I read the first
 part of the Evidence
 & was delighted with
 Innes', & with the
 snubbing he gave the D.G.

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Also I have read the Draft Report -

I would have written to you ~~on~~/last Tuesday in time for your Meeting.

But I really could not.

I can only say: keep as near to the intentions of the original Warrant as you can -

You see, I have to do ~~what can be done~~ of Sutherland's work as well as my own -

If I *could* do it, I should

f139

not mind. I had just as soon wear out in 2 months as in 2 years, so the work be done. But it can't.

It is like two men going into partnership with a million each. If one suddenly withdraws, the other may work himself to the bone, but he can't meet the engagements with one million which he made with two.

Add to this, I have work given me from another Public Office which I never had before.

Add to this. I am so ill

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now - suffering so much
 sometimes from pain
 that it prevents even
 the possibility of having
 my position altered for
 48 hours often at a time.
 - a thing which never
 happened to me before
 in all my illnesses.

Then they write to me from
 all over the country to make
 schemes for them - *always*
 "by the end of a fortnight" -
 for Nurse Training-Schools,
 or for Workhouse Nursing,
 &c &c

I need not trouble you
 with my troubles.

f140

There was nothing scarcely,
 of all that I do wish,
 which I wished so much,
 as to do that Navy & Army
 Medical Officers Report -
 And now I can't.

Sometimes I think I am
 like the Q. of Spain; in that
 people will drive me mad.
 But the Q. of Spain is
 not at all a proper
 body for a decent old
 woman, like me, to
 liken myself to - So don't
 you say that -

ever yours

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff141-42v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f141

Private 38653/3 13/1/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have looked over
Instructions to Cholera
of 1856, which certainly
are "obsolete." I have
also looked over the
M.S. which it is
proposed to print
& think it might be
improved.

But you have the
first authority, in Europe
as to preventative action

f141v

(about Cholera) in Dr.
Sutherland.

After him & Grainger
(who is dead) I don't
think you have any
better authority than I.
[you see I am not modest]
But I decline to act
without Dr. Sutherland,
who writes to me from
Paris that they have
collected valuable
information - that
the French have had

f142

their marches ~~to~~ /from Mhow, &c
 & have them no longer.
 &c. [You know they Sutherland & Ellis) did
 not leave Marseilles till
 today, instead of the
 9th] Now, if this ill=
 fated Algerian expedition
 was to be, let us have
 the benefit of it. (in
 perfecting such papers
 as these Cholera
 Instructions)
 Whether you send for them
 back or not, you shall not
 have them - till after
 I have looked them over

f142v

with Dr. Sutherland. If you
 order me to send them
 back before, I shall say
 I can't find them.
 [Dr. Parkes is perfectly useless
 in a question of this kind.]
 ever yours
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, f143, pen, black-edge blue paper

f143

38653/3 15/1/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

With the greatest reluctance
 & with no confidence
 I return these Cholera
 papers.
 Pray *do* (you) see that they
 are not printed before
 being submitted to Dr.
 Sutherland (& me)
 "I don't believe in Mrs.
 Harris! There !!!"
 Betsey Prig

initialled letter, ff144-45, pen, black-edged blue paper

f145

15/1/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W. **[16:447]**

My dear Capt. Galton

I have received with
great pleasure your
beautiful book on
the Herbert Hospital.

I wish you would
send a copy forthwith
to

Monsieur Armand Husson
Directeur de l'Administration
Générale de l'Assistance=Publique
(Place de l'Hotel de Ville
Paris

f144v

from the War Office.

I told him (may I
be forgiven!) that the
War Office was
languishing - dying
by inches, in fact, -
from its anxiety to
send him this book
[He came over in
July to see the H. Hosp.]

Also: to

Henry Currey Eq

f145

4 Lancaster Place
 Strand
 (he is the architect of
 new St. Thomas' Hospital)
 I think this would
 come with a better
 grace from the W.O. too.
 I shall have many
 more ~~copi~~ people
 to send copies to -
 But I will profit
 by your kind offer
 to send them for me,
 If I give you a list. **[end]**
 ever yours
 F.N.

initialled letter, ff146-47, pen, black-edged blue paper

f146

Private 6998/134 23/1/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I am very sorry to
 have kept this so long.
 My notes - which have
 been done some days -
 were all written out in
 pencil. And I meant
 to have profited by
 Mr. Cooper's most kind
 offer (for which pray
 thank him very much)
 to copy them for you.
 But, on second thoughts,
 I conceived them to be
 illegible - & that he would

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take them for a sketch
by cat=artists -

It was really impossible
for me, ~~to~~ altho' only
Balaam's ass, to avoid
making a comment
upon the D.G.'s Minute
who is, I think, the
most preposterous
Balaam, prophet or
Head of Dept. ever
known.

When the head of a Dept
writes such nonsense,
& with such an animus,

f147

what chance is there for
this poor Nursing Staff?
I had meant to say a good
deal more, with which
perhaps I may favour
you still - But not
now -

Many, many thanks
for your offer of
service.

F.N.

initialled letter, ff148-51v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f148

26/1/66

35 South Street,

Park Lane, [16:447-48]

London. W. {printed address:}

Female Hospital

My dear Capt. Galton

With eager carefulness, &
with all the tremendous
force of intellect, I have
spent a long & laborious
life in going over Capt
Belfield's plan -
1. I entirely approve
the pulling out the
wards, like a book-tray,
to the utmost length
of ground - for the

f148v

simple & undisputed
reason that, the more
ground the sick (or
for that matter, the
well,) cover, the better
for them.

For the same reason, I
prefer the blue slip,
where the "Verandah"
is open from end
to end, to the Kitchen
block projecting it
out & Interfering
with it, (as underneath
slip)

f149

But

2. what you want a
double cook & double
kitchen for passes my
genius to discover.

You might just as well
tell me that it would
prevent the spread
of the Cattle Plague
into Scotland, if there
were a Queen for
Scotland different
from the Queen of
England -

Do you mean to tell
me that the Cook
will catch Lying=in

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& convey it to the other
ward?

And here you must put
up with some

improper observations -
I have always maintained
that the *Lying=in* are,
of all others, the most
susceptible of the
influences of foul air

- AND the kind of Patients
who most generate
foul air among themselves - which is
called "infection". Therefore
you cannot be too careful to prevent
foul air. But here is the very
best exemplification
of the meaning of the

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word "infection" - since
 no one, I believe,
 asserts that Lying=in
 is caught by "infection".

In large Lying=in Hospitals
 such as the Maternité
 at Paris, where no case
 but of Lying=in is, of
 course, ever admitted,
 the destruction among
 the poor Lying-in
 by Fever is, - or was, in
 my day - awful.

Unwashed hands of a
 stupid Doctor or Nurse
~~filleg~~/may certainly convey
 disease to & fro ~~at~~
 also

f151

between
 Lying-in and Fever Wards.

But my genius was
 completely at a loss
 to understand Messrs
 the Cattle Plague
 Commissioners - or to
 understand the Army
 Med: /dep: on Lying-
 in Wards - and,
 generally et cetera,
 et cetera.

Would it do if the
 cook were to change
 her name when she
 cooks for the Lying-
 in - & call herself

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Mary Smith - & Betsy
 Godfrey when she cooks
 for the other ward?
 I really know not what
 to advise you - as it
 is no use kicking
 against the pricks
 (of the Army Med. Dep.)
 And if the D.G. tells
 you Lying-in is
 catching - of course
 we must say Amen.
 But, as this is to be
 a pattern Female
 Hospl, I would
 strongly suggest, for

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the sake of precedent,
 that you do not publish
 the plan till
 Wombwell's Menagerie
 comes back from
 Algeria. Let *him*
 fight the battle of
 Infection with the
 D.G. *I can't.*

[end]

unsigned letter, f152, pen, black-edged blue paper

f152

26/1/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

I have heard from Algiers.

Wombwell's Menagerie
 (including 3 ladies &
 Her Majesty's Commissioners,
 the two ladies' maids)
 was going after a
 column in the interior
 in a cart - H.M.'s
 2 Commissioners very
 sea-sick in the
 cart -

initialled letter, ff153-53v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f153

29/1/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W. **[15:173]**

I am thinking of some
 Russian & Italian names,
 (for the Herbert Hospl
 Report,) which I will
 send you -
 Have you sent to the
 C. in C. to tell him
 that the D.G. apprehends
 a serious Mutiny
 at Netley ("resistance

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is provoked") & that
 H.R.H. must
 send down the 1st
 Royals & some
 Artillery immediately
 You need not say
 that the "resistance
 is provoked" by five
 poor women.

F.N.

signed letter, ff154-55v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f154

1/2/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

Anent Fire-grates

My dear Capt. Galton

You know you are an
 immense man for fire -
 grates -

Could you advise me
 of a smokeless one?

This house is infested
 with smoke.

My bed-room is
 intolerable -

At first I thought
 an open window checked

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it. And I have seldom
 objection to an open
 window.

But, lately, with window
 wide open & no
 change of wind, the
 smoke in my bed-room
 has been so thick that
 I could not see
 across the room -
 I have had a "man"
 to look at it over &
 over again.

And he says, now; there
 is nothing for it but
 to have a grate with
 "a close Register."

f155

[He says, in these old houses
the chimneys are "full
of holes & corners" &
can't be improved -
I don't quite know what he
means - for he says my
bed-room chimney is
"better than the Dining-
room chimney" - which
draws perfectly.]

Could you recommend
me a grate of the
kind which suggests
itself to you, after
reading the above
description - & kindly

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tell me whose & what
to order?
[It must not be anything
of the kind where
you make up a fire
in a box for the day.
For I have not a
maid capable of that
kind of thing.]
It must be the simplest
construction.
ever yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff156-56v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f156

Feb 22/66
35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have been asked to
write down the last
account of the last
best Parian cement
& to furnish any
printed account, if
possible - (for Hospital
purposes -) I conclude
it is also desirable to
add whom to employ
(or where to get it) -&
what they cost.

You have this latest

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experience -

Would you kindly enable
me to answer this
question?

ever yours

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff157-60, pen, black-edged blue paper

f157

Private Feb 22/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I should not have
 worried you again
 about that unfortunate
 Surgeon Major Matthew's
 widow, if there had not
 been a change of masters.
 I resented extremely
 Lord de Grey's message -
 [not that it is any use
 my resenting nor that
 I usually spend much
 time in that absurd
 way -] for this reason: -

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the War Office frequently
 sends about a case;
 & there can be no
 reason why the
 Minister should
 not express an
 opinion favorable
 to Mrs. Matthew's
 case, as it would
 not in any degree
 commit him to an
 approval of the
 course taken by the
 Committee or
 Commissioners - (of the
 Patriotic Fund) -

f158

This I am told on high authority - And I know that the Minister *has* done it.

The same high authority urges me to write to Mr. Corry, the present Chairman.

But certainly it is not my business but the War Secretary's to urge the reason why Mrs. Matthew's case should be made special on account of the special great services of Surgeon-Major Matthew.

The limit as to date of

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marriage was fixed under the unfounded apprehension - unfounded I am told ~~from~~ the first source of information that there would not be sufficient funds - but ~~that~~ the opinion is now strongly in favour of disbursing the money to the widows of the war first, & then to the widows who were married after the war to men who lost their lives afterwards

f159

through disease contracted
 in the war, instead of
 keeping it over for
 endowments or for
 widows who had no
 connexion with the
 Russian War .

The D. of Somerset was
 not justified in saying
 that there was "bad
 management", simply
 because he did not
 have his way, *Moreover,*
he HAS interfered many
times since then.

[He had a new Commission
 drawn out with

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additional clauses which
 the Law Officers of
 the Crown have said
 could not be added.

And this makes him
 all the more angry.]

I trouble you now in
 order to know whether
 you would ask Lord
 Hartington (who
 certainly is the right
 person to do it, if at
 all) to apply to Mr.
 Corry, the Chairman

f160

of the Patriotic Fund.
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

ff161-62v, unsigned, undated letter in support of Mrs. Matthew's case on embossed WO paper, unknown hand: she married to him Oct 1860, his death caused by illness contracted "in consequence of his great labours during the Crimean War. He was one of the most eminent surgeons in the Army & his services in the Crimea were great & successful" widow left with 3 infant children, his case turned down by Commissioners of the Patriotic Fund, because she married him after 1 Jan 1858 and so not considered a widow of the Cr War, suggested that S of S mt bring the case to the royal commissioners, to make an exception

f163, D. Galton, April 8, 1866, asking for an opinion about Nursing wages

unsigned note, f164v, pencil

f163v

It's no use recommending that.
She & they all are perfectly
incapable of comprehension
And they've reinstated the
Lady Supt.

unsigned note, f164v, pencil

f164v

The only reply I can give
is that the woman who is
going to cook, clean, wait
& take general responsibility
of the Nursing establishment
& its belongings: ~~but~~ and
who is at the same time
trustworthy in regard to
property which she must
finger, must be paid for
at a higher rate than
any ordinary Nurse
servant. You will find
her accomplishments stated
at length in Mrs. S.S. paper

[15:175]

[end]

signed letter, ff165-66v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f165

April 19/66
35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
Am I to be put off
with this? ----- a question
not to be asked.

There is no more need
for Ld Hartington to
have an Act of Parlt
than for him to have
an Act of Parl to
enable me to keep my
cats.

One word from him
to the Rt. Honble - Corry
would do it.

f165v

If he won't say that
word, tell me so -
And I will do
something else.

*I mean to worry
till it is done.*

The poor woman, with
3 delicate children, has
been up to London - & been here.

[The next time she
comes, I shall give
her a letter to the
S. of S., to the two Under
S. of S.s, to the Assistant

f166

S. of S. & every clerk in
the W.O. - to the
C. in C., to the Q.M.G.,
the Adj. Genl, & every
officer in the H.G.

[And serve you right.]

If you want to know
the merits of the man
for whose widow &
children I am
bothering, ask the
whole Army Med: Dep:
& many Military
Officers.

The management of
the Pat: Fund have
told me that the

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simple expression of the
 Minister's opinion -
 & this, without
 committing himself
 to any approval of
 the management -
 would do it.

*I mean to worry till it
 is done.* And, if I'd
 Hartington won't do it,
 I shall try another
 plan -

Yours, "unjust judges"
 that "importunate widow".

initialled letter, ff167-70v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f167

Private May 9/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 Dr. Sutherland, whenever **[9:555]**
 he wants to worry me,
 always announces that
 he is going to start next
 Friday for some months'
 absence - And this he
 has done perpetually
 (about Malta & Gibraltar)
 But he has now
 stated definitively that
 he is going *in a fortnight*
 - that he does it, *because*
of YOUR urgency -
 - that he goes over land
 to Malaga & so to Gibraltar

f167v

by himself, *tho' he does
not like it* - thence to
Malta -
& consequently that he
will not be back till
the end of the Session -
that this Friday will be the
last Meeting of the Army
Sany Commn. **[end 9:555]**

I am sure I am not one
to prefer one branch of
the Public Service to
another - just because
I am in it - Indeed,

f168

as you will remember - the
Mediterranean Stations
expedition was originally
my doing.

If you tell me that it
can't be helped that
Dr. Sutherland should go
now, (instead of after
the Session,) I shall
submit.

If you tell me that it
is of real importance
that he should go now,
instead of in the autumn,
I shall submit *cheerfully*

But I shall pack up
my duds, & leave London,
because I cannot
undertake alone the

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daily applications I have
 and what I *must* do
 (by myself) I can just
 as well do out of London.
But I will just tell you
 how we are situated -
 What we have lost by
 their absence in Algeria
 cannot well be exaggerated.
 We have lost a London
 Workhouse Infirmary
 Bill this Session.
 But I don't consider that
 strictly Dr. S.'s work -
 Still I have almost
 daily references about
 Infirmary (Workhouse)
 work - not only in London
 But what is *certainly* Dr. [9:555]

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S.'s work (even more than
 mine) is ~~certainly~~ the
Indian Sanitary work.
 If I were to see you, I
 would tell you the whole
 history.
 As it is, I will tell you
 that a Despatch of Sir
 J. Lawrence's has been
 waiting since January
 19 at the India Office
 (*re=organizing the whole
 India Public Health
 Service*) -
 that Sir J. Lawrence
 wrote to me by the
 same mail about it -
 that it was never found
 till last Saturday, &

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then only by Lord de Grey's
 own hands, urged by me
 - that we are now doing
 this -
 that I cannot possibly
 undertake this
 responsibility, without
 Dr. Sutherland
 that, for, at least the
 next 2,3,4 months,
 this will be going on -
 [I am the only person
 left except Lord Stanley,
 - Ld Stanley consults, he
 does not advise, me -
 upon this India *Sanitary*
 affair] If Dr. Sutherland

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goes, I must give it up.
 [I am not afraid of
 responsibility - (I think
 my life has shewn that)
 But I do not choose
 to incur responsibility
 which I am incapable
 of properly fulfilling.]
 If you wish for more
 information, viz in
 what way it was the
 absence of Messrs. Ellis
 & Sutherland which
 did the Indian mischief
 -.& what there is now
 to be done to repair it,
 which CANNOT be done
 in the autumn, whereas

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Dr. S.'s absence in the
autumn would not at
 all affect the Indian
 business, I am ready
 to give it.

Please BURN this

[N.B. The I.O. is thoroughly
 ashamed of itself for
 having been unable to
 find this Despatch for
 4 months -]

[end 9:555]

Therefore do not mention
 it-

ever yours
 expectantly

F.N.

{printed address:} 35 South Street,
 {upside down} Park Lane,
 London. W.

signed letter, ff171-72, pen, black-edged blue paper

f171

May 9/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Could you give me
 such a letter to some
 one in the Herbert Hospital
 as will enable Mrs.
 Wardroper & Mr. Whitfield
 (of St. Thomas') to go
 steadily over it, seeing
 all the fittings especially
 & all the arrangements
 at their leisure?

[16:790]

They wish to go
 Friday or to morrow
 or some day next week.

f171v

They would be much
 obliged if the letter
 (of introduction) left
 the day open - as
 Mr. Whitfield is ill
 If you could send me
 the letter kindly
 by return of Messenger,
 I would send it
 by hand to them -
 I am particularly anxious
 that they should
 accomplish this
 visit efficiently, as
 its purpose

f172

it is for their own new
 Hospital.

Could you also kindly
 send me another copy
 of your Herbert Hospl
 book? I have lent mine
 to them.

[end 16:790]

ever yours
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff173-75, pen, black-edged blue paper

f173

Private May 11/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I am very much obliged **[9:540-41]**
 to you for your note
 (about Dr. S.)

Would you please
 tell him to-day (he will
 be at the Sanitary Comm:)
*without making any
 allusion to me,*
 that he can't be
 spared for the next
 two or three months,
*for a longer time than
 17 days at once -*

f173v

[I believe that would
 decide him at once
 not to go till the
 autumn, for no
 man on earth but
 yourself could induce
 him to do Malta
 in 15 days - &
 Gibraltar in another
 17 days - He will
 certainly choose to do
 them both together &
 take two months
 about it.] But if not an absence
 of 15-17 days would not
 damage my business so much.]

f174

I am sure you will be within the truth if you tell him he *must* be in England (to do the business) for the next two or three months - at least.

But he quotes *you* to me: as saying that the ought to be gone already (to Malta & Gibraltar.)

You are the only person who could persuade him to stay (till autumn)

If *I* were to shew him your note, he would

f174v

only go the faster.

But *you* could make him stay at once -

And, if the Indian Sanitary business is not settled in the next 2 - 3 months, it will never be done at all.

But Dr. S. thinks the world moves round himself - & that all the India business ~~will~~ stops till he comes back - which it doesn't.

Pray be positive with

f175

Dr. S. [I need not
 supply you with
 arguments for somehow
 you are the only
 person who can
 make him do what
 you want.] And put it as
 "business" *generally*, not as *India*
 business specially - to induce him to stay.

Burn this -

& above all, deny
 my acquaintance.
 like two pick pockets
 in a crowd.

[end 9:541]

ever yours

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff176-76v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f176

June 2/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I see that there
 has been a sparring
 in the Ho: of Lords
 between the D. of
 Somerset & others
 about the powers
 of administering
 the Patriotic Fund.

Could you tell me

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whether there is the
 least chance of Lord
 Hartington doing
 what I ask (with
 the present
 management) for
 Surgeon Major Matthew's
 widow & children
 It waits only for him: Ld Hartington
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff177-78v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f177

Private June 11/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I am really sorry to
 trouble you. But as this
 is a matter about which
 I have been in the greatest
 anxiety since January 9,
 - as Dr. Sutherland's note
 is perfectly unintelligible
 to me - & as the only
 part I do guess at is
 in direct contradiction
 to a private note I
 have had from Lord
 de Grey, I must apply

f177v

to you -

1. "The reply" - from whom? - about what?

2. What is the good of "sending" *my* "paper" to *me* -? unless indeed something else is coming with it besides the "Minute" which I have already.

3. What "paper"?

What "minute"?

If it is a Minute by Sir John Lawrence on the Public health Service, dated January 9,
I have a copy of it -

f178

I will gladly let you see it -

It is a matter of the most intense anxiety to me -

And Sir J. Lawrence has written repeatedly to me about it.

[It was never found at the I.O. till May 5 - & then only at my repeated solicitation, founded upon the information I received from Sir J. L. himself. I believe Lord de Grey found it with his own hand].

(4.) Who are the "three people"?

f178v

But 3 is so utterly
incomprehensible to me,
that I must ask you
to explain.

I have really read it
over & over again without
being able to extract a
meaning.

(5) What is the good of
my "drafting a Minute"
upon "my own paper"
unless indeed Lord de
Grey's "reply" is coming
to me, as he himself
proposed it should.

ever yours, in the
greatest confusion of
mind.

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff179-80v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f179

Private June 18/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Would you be so
very good as to look
at p. 20 of Mr.
Longmore's pamphlet
enclosed?

I understand from
Genl Codrington that

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nothing has been done
to put an Ambulance
corps, in training;
altho' Col: Clark
Kennedy's Commission
gave a detailed
plan -

I have been
bragging of your

f180

perfect state of
preparation to the
Italian Government.

But I am told that
the reverse is the
fact - altho' no one
knows what a day
may bring forth
in Europe.

The Algerian Committee
has given a detail
of the French method.

f180v

[I wish the Algerian
Committee had
never been there.
But, as it ~~is~~ has,
would it not be
as well to put it
in immediate
communication
with Netley in order
to see the thing done.

Yours ever

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff181-82v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f181

Private June 18/66
35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

You know the history [9:884]
of Dr. Angus Smith's
Water=analysis
pamphlet -

Since then, I have
had a copy of Dr.
Macnamara's paper, x
forwarded me by

x on the same subject

f181v

the Govt. of India
 (quoting Dr. Parkes)
 which is extremely
 inaccurate & unpractical.

Your Committee
 on the Aide Mémoire
 (which of course I
 need not tell you
 about) are very

f182

desirous that Dr.
 Angus Smith shall
 supply the Water=
 analysis methods -
 provided you will
 sanction the
 expence -

It will be well
 expended - he is
 undoubtedly the
 best man - [But
 he must see that

f182v

"Sennacherib" is kept
~~away~~ out of the
 pamphlet - or
 "Nebuchadnezzar" -]
 ever yours
 F. Nightingale

[end 9:884]

initialled letter, ff183-84v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f183

Private June 19/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I send you a rough
 Draft in accordance
 with what you
 said in your note
 of the 16th - the
 very roughest of
 Drafts; only sent

f183v

because tomorrow
 it may be too
 late - It is based
 on Sutherland's
 notes. Of course
 its fault is
 that it is not
 specific enough
 for a Minute -
 being little more

f184

definite than my
 paper of May 7 -
 (to Lord de Grey)
 I hope to hear
 farther from you
 about it -
 ever yours
 F.N.
 I have not even
 had time to read
 it through. You must

f184v

put sense into it.
 F.N.

initialled letter, ff185-86, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f185

Private June 19/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have just had your
 note. I hear Ministers
 will be out tonight.
 In a couple of hours,
 I will send you the
 Minute - unless I
 hear from you to the
 contrary - Better
 to send a half-
 prepared imperfect

f185v

Minute than miss
 the whole thing
 by a few hours.
 I could not get
 Sutherland to do a
 thing yesterday -
 And I shall not
 see him again till
 Thursday. He left saying
 I was to consider it.
 He is just like
 one possessed -
 ever yours
 F.N.

f186

Please answer.

initialled letter, ff187-88, pen, black-edged blue notepaper [5:310]

f187

Private June 20/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 Dr. Sutherland is
 here -

Would you like to
 send me back the
 Minute I wrote so
 hastily last night,
 with your criticisms
 on the margin, &
 let us add anything

f187v

in fact re=writing
 it more definitely -

Is there time?
 [The Messenger will
 wait your answer.]

I hear privately
 that Ministers have
 resigned but that
 the Queen may have

f188

to refuse their
 resignation -

Is that what
 "communicating
 with the Queen"
 means?

What a disaster
 it is.

ever yours
 F.N.

R.S.V.P.

initialled letter, ff189-89v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f189

Private June 21/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 All the members
 of the Indian Council
 are against us - except
 Cautley. But I will send
 a Messenger to Dr.
 Sutherland ~~tonight~~
 - confound that
 Norwood -

f189v

at once, and let
 you have an
 answer at your
 own house tonight,
 if it be possible -
 yours ever
 F.N.

signed letter, ff190-91, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f190

June 22/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 Dr. Sutherland &
 I looked over your
 Guards (Medl) papers
 - the "Charter of their
 Liberties" - as they
 call the D. of
 Cumberland's Letter
 of April 1804 -

f190v

I don't know that
we are capable
of advising any
thing but what
I have written.

~~If you could~~
give me some
idea of ministerial

f191

prospects, &
especially if you
will tell me
what you did
about advising
Lord de G. as to
his "Committee of
five" regarding the
Minute in reply
to Sir J. Lawrence,
you would much

f191v

oblige a most
unfortunate
female

F. Nightingale

unsigned minute, ff192-95v, pen, white, no mourning

f192

22/6/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

When the Warrant of 1858 was drawn up, it was intended to include all cases & branches of the Service; it was not expected that cases of individual hardship could be avoided - A number of such have occurred & have never been specially compensated. It certainly was intended that the

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Warrant of 1858 should include the Guards - & that the whole service should be in future uniform.

How to make it so is a matter of departmental administration. And we do not know how a warrant came to be made special for the Guards in 1860 - unless it were for some other than

f193

Medical reasons -

If the question came here for the first time, on the simple ground that the Warrant of 1858 inflicted loss on certain Assistant Surgeons of the Guards, we should say: provide for this in some special administrative way. But let the Warrant of 1858 & the New Medical Regulations remain intact. As

f193v

regards the present proposals, it must not be forgotten that the Medical Officers of the Guards are the persons responsible for the health of the Corps by regulations - & not any Inspecting Officers ~~whose~~/ whom it may be proposed to appoint.

So far as we know, there is no reason whatever why the Medical Service of the

f194

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Guards should be made a distinct branch - On the contrary, we think it would be very much to their advantage if they passed thro' other Corps at home & abroad. They would be all the better Medical & Sanitary Officers for doing so. We should think it undesirable that the Treasury should

f194v

be asked for money specially for these men. And apparently the best method of proceeding would be for the D.G. to send you a scheme for meeting the present hardships by existing means of pay & promotion - taking care that, whatever is recommended, has for its ultimate object the making

f195

of but one Medical
 Department with
 equal privileges for
 the entire Army.
 What is wanted, in fact,
 is simply some
 transitory arrangement
 to meet a few existing
cases of hardship.

On looking at the
 letter of April 26, 1804,
 one would say that the
 plain common - sense
 way of dealing with
 the question

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would have been this: -

Give all the then
 existing Medical Officers
 the additional 2/9 a day
 from 20 years' Service
 onwards - and in
 their special case
 don't exact the
 compulsory retirement
 at 55. Then
 let all in -comers
 into the Guards
 come under the
 Warrant of 1858.

And do away with

{printed address:} 35 South Street, the Departmental
 {upside down} Park Lane, character of the
 London. W.

Guards' Medical Service

signed letter, ff196-97v, pen, white, no mourning

f196

35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.
 June 23/66

My dear Capt. Galton

I transmitted a [9:884]
 messages, which Dr.
 Sutherland told me
 he had received
 from you, to Dr. Angus
 Smith, relative to his
 writing, (for Sanitary
 Aide-Mémoire,) a
 Water=analysis Chapter
 & the cost of doing so

He will, I think,
 undertake it.

He wishes not to
 ask any sum of money

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until it is seen what he
 has done.

Perhaps the best way
 will be for your Commission
 to recommend that
 some remuneration
 should be given,
 when you see the work.

If this can be managed,
 we will write out a
 List of Instructions as
 to what the said
 water=analysis Chapter
 should contain.

f197

Please, if you have
a moment, tell me
the Ministerial
prospects -

I am furious to that
degree at having lost
Lord de Grey's 5 months'
Ministry at the India
Off: (mainly owing to
that stupid Mr. Ellis,
consorting & colloquing
with Dr. Sutherland)
that I am fit to
blow you all to pieces,
with an Infernal
Machine of my own

f197v

invention, which does
me credit.

[end 9:884]

ever yours

F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff198-201v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

That dreadful M.
Husson, Directeur
of the Assistance
Publique at Paris,
is coming over
here again from
next Sunday till
the Friday after
(July 1 to July 6) -
to see *all* the
Workhouses & Hospitals

f199v

in London & England
in 5 days -

[He really terrifies
me like a
Whirlwind or Cyclone].

Could you send me
an introduction
to the Herbert
Hospital, which

he wants to see
again, for him?

f200

And, is there any other
Military Hospital
you would recommend
him to see?

e.g. Hounslow -

Would you see him
yourself? -

[end]

f198

Private June 27/66

[16:725]

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you a note
from the Clerk of
Chorlton Union
about their new
Workhouse Infirmary
built on our plan.

It appears to be

f198v

about £50 a bed -

Would not you
send some one down
from the Surveyor's
Office to see it
& to verify about
the cost?

Please be so good
as to return me my
note at once.

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That dreadful M.
Husson, Directeur
of the Assistance
Publique at Paris,
is coming over
here again from
next Sunday till
the Friday after
(July 1 to July 6) -
to see *all* the
Workhouses & Hospitals

f199v

in London & England
in 5 days -

[He really terrifies
me like a
Whirlwind or Cyclone].

Could you send me
an introduction
to the Herbert
Hospital, which
he wants to see
again, for him?

f200

And, is there any other
 Military Hospital
 you would recommend
 him to see?

e.g. Hounslow -

Would you see him
yourself? -

[end]

Now do write to [5:311] [9:885-86]
 a wretched female,
 (F.N.) about WHO

f200v

is to come in WHERE.

Does Genl Peel come
 to the W.O.?

If so, will he
 annihilate our
 Civil Sanitary
 element?

Is Sutherland to
 go all the same
 to Malta & Gibraltar
 this autumn?

Will Genl Peel imperil the Army

f201

Sanitary Commission?

I must know: ye
 Infernal powers -

Is Mr. Lowe to come
 in to the India
 Off:?

It is all unmitigated
 disaster to me -

For as Lord Stanley
 is to be Foreign, -
 (the only place
 he can be of -
 no use to us,) I shall

f201v

not have a friend
in the world.

If I were to say
any more, I should
fall to swearing
I am so indignant.

[end 9:885]

ever yours
furiously
{printed address:}35 South Street, F.N.
Park Lane,
London. W.

signed letter, ff202-05, pen, white no mourning

f202

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35 South Street, **[15:173-74]**
Park Lane,
London. W. {printed address:}
July 3/66

My dear Capt. Galton

1. I do not think,
in time of peace (- in
time of war, it is
different) you can
"order" the Supt. Genl of
Nurses to the Herbert
Hospital before the
time she herself fixes,
viz. Oct. 1.

If anything were to
go wrong, she would
say: it was the fault

f202v

of the War Office that she had told you:
She was not ready.
[I may not agree with her. But I think you can't do otherwise than what she requests. She is quite correct in saying that never, till April last, were the arrangements for the Nursing made at Netley, which, ought to have been made when she first entered. These necessitate some

f203

further experience on her part.
Otherwise, for the matter of that, I do not think it signifies much such is Netley whether there are Nurses there *now* or not.]

2. Before you finally decide, it would be better to let Mrs. S. Stewart go to the

f203v

Herbert Hospital &
 see the Governor &c
 [Col: Shaw ought
 certainly to know
 if Nurses are
 coming, in order
 to provide the
 proper fittings &c]

3. I would tell her
- (1) the average number
of Patients
 - (2) that the Lock
cases are not to be
given over to the
Nurses
 - (3) the average number

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- of cases that are to
 be given over to the
 Nurses
- (4) I would certainly
 let her take the Linen
 in strict accordance
 with the Regulation
 & include the "Mending".
4. After she has been
 informed of these
 things & has seen the
 Hospital, I would
 make her report to
 you, & fix her down
 to October 1, as the
 date when she must
 take possession.

204v

ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

f205

You say the S. of S. is
an "impersonal creature"

I wish he wuz.

[end 15:174]

F.N.

signed letter, f206, pen

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35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W.

July 6/66

My dear Capt. Galton

The enclosed photo =s &
Rapport of the new
Hôtel Dieu were given
me by M. Husson -

Dr. Sutherland says
you would like to see
them.

Please return as soon
as convenient

ever yours

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff207-08v, pen, black-edged blue notepaper

f207

Burn

July 7/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London. W. [15:610]

My dear Capt. Galton

Could you send me
6 copies or 3 copies
or even one copy
of your *General* Report
of the Barrack &
Hospital Commission
1863?

Both sides in the

f207v

War ask me for
 Hospital Advice.
 And I have
 just been asked
 for another copy
 of this - having
 given away six
 I had -for the
 Head Quarters of
 the "*Bund*" x Army.

x P. Alexander of Hesse

f208***Burn***

Alas! where is it
 now? -

[end]

ever yours
 F. Nightingale
 Dr. Sutherland told
 me (I dare say it
 was his own invention)
 that you thought
 I ought to reach

f208v

Ld Cranborne thro'
 Ly Cranborne. I
 have a much
 better recommendation
 to him than that.
 & have already been
 put into "direct
 communication" with
 him; *not*
 at my own
 request.
 But, o ye Gods (if there
 are any,) what a
 crush & crash & ruin
 it all is! **BURN [5:311]**

signed letter, ff209-11v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f209

Private

& *Confidential* July 28/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Burn Park Lane,

London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I am growing, like
England, quite Christian
& humble. And I only
write to you by way of
enquiry: - what will
be done about Dr.
Sutherland going to the
Mediterranean?

I should like to have
some vague idea.

[You know it is vain
to expect him to make

f209v

two journeys, one to Malta,
& one to Gibraltar - *each*
of 17 or 18 days. He
will do both at once,
take his time about
it, & perhaps that
(his) time will be two
months.]

My situation is this: - **[9:885]**

Ld Cranborne has
written to me, (urged,
of course by Ld Stanley),
that he will do the
Public health business
next - & with me -

f210

immediately after the
Officers' claims are
settled.

Mr. Gathorne Hardy - that
he will bring a
Metropolitan Workhouse
Infirmary Bill before
the Cabinet in November
- that he will devote
the two months after
August 10 to preparing
it - & that he will
come to me "to advise
& suggest". [About
the Bill is, I believe,
no secret - I think

f210v

he said so to the Deputation
on Thursday. It *IS*, of
course, a secret, that
I am to have a hand
in it.]

Now, neither Indian
nor Poor Law business
should I undertake
without Dr. Sutherland.
[I merely want to know
what his course is
likely to be.]

We let the Metropolitan
Workhouse bill slip
thro' in January -
mainly owing to his

f211

absence in Algeria. I
do not mean to let
it slip through now,
if I can help it.

For myself, I have offered
to go & see poor mother,
(whom we think altered)
But I should time
my visit home to coincide
with Dr. Sutherland's visit
to the Mediterranean.
And I should certainly
postpone it to the
India & Poor Law business.
Indeed, nothing could

f211v

be easier -
Please *BURN* this **[end 9:885]**
ever yours
F. Nightingale
Pray tell me how
Marianne is

signed letter, ff212-13, pen, black-edged blue paper

f212

Private July 30/66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have not anything
 to add to my note of
 Saturday) about Dr.
 Sutherland & the Medi=
 terranean) - except that
 he says to day he shall
 take *ten weeks* (!!!) for
 Malta & Gibraltar. And
 we know him well
 enough to know that
 his ten weeks will be,
 at least, ten weeks -
 [i.e. the whole time
 intended

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to be given for the
 preparing of the
 Metropolitan Workhouse
 Infirmary Bill -]
 But I merely ask to be
 informed - I make
 no comments -
 He says that *you* say
 that owing to the delay
 which *I* have occasioned,
 it is no use his going
 at all - Would it were so! Or,
 If he could but take
 the time of a
 reasonable mortal!!!
 ever yours
 F. Nightingale

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Please BURN.

signed letter, f214, pen, black-edged blue paper

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Aug 3/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Is there anything I
could do for this Serjeant
Green (enclosed) who
wants to be promoted
to Serjeant Major?

I remember him at
Scutari as a very good
Ward Master. And, if
I am not mistaken, he
married (after the War)
a very ~~[illeg]~~/trustworthy Nurse of
mine, named Sullivan.

yours sincerely
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff215-16, pen, black-edged blue paper

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6998/190-2 Aug 9/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Let Lord Townshend
& his 3 Clients settle
their own personal
matters between themselves.

With regard to the W.O.: - **[15:175]-76**
my opinion would be
that you have gained
all the information
by your enquiry that
there is to gain -
Proceeding on Mrs.

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Shaw Stewart's own
 letter, I should, (if
 I were the authority)
 reprimand her &
 give her a farther
 trial as Supt. Genl.
 If you think I can be
 of any service as to
 the nature of
 reprimand which
 would do most good,
 I would put down
 notes for you (at the W. O.)

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I need hardly say that
 whatever the S. of S. is
 pleased to decide - the
 sooner it is done, the
 better -

[end 15:176]

Believe me
 Yours sincerely
 Florence Nightingale
 Capt. Galton

initialled letter, ff217-20v pen, black-edged blue paper

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6998/190-2-3 archivist:{{c. Aug. 1866}}
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W. [15:174-75]

Private & Confidential

As there is no question
 now to pre-judge, I
 may perhaps say: -
 1. if I were Supt. Genl &
 Mrs. S.S. Supt., I should
 feel confidence as
 absolute as tho' I
 had been there myself,
 that the account she
 gives of herself is the
 truth & all the truth.
 2. that she will never

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do such a thing again
 as "beat a Nurse," (!!!)
 having said she
 will not -

that there is much
 more probability now,
 (instead of less,) that
 she will improve
 her ways & temper
 with the Nurses.

3. that no witness
 who had signed
 by one name on
 the 1st & last day
 of a month, & by

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another name on the
 middle of that month
 (vide { Caroline Dilkes
 " Cobbold)

would have her evidence
~~complaint~~ entertained
 by an ordinary court
 of justice in all
 probability for a moment.

4. that all three
 letters of complaint appear to be
 written by one & the
 same person - vide style
5. that Ld Townshend
 has, in my own
 personal case, got
 hold of the most

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worthless women he
 could find & sent
 them to me "to be
 "maintained for
 "life, as the proper
 "object of the
 "'Nightingale' Fund"

6. that I consider, -
 from my personal
 experience, - Mrs. S.
 Stewart's desire to
 be a perfectly
 legitimate one, viz that
 no Officer ought to
 give recommendations

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to Nurses dismissed
 from H.M.'s Service.
 It *repeatedly* happened
 to me, (as Supt. Genl
 in the Crimean War,)
 to find, - not only
 that Medical Officers
 who had themselves
 preferred the charge
 of (say) intoxication
 upon which I had
 sent home a Nurse,
 gave that Nurse
 a written recommendation,
 signed by themselves
 - but also that I

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have had to keep a
 Nurse, - dismissed
 by one of my seven
 Superintendents, upon
 quite sufficient
 cause, - to the great
 detriment of the
 Service (for the
 Nurse had
 ultimately, of course,
 to be dismissed
 after doing grievous
 injury) - to keep her,
 I say, with myself,
 by the command of
 some Superior Officer

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[Of course I afterwards
~~arranged~~/ effected that no
 such commands should
 be valid.]

My conclusion is: that,
 tho' I do not see
 how Mrs. S. Stewart's
 desire can be carried
 out, my *experience* is
 that, unless officers
 can see the impropriety
 of supporting Nurses,
 (& Nurses whom they
 themselves may have
 reported against)
 in defiance of their
 own Superintendent,

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grievous damage will
 be done to the Service.
 (in haste) F.N.

[end 15:175]

initialled letter, f221, pencil, black-edged blue paper

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Aug 17/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W. [15:176]

My dear Capt. Galton

1. Am I to "reprimand" Mrs.
Shaw Stewart?
2. Is Ld Cranborne in town?
3. Is Mr. Gathorne Hardy
in town?

[end]

ever yours
F.N.

signed letter, ff222-27, pen, black-edged blue paper

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6998/197 Aug 30/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Roughly. I would answer
the question as to what
should be the "scale
for Superintendents" thus.

minimum	£150
maximum	£300

Practically, I would
earnestly advise that the
question should be put
off at least another year, as
we are without
experience as to paid

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Superintendents - & as
 we found, upon experience,
 that the Regulation ~~scale~~/minimum
 for Nurses was too low.

Also: the scale of pay., (wages,
 salaries &c) is rising
 ever year for women
 in Civil Life.

Provisionally, I would take
 £200, as you propose, in
 Estimates.

[N.B. Mrs. S. Stewart
 proposed £200 for a
 Supt., - supposing the
 Supt. to pay her own

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servant, (who, you will
 remember, is also General
 Servant to the Nurses
 such an one could not
 be well had under £35 a
 year, including washing
 & free rations besides.)
 & "to provide & maintain
 a supply of bed & table
 linen," "pay for postage, &
 stationery " &c &c &c x for Nurses
 The P. in C. thought - and
 I rather agree with him
 - that it is better to give
 the Supt. a fixed rate of
 pay, *without* deductions -
 that the Supt. should

x These deductions amount
 altogether to from £55 to £95
 from Supt's pay.

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provide these articles &
the Paymaster pay for
them.

£150 was fixed by Lord
de Grey 6998/56
as the pay, x And I
would make that the
minimum]
as to the Treasury question,
6998/197

I would ~~say~~/answer that there
are no Regulations about
Supt.'s pay - that they
were purposely omitted

x without the deductions

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And I would ask for
farther delay - in proposing such.
If you fix the pay of
your Supts, you must
fix that of your future Supts
=General. [Mrs. Shaw
Stewart never has had
pay; & will never take
any, (while she is Supt.
Genl) But this may not
be the case with your
next Supt. Genl] We
have therefore no
experience whatever as
to what the pay of Supts or of
Supts Genl should be -
It is extremely unwise,
in England, where, I

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believe, more than in any
 other country, widows
 & unmarried women (in
 educated life) support their families by
 their own exertions -
 where you do not wish,
 (as in conventional
 establishments,) to make
 the power of serving
 without pay the condition
 of fitness to serve
 - where, in Civil Life,
 competent women can
 command every year
 a higher rate of pay
 so as to enable them
 even to educate sons or younger
 brothers really well -
 It would be extremely
 unwise, under these

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circumstances, to fix a
 rate, without experience,
 by which it would be
 afterwards found that
 H.M.'s Service would
 not be able to compete
 with Civil Life in
attracting capable women.
 Speaking, then, totally without experience: - (& also with
 the prospect of India in view: -)
 £300 a year would not
 be at all too much for
 a Supt such as the
 Supt. Genl could trust
 to go to a General Hospital
 abroad or in the field,
 & to train Probationers -
 while £150 would be
 quite enough for one
 serving under ordinary
 conditions increased after
 a time by £25, & after

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a further term, by £25 more
vide 6998/134

[The Matron of St. Thomas'
Hospital, who is also
Training Matron to the
"Nightingale Fund", receives
considerably more than
£300 a year, including
certain allowances - and
is WELL worth it]

But, as I have said,
after a careful
comparison with Civil
Life - after considering
{printed address:} 35 South Street, this fact, - viz. during
{upside down} Park Lane, the last 10 years,
London. W.
the wages, salaries &c which

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competent women can command
have been steadily (& happily)
rising & will probably,
if not certainly, rise
much more.

also: it would be very
desirable if widows &
daughters of Officers
& of professional men
could be attracted into
the Nursing Service -
[the Matron of St. Thomas'
is the widow of a
professional man]
considering these things, I
would submit that "My
Lords should not settle

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any salaries for Superintendents
 at present - (& especially
 as there is not one
 Superintendent at ~~present~~/this moment
 to receive a salary -
 but should leave it
 open for a year or more
 till we have some
 experience for them
 to decide upon.

[I do not quite know what
 is meant by "proposed
 addition."] Lord de Grey settled £150.
 And the surplus £50 was
 for necessary expences necessary
 wherever there *is* a Supt.

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Yours sincerely

Florence Nightingale

Capt. Galton

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It should always be kept
 in mind that *IF* we could
 supply Supts to India, we
 could command almost any
 salaries for them. Sir John
 Lawrence says: - spare no
 expence.

Also: -

I hear you ask whether
 you could not have Mrs.
 Wardroper for yourselves -
 "Don't you wish you may get her."!
 Why, If you were to have her,
 I should have no Supts or
 Nurses to send any where -
 It's taking away the goose
 that laid golden eggs.

F.N.

signed letter, ff228-29v, pen, black-edged blue paper

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Private Sept 23/66

~~35 South Street, {printed address:}~~

~~Embley Park Lane,~~

~~Romsey London. W.~~

My dear Capt. Galton

I am sure I exchange
condolences with you at your
~~the~~ holiday, small as it is,
being invaded.

But I must ask you
to look over the enclosed
letters & return them to me.

The writer, Wabe, is a
Romsey man, a well
educated man, & an
admirable N.C. officer.

[I have seen all his
certificates, which are
excellent. (from his C.O.'s)
One of them told him, if
he would re=enlist, he (the
C.O.) would re-instate him
as Serjeant Major]

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The Allsop, to whom the letter
is addressed, is a farmer
of my father's -

I think the case is a hard
one. Certainly it is a good
thing to ~~ap~~ employ N.C.
Officers as Clerks - they
generally are much
worthier than the Civil
Clerks - & they are treated
much worse, tho'
undoubtedly good service
in the Army constitutes
a claim.

At the same time, I know
what can be said on
the other side. And I
suppose it is a Warrant
business.

I have not given the man
the least hope, as far as
I am concerned.

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Do you think there is any
thing I could do? anything
to be done?

Would Sir Hope Grant do
anything? - or could he?
Please not to let the
letters injure this man; at
all events.

A Mrs. Daniell & a Col:
Arthur Herbert, Q.M.G.,
have applied to me (in
~~a~~ very unbusiness-like letters)
for a Midwife for Aldershot
Soldiers' Wives Hospital - -
Their "Mrs. Taylor," Matron
& Midwife, having signalized
herself in the drunken line.
[She was not our appointment]
I have felt sure of this for a
long while - And a woman

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has died in her second
confinement from the sheer
neglect of this drunken
Midwife.

If you can give me any
information, x I shall be glad.

But, remember, I don't
give you this information
"officially". Don't quote it.

x Do you, the W.O., exercise any (real)
control over this Aldershot Female Hospital?

Give my love to the little
girls. I hope Marianne
has been well enough
to join you. And, if
Mrs. Galton should
remember me, which is
hardly likely, please give
her my respectful regards.

ever yours

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff230-30v, pen, black-edged blue paper

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Private

Embley

Romsey Sept 27/66

My dear Capt. Galton
Enclosed is the manifesto
of my Military Clerks.
It does not appear to me
well-drawn up, nor
calculated to advance
their cause - which
nevertheless I believe
to be a just one.

Please however not
to let it injure them.
You have the letters
of Wabe, the Romsey
man, in connection with
this - ever yours

F. Nightingale

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It was a
 young woman
 of the 28th who
 died in her confinement
 "entirely from neglect"
 at the Aldershot Female
 Hospital. We have no
 Midwife for them at our School
 all ours (in training) are long since engaged -
 They seem to think we have always a large
 supply of such articles *on hand*.
Private 27/9/66 F.N.

signed letter, ff231-30v, pen, black-edged blue paper [6:354-55]

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Private

& Confidential Embley Oct 28/66

Romsey

~~35 South Street,~~ {printed address:}

~~Park Lane,~~

~~London. W.~~

My dear Capt. Galton

I hear that you are on
 a Committee upon Workhouse
 Infirmaryes of which Dr.
 Watson is President, - but
 that its object is mainly
 to determine cubic space.

I hear also that you
 return to the W.O. on Monday.

I have had a great
 deal of clandestine correspondence
 with my old loves at
 the Poor Law Board these
 last two months.

And I have been a

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good deal behind the scenes.

The belief is (among the old loves) that the new master is bent - - - - on doing nothing - & that he means to help himself to do nothing by obtaining such Reports as will enable him to tell the Ho: of C. next February that all that was wrong is put right - that no sweeping measure is necessary - & that it was all a mistake about the sick poor not being in Paradise in the Workhouses. - that, as there was such

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a "row" made about Dr. E. Smith's unimaginable report, & especially about his 500 c. ft. - therefore they have called together this committee of yours, as a kind of blind - as if cubic space were the one thing needful, or indeed even the main thing needful. I should be very glad if you would kindly tell me all about your Committee - its members - whether you have yet met - how soon it is likely to report &c &c - Also: if you could send me a copy of *Dr. Markham's* Report on Workhouse Infirmeries - [Fleming, the Secretary & our

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bug:bear at the P. L . Board
 says; - he (Dr. Markham)
 is as bad & gives us as
 much trouble as that
 other fellow (Farnall) -]
 In all this miserable mess, this
 cruel farce, there is only
 one thing of which I am
 quite sure - And that is: -.
 that Mr. Villiers will lead
 Mr. G. Hardy no easy life
 in the Ho: of C. next February.
 Mr. G. Hardy has crowed
 too loud. And Ld Derby
 does not like his cocks
 to crow, & then be laughed
 at. [Don't play into Mr. Hardy's hands.]
 I need hardly tell you that,
 having been concerned in

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this matter from ~~last~~
 February, 1865, I look upon
 the cubic space as the
 least of the evils - indeed,
 as rather a good - for it
 is a very good thing to
 suffocate the "pauper sick"
 out of their misery.
 I would tell you much more
 of the by=play at the P. L.
 Board. But till I hear
 what view you take, it is
 of no use.
 Also: I would send you a few
 notes on our view of the
 matter, if that would be of
 any use.
 I venture to repeat: - don't let your
 Committee play into Mr. Hardy's hands.
 == 2. Could you tell me any

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thing about the affair of the
 "N. C. Office Clerks of the
 Manufacturing branches of the
 W.O." as connected with
 that man Wabe's letter which
 I sent you. They have sent
 me a copy of their Memorial
 to the S. of S. for War.

ever yours

F. Nightingale

Private & Confidential

Burn

signed letter, ff234-37, pen, black-edged blue paper [6:357-59]

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Private

Embley Oct 30/66

Romsey

~~35 South Street,~~ {printed address:}

~~Park Lane,~~

~~London. W.~~

My dear Capt. Galton

Thank you very much
 for Dr. Acland, which I return -
 & for Dr. Markham which I
 keep -

Dr. Acland's is a most
 sensible letter. But even he
 does not look at all at the
 question - whether under
 Workhouse administration,
 proper Hospitals can exist
 at all.

We say not.

But it seems to be Mr.
 G. Hardy's determination
 that this question shall
 not be considered. And

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the Committee is not of such
a nature as to consider it
in *spite* of him -

As to Dr. Markham's paper: -
it is to my mind a highly
dangerous paper - almost
as dangerous as Dr. Edward
Smith's, because it has
a greater amount of truth
in it, & is much more
modestly & ably written..

But, you know, we entirely
repudiate ~~most~~ /some of the
conclusions of Mr. Holmes,
in Mr. Simon's Report,
(quoted in Dr. Markham's)
as being unpractical &
unscientific as well

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I fancy Mr. Homes is on your
Committee: He is able; but
as we consider, wholly
incompetent on the Hospital
health & Administration
question

He & Bristowe are always
considered "jobs" of Mr. Simon.

I would send you a criticism
on Dr. Markham's paper
but that the criticism
which I want to be
perpetually repeating is: -
Cubic space be hanged!
(excuse swearing -
I spend my life in it)
It is not the One Thing
Needful.
It is hardly the first thing
needful.

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I am in very low spirits
indeed. I think, from
what I hear it is a
parti pris to stifle the
most important elements
of the subject.

I have not the least faith
in any Doctor - not even
Dr. Acland - entering into
practical questions of
administration & government
of Workhouses - Least of
all is Sir R. Watson
capable of doing so.

I think we may write & write
& explain & explain to
these people in vain.

They will never understand
that the two administrations
must be separate - the
administration of the
sick must be different

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from the administration of
the poor.

The present Workhouses,
however improved, cannot
be worked with. *two*
different administrations

If Mr. G. Hardy says: - I will
act on Dr. E. Smith's Report,
or on Dr. Markham's

"Suggestions" - you should
answer: - you can do no good
- the only principle
on which the
improvement of the
London W. H. Infirmaries
can be carried out
is entire reconstruction
on sound principles -
& entire separation
between management
of paupers &
management of sick
After you have got
your Act of Parlt for
this purpose, we can
help you with the details.

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Both as to Poor Law & as
to Sanitary Law, you know,
the Boards of Guardians
constantly undertake to
administer it only in
order to defeat it.

But to return -

All the Doctors will never
understand that, tho' it is
a very good thing to give
good cubic space to "hands"
in a "factory", that does
not enable you to manage
the manufactory.

Or, suppose you were to put
a Hospital under the same
government as the factory,
would that be a likely
arrangement for the
Hospital?

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A Hospital has nothing
to do with a factory.
And what has it to do with
a Workhouse? -
What indeed? -

N.B. Mr Corbett is a
wretched Inspector,
a very good fellow,
& the most indiscreet
blabber of private official
secrets that ever was
invented.

Also: he & some others
play into Mr. Hardy's
hands à *qui mieux mieux*

You will see that all this
is *Private & Confidential*
Burn ever yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff238-39, pen, black-edged blue paper

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Private

Embley Oct 31/66

Romsey

~~35 South Street,~~ {printed address:}

~~Park Lane,~~

~~London. W.~~

D.G. which does *not* mean

Deo Gratias {Thanks be to God -

Dei Gratiâ {By the grace of God -GW}

My dear Capt. Galton

I have had several private letters in the last two months, - one from Sir Jas. Clark, who thought he should be consulted by Genl Peel - asking who had better be the new D.G., when this one retires (qy? in March)

Of course I reply; *Muir*.

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[*Muir* is now in Canada,
is he not?]

But I understand that

Beatson &

Balfour

are also spoken of -

The whole redemption of the

A.M.D., if it be still

possible, depends upon

the appointment of *Muir*.

This man, Gibson, has been

truly a disastrous D.G.

to us.

Of course I do not offer

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this to you as information.

I understood from you,
 March 1865, when there
 was a mistaken idea
 that Gibson would retire,
 that, whenever he did,
 Muir would succeed him
 naturally as D.G. And
 therefore there was no
 occasion to fash oneself -
 What I want you now
 kindly to tell me is: -
 whether Muir is safe -
 (to become D.G.) Or whether
 there is anything that can
 be done or that ought to
 be done to make him
 safe - ever yours
 F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff240-44v, pen, black-edged blue paper [6:359-61]

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Private

London W.H. Infirmary
 31/10/66

My dear Capt. Galton

I should not have troubled
 you about this again, but
 that Dr. Sutherland is
 anxious, as I dare say he
 told you, that your
 Committee should ask
 me some such question
 as this: _

"How many cubic feet
 "should suffice for a sick
 "pauper in a W. H. Infirmary?"

I'm agreeable.

"Barkis is willing".

[to tell them a bit of his (her) mind.]
 But, as you know, I don't
 think all the writing in
 the British Museum

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would make the least difference

The conclusion (at the Poor Law Board) is already settled. Nothing will be done till present Ministers are out again.

I saw most of the private official papers (on *this* subject) including, the Statistics which were to have been laid before the Cabinet in January last, in order for Mr. Villiers to obtain a new Bill, with an uniform London rate

And no other conclusion could be derived from these (reaching from February 1865 to July 1866) - in spite of what Dr. Edward Smith

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most unjustly calls the "sensational" nature of the public opinion on this matter - but -

that the question of cubic space is subsidiary altogether - that no cubic space, either great or small, would alter the present evils, which are essentially those arising out of bad or no administration. - that it would be better to stand on this principle rather than to enter into any agreement with those who would put forward one element, such as cubic space, as *the* element of importance THEN - after the administration is settled by placing the sick under a totally

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different management from the able-bodied, and *after* the buildings, i.e. the kind of buildings & sites required is (generally) determined upon - *then* will be the time to consider what is the smallest cubic space you can work with for health, administration, nursing & economy.

N.B. I would just humbly inform the "*Chronic*" stickers - (I mean, as to the small cubic space required for "*chronic*" cases in Workhouses - versus the large cubic space - supposed to be required for Military cases in

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Military Hospitals) that, in every Workhouse I have ever seen, or known of - (thro' Statistics or otherwise) the severe cases are as 10 to 1 of the severe cases in any Military Hospital I have ever seen or known of - (thro' Statistics or otherwise) - always excepting, of course, War Hospitals or Military Hospitals during any severe Epidemic of Fever or Cholera - In other words, if you were to put the "*severe*" Military cases into the Workhouse,

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they would be classed among
the "light", "mild", or
"chronic" Workhouse cases.

Or, in other words still,
if you were to say that
{ severe
"acute" cases are to the
{ light
"chronic" in the Workhouse
in the *reversed* proportion
of what they are in the
Military Hospital, you
would not be far from
the truth -

That is - if the really severe
cases are to the really
light cases in the
Workhouse as 10 to 1,
the really severe cases in
the Military Hospital are

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to the really light cases as
1 to 10.

And yet these Doctors call
large cubic space *unnecessary*
in the Workhouse, &
necessary in the Military
Hospital.

I have been over the infirm
wards of the old men in
Greenwich Hospital with
Sir John Liddell who
called them his "triumph
of Nursing", (which
indeed they were). Now,
in these cases, always
dirty & diseased, the most
perfect ventilation will
do nothing without a
large amount of cubic

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space, And, again, you
 must consult *warmth*,
 which Dr. E. Smith *never*
 does. You can't have a
 hurricane blowing upon
 these infirm cases - which
 is what he seems to
 look for "to keep the
 ward fresh".

Now, in every Workhouse
 Infirmary that I have
 ever known I will
 mention particularly the
 Liverpool one - you have
 these cases, requiring such
 ample cubic space, male
 & female, by the score to
 {printed address:} 35 South Street, what they had in
 {upside down} Park Lane, Greenwich by the

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one or two - People are so
 deceived by the word
 "chronic" & "infirm".
 Also: Mr. Holmes, in his
 instances drawing from
 the Brompton Consumptive
 Hospital, quoted by Dr.
 Markham, mis=stated the
 case, as we think.
 Because you can't have a
 breeze blowing over
 consumptive patients,
 therefore you require
more cubic space rather
 than less, in order to
 prevent the horrible
 foulness of air induced
 by an agglomeration of
 diseased lungs - But

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there you see is the misery
of the "contagious" theory -
They think nothing of the
foul air produced by
consumptive cases -
because it is not
"contagious" like "Cholera,
Cattle Plague, or Fever".

What are we coming to? -
However, as you know, *I don't*
think the cubic space
question *the* important
one - This is only introduced
as a pleasing episode or
Divertimento ever yours
for your Royal F.N.
Highness
{printed address:} 35 South Street,
{upside down} Park Lane,
London. W.

initialled letter, ff245-45v, pen

f245***Burn***

Mr. Villiers is, as you know, frantically angry
because Mr. Hardy told him twice, in the
Ho: of C. that, had he only known how to
use, with dexterity & wisdom, the weapon
of the Law, he would have found it a
very sufficient weapon -

This is a very good thing for use, *IF* only Mr.
Villiers comes in again before public
opinion has subsided in our favour.

But don't let our side play into Mr. Hardy's
hands; let Mr. Hardy cut the sorry figure
he deserves to cut viz. that he has done

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nothing (& can do nothing) *without* a
new ~~B~~ Act of Parliament).

And don't let him think cubic space
all the question - throwing dust in people's
eyes.

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F.N.

signed letter, ff246-46v, pencil, black-edged blue paper

f246

Burn 6/11/66

~~35 South Street,~~ {printed address:}

~~Park Lane,~~

~~London. W.~~

Embley

Romsey

My dear Capt. Galton

I had a letter from my
old loves (at the P.L.
Board) this morning -

It then came into my
head to write to Mr. Villiers
& ask him the question
(I never write unless I am
written to) what you asked me
as to whether ~~ther~~ you
should call for a paper, x
& (if any such paper
exists) on a scheme of

x from the P. L. Board

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organization for pauper
sick in Metropolitan
Infirmaries ~~from~~/ at the P. L.
Board -

I will let you know the
result by in haste
Friday. ever yours
F.N.

Burn

initialled letter, ff247-48, pencil

f247

Poor Law Board Committee

Embley

Nov 7/66

Romsey

Burn

My dear Capt. Galton

I was convinced at first & have been more convinced than convinced - by your letter that it is just waste of time & strength to try to do anything in this matter -

Still, because you proposed to me an amendment on Dr. S.'s suggestion & because he was so anxious, I have written a letter (enclosed) which you said you should "like to be able to shew."

And I hope that you will think ~~yo~~ I have done what you wished viz "commence with "assuming to fix a cubic space & then shew that x x x some organization &c is a necessary "sequence". Of course you will do with the letter what you like, - put it in the fire - Perhaps the disastrous answer that was carried to the first Resolution (in the printed paper) makes any ~~step~~/such letter useless
[Any one who knows Sir R. Watson could

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have fore=told that that is just the sort of thing
 he will do - viz he is led by *any* body - &
 will say "he had been less well informed
 when he signed the paper suggesting 1000
 c. ft."!!!!]

But I don't agree with you that there is
 "no use in your & Dr. Acland being on
 the Committee.

That the Committee is "packed" we knew.

But what I heard from my old loves at the
 P. L. Board (yesterday) is this: -

they know most accurately all that is
 going on -

& it will be his (Mr. Villiers') "duty" to

"unmask" Mr. Hardy "when Parliament meets"

& it will "also be his duty to bring in a

"Bill that shall consign Mr. Hardy's patch=work
 "to" &c &c.

Now, certainly it will be a stumbling=block
 in Mr. Villiers' way if Mr. Hardy is able to
 quote the *unanimous* verdict of a Committee
 of *experts* in his favour *Both* for the

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cause, & for the honour of our side, I do
 hope you & Dr. Acland will make a
 protest, (or a Divided Report, or
 something) It will much help Mr. Villiers when
 he comes into action.

I have now read Mr. Corbett - & I send
 you my remarks in answer. [He is easily answered.]
 & my remarks upon such clauses of the
 printed paper as modify the other
 remarks -

[Dr. S. still wanted me to write you a
 letter in his former sense - But I was
 so good as to resist.]

It is quite possible that you may think all
 that I have written needless, in consequence
 of that vote for "720 c. ft. per bed." In
 which case put it in the fire -

I grudge my trouble & your own -
 I will return the printed questions - and
~~I now return~~ Dr. Acland

ever yours
 F.N.

signed letter, ff249-52v, pen & pencil, black-edged blue paper [6:361-63]

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Private Embley 9 Nov/66

Romsey

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

Burn London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have heard again from

Mr. Villiers.

The main object of his second letter appears to be to remind you "that there is

"a passage in the General Poor Law Report of 1834, recommending separate Infirmaries for the poor. And a Bill was introduced in 1841 to carry out that idea, & provided for District Infirmaries - that is there were to be separate Establishments, supported by a district rate & superintended by some kind of representative Boards, elected by rate-payers" "It looks, therefore" (he says) as if the principle of separate Hospitals had been once recognised

f249v

"by the authorities at
Whitehall - but, I believe,
local interest & prejudice
prevented any progress
being made in that Bill."

The folly of the printed paper
I now return to you is
such that I don't see
what you & Dr. Acland
can do but "make a
"separate Report," as Mr.
Villiers says.

[If the P. L. Board refuse to
print it, let it be sent to
Mr. Villiers.]

Whoever drew up these Questions
can know absolutely nothing
of the structure & management
of Hospitals
There was a Regimental M. O.,

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if you remember, who put his
 Orderlies to sleep in a ward
 & apportioned the beds to the
 cubic space in the proportion
 of 600 cub. ft. to the Orderly
 & 1200 " " " Patient/

Of course, you passed a strict
 regulation that the Orderly
 was not to breathe more
 than his 600 cub. ft.

I trust you will do the same
 thing in this instance.

The "sore leg" is to breathe 720
 ft. The Operation Case 2000
 &c &c -

If such & such cases of acute
 disease are to have more &
 such & such less cubic space,
 of course you are ~~either~~
 going to make Breathing
 Regulations; ~~or to build a~~
~~ward for each~~ by Act of
 Parliament.

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I presume even Dr. Markham would not consider his 720 ft. enough for Bronchitis - which you can't possibly ventilate without sufficient cubic space, because Bronchitis *must* be warm.

But it is *all*, such folly.

I can't think what you can do (you & Dr. Acland) but frame a distinct terse protest setting forth your dissent from the *principles* of the enquiry & from the *conclusions*.

1. objecting to separating the acute sick into classes with different amounts of space
2. objecting to the amount already voted
3. objecting to fix *any* amounts of space in *existing* Workhouses, *unless you see each ward*.

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4. objecting to any proposal to leave the sick under existing management
5. pointing out that efficient & *economical* management of Metropolitan sick requires that they should be separately administered & cared for by those who have some Parliamentary responsibility.

I think a clear terse protest ought to shew that any answers to these printed questions would leave the great questions of the Metropolitan sick just where they were -

You would strengthen Mr. Villiers' hand very much -
The reform *must* come sooner or later - And I had much rather for the honour of our side, that our side should be consistent throughout - in

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protesting -

These printed questions show
that the present P. L. Board
had determined on doing
nothing, before the Committee
was appointed.

Do ~~you~~ put forward this
And you will help the cause
immensely

Separate sick administration
is the whole key to the reform.

Question 13

In my (public, not private)
letter to you I entered into
the question of introducing Trained Nurses
I think you ought to shew
(in your protest) that no
reply can be given to this
question *unless* the
administrative authority
is first settled.

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- that nursing under the present authority is impossible
- that Workhouse Infirmaries must train their own Nurses
- that no training under the present system is possible
- that the administrative authority involves the question of Hospital construction
- & that administration & nursing involve the question of area & consequently of space.

But give no sanction, direct or indirect, to the existing system of Poor Law sick administration, for it is certain to be abolished And "we" ought to be in the van & not in the rear of the reform.

ever yours

F. Nightingale P.T.O.

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{pencil}

Please let me have the framing of your Act of Parlt. c. ft.

Bronchitis not to breathe more than				720
Dropsy	"	"	"	500
"Sore leg"	"	"	"	300

When Operation case (to breathe = 2000 is placed in same ward as

"Sore leg" (to breathe = 300

"Sore leg" to keep strictly to the Act of Parlt limits of atmosphere - If his "effluvia" pass these limits, to be prosecuted as Law directs
Victoria R.

initialled note, f253, pencil, black-edged paper

f253

Burn

My dear Capt G.

I do hope you will make
a separate Report

Be careful, please, to say nothing
even to Dr. Acland, which
implies my correspondence with
Mr. Villiers -

F.N.

initialled letter, ff254-57v, pen, black-edged pale blue paper

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Embley BURN
Romsey Nov 14/66

My dear Capt. Galton

I write one line which
I ought to have written
yesterday, to say that I have
heard again from Mr. Villiers
- that he would like to see
the papers referring to the
P.L. Board Commission -

Mr. Villiers is much too
much of a man of the
world to say that he has
seen them - much less
that he has seen them
thro' me -

Still, I would not
send them him without
your leave -

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I have only: -
 Dr. Markham's "Suggestions" -
 Mr. Corbett's paper copied by
 (Marianne
 [if you like Mr. Villiers to see
 the 13 Printed Questions,
 (which I returned to you)
 you must please send me
 a copy]

I have also -

Dr. Angus Smith's paper
 on Ventilation (your copy)
 But I am not sure I should
 like to send that to Mr. Villiers,
 even if you gave me leave -
 It is so amazingly like Dr.
 Angus Smith - so clever -
 so full of fallacies Dr. A.S.
 is ~~a~~ immensely more able
 than Dr. Parkes (*vide e.g. his*

f255

Water=analysis paper) But
 he is like Cornelius Agrippa's
 Familiar, & can only work
 under direction - And he
 makes the most provokingly
 clever mistakes.
 Everything in that paper is
 calculated to do us as
 much harm as good.
 Angus Smith has *no practical*
 sense -

Mr. Villiers is extremely angry
 with Sir R. Watson - he
 says - Watson has given
 the subject considerable
 attention & can't say
 now he was less well
 informed than - he ~~has~~
 knew quite well what
 he was appending his
 name to on that paper -

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- he has been at different times with deputations to the P.L. Board - & has advised Miss Burdett Coutts, (who, you know, in the St. Pancras affair, as a Large Rate=payer, took a prominent part against the Guardians) - And she & Sir R. Watson were always supposed to represent our side *in full*.

Mr. Villiers says that he believes Dr. Acland has very *decided* views upon the necessity of greater space & *separate establishments* - I hope this is true - But indeed

f256

I have given up all hope of any one having "*decided*" views upon anything.

I hear from others, besides Mr. Villiers, (people connected with the press, I mean,) that it is supposed, *IF* your Commission reports *unanimously*, the cause of the reform of Workhouse Infirmeries may be put off for years - perhaps for a generation -

Indeed, I think so - [I am **[9:564]** satisfied that, owing to a long imbroglia

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of Mr. Ellis, Dr. Sutherland
 & the India Off: about a
 Despatch of Sir J. Lawrence's,
 the cause of Sanitary Reform
 in India has been put
 back for years - perhaps
 for half a century. Mr.
 Ellis writes to me, from India, that
 our delay has cost
 "thousands of lives".] **[end 9:564]**

This note ought to have
 gone the day before
 yesterday - But I could
 not possibly get it off.

I wish I were in London -

f257

Unless I hear positively
 to day from Dr. Sutherland
 that he comes here
 to morrow, I shall
 come up to South St.
 on Saturday or Monday

Please burn

ever yours

F.N.

One word more: -

I am terrified to hear
 that Dr. Markham's 60
superficial feet makes

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above 900 (953) *cub. ft.* & not
 much less than your
 amendment (*cub. ft/966*)

Because now - Sir R. Watson
 can say - he has *not*
 ratted.

It only shews (what we
 have always said) that
 we *must* begin with
superficial area as a basis,
 & *not* with *cubic space*.

Now, ± 80 sup. ft. is the
smallest floor space
 you can possibly assign {pencil} with safety
 even in properly constructed wards.
 {pen} It would be less objectionable
 to have 960 cub. ft. with
 that. But Dr. Markham
 has actually got 960 cub. ft.,
 with only 60 sup. ft. (which
 is fatal.) F.N. [end hosp]

initialled letter fragment, f258, pen

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of "reasons" - (reasons
a non reason = ando) -
 & Dr. Acland's paper
 I believe that villain
 (Dr. Sutherland) kept
 them from me on
 purpose.

He sent them back -
 ever yours
 F.N.

unsigned contd. letter (on back of preceding ending), ff258v-59v, pen & pencil

f258v

Private Embley
 Romsey 19/11/66

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My dear Capt. Galton
I send back the enclosed,
with some remarks.

Of course you do not
let my remarks go to
Mrs. S. Stewart, which
would only get you
into trouble.

Please ask Mr. Cooper
to send me
Purveyor's Regulations (blue
New Medical " (green
and
Instructions drawn up
by Committee for

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management of Herbert
Hospl.

Without these, I cannot
answer your other
papers - which I
have had ever since
Nov 3 - which I
might just as well
have answered
Nov 3 as now - {pencil} 6998/209

But I have been in
such a "scrimmage"
& in such a "fix" -
owing to having to
decide every day for
the last month as to
papers [not yours -
I wish you sent me
more] which of them were

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most pressing to answer
 - which of them I should ~~wait~~/keep
 for Dr. Sutherland (who
 was coming every day)
 to do & which not.

I have not a word
 of apology - But I
 say this, because I wish
 you sent me more
 papers - & I am
 afraid, if I say nothing,
 you will think I shall
 always keep your
 papers 3 weeks - &
 never send me any.

I wish you could let me
 see Sir R. Watson's paper

signed letter, f260, pen, black-edged pale blue paper

f260

Embley

Romsey Nov 20/66

My dear Capt. Galton

The enclosed (from the
 Delhi Gazette) has been
 sent to me -

It appears so absurd
 that - should it not be
 brought before the next
 meeting of your Army
 Sanitary Commission?

Yours sincerely

Florence Nightingale

f261, letter to the Editor, Delhi Gazette, Aug 23/66

initialled letter, ff262-63, pencil, black-edged pale blue paper

f262

Private Embley Nov 20/66 [16:729-30]
 Romsey

My dear Capt. Galton

Have you seen the "British Medical Journal" on your Workhouse Commission work? It is quoted in "Times" of Nov 19 -

If anything could prove necessity of your insisting on independent inquiry, this paragraph would do it.

These men will sacrifice all Hospital improvement for the sake of carrying out their own views - [which they have been writing up in this "Brit: Medl: Journal"]

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I kept Angus Smith to shew Dr. Sutherland -

But, he says, it is now in print.

Dr. Sutherland entirely concurs with what I have said.
(enclosed)

Please remember that Dr. Angus Smith & I are the very fastest friends

[His Water=analysis paper passed thro' my hands, (& Dr. Sutherland's) 15 times.]

There is a great deal that, in his pros & cons (in this enclosed paper) is good. Because a man, like Angus Smith, cannot fail to write in his

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pros & cons, now & then,
a good *pro* -

[end 16:730]

ever yours

F.N.

signed letter, ff264-66, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f264

Private Embley 20/11/66
 Romsey

My dear Capt. Galton

This is really a very
difficult point.

It appears to me that
the Supt. Genl was clearly
wrong & the Nurse right
in

6998/203 I. & II. 11

{pencil} [Of course the W. O. must not say the Supt. was wrong]

{pen} But Col: Shaw is certainly
also wrong

6998/209 end of letter

The "*Linen- Nurse*" is no more
"accountable for articles
in Linenry" than the

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Messenger or Postman who
takes this letter is for this
letter. It is the

*Superintend*t who is
"accountable for the
Linen" - The Linen-Nurse

is only a servant. I
might make the post
"accountable" for this
letter by registering it.

And the Supt. may make
the Linen-Nurse
"accountable" in some
similar way. But, by
Regulation, it is the
Supt's accountability
we have to do with.

It seems to me a terrible

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scrape - & that the consequences of departure from Regulations in this illogical way have been disastrous.

I admit that I should incline, *caeteris paribus*, to Mrs. Stewart's proposal. But, *caeteris non paribus*, I don't.

I mean that, in Civil Hospitals, where changes may have to take place 10 times a day with ~~some~~/bad Patients, - where bad cases are as 10 to 1 of Military Hospls - where the head Nurse has far more to do than in Military Hospls,

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- still she has the sole charge of the Ward Linen & the Matron & one Linen Nurse the sole charge of the Hospital Linen - And it works well.

But, on the other side, it is far more difficult to prevent theft by Patients in a Military Hospl. The Civil Patient can be turned out & not re-admitted. The Military Patient can't be turned out. And he knows he can't. This points to ~~putting~~ /leaving the charge in hands of Capt. of Orderlies.

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And then there is the
 paramount consideration
 of war when (clearly) men,
 & not women had better
 be in charge - at
 least as our Nurses are
 at present.

All things considered, I
 incline to stick to
 Regulation. And, if
 you & Mr. Robertson
 would look over
 enclosed together - I
 might then be able
 to help you better -
 yours sincerely
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff267-69v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f267

Private Dec 9/66

35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W. **[15:474]**

My dear Capt. Galton

We are extremely anxious
 to find out the fate of a
 young man, age 22, named
Charles Henry Watson
 supposed to have enlisted
 in the *R. Artillery*, at
Woolwich, in February or
 March of this year (1866)

He is the only child of a
 widow, an excellent &
 superior woman, my
 mother's confidential maid.

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[She once lived (under me first) as Head Nurse & Housekeeper at the Institution at 1 Upper Harley St. Seven years ago, when she left, I should have snapped her up as my own maid, but gave her up to my mother, as I knew I never should find any one like her to suit my mother.]

The young man, Charles H. Watson, was in an excellent situation as Clerk, earning above £100 a year, with prospects of promotion - & so well thought of by his

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employers that they kept his situation open for him some time, in hopes of his return.

Nothing is known against the young man except an occasional running into petty debt - But his mother had paid his debts and paid them again after his disappearance - so that this cannot be the reason of his wilful concealment.

He was the spoilt child of an uncle & aunt, who treated him as their own son - And *they* do not know where he is.

Of course, I being a soldier myself, do not think so

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badly of him for enlisting
 as his family does - But
 his not writing to his
 mother, who was only
 too much devoted to him,
 is altogether inexcusable.
 What I fear has happened,
 (tho' it does not seem to
 have come into her head,
 is - that he has enlisted
 under a false name, &
 is dead of Cholera or
 something - & no one the
 wiser.
 If you could have such
 enquiries made as would
 lead to the discovery of this
 young man, I should be

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very much obliged. I would
 write myself - but I don't
 think I know any of the
 great guns of the Artillery
 now.

If the young man can
 be found, I wish he could
 be sent up to me here,
 if at Woolwich, for me to
 try & persuade him to
 write to his mother. [There
 was no 'petticoat" in the
 case - no quarrel whatever.]

But the first thing is
 to find him -

And I suppose this can
 be best done from Head
 Quarters, if you would be

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so good as to set the
 machinery in motion.

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

Capt. D. Galton

[end 15:474]

unsigned letter draft, ff270-71v, pencil, undated, JS hand on FN letterhead, black-edged blue

f270

{archivist: Nursing}
 {printed address:} 35 South Street,
 26/Purveyor/1176 Park Lane,
 London. W.

We have gone through these
 Regulations for Hospital
~~{illeg}~~ servants & think
 them very full & good
 with one exception, which
 in my opinion ought not to
 be suffered to exist.

Regulation 197 ought to
 be expunged. The precedent
 is so highly dangerous and
 would open a door for so many
 excuses that it virtually undoes
 the work done by the regulations

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for equipping hospitals. Every
 hospital at home, abroad &
 in the field should be complete
 & there should not be the
 possibility of incompleteness except
 from capture or destruction
 of the Purveyors Stores. The
 principle of Reg. 197 was the
 very one which led to half
 the misery endured by the
 sick at Scutari.

Suppose E.G. ~~N~~ Soldiers
 going into the field have all the
 asterisked articles in the list

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The steward depends on the list
 which he knows to be true. But
 the pack is thrown away or
 lost (an actual fact) & the
 poor men had no changes at
 all. I would abolish this
 article 197 at any cost or
 inconvenience
 {FN's hand}

Also look at
 Regulation 167 & 170
 {JS's hand}

The first provides that Medical
 Comforts are to be kept in a small
 lock up Chest in the ward.

The second that there is to be
 nothing but a table & chair in the
 nurses room.

It hence follows that

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you must, (as I suggested formerly)
 provide suitable commodes for
 each ward to hold the
 Medical Comforts and the
 supply of unused linen to be
 given over for immediate
 use to the Nurse.

{FN's hand}

P. 59 Who is I? Is it the head
 of the Army, the Queen, the C. in C,
 or Sir E. Lugard? [end]

Reg 41 - The principle in this Reg leads
 to indiscipline - Nevertheless I suppose
 it must be left

? would it not be sufficient to
 give the men the right to attend
 but make it optional -

signed letter, ff272-75, pen, black-edged blue paper

f272

26/Purveyors/1176 Dec 20/66
 {printed address:} 35 South Street, [16:450]
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

When you send me a
 publication of such absorbing
 & romantic interest as this,
 you cannot expect me
 to skim it over lightly; I
 must savour it slowly.

I have read it thus all
 through - and, what is more,
 I have compared it with
green Medical, & with
 Col: Clark Kennedy's Report.

I have also gone through
 it with Dr. Sutherland.

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We think them the Regulations very full
 & very good - very carefully
 & artistically drawn up.

But we think the end
 rather too tragical: -

P. 42. Reg. 197. we think
 ought to be expunged. The
 precedent is so highly
 dangerous, & would open
 a door for so many excuses,
 that it virtually undoes the
 work done by the Regulations
 for equipping Hospitals.
 Every Hospital whether at
 home, abroad or in the field,

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should be complete. There should not be the possibility of incompleteness, except from capture or destruction of the Purveyor's Stores. The principle of Reg. 197 was the very one which led to half the misery endured by the sick at Scutari.

A man wants according to his wants - not according to what is in the Purveyor's stores.

Suppose, e.g. soldiers going into the field have all the asterisked articles in the List, the steward depends on this fact which he knows to be true. But the packs are thrown

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away or lost (an actual fact) and the poor men had no changes at all. We would abolish this Article 197 at any cost or inconvenience -

2. (I am progressing backwards) please look at

p. 36 Arts: 167, 170

You see there is to be "a small lock up case" in "each ward".

You see that "Nurses' rooms are not to be used " for stores "on any pretense whatever."

We have always said that suitable press "for each ward"

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to hold the "medical comforts"
and the supply of ward=linen
to be given for immediate
use to the Nurse.

3. P. 12. Art. 41 -
The principle in the first
line leads to indiscipline.
All employment of Patients
in the Ward Sculleries, in
the 'Kitchen," as Orderlies; &c is a flaw
in discipline. Patients
should never be out of their
wards except for exercise.
Even after all we have
done for Military Hospitals,
the discipline among the
Patients is not equal
to that of a ward of 40 men
in a Civil Hospital under
one woman.

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But I suppose the British
soldier & sailor considers
it as the Briton's right
to see after his victuals
in Hospital. However,
At least, I would give the
"Patient" the right "to
attend", but leave it
optional.

[end]

4. I have not checked the
Appendix
p.p. 44 - 60
but only skimmed it
through
(1). P. 46. "Arrowroot"
Cold arrowroot is very cold.

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comfort. At least I would
 put "warm arrowroot"
 first - & then add, "If
 to be eaten cold," &c &c.

(2) P. 59

Who is "I"?
 Is it the Queen (the head
 of the Army), the C. in C,
 or Sir E. Lugard? -

I should like a copy of these
 "Regulations for Hospital
 Servants", when completed,
 for myself, please -
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff276-77v, pen, pale blue paper [6:366]

[Burn in very large]

f276

Christmas Eve /66
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Burn Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 Could you write me one
 line to tell me where the
 P.L. Committee on London
 Workh: Infirmarys (cubic space)
 now stands?
 Have you reported? -
 Are you going to report?
 Are you still sticking
 at Question I?
 Have you done sitting?
 Or do you stand over
 indefinitely?
 Can you learn from Mr.
 Corbett whether there is to

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be any Bill brought in by
Mr. Hardy on this point?
And, if so, what?

I enclose you a letter from
Dr. Acland only to shew
you what was my last
information from your
side! Please return
it to me.

If you could add any
guess as to what
Ministerial prospects
are in the forthcoming
Session, you would
"greatly oblige."

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What I hear "from *my* side
is: -

that Mr. Hardy has retired
altogether into private life.

- that Lord Carnarvon has
ceased to care about the
subject, since he became
a Minister -

- that there is to be no
Reform Bill

- that Ministers are to go -

But "*my* side" cannot
at all make out why the
Doctors (the Ernest Harts
& Co:) & the press are
so quiet about the subject
of the London Workhouse
Infirmaries on which they
were so keen.

f277v**Burn**

As to Muir: -

Genl Peel says: "IF it
 DEPENDED ON ME, I would
 at once appoint Muir."

[Oh Adam! none but a
 man would have said,
 she gave me the apple.]

The C. in C., Genl Forster,
~~Genl Peel~~, appear all in
 favour of - - - - - Logan! -
 Sir Hope Grant in favour
 of Muir.

I have done all I can.

You *must* turn out Ministers
 before March -
 Please tell me how
 Marianne is. ever yours
 F.N.

signed letter, ff278-79, blue paper, pen

f278

Private **BURN** Christmas Day /66 [16:730-31]
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

P.l. "cubic space " Commission

My dear Capt. Galton

I have heard from "my
 side" - I may as well say
 from Mr. V. -

"that the report on "cubic
 space' will not be
 made till the beginning"
 of the next year - -
 & that "the Association"
 are so satisfied with
 the scheme hatched
 by Mr. Hardy, that
 they have postponed
 their own incubation
 till they know what it is.

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Please tell me *by return
of post* what you can.
- what is true & what
is not - what you are
likely to do, &c -
Certainly "my side" is
very much UP about
something. Mr. V.
sent to Embley (when
I was gone) to know
if he could see me -
And now he has sent
here to know if he
could see me *this*
week. ~~But~~ [I shall

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put it off till I can hear
from you] -
Mr. Farnall has also
come up to town with
the same request -
I am as innocent as a
baby - For I really have
no scheme at all -
Mr. V. says "nothing but
a *general rate* will do.
Please tell me anything
you can *as soon as*
you can -
Best Christmas love -
Tell me how Marianne is. [end]
ever yours
F. Nightingale
Burn

signed letter, ff280-82v, pen, blue paper

f280

Private Dec 28 /66
 {printed address:} 35 South Street,
 Park Lane,
 London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I return Dr. Sibson &
 enclose a formal answer,
 which you can make use
 of, as you like.

Dr. Sutherland says - &
 I agree - that, if I were
 to comply with a flibberty=
 gibbet note like that
 of Mr. Corbett's to "help
 us about Nurses", as
 Mr. Corbett, through Dr.
 Sibson, through you,
 expresses his desire
 that I should do - I should

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only give myself a great
 deal of trouble, (which
 would nevertheless be
 most cheerfully given
 by me) to sketch them
 a scheme which they
 could shelve, or at least
 of which they could take
 a bit & leave a bit,
 just as they like - And
 I could not call for it,
 or have it called for,
 because it would only
 have been asked for
 "by Mr. Corbett, thro' Dr. Sibson"
 thro' you, whom he does

f281

not even take the trouble
to write to.

I trust you will think I
am right - & will *not*
think I want to spare
my trouble. The fact is:
Mr. Hardy has outwitted us
as Bismark outwitted
Louis Napoleon - He
wants to do nothing.
And he wants to stand
well with the Ho: of C.
by having your Committee
to fall back upon.

Now the only thing I can think
of to do (and I don't
think I could write such
a paper for Mr. Corbett,
unless I were asked - I
have therefore taken for

f281v consists of 6 illegible lines written in pencil scribbled over with a large x drawn through them, not FN I think

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granted in my formal note,
that I am to be asked
by the *Committee*) the only
thing to do would be to reply
that I would render every
assistance in my power,
if the Committee desired
that I should help them.

If my paper were a formal
document, it could then be
called for, & would *not*
back up Mr. Hardy.

I need scarcely say that Mr.
Corbett's own proposal
about training Nurses is
simply absurd - as it
stands.

I will write again about the

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other parts of your letter.

I am not committed, ~~as~~
to "Ernest Hart's 6 Hospitals
- not to any other scheme,
as you suppose.

I could quite well write
a scheme of Nursing for
your Committee in a
quite free & general way.
If it won't fit on to the
Workhouses, that is not
my fault.

But I will write
again. I am much
pressed to day

ever yours

F. Nightingale

ff283-84, an "Abstract" of the letters of 1866, list

Add Mss 45764, microfilm, correspondence with Douglas Galton, 1867-80, 335 folios, 249 pages, Adam Matthew reel 13

ff1-2v signed letter, ff1-2v, pen, blue paper

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14 1/1/67 [15:176-77]

Purveyors

1268 35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London,

My dear Capt. Galton

What I think necessary, &
what is in accordance with
Reg. 32, p. 128, (green book)
is: --

If a woman is engaged at a
distance from any Hospital &
has to incur expence in
reaching her destination, she
should be allowed expences.

If she leaves the service for any
reason, except ill=health, she
is to receive no expences.

If for ill health her expences
should be paid to her destination]

If a woman is requested by the

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Supt Genl to come to her in order to see whether she is suitable, & is not found to be so, her expences both ways to be paid.

All expences between Hospitals to be paid.

All expenses to & from foreign Stations to be paid.

In every case in which travelling expences are granted, as above, the Nurse to be allowed the free transport of such an amount of personal baggage as the Supt Genl may certify as being necessary over & above the quantity usually permitted

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to be carried by passengers by Railway or otherwise Before proceeding on foreign service, the amount: a kind of baggage to be allowed to each Nurse to be certified by the Supt Genl

This is what appears to me the *rationale* of the business. I do not send it as printing out the manner ~~the manner~~ in which the question of expences is to be settled by the Office. If what I have said is necessary, as I believe, the W. O. will of course know best how to carry out what is necessary in the best way.

f2v

[I would just observe that the reason why the Regulation does not consider the question as to whether Nurses should be allowed expences, on entering the Service, is that Regulations cannot take cognizance of Nurses *before they are born*. The Nurse who enters the service on probation is, till that moment as tho' she did not exist: But I should never hesitate as to the propriety ~~of~~ myself of allowing her (the Nurse) her expences on entering this, or any other Service]

yours sincerely
F Nightingale

[end 15:177]

initialed letter, ff3-4v, pen, blue paper

f3

PRIVATE Jan 2/67
{`PRIVATE' IS UNDERLINED FOUR TIMES}
35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

Burn

My dear Capt. Galton

You see I have taken your advice to the letter.

As for my seeing Mr. Corbett -- at least before I have made some kind of statement on paper, -- it is not only no great advantage, but it is perfectly useless.

The utmost I could get in would be a Lord

Burleigh's nod, *IF that*.

{`IF' IS UNDERLINED FOUR TIMES}

And I should have to

f3v

listen to along waste
 wishy-washy flood,
 which I can quite well
 write down for you
 beforehand, if you & I
 had time
 Tho' I have never seen
 him, I knew a good
 deal about him before,
 from the Guardians,
 who laugh at him
 behind his back, &
 drink to their own
 impunity. But, during

f4

the last 3 days, I have
 heard a "pretty deal"
 more about him.
 I really have not the
 physical pluck to see
 him. I should be in a
 state of collapse --

At the same time, I am
 not only willing but
 anxious to write a
 short paper, *if they ask*
me, for them. And
 then for civility's sake,
 I will go thro' the
 dumb show of a
 Dialogue *of one* with
 Mr. Corbett. You know

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he is quite sure to say
 that I said what he
 said. So I must
 have my own statement
 beforehand to appeal
 to. ever yours
 F.N.

You can make use of the
 note enclosed, if you
 think it will do.
 Burn

f5 DG to FN 5 Jan 1866, re Sir T. Watson to write you a letter asking you for suggestions upon training nurses. He told me he feared you would not recollect him. DG to visit her today or Monday?

signed letter, ff7-7v, pen, blue paper

f7

Private Jan. 15/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

The smallest contribution of information, thankfully received -- as to what you did at your P.L. Committee (cubic space) yesterday &, if not concluded, when to meet again.

Has Dr. Sibson concluded his "comparison between "Workhouse cases & Hospital "cases"?

I shall be thankful to know any thing.

I have finished my paper

f7v

on Nursing (for your Committee)

But, it had Tables & was so illegible that, as I have no one to copy for me, I sent it to Spottiswoode's to be printed.

ever yours

F. Nightingale

initialed letter, f8, pen, black-edged blue paper

f8

Jan 18/67
35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Do you remember, about **[15:475]**
4 months ago, my troubling
you about these N.C. Officers
Clerks?

No doubt you know that
they have been refused.

And here they are again.

Do you think that any
thing farther can be done? --

Please return me the
enclosed with any remarks. **[end]**
ever yours
F.N.

f9 notes on WO embossed, Comparison of scales of salary, n.d.

ff10-11v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f10

Private Burn. Jan 18/67
35 South Street,
Park Lane, {printed address:}
London, W. **[16:730-31]**

My dear Capt. Galton

Poor Law (cubic space) Commee

My paper has been & come
back & gone again to
Spottiswoode's for a Revise.
I expect it to-morrow.
Tho' I have re-arranged the
matter after the first
Proof, yet that is all
I have not had time to
consider the tone.

As you know the temper of
the committee, I should
much like if you would
let me send you a
Revise, & if you would

f10v

criticize it severely.

But this would prevent
it from going to Sir T?
Watson *this week*, as you
desired.

Ernest Hart who, (tho' a
good fellow,) is very fond
of giving me, mysteriously,
"important information",
tells me that he hears
"with certainty" that your
"Report will go in *next*
Thursday". Is that true?
If so, I must make haste.
But I have heard nothing
of Dr. Sibson's "comparative
statement" being ready, as
yet.

f11

I had much rather keep
my paper a few days longer
for your Revision.

Shall you be out of town
from Saturday till Monday?

Or may I send the
paper to you? --

Also, Dr. Sutherland has
absconded, & not seen
the Revise.

The paper is slow -- not
to say funereal. Dr. Sutherland
took out all my good stories,
for fear of you -- And I
took out all my bad
stories, for fear of Mr.
Corbett, who is the

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greatest mischief maker &
 has the greatest "Diarrhea
 verborum" in the 3 Kingdoms--
 And I was specially warned
 against him. [He made
 such inconceivable mischief
 in the North.]

In short, I think the matter
 of my paper requires to be
 very carefully examined &
 should be very glad if
 you could give me a few
 days for your & my own
 criticism.

I hear that there are to be
 "changes in the Cabinet"
 probably -- "in the first
 week of February".

Is that so? ever yours
 F.N.

[end]

f12 DG to FN WO, Ernest Hart has been, by Markham, re edition of Med Times

f14 DG to FN from Kingston Hall, Derby 20 Jan 1867

initialed letter, ff16-16v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f16

Jan 21/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for your criticisms upon my Nurse= paper, which I am trying to make use of.

Can you tell me when your P. L. Committee (Sir J. Watson's) next meets?

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Could you send me a copy of the Report of Ld. Strathnairn's Committee on consolidating the Commissariat, Purveying

f16v

& Store Departments into one? I should be very much obliged to you.

If "Confidential", please tell me. And it shall go no farther.

ever yours,
F.N.

f17 DG to FN 21 Jan 1867 [I think] black-edged WO re P.L. com, will send report, but wants it back

f18 DG to FN 24 Jan 1867, check re Sydney

f19 DG to FN 25 Jan 1867, packed up, think the paper will effectually show [can't read] I think you have said enough about union school girls training to ...that lie. Gathorne Hardy & illeg ask ...

f21 DG to FN returns paper, I think it ADMIRABLE. It is a most logical treatment of the workhouse inf question

initialed letter, ff22-24, pen, black-edged blue paper [6:390-91]

f22

Burn Jan 26/67
 35 South Street {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.
 P.L. (c. space) Committee

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have sent in my paper
 to Sir Watson. (*many* thanks)
 [N. B. Pray remember that
 I *don't* intend you to pay
 for the printing -- if Dr. Sutherland
 mentions it, "forbid" him.]
 If you could find time
 to write me a line, on the
 following, I should be very
 much obliged: --
 I hear (from my Temple
 to Friendship in the P. L.

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Board, or rather in the ex=
 P. L. Board) that: --

Messrs. Corbett & Markham
 have just sent in
 (independently of you)
 a Report or the London
 Workhouses -- to the P. L.
 Board --
 that it is "only just to hand" --
 (sic)
 "quite in a rough state"
 that it is to be "treated as
 strictly confidential till
 the President is *prepared*
 to *commit* himself to its
 recommendations".
 [*This*, when it is perfectly
 well known that every

f23

"recommendation" was
 dictated by that gentleman
 himself who now
 says: that he is going to
get ready to prepare
 himself to commit himself.

What I feel excessively anxious
 to know is: --

1. what you did at your
 Sub. Committee yesterday?
 when you are going to
 report it? & c
2. can you tell me what,
 (generally), Mr. Hardy's
 proposed measure
 is supposed to be?
 What is the (general) gist
 of this precious Report
 of Messrs. Corbett &
 Markham? --

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[You see, in the Pall-Mall
 Gazette, that something has
 leaked out of what Sir
 Watson's (your) Report
 is to be] --

Have you finished going
 thro' that Sketch of Report
 you sent me? --

Or is there to be any
 farther discussion upon
 the body of the Report?

And what are your main
 recommendations? --

I am quite sure that Mr.
 Villiers would not
 oppose any Bill of Mr.
 Hardy's, even tho' it were

f24

only an instalment provided
 it were but of the
 right sort --
 But I have not the least
 hope that it *will* be
 of the right sort.
 And my only hope is
 that Ministers will
 go out --
 ever yours
 F.N.

Burn.

f25 DG to FN 26 Jan 1867 re appendix, Gathorne Hardy has asked the PL committee to dine with him!!!!, don't know what that portends, knows nothing of his intended scheme

f27 DG to FN 29 Jan 1867, T. Watson tells him er paper on nurses puzzles him and he can't understand it!!! (Don't tell him I told you so) he proposes to append it to our report

initialed letter, ff30-31, pen, black-edged blue paper

f30

Private Jan 29/67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have heard nothing
 from Sir Watson about
 this paper, which went
 in on Friday night.
 By Dr. Sutherland's
 advice, I send a copy
 to you & one to Dr.
 Acland (not to any
 one else.)

You won't get a
 poor fellow, like me,
 into trouble, now,
 will you? -- if this is
 irregular.

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You have not dined
 with Mr. G. Hardy
 yet, because you
 are alive. Is it
 a dinner à la
 Borgia, that none
 of you may live to
 tell what your
 Instructions were?

f31

*Please tell me any
 thing you hear as
 to what Mr. G.
 Hardy's scheme is.*

The more I hear of it,
 the less I like it.
 But I don't hear
 much --
 ever yours
 F.N.

signed letter, ff32-35, pen and pencil, black-edged blue paper

f32

Burn Jan 30/67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W [16:715]

My dear Capt Galton
 Could you find the
 time to read the enclosed
 about the *Derbyshire*
Infirmary from Mr.
 F. Wright -- & counsel
 me what to do --
 for this reason that
 Dr. Sutherland told me
 that Lord Belper had
 told you &c &c &c
 From the very confused
 account that Dr. S.

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gave me of what you
 did (or did not) say,
 combined with the
 information in this
 letter: --

["Chinese Metaphysics" --
 look out Article "China"
 & Article "Metaphysics"
 in Cyclopaedia -- and
 "combine your information"]

I opine: -- that the Strutt
 faction, headed by
 Ld Belper, have
 combined to upset

f33

the resolutions passed at
 a General Meeting
 that it is Mr. Wright &
 I plus one or two
 others -- against the
 Strutts --
 that Mr. Wright wants
 me now to drag him
 thro', *if I can*.
 & that Derby will have no Infirmary.
 Now it is not the
 question with me
 whether the Strutt
 faction has been
 factious --
 Whether Mr. Wright -- is
 right & Ld Belper
 wrong

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But what he asks me
to do is simply
impossible for me,
(if the above version
is correct according to
you.)

I can't drag a good
County Infirmary thro',
against the will of
the County.

If a General Committee
chooses to ask me my
opinion, I will
give it as well as I
can.

If not, not.
However good the man,
I can't be made his

f34

backer to help him
to fight the County,
on the turf of my
opinion, [Mr. Wright is
in a mess & feels he is so.]
& wants me to help him out.

2. When does your
Workhouse Committee
meet again?

Have you heard anything
of Mr. Hardy's scheme?

I devoutly hope that
Ministers will be out
in a fortnight.

3. I will send back
your *Linen* Tormentors
to morrow. It

f34v

seems to me that our
 admirable friend,
 Dr. Sutherland, & Mrs.
 Shaw Stewart -- both
 of Celtic blood, -- are
 much of the same
 complexion -- There
must be a debateable
 ground, which they
 so much esteem &
 admire, for the dear
 delight of getting up
 a "row" upon.

Whereas a respectable
 old female, like me,
 who goes plodding
 on, they *snub*.

[end]

f35

ever yours

F. Nightingale

I forgot to ask:

are you alive? --
 what was Mr. G.
 Hardy's culinary
 entertainment?

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Also:

when people don't
 want water -- they
 don't work the
 pump.

Mr. G. Hardy does
 not wish for water.

Therefore your Committee does not meet.

{`does not meet' WRITTEN SIDEWAYS ALONG FOLIO}

f36 DG to FN black-edged 30 Jan 1867, returns Wright letter, some think
 Wright has taken too much upon himself

initialed letter, ff38-39v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f38

Private Feb 6/67

P.L. Committee

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have received a splendid acknowledgment from Sir Watson, both public & private, for my paper.

[I was too old a cove to tell him that he had said it was "unintelligible"]

You did not tell me that you had a meeting on Monday.

Is your Report finally settled? --

But what I write

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for now is: --

Mr. Hardy brings in his Bill on Friday -- (at least, he moves for leave) --

Dr. Sutherland is very anxious I should send a copy of my paper privately *direct* to Mr. Hardy *to-day*.

I don't feel very eager to do this. It won't modify the Bill. And he might take something out of my paper, if anything, to

f39

strengthen his wrong
 tack
 (We guess what his tack
 is: --
 Principles -- none
 Details -- beastly.
 But I'm willing to be
 guided by you --
 I'm agreeable.
 If you could send
 me an answer
immediately by hand,
 I shall be much
 obliged *as to what*
you advise (you
 who know what your
 Commee: did on Monday --)
 me to do with regard to Mr. Hardy.

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And please tell me
what it did at the
 meeting.
 I will send my
 messenger at 2 o'clock
 for your reply, if
 you are so good.
 Confound Ministers
 are they going to
 stay in? --

ever yours
 F.N.

initialed note, f40, pencil, black-edged blue paper

f40

Feb 6/67

P. L. (c space) 35 South Street, {printed address:}
Committee Park Lane,
----- London, W.

For the answer, please,
about Mr. Hardy
to the note I sent
an hour ago.
F.N.

f41 DG to FN, black-edged WO, feels not to send paper 6 Feb 1867

signed letter, ff43-44, pen, black-edged blue paper

f43

Private Feb 14/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton
A complaint is being
very forcibly urged
that, in your new Army
Regulations Vol I., 1866 --
in dealing with the Army
Med: Dep: -- the compiler
has inserted the "style"
of *Surgeon Major* as
a separate "rank".

If this is the case,
it literally cuts up
the Warrant of 1858.

And a complaint is

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also strongly urged
that, instead of the
Warrant of 1858 being
obeyed in regard to
progressive advantages,
after a man has
been specially promoted
from the rank of
Assistant=Surgeon to
Surgeon for food service,
the Department is so
worked that the man
promoted gets no more
than his promotion,
& that seniority steps in,

f44

& places all the inferior
men over him. If
this be really so, it is
contrary to the entire
spirit of the Report
of the R. Commission
& the intention of the
Warrant of 1858.

ever yours
F. Nightingale

initialed letter, ff45-45v, pen, black-edged blue paper

f45

Private Feb 23/67
 35 South Street,
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

Making "Surgeon Major" into a rank

My dear Capt Galton
 Can nothing be done
 to stay the evil of this
 course about making
 the "style" of *Surgeon=Major*
 a rank?

In its working, it will
 be disastrous to the
 service.

There was no boon
 in making it a rank
 but an immense injury.

If you cannot put

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a stop to it -- you will
 have first, incessant
 complaints -- then
 you will have out=cry --
 then you will have
 falling off of men
 for no one would
 enter a service
 whose very foundation
 is bad faith, & in
 which they might see
 that no man's interest,
 was secure.

ever yours F.N.

signed letter, ff46-47, pen, black-edged blue paper

f46

Private March 8/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

Making Surgeon - Major

a "rank" instead of a "style".

My dear Capt. Galton

You will remember
at my request, sending
me a Memo on this point

I send you a
"confidential" letter of
Longmore's on the case.

Please consider it
"confidential" & return
it to me.

What can be done? --

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Would the new S. of S. set

an enquiry on foot (on
a Minute paper) to
ascertain what the
bearing of the change

-- of making "Surgeon=
Major" a rank

instead of style --

would be on the
operation of the Warrant?

Should not this
be seen to, before the
proposed new Warrant
is out? -- ever yrs

F.N.

f47

Could you tell me
what will or might
be done now about
{`now' IS TRIPLE UNDERLINED}
the appointment
of the new D. G.
now due?

F.N.

signed letter, ff48-49v, pen and pencil, blue paper

f48

MRS. TRENCH March 9/67 [14:1023-24]

wants a *Civil appointment* 35 South Street,
 for her son Park Lane,
 in a *Government Office* London, W.

{`35 South Street,
 Park Lane,
 London, W.' PRINTED LETTERHEAD}

My dear Capt Galton

 Could you tell me
 what to do? --

 I don't know whether
 you recall the circumstances
 --Surgeon (Dr.) Trench
 was one of the best
 Medical Officers in the
 Army. His labours
 at the General Hospital
 at Scutari were known
 to all. He then had

f48v

very hard work at
 Malta, receiving Invalids
 He was named for
 one of the Professorships --
 but died, (in consequence
 of Crimean War fatigues)
 before 1860.

I took great pains to
 recommend the case
 of the widow & children
 to the Patriotic Fund
 who Commissioners, who
 behaved most liberally

f49

to them

Can you kindly suggest
 anything to me that
 I could do, with
 regard to this
 appointment which
 she Mrs. Trench desires for her
 son? -- in a Govt Office --

ever yours sincerely
 F Nightingale

I ought perhaps to add that
 Dr. Trench like Surgeon-Major
 Matthew, was of quite a

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different type of men from
 the ordinary run -- more
 of the type of Longmore &
 Muir -- equally fitted to be
 a Medl Professor or
 Medl Officer -- more of
 the class of mind of
 Mr. Paget, of St. Bartholomew
 than one usually meets

F.N.

[end]

initialed letter, f50, pencil

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Private March 9/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton
Your Proofs A & your
Proofs Y are dreadful.

And I have been
engaged without
intermissions since
"Feb 22" in trying to
make $Y = A$

But it won't:
can't help it

They have gone off on
score on a wrong
principle

ever yours FN

signed letter, ff51-53, light pencil

f51

Burn March 14

35 South Street {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear *Capt Galton*

Do tell me the "outs" & the
"ins" of the Malta expedition
of Dr. Sutherland.

After *not* telling me
yesterday afternoon, he
appears this morning (when
he had told me not to
expect him - so that I
could not prepare the work)
& says he can do nothing
for he is going to Malta on
Saturday & will not be
back for a month.

f52

If it is necessary, I have nothing to say against it.

You don't know, I dare say, that we (you & I) have "cost the State 20 millions" & have "put back the "Sanitary cause 20 years" by not letting him (Dr. S) "go to Gibraltar & Malta "last spring."

But, I am told it every day.

About *this* Malta going now: -- it is the most inconvenient thing (the Algerian Expedition) &) this, taking place between January & August If *this* could only have taken

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place during April when in the Easter recess it would be less inconvenient

Our Indian work (with Sir J. Lawrence has never recovered that ill-fated Algerian absence.

Nor has the Metropolitan Poor Bill. But -- And now Mr Hardy has given us this wretched baboon of a thing.

But if you tell me the Malta Expedition now directly is necessary, I'm your man only I wish I could have known it 12 hours sooner --

ever yours
F Nightingale

signed letter, ff54-55v, pen, blue paper

f54

March 16/67

35 South Street, [15:477-78]

Park Lane, {printed address:}
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I am in trouble --
both about the India thing
& the Metropolitan Poor Bill.

I wish the Government
would go to Timbuctoo.

But that is not at present
the question.

What is the question is: --
Of course you have seen the
Notice of Motion.

Tuesday 19 March

Sir George Stuckley (who is
Sir G. Stuckley

"what is name & date of appointments
of Civilian Member of Army
Sanitary Comm: Vote 17 --
Why, with his travelling expenses,

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"he is to receive £1200 per annum: --
[I did not know you put it down
so, altho', of course, it is best so --
I thought it was £3.3 per diem]

"And, why an Army Medical Officer
cannot perform the duties
required from such Civilian
Practitioner."

Of course this is Dr. Sutherland.
Of course, (tho' the man worries
the very soul out of my body,)
we can't do without him.

It is nonsense to say *what*
"Army Med: Off:," *what* Civilian
Med: Off: could do his work?
Look at the wretched work
of Simon at the Privy Council
Office.

Look at the enormous absurdities

f55

of the Cattle Plague Report -
 Look at those in your own
 Cubic Space Committee (your
 Report has only just reached
 me)

I think "Civilian Practitioners"
 & "Army Medical Officers" all
 cut off the same piece, all
 except Dr. Sutherland -- (tho'
 he does make me shed
 soul's blood.)

But -- what is to be done? --
 I presume, as Genl Peel
 thanked him for his
 Gibraltar Report, he would
 defend him.

Ld Stanley fully appreciated
 his work on the India R.
 Sanitary Commn.
 Sir H. Verney would say anything

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we liked.

Who will answer on Tuesday?
 Sir J. Pakington? --
 What line of defence do you
 advise? --

Shall I ask Ld Stanley? --
 The Army Sanitary Comm: would
 be literally nothing now
 without Dr. Sutherland.

How *could* the India work
 be done without him? --

Pray advise
 Your ill-used howling friend
 F. Nightingale

[end]

initialed letter, ff56-57, pen, blue paper

f56

Dr. Sutherland March 20/67

v. *Sir G. Stucley* 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I send the enclosed
 (which please return)
 merely to know whether
 you have any thing to
 suggest.

[9:566]

The letter of Sir John
 Lawrence (which Sir
 H. Verney alludes to) ~~was~~ is
 one, just received, which
 I showed Sir H. V. quite
 casually. Sir J. Lawrence

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mentions that their Army

Mortality was only 20.11 per 1000 -- in
 1866

" " 24.24 -- in 1865

Sir H. Verney said this
 would tell very much
 in the House, in Dr.
 Sutherland's favour.

I always feel nervous
 about this kind of use,
 because of course, India
 will say that Dr. Sutherland
 & his Commission have
 nothing to do with it --
 (the decrease of mortality) --

f57

tho' I think it perfectly
legitimate to use such
an argument, IF it
will tell in your
favour for only 24
hours.

What do you think?

[end 9:566]

ever yours
F.N.

I am very sorry that
Marianne is so unwell.

initialed letter, ff58-59, pen, blue paper

f58

Surgeon Major March 20/67
rank 35 South Street,
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you the enclosed
merely to read & return
please.

It is always as well
to know how these things
tell.

Is Dr. Logan appointed
D. G.? And where is
Muir?

You could not give me

f58v

a copy, could you, of Col:
Reilly's Prussian Army
Campaign Report,
which Longmore mentions,
could you? --
ever yours
F. N.

f59

I hope to see Evelyn,
if she still desires it,
 and *if* she is in London.
 I will, with your &
 Marianne's permission,
 write her an invitation
 some day this week or
 next to coffee at 3.30.
 But, alas!, a beautiful
 little animal I wanted
 to show her is dead

signed letter, ff60-61, pen, blue paper

f60

Private March 31/67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 You never answered my
 question about Dr. Muir
 & the Sanitary branch.

It seems to have
 occurred to a great many
 people that the best
 way to remedy the
 fiasco of Logan's appoint
 ment would be to have
 Dr. Muir there.

I enclose you a
 letter I have just had

f60v

from Longmore, which
 please return to me
 at your leisure.
 I hope that Marianne is
 better.

I have been very sorry not
 to be able to invite Evelyne
 But I hope it is only put
 off. My father is here
 now & takes up all my
 spare strength. And
 before that I was so poorly

f61

with this unconscionably
 late winter.
 And all my cats died of
 the Cat-tle plague; -- they
 were distinguished cats,
 which I wanted to show
 Evelyne --
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, f62, pen, blue paper

f62

April 10/67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

In preparation for sending
 this unique bird to Owen,
 I send it to you --

Can you tell me of any
 Institution such as she desires
 to leave money to usefully? --

Please return me the
 enclosed. I shall have
 it framed & glazed.

I believe I may say, like
 Mr. Peabody, that, if I had
 answered considered, or even
 read the applications to me
 for money, it would have
 taken 10 whole years. This
 is the first offer to *give*
 money I ever had

ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff63-66, pen & pencil, blue paper

f63

May 7/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London,

My dear Capt Galton

I have not seen the
Transport Committee Report,
except for five minutes

Please send it me.

I have only seen what I
suppose to be the Preliminary
Report. And therefore you
will look upon this as a
Preliminary Note, (like
Lord Stanley on the Tornado.)

n It appears now that you
have two schemes before you: --
1. the Committee's schemes
which so far as I understand,
would make each branch
of the administration

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complete in itself, as we did
 with the Army Medical &
 Purveying Depts
 But, instead of leaving the Depts
 independent of each other,
 they would make them each
 a complete branch under
 its own sub=Head -- and
 the whole under a Controller
 Genl at the W. O.

2. our old original scheme
 drawn up after the Report
 of Sir Jas: Graham's Ho: of C.
 Commee.

This scheme has certain things
 in common with the Transport
 Cee scheme -- but in its central
 idea it differs materially.

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We proposed in the first place
 to deal with each of the
 Depts, as we had done with
 the A. M. D. & Purvs Dept
 i.e. to make each Dept
 practically complete in its
 working details from its
 humblest Clerk up to its
 administrative head.

Next, we proposed to leave
 certain details of administration
 entirely in the hands of each
 Dept.

Then, we proposed to deal
 with questions of a doubtful
 character where a higher
 decision was required -- by
 giving to each head a Portfolio --
 which he would bring up to
 the S. of S. for War at certain
 fixed hours & days: on
 which the S. of S. could meet

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all, or a certain number,
of the Heads of Departments.
Each Head would then open
his Portfolio, state his questions,
give explanations, or call forth
information from the Heads
of other branches. The S. of S.,
thus informed, would then
minute his decision.

The advantage of Scheme 1. is: --
that the Head or Controller
Genl would be permanent &
responsible to the S. of S.
direct.

The disadvantage would be
that, if the Controller Genl
were inefficient, the whole
machinery might fall to
pieces in war. All
centralized administration

f65

must necessarily rest on the
efficiency of the Agents. The
French succeed so long as
they have money. Could
we depend on getting equally
good men for our money.
This is really the question.

The advantage of Scheme 2 is: --
that each independent head
of a Dept would be, so to
speak, pitted against every
other head in the matter
of efficiency and there
would be a general
emulation among them
not to appear ignorant &
stupid when they came
before the S. of S. They would
have much more administrative

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liberty & consequently more
 personal responsibility,
 simply because they could
 not move the responsibility
 higher up

The disadvantage would be
 that the S. of S. is a "moveable
 body, according to the likes
 or dislikes of the Ho: of C.

With either scheme, however,
 much, of course, will depend
 upon the men -- A bad
 scheme & good men being
 much better than a good
 scheme & bad men.

I leave you with these points
for to consider;
 Send me the Report I ask for.

f66

And I will write you a Treatise
 in 39 points, if you like it.
 [If I can get back a letter,
 which I wrote "by desire" to
 a Seminary (about Xmas)
 on this subject drawn,
 I suppose from the
 "consciousness" of my innermost
 "Ich" as to facts, I will
 send you the substance of it]

Of course, if you finally
 adopt the plan of the
 Transport Cee, you will resolutely
 avoid the weaknesses,
 unreasoning despotic
 method of proceeding,) of
 the French Intendance.
 They cannot avoid them.
 You might.
 ever yours, most truly
 F. Nightingale

note, ff67-67v, pencil

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Confidential

You cannot think how
I deplore the exclusion
of *Muir* from the
A. M. D. -- It is our
last chance gone --
I saw, a few days ago, a
letter from *Muir* -- saying
just what we should
have said ourselves --
(as to *Sidney Herbert's*
reforms --) & his desire
to remedy the neglect
into which they have
fallen
at the same time.

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congratulating himself
on his exclusion &
consequent exemption
from worries &
fruitless efforts
[Personally, I am wholly
unacquainted with
Muir -- & he does not
even know the part
I have taken.]

signed letter, ff68-71v, pen, blue paper

f68 {archivist: Important}

Private May 28/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I want to consult you about **[9:566-68]**
our Indian affairs, which
are "getting as drunk as they
can be".

I divide our misfortunes
into two parts: --

1. the non=foundation of
any Public Health Service,
which remains, so far as I
know, exactly in the state
that Lord de Grey left it
on the fatal 18th of June
last year -- (You will remember)
Despatch still unanswered.
'That is "same drunk, Massa,
same drunk".]
2. the present absolute

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confusion & want of responsibility
in everything that is done
in India as to details in
Sanitary matters.

They don't take the advice of
their own Sanitary Commissions
-- they don't take the advice
of yours at home.

Part.

1. I have spoken to Dr. Sutherland
over & over again about it.

I regret more than any thing
that I have ever done or not
done in all my life that,
for the last year, except,
of course, in private
correspondence with Sir

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John Lawrence, Mr. Ellis & others.

I have not attempted to do anything -- about this P. Health Service
 Sir John Lawrence's time is up in another 18 months
 And then we shall be able to do nothing.

Dr. S. always says: -- why Sir John L is the chief offender.

That is nonsense.

Sir John L. is not aware of the consummate importance of a responsible Public Health Service.

But *everything* that has been done in India *at all* for us in the Sanitary line has been done by him & *by him alone*

The reason why I have done

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nothing at home During the last year in this has been that I have always been told: -- "oh Tories will be out in another 6 weeks -- wait till then"

But Tories are not going out. And Sir J. Lawrence *is* (in 1 ½ years.)

You know how Dr. S. is. When he is doing Malta, Malta contains the world. And the world moves round *himself*

Yesterday, I told Dr. S. that I meant to wait no longer -- but that, after due consultation with you & with him, I intended to do something -- the more so as I have been strongly advised to ~~apply to~~ communicate with Sir J. Northcote direct. Do you know him well? --

f70

Part. [2]

2.

What I want you to do is to
 give me a locus standi,
 which Ld Stanley did give
 me with Ld Cranborne, (but
 which I have lost by this
 long delay)

And what I want to consult
 you about is how this had
 best be done.

Part.

2.

It appears that papers come
 to your Commission, (but which
 don't come to me,) reversing
 all the judgments not only
 of the R. Commission, not
 only of your Commission but
 of their own Presidency
 Commissioners
 (e.g. soldiers & sick are to
 sleep on ground floors
 doors & not windows are
 to be used in construction

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And that these judgments are
 obtained by sending the
 fools cap all over India
 to see whom it will fit
 when of course it fits a
 great many & then the
 opinion of the majority
 of fools is taken.

The next verdict you give will
 be sent to the Deccan -- &
 somebody's opinion in the
 Deccan will be taken.

[Good tack if I were only
 to do my Nurse=training
 business in that way,
 where would it be?)

It occurred to me that, if Dr.
 S. would immediately see
 the Sub-Committee called
 (on these last papers) -- if

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you would then write me a
 letter about them (as
 assists S. of S.) & send me
 me the papers? And if I were
 to write to Sir J. Lawrence?
 [That would give me a locus standi.]

Part

1. Still, important as this is,
 it is not so important as
 the total want of organization
 of any Public Health Service
 in India.

And I wanted to ask you: --

i. do Ministers stay in till
 next year?

ii. should I make a
 statement of the case, taking
 it up where Ld de Grey
 left it last year -- & bring
 it before Ld Stanley? --

I know he will only
 refer me to Sir S.

Northcote.

Or iii -- would you introduce

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me at once to Sir S. Northcote
 & advise me to write to him
 direct? -- [*I don't know him at all*]

The Council of India in
 India & the Council of India
 at home are awful mistakes.
 [Sir J. Lawrence is constantly paralysed
 by *his* Council] **[9:568]**

ever yours

F. Nightingale

Signed letter, f72, pen, blue paper

f72

Private India May 30/67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Many, many thanks for
 your letter about Sir S. Northcote.
 I think I shall accept both
 (as children do)

And as soon as the Sub=
 Committee can be got on
 the obnoxious India
 papers, draw up my
 "Statement" for Sir S. N.
 & then write to you for
 your help.

ever yours
 F. Nightingale

JS note, f73, pencil, JS hand

f73

{archivist: June 1867}
 {sideways in top left corner:} *Capt G.*
 It has then come to
 this - that after all these
 years of painful almost
 hopeless work, that we are
 held up in the Times of the 7th to know of the 7th as having
 done nothing for sick & wounded men. This
 statement has shocked & scandalized me. If
 it be wrong could you not get Delane to
 contradict it. If it be right, what are we to
 do. Should you not at once put it into
 Longmore's hand for enquiry & report, & if true
 should you not without loss of an hour get the
 defects remedied. It cannot rest here.

signed letter, ff74-75, pen, blue paper

f74

Private &

Confidential June 10/67 [15:588]

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have heard a good deal, directly & indirectly, of our Military Hospital display at the Paris Exhibition, including a Royal Princess' opinion.

And it: has come to this that, after all these years of painful, almost hopeless, work, we are justly held up in the "Times" of the 7th, as having done nothing for sick & wounded men. This statement has shocked and scandalized me. If it be wrong could you not get Delane to contradict it. If it be right, what are we to do. Should you not at once put it into Longman's hand for enquiry & report. & if true should you not without loss of an hour get the defect removed. It cannot rest here. [end]

Signed letter, ff74-75, pen

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Private &

Confidential June 10/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have heard a good deal, directly & indirectly, of our Military Hospital display at the Paris Exhibition, including a Royal Princess' opinion.

And it: has come to this that, after all these years of painful, almost hopeless work, we are justly held up in the "Times" of the 7th, as having done nothing for sick & wounded

When I say justly, I mean

f74v **{on left}**

unjustly, for nothing can be more absurd than the "Times" statement. It is not a "Red Cross" Society which will help us. For that is of no earthly good but to get together good models, & exhibit them.

However, something should be done.

If the "Times" is wrong, could you not make Mr. Delane contradict it? --

If it is right, what are we to do? --

f75 **{on right}**

Could you not at once put
it into Mr. Longmore's hand
for enquiry & report? --

And, if true, should you not,
without loss of an hour,
have the defects remedied?

It cannot rest here
ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

Could you kindly send me

[9:569]

Sir Bartle Frere's address
in London -- and *what*
to call him?

Is he a Right Honble?

Is he already a member of
the India Council here? --

[end 9:569]

F.N.

signed letter, ff76-77v, pen, blue paper

f76

June 16 {archivist: 1867}

(What a June!)

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London, W.

My dear Capt Galton

Can you tell me anything
about this "Domus Dei"? Is
it a thing one ought to subscribe
to? Have they not got a good
Garrison Chapel at Portsmouth?

The Knights Hospitallers
were great rascals -- And this
(Archdeacon) Wright caught
the horses of this dead on the
field of the Tchnernaya, &
sold them again.

Please return me his note

ever yours

F. Nightingale

Thank you for the Red Cross

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Society information. I will
return your minute.

2. I have seen Sir B. Frere. He [9:571-72]
came here on Friday by his
own appointment. And we
had a great talk. He
impressed me wonderfully
more than any Indian I
have ever seen, except Sir
J. Lawrence. And I seemed
to learn more in an hour
from him upon Indian
administration & the way
it is going than I did
from Ellis in 6 months,
or from Strachey in 2 days.

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or from Indian Council,
(Secretaries of State & R.
Commissioners & all,) in 6
years.

I hope Sir B. Frere will be of
use to us.

I have not yet applied to you
to put me in communication
with Sir J. Northcote. Because
why? -- your Committee
won't sit. It won't sit on
Monday, because Monday
is Whitmonday. And
Tuesday is Whit Tuesday
And Wednesday is Ash
Wednesday. And Thursday
is Ascension Day. And
Friday is Good Friday. And
Saturday is the Drawing-room

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-- And Sunday is Sunday
 And that's the way that
 British business is done
 Now you are come back,
 you must send for the
 police & make them the Committee do
 something. As for Sutherland,
 I never see him. Malta
 is the world. And Gibraltar
 is the next world." And
 India is that little island
 in the Pacific, like Honolulu.

However, I think perhaps
 we start at a fresh
 advantage now with Sir
 B. Frere -- only pray brush
 up your Committee. Because
 we can't really do anything
 till your Commee gives us
 the locus standi.

[end 9:572]

F.N.

signed letter, ff78-78v, pen, blue paper

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488 June 17/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I return your Minute
 with many thanks about
 the Red Cross Society.

It is very well that
 this appointment has been made --

And when Mr. Longmore
 has returned & has
 reported, it will be very
 well if something could be
done as well as written,
 about training the Army
 Hospital Corps with its
 machinery.

Because the mere
 reporting is, of course, no

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answer to what the "Times"
 says of our defects.
 In ten days, a couple of
 energetic men could
 thoroughly organize a system
 of training the Army
 Hospital Corps, if it is not
 already done.

Believe me

ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

I was aware that Mr. Longmore
 had been sent to Paris
 He wrote to me from
 thence about 10 days ago.

f79 DG to FN embossed WO 24 June 1867

note, f81, pencil

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Capt Galton

[archivist: Draft of letter 24th June 1867]

I have gone over the paper you sent to me
 And it contains administrative points of so
 very serious a character that I should have
 to communicate with the India Office upon
 the general question raised by it.

The paper refers to the ventilation of B &
 H

I have to do specially with H. And I
 object in toto to the decision of the India Govt

The point now is -- in what way I
 could make use of this paper with Sir S.N.

Could you get it referred to me for
 opinion on the H. question?

Sir P. Benson Maxwell is in England. He called
 her & asked me to appoint a day to see him

signed letter, ff82-87, pen and pencil, blue paper

f82

Private June 24/67

35 South Street, {printed address}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt Galton

I send back the India [9:571-74]
 papers, for which I am
 very much obliged.

They are very important
 -- I think the most important
 we have had as shewing
 a principle.

The papers say this: --
 we, the Govt of India,
 intend to conduct our
 Sanitary administration
 on the principle of
 universal suffrage And
 this is the first fruits of
 it.

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If you look at the authorities
 consulted, you will see: --

1. Local governments
2. " Sanitary Commissions
3. " Medical authorities
4. " Military "
5. " Public Works Officers
6. " Committees

Then comes a Summary
 of Local Authorities
 Then, the conclusions of the
 Govt of India.
 You will see that, by adding

(Number 2) ye "Sanitary Commissions",
 we have simply added
 another element of
 disunion & uncertainty
 we have committed an

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immense blunder & mistake

The Govt consults Nos 3 and
2. Then it consults No 1 --
then No 4, which is worse --
Not satisfied with this,
it must consult Nos 5
and 6. And then the
foolscap has been sent
all round And even then
it does not appear to
decide by the majority of
fools heads.

Could we have the least
idea that this was the
way business was done,
or rather not done?

If we had, we should
have seen our (Presidency)

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Sanitary Commissions, a
long way first, before
we would have recommended
them (just to spoil the broth a
little more with another cook).

Sir Bartle Frere was so good
as to give me some
conversation on this very
point of administration
Nothing will ever do any
good until (if they must
work by Presidencies and
Governments,) each
administrative authority
has its own Budget & its
own responsibilities with
an inspection from the
supreme Government
But this manner of referring

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& referring & referring, is vile -- And, if they had framed a procedure to hinder work, instead of to do it, they could not have invented anything better.

But the question is: --

what are we to do? --

You were so good as to say that you would forward any statement of mine to Sir S. Northcote with an introduction from yourself. And I could also get a double -- backing from Ld Stanley
 Dr. Sutherland is so very etiquette-ish that he says

f84v

"but how are you to have seen these papers?"

I don't know. It seems to me that the cat has been out of the bag so long that it is no use tying the strings (or untying them) now. Both Sir J. Lawrence & Ld Stanley know what my share of the business has been. [And both think that I see a great many more of the papers than I do see -- now.] If Ld Stanley speaks for me at all to Sir S. Northcote, he will speak in this sense, as he did to Ld Cranborne.

However, Dr. Sutherland *will* have it that I must write

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to you to ask for the papers
to be referred to me or,
at least, for a letter of
yours to me, not "forwarding"
them but formally referring
them to me

I have to write to Sir J. Lawrence
on Wednesday. And, Dr.
Sutherland will have it
that *otherwise* I must say I saw
this paper "*confidentially*" --
I don't mind --

[I will say that "Broadhead,
of Sheffield", gave me
"£ 15" to steal it & to
blow you up, if you like it.
I'm your man.]
Only, what will you have
me do? --

f85v

The point is: -- in what
way I could make use
of the paper with Sir
S. Northcote? --

Dr. S says: --

the paper refers to the
ventilation of Barracks
& Hospitals.

I (F.N.) have to do
specially with Hospitals.
And I object in toto to
the decision of the India
Govt.

Could you (Capt. G.) get --
it referred to me (F. N.)
for opinion on the
Hospital questions?

I am quite agreeable to
whatever you may
decide. Only, I
am going ahead, & am

35 South Street, {printed address, upside down in corner:}
Park Lane,
London, W

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[3]

not going to wait for Dr.
Sutherland any more --
(not even for my £15
reward being "embezzled"
out of "Mr. Broadhead's
accounts.")

I should be rather glad if
you could let me hear
tomorrow -- or, if you
would let me have the
papers back to morrow,
just for one day -- for my
letter to Sir J. Lawrence -

I did nothing with Ld
Cranborne & have lost a whole year -- which I
regret very much, But
I am not going to
regret bygones now --
only to say that I think

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we have a new standing
point now, & must
go ahead --

I believe they have a Sub=
Committee at the W. O. on
Friday on these papers --
I wish you would attend
it -- & say your say --
[Then, if you chose & if you
think it needful, you
might have it referred
to me, as Dr. Sutherland
proposes -- But I don't mind]

[end 9:574]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f87

I shall claim your kind
 promise about Sir Stafford
 Northcote *any how*

F. N.

draft, f88, pencil [very faint], JS rough hand

f88

Capt Galton {archivist:} About 16 July 1867
 I propose to write to Sir S. Northcote in the
 strain of the enclosed. But before doing
 so I send it to you in order that
 we may all act together. We have
 thought it better to ask for a reconsideration
 of the whole subject on the basis of the
 Minute we drafted for Lord de Grey.

Will you kindly go over this draft
 & suggest any ~~further changes~~ changes
 or ~~addit~~ additional points which
~~will~~ may strengthen it. The more
 one thinks over it the more
 deplorable does it appear. Lord
 Stanley has promised to speak generally
 to Sir S.N. about the matter. ~~Wh~~
 Your subcommittee has decided ~~again~~
 unanimously against the Government of India
 You must get the General Committee
 to adopt the decision & send it to the India Office
 with as strong a letter as you can
 without doing mischief by rather reason} than zeal

signed letter, ff89-91v, pen, blue paper

f89

Confidential July 16/67
 35 South Street {printed address}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt Galton

Here is my letter or [9:578-79]
 rather a Draft of it to
 Sir S. Northcote at last.
 And I beg you to be so kind
 as to go over it & criticize
 it.

Lord Stanley I believe
 spoke to him on ~~Friday~~ Saturday.

My letter to Sir J.
 Lawrence has been gone
 nearly a month.

And therefore if we are
 to do anything with Sir S.N.,
 the sooner it is done, the
 better.

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If we are to do anything will
 depend mainly, I fancy, on
 whether you can get Sir S.N.
 to give his consideration to it.

I feel tolerably certain that
 nothing has been done
 with Ld de Grey's minute
 at the India Office --
 (you remember -- June 18,
 1866) Because I think
 I should have been quite
 sure to hear of it from
 Sir J. Lawrence -- For
 Sir J. L. has always written
 to me on these subjects, as
 e.g. `such & such a Despatch
 went from me Sir J. L., on
 such & such a date?

f90

If Sir S. Northcote does take me into consideration at all, I particularly wish that no blame to Sir J. Lawrence should be implied by me. Because *everything* that has been done for us has been done by Sir J. Lawrence himself --

However, I leave my letter for your criticism.

[I could not get Dr. Sutherland to do more than this.

You may take the horse to the water. But you can't make him drink. He had mounted his imagination to think that Ld Stanley would

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strike out a new plan of Public Health Service for us -- as if it were physically possible for a man at the Foreign Office to do that now -- Ld Stanley's letter to me was much more than I had expected -- instead of less.]

However, I only mention this, in case Dr. Sutherland should have spoken to you.

I think we all three think it better to ask for a reconsideration of the whole subject on the basis of the Minute we drafted for Ld de Grey. (June 18, 1866)
Will you kindly go over this

f91

my

Draft & suggest any changes
or additional points
which may strengthen it?

The more we think over it,
the more deplorable it
seems.

[Lord Stanley's promise on Friday was: -
that he would speak generally
to Sir S. Northcote about
the matter]

Your Sub=Committee has
decided unanimously
against the Government of
India.

You must make the General
Committee adopt the
decision, & send it to the
India Office with as
strong a letter as you can
without doing mischief

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by raising jealousies

But indeed every body
seems to me to be jealous
of somebody else.

And without exactly
knowing why, I think
Sir S. Northcote is jealous
of Ld Stanley's interfering.

[How different all that
used to be under Sidney
Herbert --]

ever yours

F. Nightingale

I hope in this recourse to Sir
S. Northcote as a last
hope. Hope was green &

the donkey ate it (that's me) **[end 9:579]**

signed letter, ff92-94, pen, blue paper

f92

CONFIDENTIAL July 24/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Your note of July 16 has **[9:579-80]**
been growing into a mustard
tree

1. I re-wrote my letter
to Sir S. Northcote in obedience
to your invaluable advice.

2. I have twice seen
Sir B. Frere, in consequence
of your hint to "make *him*
safe" -- because "the Council
are jealous."

He claims to be a connection
of yours.

[Except Sir J. Lawrence, I
have never seen any Indian
who impressed me so much.]

ever yours F. Nightingale

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He immediately took our
matter in hand -- ferreted
out Lord de Grey's Minute
(you remember) at the I. O.,
& what had been done
since -- [there have been
a Despatch on it from
Ld Cranborne & one from
Sir S. Northcote in April.
Neither has in the least
improved or even altered
our position.]

Sir B. Frere was of opinion
that my letter to Sir S.
Northcote should go in,
therefore, exactly as it
is now, as altered according
to your orders. [I shewed it

f93

him.]

He offered to take it with
him, & give it himself into
Sir S. Northcote's hands.

I thought it as well to
wait, for this reason: --
the famous "doors & windows"
paper is here --

this should go in from you
(with your Minute) to the
I. O., so that Sir S. Northcote
may, if he sends for it
(my letter is founded upon it)
be able to see it at once.

I shall see Dr. Sutherland
to morrow --

I shall send in then the "doors
& windows" paper to you,
(after he has suggested any
thing he wants to suggest)

And you will, I hope, aid
& abet me in my letter to

f93v Sir S. Northcote, in which

I have mentioned you
as fathering my letter. This
I shall send thro' Sir B. Frere, as I could not well
refuse your offer to take my letter himself)
although, "my son, my
beard is white", I feel
more hopeful now than
I have done for a year
past.

It is an immense thing
for us to have Sir B. Frere
"safe" for us on the
Council.

[If we could get a Public
Health Dept in the I. O.
to ourselves with Sir B. Frere
at the head of it, our
fortunes would be made.]

At all events, we have
now a certain channel,
both of information & of
support, at the I. O., in
him. Many thanks for the hint

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P. S. Sir B. Frere rather
wished me to send the
"doors & windows" paper
(WITH my letter) to Sir
S. Northcote thro' him.

But that would be
contrary to all order,
would it not?

F.N.

I think I shall
send my revised
letter to Sir S. Northcote
for you to look at again
to morrow, if you will be
so good. **[end 9:580]**

draft, f95, light pencil, prob JS hand, LM checked Oct 2005

f95

Capt Galton

Sir B. Frere whom I saw again yesterday ~~offered~~ **[9:580]**
renewed his offer to present the letter & I really
felt that I must give way & it is going to him
today. I have stated to Sir S. Northcote that
you would ~~speak~~ communicate to him on the subject. Which
you could very easily do in sending back the
Doors & windows paper. I have restricted my
letter solely to the administrative point & have
not said a word about your W.O.
Commission. I entirely agree with you
about this. **[end 9:580]**

signed letter, ff96-97v, pen and pencil, blue paper

f96 {PEN}:

Private July 26/67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

"Excuse haste & a bad pen" [9:585]

~~Yesterday~~ To-day my letter to Sir S.
 Northcote went in, under
 the patronage of Sir B. Frere,
 as amended by you.

I have been so immensely
 hurried about various
 things that I can only
 enclose to you a copy
 of what has gone in, &
 beg for your co-operation
 with Sir S. Northcote, as
 you kindly promised, & as I
 have stated in the *letter*

Please return me my
 copy. It is only sent to
 show you what has gone in

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I hope it will meet with
 your approbation.

Sir B. Frere renewed his
 offer to present the letter
 himself. And I really
 felt, with you, that I must
 accept.

If you would communicate
 with Sir S. Northcote at
 once, or on sending in the
 "doors & windows" paper,
 it would be very desirable.

I don't think you can
 justly accuse me of being
 too "sanguine".

[As for our having an I. O.
 Public Health Dept under

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Sir B. Frere, (if we ever could get
~~have~~ it, which we shall
 not) that would be the
 only way of really getting
 things referred to you for
 your opinion]

The moment I can, I will
 write you word what
 have been the
 intermediate Despatches
 between Lord de Grey's
 Minute & this time. And
 also what, if anything,
 comes of this.

ever yours sincerely
 (in great haste)

F. Nightingale

Mr. Ellis is "too much afraid"
 of me to come home, too

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"much afraid of me to be
 ill (what an exemplary
 man!) & is to be made
 "Chief Secy to Govt" (Madras)
 if I "permit".

This will help us much.

Ld Napier is inclined
 to give ~~him~~ us a Public
 Health Service, & to appeal
 to home about it.

Lady Napier is in England &
 brought me this word.

Dr. Macpherson is dead (Madras)
 Dr. Leith has been dying (in
 England) but is (this morning)
 better. He is Bombay Sanitary Commission.

F.N.

Burn

[end 9:585]

signed letter, ff98-99v, pen

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Private July 30/65 {archivist: 1867}
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you the enclosed [9:585-86]
 note, merely for you to
 see the exact position in
 which the matter is.

If I don't hear soon
 from Sir S. Northcote, I
 shall begin again, through
 you & thro' Sir B. Frere.

But I should like
 to be guided by you as
 to the time.

[I am afraid of pressing
 the matter while they
 have this fag end of the
 Reform Bill still in hand.]

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for fear of being forbidden
 to press afterwards.

Will you talk to Sir S.
 Northcote? --

Have you talked to Sir S.
 Northcote?

He *had not* seen Lord
 de Grey's Minute.
 That is India office all
 over.

I am told they are in a
 great fright about this
 Orissa affair -- & "really"
 think that "something"

f99

must be done (about
 Indian administration)
 which gives us a favourable
 opportunity.
 I have read the Missa papers
 Simplicity & direct action,
 these are the two things
 wanted. Hindoos are not
 English. And, even if they
 were, simplicity & direct
 action are two good things.
 Sir C. Beadon's defence is
 pitiable.
 But the fault is in the
 system of administration.
 The G. G. sits at Simla like
 a great hen & ~~sends~~ lets all
 his chickens scratching all

f99v

over India. And, if there
 is a grain of corn too deep
 for them to scratch up, he
 gives a dig with his claw
 to help them; -- that is all
 Ld Dalhousie & Ld Canning
 had made a step towards
 better administration.
 Ld Elgin let it all slip
 back.
 Sir J. Lawrence has struggled
 (in vain) against the
 dead weights around him. **[end 9:586]**
 Please send me back the
 enclosed.
 ever yours truly
 F. Nightingale

f100 DG to FN embossed WO 30 Jul 1867, returns her letter to SN

signed letter, ff102-v, pen, blue paper

f102

Private July 31/67
 {printed address:}35 South Street,
 Park Lane,
 London W.

My dear Capt. Galton

 Sir S. Northcote wrote **[9:586]**
 to me last night.

 I will send you his
 note & my answer
 (to criticize, please)
 if possible this afternoon

 But my reason for
 writing now is -- to
 ask you not to see
 Sir S. N. till you have
 seen these two letters.

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as he is all astray on
 one point -- and it
 would be important
 to us to reserve, (as
 a party reserves a
 debater,) you to answer
 him on this point **[end 9:586]**
 ever yrs truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff103-v, light pencil, blue paper

f103

Private July 31/67
 {printed address} 35 South Street,
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt Galton

I send you Sir S. Northcote's [9:586-87]
 note & my proposed answer

[A sentence of Dr. Sutherland's
 about the dreadful
 diseases caused by doors,
would come in (like King
 Charles the First) But
 I steadfastly resisted him
 We are getting so excited
 about doors. But we
 shall insist upon having
 (in "Registrar Genls List
 of Diseases") next after
 "Cholera," "Doors", but
 immediately before "Delhi
 Ulcers", (whom, poor fellows
 I do so miss after having

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seen them there for
 2 years off your
 Committee's List
 of Subjects)
 However tho' I have
 no doubt the men
 do die of "doors," I
 think they die more
 of something much
 worse than "doors."]

Orissa certainly did not die of "doors".

You will see that I have taken
 advantage of your hint about
 urging a Section of the
 Council being devoted to
 Health Matters.

I shall *not at all* mind
 re writing my letter,
 according to your criticism -

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(as I ought to have a copy of
my letter especially for
Sir B. Frere)

I do not propose showing
my letter to him before hand,
or sending it by him -
as there is mention of him
in it - unless you expunge it.
I would either send it by
you, if you advise it, or
direct by hand to Sir S
Northcote.

I am so busy - I saw a D.I.G.
from Madras, by Lady
Napier's particular desire.
And today I see a Parsee
from Bombay - by Sir B
Frere's - which makes
me incoherent.

ever yours truly
F Nightingale

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If you approve I propose to
send, ~~when~~ with this I send my letter
to Sir S. Northcote, a copy of
Sutherland's Algerian Report [end 9:587]

FN

f105 DG to FN embossed WO 31 July 1867, I think your letter is very good. shd
go in independently and form her direct

initialed letter, f106, pen, blue paper

f106

August 13/67

{printed address:} 35 South Street,
Park Lane,
London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

A *Capt Tulloch, R.E.* has [9:886]
been sent home by the
Madras Govt, to see
drainage, water supply
& other sanitary works
in England for India

He is an "advanced
Sanitarian."

He is coming to see you

Will you take care
that he sees

water supply, drainage &
irrigation at Aldershot,
Herbert Hospital,
Woolwich, Married Quarters,
a new Barrack} ever yours [end 9:886]
&c &c &c } F.N.

draft, f107, light pencil, JS hand

f107

Capt. Galton

I have seen Sir S.N. and the result is that there
will be a controlling & executive committee
at the India Office in these Sanitary matters
& your W.O. Committee will be the
Consulting body on Sanitary points. In any
conversation you have with Sir S. N. you
will know now how to proceed. He
proposes Frere, Anderson, Baker & Perry with
a Secretary. Their work will really be
introducing the elements of civilization
into India.

I also pressed strongly on him the necessity
of R.E.s going to India being acquainted
with drainage, water supply & sewage
irrigation works carried out here before
going to India. He said he would discuss
the matter with Ld Clinton [?] but you are
the person who can most expedite this
~~on~~ matter.

signed letter, ff108-11, pen

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CONFIDENTIAL August 22/67

{`CONFIDENTIAL' UNDERLINED FOUR TIMES}

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I saw Sir S. Northcote [9:596-97]
on Tuesday. He came of
his own accord which
I think I partly owe to
you.

The result is -- (that is,
if he does as he says) --
that there will be a
Controlling Committee at
the I. O. (for sanitary
things) with Sir B. Frere
at the head & Sir H.
Anderson at the tail
and your W. O. Comm: as
the consulting body.
[I suspect that you will

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get a great many more
references from Sir B.
Frere than you do at
present from Sir P. C.
As to the Public Health Service,
[I told Sir S. Northcote
that we want the
Executive Machinery in
India to do it -- & the
Controlling Machinery
at the I. O. to know
that it is being done.]
The work of the Controlling
Committee will really
be introducing the
elements of civilization
into India.

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Sir S.N. said something
about having Genl Baker &
Sir E. Perry on as members,
and an Assistant Secretary
to Sir H. Anderson

[I wish I could choose
the members as I did
in Sidney Herbert's
time]

But I have the greatest
faith in Sir B. Frere
and he asked me to
let him bring Sir H.
Anderson here. So we shall
have the Chairman & Secretary on our side
I liked Sir S. Northcote
but he appears to me
to have much the same
calibre of mind as Ld de

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Grey. He has none of the
rapid unerring perception
of Sidney Herbert
none of the power of
Sir J. Lawrence.
None of the power &
keenness of Sir B. Frere.
However, we have no time
for moralizing
When you see Sir S.
Northcote (he is
coming back to town
week after next)
please back me up
all you can tho' of
course, you will not
betray me.

f110 black-edged paper

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Sir S. Northcote talks
about "talking it all
over" with Ld Clinton
And that alarms me,
tho' of course it is necessary.
Who was Ld Clinton?
And does he know any
thing about it?

But my principal reason
for writing to you now
is this: --
I went as fully as I could
with him (Sir S. N.)
into this: -- that no
time should be lost in
sending R. Engineers
intended for service
in India to examine

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& make themselves
acquainted with
improvements in
sewerage}
drainage} of towns
water supply}
& in application of sewage
for agriculture
& with improvements in
Barrack & Hospital
construction &c &c
as carried out here.
Now, there is no one
but you who can
properly advise Sir
S. Northcote in this
matter Pray do so.

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Do you know Ld Clinton? --
Please destroy this letter,
when read & acted upon. **[end 9:597]**
ever yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff112-13, pen pale blue paper

f112

Private August 29/67

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
London. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

It seems to be a very
unnecessary thing for me
to be troubling you with
Suggestions about the
Abyssinian Expedition. But --

You know Sir. S. Baker
was a whole year in
Abyssinia & on the Atbara
& Blue (?) Nile before
he went his great
Expedition to the Albert
Nyanza And on his
return from that, did he
not come back the very

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way by Souakim (?) that
the troops are to go?
Have they consulted him?

Or would it be possible
to persuade him to
accompany the Expedition?

One would think a man
like that worth any money.

Major Ewart & Dr.
Paynter, who saw the French
way in Algeria of
managing these Expeditions,
tho' theirs are not of
half the difficulty that

f113 ours will be -- ought not they
to be of the Expedition?
What on earth does Massey
know? --

in great haste
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff114-15v, pen, blue paper

f114

Private 10 Nov./67
 35 South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Sir S. Northcote has [9:609]
 formally appointed his
 Public Health Committee at
 the India Office. And it
 will meet for the first time
 on Monday (tomorrow)

Sir B. Frere, Chairman
 Sir P. Cautley
 Genl Baker
 Capt. Eastwick
 Sir E. Perry

Sir H. Anderson, Secretary

I am afraid that you do
 not approve -- But I expect

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good work out of
 this Committee. The
 fact is: -- the irritation &
 jealousy (as regarded the
 W. O. Sanitary Commee) was
 so perpetual that we
 scarcely made any way
 at this end. Indeed we
 had come to a dead lock
 Sir B. Frere, who is
 completely above all that
 sort of thing: & who is
 very anxious to consult
 your Commee, instructed
 me how to proceed about
 it. And I think we shall
 be in a better position
 than before. We could

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hardly have been in a worse.

Sir B. Frere's Commee will keep a hand over the question in India, so that we shall now have official means of calling people to account & of reporting to Parliament.

I believe that Sir P. Cautley & Sir R. Martin will remain on your Commee as before. & that in future tho I. O. Commee will send formulated questions to you instead of papers-- In this way the grudge will be done away with.

The next thing is to reply as quickly as possible: --

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would you think well to have a standing Sub=Committee for Indian work, by whom these questions might be at once taken up -- and, as soon as the Sub=Committee had finished its Report, a General Commee might be called -- and the reply sent to the Ind: Off: at once?

ever yours

F. Nightingale

Is Col: Greathed put on the Council of Education? --

[end 9:609]

f116 abstract of 1867 [list of dates and subjects]

signed letter, ff118-18v, pen, blue paper

f118

Jan 25/68

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have received the enclosed
from Mr. Spottiswoode

Please to tell me what
I am to answer him.

Was not the printing of
Dr. Angus Smith's pamphlet
paid for by the W. O.?

Of course any surplus
should go to Dr. A. Smith,
(IF any.)

ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

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signed letter, ff119-21, pen blue paper

f119 FN to Capt Galton {archivist: FN to Capt Galton}

Col Wilbraham May 1/68 [15:177-78]
 {printed address} 35 South Street,
 Park Lane,
 London, W.

My dear Capt. Galton

 Tho' I can't say that you and
 I have wasted much of the Queen's
 time & paper on one another in
 the course of the last two years.
 yet I don't see what I *can*
 do with the (enclosed.)
 extraordinary letter from Col:
 Wilbraham but send it to
 you.

 I might make a yard of
 comments upon it. But I
 will only make a few inches.

 [A lawyer seeing this letter,
 coupled with the fact that
 Mrs. S. Stewart has never
 once to any of her friends
 breathed a word
 against Col. W., while

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he has filled the air
 with his complaints
 & to people who had
 as little to do with
 it as the Queen of
 the Sandwich Islands --
 would at once say
 that it was he & not
 she who ought to
 resign.]

[Of course I know of the "row" there
 has been at the W.O. -- And
 I have heard most of the
 particulars].

Refer to enclosed letter:

1. Col: Wilbraham's last letter
 to me about Mrs. S. Stewart
 was not only entirely `couleur
 de rose'. It was in the highest
 degree of complacency.
2. Col: W.'s mind has been
 constantly rankling on certain
 refusals of Mrs. S. S. to come

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to tea.

3. There have not been so many changes among the Nurses as there are in every Civil Hospital

The "none staying above a few months" is a flower of rhetoric -- disproved by the Reports.

4. I have heard a great deal of these "implorings" of "dying men" -- "implorings" to keep brandy bottles under their pillows & to have favourite -- friends (orderlies) to sleep with them [I am rather too old a bird to be taken in with this chaff]

5. This again is a flower of rhetoric: I have this moment seen letters from Dr. Maclean & others saying that the "Nursing is perfect". Do they mean that the cooking is "perfect" *in*

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spite of the cook?

P. S.

I have had for 3 weeks the Report & papers of Mrs. S. Stewart but have not had time even to glance at them.

Possibly now it may be vain to do so -- till this "row" is settled.

I must apologize for this delay. But as the papers came to me unaccompanied by any letter from yourself or Sir E. L., & as I was overdone with cares & business, (since the death of our Supt at the Liverpool Workhouse, I have had 7 or 8 hours a day writing additional)

I thought there was no hurry

And I put it off.

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[2.]

My advice to the W. O. is: --
Sentence

Order Mrs. S.S. to bed for
a week:

Order Col: Wilbraham, Dr.
Maclean, Dr. Anderson, Mr.
Longmore, & all those who
made the "row" in the ward,
to bed, for a week --
Then order them to kiss &
shake hands all round.

Could you return me Col: W.
in the course of the day? **[end 15:178]**
yours truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, f122, pen blue paper

f122

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
W. Oct 28/68

My dear Capt. Galton
I agree with Dr. Acland
Dr. Sutherland would be
the man to help them
I have no doubt he would
serve, if asked, on the
Commission in question
Yours very truly
F. Nightingale

initialed letter, ff123-24v, pen blue paper

f123

PRIVATE

35 South Street, Oct 28/68
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

Burn

My dear Capt. Galton

I don't retract what I say
 on the other sheet: But I
 think the Comm: in question
 a sheer waste of time -- that
 Dr. Sutherland will just
 be wasted in a minority
 of one -- & that we can't
 afford to lose his *time*

Take the men: --
 there is no "Engineer" but yourself who
 would be of any use on the Commission --
 Mr. Rawlinson is a most able man, but
 his temper unfits him for co-operation
 on a Comm.

{ABOVE FOUR LINES ARE WRITTEN ABOVE LETTERHEAD TO BE INSERTED HERE}

There is Sir S. Watson -- you
 know him. any very
 good old nurse would
 give a better opinion on
 Public Health questions --
 Mr. Paget -- he wrote to me
 2 or 3 weeks ago, telling

f123v

me he was to be on it -- &
 asking, while on it, to
 consult with me. He
 is a man of more than
 first rate ability, but with no
 knowledge on the subject.

Dr. Rumsey -- I have long
 known him by corresponding
 with him -- he is without
 exception the most
 wrong headed man I know,
 at practice, *not* at
 book-making.

Dr. Acland -- [here I am afraid
 I shall differ with both
 you & Dr. Sutherland] -- he
 is the fairest promiser,
 the (I will not say foulest)
 frailest most deceiving performer

f124

the world has ever seen [Long,
 long ago, when I was disposed
 to urge certain things about (*for*)
 him very much, poor S. Herbert
 told me this: I denied it.

How true I have found it
 since! --

I don't want to damp any body's
 zeal about this Commission,
 which would be an
 immense thing to do, IF
 DONE. But I find (I don't
 know whether you find) it
 more & more difficult to
 rouse Dr. Sutherland to do
 the work we have to do,
 (he has always some *pond* to dig in his garden)
 & I don't want to waste
 him on a hopeless task.
 Our India work is getting
 overwhelming. I have to
 see Lord Mayo this very day.

f124v

To Dr. Sutherland's want of
 readiness, just before
 Lord de Grey went out of
 office, I attribute most
 of our misfortunes. Had
 we struck that nail
 home in June 1866 in
 time, much would have
 been done that is not yet
 done -- & perhaps never may be
 done --
 ever yours
 F. N.

BURN {TRIPLE UNDERLINED}

signed letter, ff125-27v pen, blue paper with envelope, stamped, canc

f125

Private

35 South Street, Feb 1/69
 Park Lane {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I was very much obliged
 to you for your note of this
 morning.

Everything seems to me to
 be going *by the board* in
 these new Estimates

[I had four letters this
 morning upon the topic of
 reductions, Army Med: School,
 &c -- which, between ourselves,
 I don't care much about
 except as shewing what a
 fight & perhaps what a
 fall we shall have]

About Dr. Sutherland & your note:

After a good deal of cogitation,
 I wrote a letter to Mr. Gladstone,

f125v

& enclosed it to Lord de Grey
 asking him simply to
 advise upon it: & to let
 me know -- This compromises
 him to nothing (which he does not like)
 You see, since Sidney Herbert's
 death, all that I have
 heard from Mr. Gladstone,
 has been an occasional
 kind intimation that
 he "should always
 remember my work with
 Sidney Herbert".

Mr. Cardwell I don't know --
 have not seen for 12 years.
 All the people are out of
 town by whom I could
 send a letter to either
 M. Cardwell or Mr. Gladstone.

f126

[As for poor dear Ly Herbert
 I believe I am saying less
 than the truth when I say
 that to send any message
 thro' her to either of Sidney
 Herbert's colleagues would
 be to ensure the thing *not*
 being done. And can
 you wonder at it? -- What
 Mr. Gladstone said once
 was: -- Has she not shewn
 that she did not really
 know anything about Sidney
 & his wishes & plans?]

If I were you, I should
 speak to Lord Northbrook --
 but about this of course
 you are a judge and I
 am not. Did he not
 say to you once that you
 might always call upon

f126v

him to defend Sidney

Herbert's plans? -- altho
he did not agree with him.

As for Mr. Lowe, it is vain
to appeal to him. ~~i.e. for~~
~~me~~

ever yours

F. Nightingale

It has occurred to me to
write to Ld Stanley who
in his queer way has
always stood by me --
But perhaps he is
antipathetic to Gladstone
?

Please burn.

envelope for preceding letter, f127

f127

{front of envelope}
Private

Capt. Galton &c &c
12 Chester Street
Belgian Square
S. W.

f127v

{back of envelope}
Feb. 14 1869

Signed letter with envelope, ff128-29, pen blue paper

f128

Private

35 South Street Feb 2/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

It is almost worth
 while to have been in such
 a fright as I was to be so
 relieved by your kind note
 (about Ld Northbrook).

But I now only write to
 ask your advice --

I sent my letter to Lord
 de Grey yesterday by hand
 to Carlton Gardens (enclosing
 the one which I told you
 I had written for his opinion,
 which might be for Mr.
 Gladstone or any body)

The answer (from the servants) was: -- that
 he (Ld de G.) would not

f128v

be in town till to-day.

[I do not know whether
 my letter to him wd be
 forwarded by post or not.
 It was sent about 5 p. m.]

You know Ld de Grey so
 much better than I do that
 I need hardly say he is
 rather priggish -- and one
 does not like to ask a
 favour from him unnecessarily.

He did ask me when
 he went out of Office in
 June/66 to keep him
 informed of what went
 on at the India Off: in the
 Sanitary line. But I have

f129 in another hand [seems to be a copy of FN letter]

Never presumed upon that (nor
done it indeed) tho' I made
use of it in writing to him
yesterday.

What had I better do now?

I suppose I can't get my letter
back --

Should I write to him?

And, if so, what am I at liberty
to say?

[He would probably get my second
letter ~~at the same time~~ as soon as my first
if I write.

ever yours most truly

RSVP. F. Nightingale

[Postscript in answer to something written by Galton regrets

having had

not communication, with Storke
for 2 or 3 years -- "and yet
at Scutari we were like brother
officers, and he has always come
to see me most affectionately on his
going to & coming from his different
commands."

envelope, f130 pen

f130

{front of envelope}

Private *wait*

Capt. Douglas Galton
12 Chester Street

R. S. V. P.

f130v {back of envelope}

Feb 2nd 1869

f131 letter, pen, pencil at end blue paper

Private

35 South Street Feb 3/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for your [9:655]
 note. As you say, we are
 safe for the present.

Ld de Grey *had* spoken
 to Mr. Cardwell -- & has
 engaged me to write to Mr.
 Cardwell -- which I suppose
 I must do --

Ld de Grey has written
 me a nice note -- which
 I will send you as soon
 as I have answered it.

[end 9:655]

I think the "Lancet" should
 be answered as we have
 none so much to boast of

[9:892]

f131v

in the security of our position.

The Extract indeed shows
 nothing more than that the
 writer is unacquainted with
 the distinction between
 administering Sanitary
 regulations which is the
 duty of the Army Medical
 Officer -- & the planning
 of new works & new
 Sanitary procedure of a
 practical kind.

You & I & all of us know
 what a hopeless confusion
 the Medical Officer even
 in India has made of
 such questions whenever
 he has gone beyond his

f132

own line -- e.g. Dr. Goodeve,
 & Dr. Farquhar (Sir John
 Lawrence's Physician) in
 the India Office Blue
 Book -- lately out
 And WE have almost
 weekly experience of
 the same thing in India.

[I have actually a letter
 from a high authority in
 India proposing to me
 that Medical Officers
 should positively be
excluded from all
 Sanitary work on account
 of their interminable
 contradictions & theories
 & fights among each
 other.]

f132v

Half of all our practical
 work, (yours & mine, & Dr. S's
 in this line consists in neutralizing
 the evil influence of
 opinions which, however
 applicable at the bed-
 side of the sick, are
 simply injurious when
 carried into the principles
 which are to prevent
 people from being sick.

You have, I believe, yourself
 proposed that, with the
 view of avoiding all this
 bringing forward of theory
 as if it were practice (or
 practicable,) the basis of
 education of Officers of
 Health should be laid
 not in Medicine but
 in Engineering.

ff135-37 letter and envelope, blue paper

Private

35 South Street, Feb 9/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I thank you very much
 for sending me your paper
 on W. O. Administration --
 It is a very able paper --
 I had heard of it before --
 the ablest that has been
 written since Sidney Herbert's
 death. It might form
 the guide to Mr. Cardwell
 in his administration
 But it won't.

I did not expect any
 thing from any communication
 of mine with Mr. Cardwell
 Every body knows -- is it
 not so? -- that Messrs.
 Cardwell & Childers were

f135v

put in not as Ministers
 but as Mr. Gladstone's
 Secretaries. And as to
 Mr. Gladstone, I knew even
 in Sidney Herbert's time,
 what *his* ideas on Army
 administration were.

I enclose Lord de G's note,
 because I said I would --
 I have written the paper
 on Sanitary things in the
 I. O. which he asked for
 (from June 16th till now)
 & sent it him.

I also enclose Mr. Cardwell's
 note -- which I think (I
 hardly know why) a nasty
 one.

f136

Please return me these two
notes -- & *burn* this.

ever yours

F.N.

envelope, f137

f137

Private

Capt. Douglas Galton
12 Chester Street

f137v

~~9~~ ~~Oct 28 1868~~

Feb 9th. 1869

ff138-41 letter blue paper

Most Private

35 South Street April 19/69
Park Lane {printed address:}
W.

My dear Capt Galton

All that I know of the
"Knights of S. John of Jerusalem"
& of their work, -- principally
in the Sadowa campaign, --
is greatly to their disadvantage.
But I have heaps of these
people's papers. And if
you will allow me, I will keep
Sir E. Lechmere's letter, look
over my papers, & give you
a more settled answer to morrow.
For dirt, for insanitary
arrangements, for want of
all modern knowledge of the
laws of health of Hospitals,
the War establishments of

[15:625]

f138v

"S. John" in Bohemia & Silesia,
 including the Civil Surgeons &
 attendants, including, I
 regret to say, my beloved
 Deaconesses -- & men-nurses, --
 were only to be equalled by
 their arrangements for foul
 sin & general want of
 administrative power.

The contrast between these
 voluntary efforts & those
 of the Army Medical service
 in Bohemia, Silesia &
 Prussia, proper, was, I am
 told by eye-witnesses, most
 painfully striking.

One of these eye-witnesses
 was the Crown Princess (*our*

f139

Princess) an exceedingly
 clever little body, whose
 ludicrous account to me
 of their dirt & incapacity
 was very unlike what
 has been put forward
 (falsely) in her name

But this is of course strictly
 between you & me.

2.

By the way, Lieut: Ommanney
 appears to be dead.
 He gave me endless trouble
 in January about a plan
 for a *36 single-bed ward*
Lying-in Hospital -- which
 plan was partly for the
 Crown Princess. It is
 now April -- And nothing
 comes of it. *Could you enquire?* **[end 15:625]**

f139v

Also: I am doing Notes **[8:216]**
 on *Lying-in Hospitals* --
 something after the same
 fashion as my "Notes on
 Hospitals" with plans --
 for which I have collected
 a mass of curious facts.

This ideal plan of Lt. Ommanney's was to have formed one in the book. And also

Lieut: Ommanney or Col. (?)

Murray, promised Dr.

Sutherland to get me

a sketch ground=plan of

Q. Charlotte's Lying=in Hospital

(I would most gladly pay

any body who would go &

do it for me from your

Dept) & of some others.

But I have heard nothing

more of it.

Is it feasible?

[end 8:216]

f140

3. I am glad to hear that you are going to preach at Leeds on Hospitals. And I will try to get up some "ideas". But my advice to you is: to dwell with great force, -- grounded on the experience of the "Herbert Hospl," on the propriety or necessity of organizing insanitary measures to fill the Hospitals. Otherwise they will not do us justice.

[16:699]

As for the Herbert Hospl, I am almost glad that you do not mention a thing I have heard, viz. that Simon Magus (simon of the Pr. Council Off:) has

[end 16:699]

[8:459]

f140v

been over to inspect it --
 & that there is talk of
 its being handed over to
 the Home Office for a
 Hospital for 650 London
 Prostitutes under the
 "Contagious Diseases Act".

What a nice destination --
 worthy of the finest
 Hospital in Europe,
 as it is!

ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

[end 8:459]

f141

The other day a poor woman
 in Manchester blew herself
 up with an escape of gas.
 Some wild beasts were
 passing in the street at
 the time -- and they roared
 with terror & broke
 out of their van

I am that wild beast. And
 the way in which the
 Sanitary & administrative
 work of the W. O. is
 done now is the escape
 (very dangerous) of gas.
 And I roar with terror.
 And if I don't break
 out of my van, it is only
 because I am not strong
 enough.

F.N.

draft, ff142-44, light pencil {archivist: Draft of letter written by F.N. to Capt Galton and dated 21. 4. 69} JS and FN

f142

[JS:]

The upshot of this appears to be that the Nights or Knights of St John want you to help them to form a local branch of the great Société de Secours. There is no harm in this. You might possibly put some practical strength into them. Otherwise you may serve under Sir G. Bowyer or Mr Whalley or both together if you like.

[15:591]

[FN:]

I have always declined.
I'd have nothing to do with the Société
I don't understand now what Sir E. Lechmere means. He mixes up the Société & the Knights.

[end 15:591]

f143v pencil draft JS hand

first line illeg

[illeg] perhaps tracing [illeg]

[illeg] every purpose

But if it is as easy to draw

as to trace I should like the copies to be half linear size.

The plans I want done are

1. the basement to shew the beautiful sewer traversing the building.
2. The 1st floor plan
3. The cross section on the sheet showing the North elevation.

f144 pencil [very faint] JS rough hand

Capt. Galton

If you [illeg] off hand you must do so with the view of improving the administration of the order which I have every reason to know was far from satisfactory during the last German war. Perhaps the best thing to do would be to go to their meeting & here [yes] what they have to say & then feel your way.

signed letter, ff145-48v, pen blue paper

f145

Private

35 South Street, April 21/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}

W. **[15: 625-26]**

My dear Capt. Galton

After examining & weighing
 & considering & digesting
 (which is more than the
 "Order of S. John" does)

I cannot come to any other
 conclusion than that, if you
 join the "Order", it can only
 be for the express purpose
 of improving its administration,
 which I have every reason
 to know was far from
 satisfactory during the
 last German War.

But, if I were in your
 place, I should go to the
 "meeting" they propose,

f145v

hear what they have to say;
 & then you will be far
 better able to judge for
 yourself than I to advise
 what to do.

2. I do not quite understand
 the exact relation of the
 "Order of S. John" to the
 "International Society" (which
 has its conference this year
 at Berlin & has
 corresponded with me on
 the subject.)

The "Order of S. John" always
 talks as if it were the
 "Internat: Socy:". But the

f146

"Internat: Socy" does not at
all talk as if *it* were the
"Order of S. John".

[Both wear the same Insignia
And these have been sent
to me.]

Sir E. Lechmere's letter only
makes this confusion worse
confounded -- since he
says "the great Internat:
Socy" the great Internat:
Socy: at whose conferences
this country has not
yet been represented".

This country *has* been
represented at every one
of its "Conferences" -- had
it is mainly owing to the

f146v

"representations" of Gr. Britain
that the "Society" has not
made itself more
ridiculous than it has
& that a sensible & not
over ambitious scheme
has been substituted for
what was perfectly
impracticable-- And, if it
had been practicable,
would have interfered
with all responsible
Govt action.

f147

Most Private [2]

3. Prince Charles of Prussia is the "Grand Master" of the "Order" in Germany -- which is, if not exclusively, at least pre-eminently, ~~as~~ Protestant or (as they call it) "Reformed".

Sir G. Bowyer (excellent fool!) is, or calls himself, the "Grand Master" of the "Order of S. John of Jerusalem" in England wearing the same Insignia as the German Order & "International" "Socy" & wear.

Perhaps this (Sir G. Bowyer's) has nothing to do with the "British Section" or "English branch"

f147v

which Sir E. Lechmere proposes.

But I would take very good care to find out if it has, if I were you.

Is Sir E. Lechmere a R. Catholic? -

If it will be of any service to you, I will tell you the story of the collision of Dr. Manning as Archbishop & Sir G. Bowyer as "Grand Master" (in which Dr. Manning played rogue & Sir G. Bowyer fool) which ended with the closing of the Hospital in Gr. Ormond St., kept by those admirable nuns

f148

who served so well with me
 in the Crimean War
 I appealed to Rome And
 Rome sent orders to
 Manning to re open the
 Hospl, which he has
 done -- *under conditions*
which must secure its
failure.

Have thou nothing to do
 with *that* "Order of S. John"
 which, by its folly,
 interrupted a most
 promising Institution.

4. The proposal as to what
 the organization of the
 "Internat: Society"
 should do "in times of peace,"

f148v

was, as I saw it, simply
 absurd.

Many thanks for your
 letter of yesterday
 I will answer it.

in great haste
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

[end]

signed letter, ff149-51v, pen blue paper

f149

Private

35 South Street, April 24/69
Park Lane, {printed address:}
W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Is it true that Ld
Northbrook's Comm: has
upset Ld Strathnairn's
recommendations?

Tho' I am not at all
fond of the former, I
shall vow him an
eternal gratitude if he
has.

Lying-in Hospitals

[8:216-17]

====

many thanks for your two notes.

====

"Charles Hawkins" was &
probably is "Surgeon Consulting"
to Q. Charlotte's --

=== I do not think that Col:

f149v

Murray said anything
more to Dr. Sutherland than
that "he could find
"some one -- not so good
"as Lt. Ommanney -- to
"go to Q. Charlotte's -- to
"take a plan." Any how,
I feel sure that nothing
was done --

[Dr. S. had asked him,
without my knowledge,
to send Lt. Ommanney]

===

I have no doubt that
Q Charlotte's *has* plans
which might be borrowed,

f150

if you are so good as to
do the drawings I need.
But it is rather awkward
 for me to write to ask
 permission for them
I have another object besides
 merely writing a paper
 in doing this enquiry, as
 perhaps you know. viz:
 our anxiety to re-establish
 our Midwifery=Nurse School
 (which was put a stop to
 by the very high Mortality
 in King's Coll: Hospl.)
Now all the Lying=in Hospls
 in London have pestered
 me to ~~join~~ place our School
 with them. And Ch: Hawkins
 applied not only to me
 but formally to Harry B. C.

f150v

And I believe was
considerably mortified
by refusal
[The fact is that the
Mortality in Q. Charlotte's
has always been higher
than even in so bad a
Hospl as K. C. H.]
Dr. Edmunds of the British
Lying=in Hospl has come
to grief, which I am not
sorry for as he always
wanted us to join with
his very absurd Female
Medl Socy, which has, in
my opinion, done a great
deal of harm
All this makes it awkward
 for me to ask favours.
Nevertheless, if you are so

f151

good as to do the
 drawings, (when Mr.
 Mennie comes back,)
 & do not think you
 can write for permission
 to see the plans, if any --
 I will put my scruples
 in my pocket & write
 to Q. Charlotte.

The Marylebone Lying-in
 Workhouse wards are
 certainly successful
 Did you have plans
 of them before your
 Cubic space Comm:?
 `Beggars should never
 be choosers' -- else I
 would "choose" those, too,
 if you could kindly make
 a drawing of those for
 me too? I would gladly pay

f151v

for having these done --
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

I was aware of the
 antagonism to Sidney
 Herbert's memory --
 which accounts for
 many things which
 would be otherwise
 unaccountable
 I did not know however
 to what a pitch it had
 risen.
 I am sure H. R. H. was fond
 of him once almost
 too much in his hands
 Perhaps this is a
 re-action --
 F.N.

signed letter, f152, pencil pale blue paper, black-edged

f152

Capt Emerson 28th Regt {archivist:} 6/5/69

35 South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane,

W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Could you kindly tell me
~~do~~ what to do about this?

I have not the slightest
 recollection of the persons named
 [they surely are not Americans?]

And I am not in the least

an "influential person with the

"Duke of Cambridge" or with

any body else on this planet

Could you tell me anything
 that I could suggest to *her*
 as the way to compass what
 she wants? --

-- by Medical board or otherwise?

ever yours

May 6/69

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff153-54v, pen blue paper

[8:217-18]

f153

Queen Charlotte

35 South Street, May 6/69

Park Lane,

W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I am exceedingly obliged
to you for these Q. Charlotte's
plans --

I think there is little
difficulty in understanding
why the women die there.

As you are so good as to
ask me what plans I want
& how done, I answer:

if it is easier to do
tracings than copies,
tracings would answer
every purpose of mine --

if you propose to draw
instead of tracing, the
copies should be half linear
size for my purpose.

f153v

The plans which would be
essential for me are: --

1. the basement, -- to shew
the agreeable sewer traversing
the building
2. the first=floor plan
for Patients --
(the second floor
appears to be the same)
3. the cross section on
the sheet showing the
North elevation

I do not think it is
necessary for me to have
the two Elevations showing
the beautiful character

f154

of the Architecture.

N.B. There appears to be
no Delivery Ward which
must much increase
the danger to the Patients.
There should be always
two such to be used
month & month about
& thoroughly cleansed
in the interval, month
& month about. Even
with this precaution the
danger of Fever seems
enormous

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

It appears that there is another

f154v

floor, a top of all, for Servants
& Nurses -- so that the
Patients are in a sandwich
between a nice
arrangement.

There is also a trap-door in
ceiling of 2nd floor W. C.
compartment. But I
suppose this is not for
the aeration of the Nurses
above. If it is, it
would be instructive to
copy the 2nd floor plan
instead of the 1st floor --
for me -

F.N.

signed letter, f155, pencil blue paper

f155

35 South Street, June 19/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt Galton

I hear that ~~the~~ "A Mr.
 Lushington" is to be the new
 Secretary to the Admiralty --

Is this *Godfrey* Lushington?

I should be so glad --

in haste

ever yours

F. Nightingale

R.S.V.P.

signed letter, f156, pen blue paper

f156

35 South Street, 6/7/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

You know this man, Major
 Buckley. He was the Prince
 of Barrack Masters.

Is there anything to be
 done for him? --

I need hardly say that
 my "influence" availleth
 nought.

Is there any truth in the
 rumour that Mr. Lowe is
 going to upset all the
 "Controlling" arrangements?

I am sure he ought --

ever yours

F. Nightingale

July 6/69

signed letter, ff157-58, pen

f157

35 South Street, Oct. 28/69
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

About 3 years ago you were good enough to procure some information for me about a young man, son of my mother's maid, who had foolishly run away from a Clerk's place where he was in receipt of an excellent salary & enlisted as a soldier.

We are afraid that he has again disappeared -- at least to us.

To save you trouble, may I subjoin the description you procured for me of him on Dec 18 1866.

Charles Henry Watson	No. 19044 Depot
stationed at Warley	Bombardier R. Artillery
ft inch	
Height: 5 11½	Enlisted February 1866
Complexion: Fair	Age at } Years Months
Eyes: Grey	Enlistment} 21 4
Hair: Dark Brown	Born at Kenilworth
	Has been a Clerk & Accountant

f157v

Upon the receipt of this information, his mother went down to see him & all seemed going on very well about him for 2 years when, on August 17, 1868 he wrote to her from *Gravesend* that he was "going away" & would "let her know when he was settled."

Since this, nothing at all has been heard of him.

His mother, always hoping to hear from him & unwilling, I suppose, to expose him, only recently told me of this. She is now, of course, most earnestly desirous to hear any news of him whatever, if only she could obtain any thro' your kindness & that of the authorities

He is her only surviving child has been brought up only too kindly & well educated.

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His mother who is a widow a well educated woman lived as Head Nurse with me when I kept a Hospital in Harley St. & has now lived for many years with my mother as maid, to whom her services are inestimable. She is one of the best women I know.

I should be truly grateful to you if you could procure us any information as to what has become of this very wilful youth.

Pray believe me

ever yours sincerely

Florence Nightingale

Capt. Galton
War office

note, f158v, pen and pencil

f158v Galton note on embossed War Office re Herbert Hosp 21 Jan 1871 with letter to Galton on embossed War Office re request of Miss N, forwards letter of intro for Miss Torrance to Dr Inglis, CB, dy insp gen of hosp, PMO at Herbert Hosp who will afford facility to Torrance

28 Oct 1869

answered: he deserted 18 July '68

f159 DG to FN 21 Jan? 1870 embossed WO, heard re kitchen of Herbert Hosp

f160 DG to FN letter to ack his note in compliance with request of FN, forwards letter of intro for Torrance to Doctor Inglis, CB, dep insp gen of hosp PMO at Herbert Hosp, from Logan?

f161 covering note forwarding to FN from Galton 22 Jan 1870

f162 re Torrance, embossed something Jan 21/70

signed letter, ff164-73v, pen and pencil blue paper

f164

Address Lea Hurst {archivist: ~~Sept~~ ?}

Matlock {11 Aug 1870}

Dr. Becher 35 South Street, {printed address}

Park Lane, [15:653-56]

W.

My dear Capt Galton

1. Would you look at this note of Dr. Emil Becher's? I should have thought that the Govt might have waived a point & allowed him to volunteer for the North German Confederation, as it has expressed its willingness to receive Surgeons "with the permission of our Govt"

But, of course, had it been possible, you would have told him so.

f164v2. "*Sick & Wounded Socy*"

2. If you are permanently in London, & if you attend its Meetings regularly -- [I was thankful to see that you were a Member,] might I correspond with you from time to time about it? --

I am deluged with applications of all kinds, from French & German Hospitals -- (many quite as absurd as any from English people -- which is saying a good deal) -- `Journaux Officiels' sent me from France -- similar things from

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Prussia -- enquiries from English people what *kind* of supplies the Comm: will take -- where they are to be sent what kind of lint & bandages -- &c &c applications from *Nurses* volunteers as War: Nurses

With your permission, & if you have time to attend: regularly at the Meetings, -- I would gladly pass some of these applications (excluding the last) through you -- *I being in the full confidence* that all & my applications which I forward *direct* to the Office (8 at Martin's Place) are never answered -- probably never even read & the public sharing this my confidence

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in the fullest degree

What I gather from this deluge of letters is: --

that no Advertisement has appeared from the "Aid" Socy (à non-aid-endo) till yesterday.

not even where to send money -- not even where its Offices are [they conclude that its Offices are: "Miss Nightingale: London" sic]

[The consequence is that the *Aid socy*. ~~they~~ have collected fewer hundreds £ than the *German Association* had a week ago, collected thousands]

that, up to this day, no advertisement at all has

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appeared as to

what kind of supplies they will accept
what patterns should be used
where to send them -- i.e. any supplies in kind.

Also,

the Socy is perfectly unknown as a place where people may apply for grants (from the belligerent countries, I mean.)

They the Socy must themselves have seen advertisements in the papers -- (these from people who wrote to me --) for aid to divers War=Hospitals -- e.g. Bishop of London
for Darmstadt
a retired Bengal Surgeon
at Bonn (Madden
Ranke, a Munich man,

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& many others.

The *only* "List of articles
required" was published
by a man (Von Ernsthausen)
in no connection with our
Socy, in London --

And this is the only List
that I have had to send
about to people who,
receiving no answer from
the Socy, have asked me.

I am a very poor publicist.
But I should have thought,
if the Socy had been in
hiding from its creditors,
instead of being an Aid Socy,
it could not have had a
more complete success.

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I should have thought
it ought to have had a
Ladies' Comm: in every
provincial town to collect
sums of money, tho smallest
& tho supplies most wanted.

I should have thought it
ought to have advertised
in every London daily paper,
daily, immediately above
the "Theatrical announcements,
(*gratis*) what it would
accept, with all particulars
of pattern, kind & place
[There is not a creature
of those who have written
to me who knows even
where its Offices are.]

I should have thought that the very way
not to collect money was to allow
all these little advertisements, Bp of London's
Madden's &c &c to appear, instead of there
being one great Central subscription.

[The public gets puzzled & subscribes to
none.] to make grants to others.

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3. Many absurd things are sent me from the belligerents (as well as some information which might be valuable if the "Aid Socy" Office were an Office)

I have been asked to lay the marked passage in the enclosed "Journal Officiel" before the "Aid Socy". The person who sends it me does so with the following interpretation: --

"by it they will see that the money which is not actually required goes into the Treasury -- just what was anticipated -- & so the people

(this, I suppose, is fact.

F.N.)

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"have decided to keep their own collections, & dispose of them as they please for the benefit of widows & orphans, wives & children -- & for any sick that may be sent them" --

The sender goes on to imply that, if the "Aid Socy." does not send its grants direct to these particular places especially "temporary Hospls", about establishing which, it is stated, "not one word is said" (by the French Govt) -- the Aid Socy's gifts will go "into the Treasury" too

Now I *don't* see what is

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implied (by the ~~writer~~ sender,) in the Article

I see that "objets non utilisables"
are sold -- `& the money
placed in the "Trésor" to
"contribuer au bien-être des
"soldats blessés."

[There are "blés" & "chevaux" too
which of course cannot
apply to what we collect.]

Also: have we anything to
do with "Préfets" & "Ministres
"de l'Intérieure"? I mean,
grants from our "Aid Socy"
go to the Branch Organizations
(Red Cross) at Berlin or at
Paris, do not they? -- which
have nothing to do with
"Préfets" & "Départements de
la Guerre, de "l'Intérieur" &c

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-- I have no doubt it may be
a fact that country populations
in France are now in such
open enmity to the Govt that
they do keep their gifts back,
under the conviction that their
money goes into the "Trésor".

But I should be glad
to re-assure my correspont
& be re-assured myself that
this Paragraph does not
affect us at all, *if you*
can tell me so, & that
the (Red Cross) International
Organization has nothing
whatever in common with
this Para: (or with the French
Ministry --)

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4. I have the most deplorable
 accounts from France which
 I have no doubt are true: --
 `pauvre stricken people'
 `bowed down with the sad
 news'
 `something bewildering'
 `anxious excitement of the
 last 2 days never seen since
 1814'.

 then again
 `not one word from Govt
 (French) about establishing'
 "temporary Hospitals"

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4. a I see, in to-day's "Daily News",
 "the Committee (at 8 St Martin's Pl)
 "hope to be able to do more
 "when the machinery of this
 "Society is better known to
 "the public who may wish
 "to contribute help".

Why, in the name of wonder,
 what has the Socy done to
 make itself "better known"?
 If it had been `Sick & Wounded'
 itself, what *could* it have
 done *less*? --

I declare that I have not met
 with a single person, or heard
 from a single person, who
 knew that it had an Office,
 or where its Office was --
 or that it accepted subscriptions,
 or supplies -- And not till

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yesterday's "Times" have I
 seen that it advertised at
 all -- even for money

f171*Mrs. Cox*

5 [5]

I have received a letter
(enclosed) from Mrs. Cox,
wife of Col: Cox of the Crimea,
addressed to your Aid Socy,
which I don't know that
I have any right to keep
back, (she encloses it to me.)

I will therefore, with your
permission, send it thro' you --
and it is only one of the many
I shall have to send, if you
permit.

I must however premise
that I do not endorse it.
"Miss N. to give directions"
[I expressly told her that I could
not "give directions" --]
"to be on her system" --
[what she means by being on my
"system" is to receive supplies

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as sufficient from us as
I was able to give Col: Cox's
Hospitals in the Crimea]
"Sisters of Charity to do the Nursing" --
[They certainly don't "nurse"
"on my system", tho' I am very
fond of them & have served
under & over them]
"Col: Cox established 2 Hospitals
for Miss N. in the Crimea" --
[He did not establish any --
All the Hospitals I "established,"
I "established" myself --
I supplied him with Hospital
Stores, (which I believe were
very well used,) because Stores,
otherwise sent, too often went
into Military Stores -- (the
authorities had no time to
issue them) -- and -- never
came out again.]

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With these provisos, I don't at all wish to check the Comm:'s liberality, (if it has anything to be liberal with.) to Calais St. Pierre.

The distress in France must be dreadful. The supplies which Mrs. Schwabe & others sent off to the German Hospls on the Rhine would have been delayed for weeks, if they had waited for the "Aid Socys". So, It is possible that the "Aid Socy" might open a communication with French Hospls at the front thro' a Depot at Calais -- in unison with the `Red Cross' --

At all events I have no right to keep back poor Mrs. Cox's letter:

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6. I send you another "Journal, Official" with the List of the Civil Hospitals which have put beds at the service of the Wounded

Also: --

a Journal de Lille

(Préfecture du Nord) --

I will send these to-morrow --

I should not be sorry (if you are so good) if you would send on: this "Journal Officiel" to Dr. Sutherland -- & also this letter, if you like -- But please, if you are so

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kind as to write to me, f
write to me first --

(Lea Hurst
Matlock.)

[end 15:656]

I should like to have this
"Journal Officiel" again,
(I must answer my correspond
about it, as soon as I hear
from you --) unless you
think it can be of the
least use at 8 St. Martin
Place.

Also, I should not be sorry
if you liked to let Sir Harry
Verney see this letter. It may
help him --

[end]

in great press
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff174-75v, pen blue paper, {archivist: FN to Sir Galton}

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Lea Hurst
Matlock

35 South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane,
W. Aug 12/7

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you, at Mrs. Cox's request
the "Mémorial de Lille" a Préfecture du
Nord paper

She wants you to look at the Paragraph: -- building
handed over for a Hospl for Wounded at
Dunkirk. But I want you to look at the "Comité
des dames de Lille" Paragraph.

That is what they are doing in every
provincial town in France in every
town & village in the N. German Confederation

That is what the "Aid Socy" ought to be
doing in every provincial town in Great
Britain by means of a Ladies' Committee
for supplies in money & in kind.

I am glad to see that there is a
faint beginning at advertising in the
"Times".

But, excuse me if I say that, for the

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purposes of an *immediate & urgent* Subn
 for *present* dreadful necessities,
 the printed sheet, issued by the
 "Central Comm:" is quite useless, tho'
 very good in itself.

People look upon it as an appeal to
 subscribe to a Social Science Association
 or to an Agricultural Improvement Soc"

What is wanted is: *daily*:

3 or 4 lines representing in a few
 striking words the numbers & necessities
 of the wounded -- Mannheim -- Treves --
 &c &c &c -- known, (pardon me for saying
 so --) to every one whose intelligence is not
 obscured by official intimations of the
 Aid Socy

These ought to appear *every day* in every
 daily London paper -- in every provincial paper

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(immediately above the Theatrical announcement)

Every day ought to appear the List of
 Articles wanted the acknowledgment of
 those received. [No one I hear from knows what
 is wanted -- where to send.]

It makes me mad to see the "Voysey
 Defence Fund" -- what *does* it signify
 whether Voysey" is "defended" or not? --
 the "Derby Memorial Fund" -- what does
 it signify whether Ld Derby has a "Memorial"
 or not? the &c &c in the most
 prominent place of Acknowledgments
 in the "Times" day after day --

The "German National Comm:" have got
 I am delighted to see, £26,000. *They*
 advertise. Why can't we get that & more?

O wonderful! -- O wonderful! O wonderful!

But, if you don't hold up to people the
 necessities & suffering of the Wounded
 it is *not* wonderful. Those "Resolutions
 of General Committee:" won't get a sixpence.

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Could not Col. Lindsay & one or two others on the Comm: go round & call Meetings, in the Provinces & start Ladies' Committees

You would oblige me very much if you would show this letter with its enclosures to Sir Harry Verney, or forward it to him.

I don't pretend to know what should be done in publicizing. There must be many things to be done beyond what I have suggested --

I enclose also a List from a "Journal Officiel" (which has been sent me) of the Civil Hospl in France which up to the end of last week had offered beds for the Wounded

It is terrible to think of the distress in France.

ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter with envelope, ff176-78, pen and pencil

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{front of envelope}
to be forwarded

Capt. Galton C.B.
12 Chester Street
Belgravia
London S. W.

F.N.

f176v {back of envelope}

{PENCIL IN UNKNOWN HANDWRITING}:

Aug 19th tr
Sep 9 1870

Please return this letter
next week
13 August 1870

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Lea Hurst

Matlock

Aug 25/70

[15:682-83]

My dear Capt. Galton

I hear that you are come back. Pray
 excuse -- me if you are not
 I send to-day this poor Mrs. Cox's letter
 (the same Mrs. Cox, from whom I sent
 a letter to the Aid Socy before thro' you.)
 I have put in the names again which she
 had scratched out & send a previous
 letter by way of explanation.
 Dr. Darnell is a very able Administrator,
 Sanitary & Medical, Anglo=French Doctor

I hear from the Aid Socy that they have
 been advised from France not to send
 Medical comforts, still less money, unless in
 the care of some one who will see them
 properly employed.

This may come from you -- Any how I
 shall be most anxious to hear what
 advice you bring.

It is a very strong impression in France

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that the Govt takes every thing it can
 lay its hands on for the general
 purposes of the War -- even gifts for Wounded
 I don't say a word for or against this poor
 woman's petition (that the Aid Socy
 will send some help *direct* to Calais
 Or *I* will, if you like it.)
 Of course, as a general rule, it is better
 to work only thro' the Paris & Berlin Societies
 [Also: of course our Aid Socy is right to
 accept only things & money for *both* sides
 -- *not* "to accept subsns solely for the French"
 (this in reference to Mrs. Cox's expression in her
 letter)

I will write to her whatever you recommend
 or not write at all.

I hear that the Prussian Armies before Metz
 have not only "enormous" numbers of Wounded
 but Dysentery & Ophthalmia owing to bad
 food & sleeping in the wet fields - that there

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is "encombrement" every where in the
Hospitals --

[pray don't let Col: L. Lindsay
write such nonsense as that about
"preventing pestilence in Hospitals
by Condly's Fluid" -- (v. to-day's Times).]
that the disorder & disorganization
of the French even in the Camp at Chalons
was excessive -- no food -- no lodging --
hence disease

just what you said --
that Thiers & Trochu are for the moment
the centres of France; & may be in
a few days at the head of a
Gouvernement Provisoire -

I shall be most anxious to hear
what you think about the Aid Society's
operations --

[end 15:683]

Did you bring Evelyne home with you?
in great haste (but I shall have
to trouble you again)

ever yours sincerely

F Nightingale

unsigned letter, ff179-80, pen

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Lea Hurst

Matlock Aug 26/70

My dear Capt. Galton

Excuse my asking you
about my *Floors* now --
on the ground that I have
been intending to ask you
every day for a month -- ~~but~~

Do you remember being
so good as to recommend
Myers, the Herbert Hospl
contractor, to stop the joints,
plane & varnish two of my
floors in a durable manner,
after the French fashion.

A month ago he came &
looked at my floors (they
have been so prepared
already but with so little

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durability that they have
 had to be done 3 times
 in 4 years)

I enclose his note.

The floors are: a bed-room
 & dressing room.

Would you kindly say
 whether you think I should
 accept his offer -- but
 whether I may decline the
 more expensive ~~one~~ part (the
 French polishing) *Also: how long it OUGHT to last in a bed-room
 which has NOT Hospital wear &
 tear?*

{THE ABOVE `Also: how long it OUGHT...' extends into **f180**}

{**f179v** CONTINUED}

I had rather not have it
 done at all this year -- for
 money is short with me.
 But I suppose floors
 get worse, if not looked to

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Was that *your*
 letter in Times of
 Thursday, signed D.G.?
 VERY interesting.
 But why did
 they head it
 "French *Prisoners*"?

{THE ABOVE SEVEN LINES ARE WRITTEN SIDEWAYS AT BOTTOM OF PAGE}

signed letter, ff181-84, pen blue paper

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Lea Hurst

Matlock Sept 9/70

My dear Capt. Galton

Thank you very much
for your kind advice about
my 'Floors' -- I have written
to Mr. Myers to begin the
"Varnishing" process &c (*not* the
French polishing) -- as Parquet
is too dear for me -- I dare
say 2 years' will last *my*
time.

I was quite ashamed to
trouble you at all about it --
knowing that you are so busy --
& fearing that you were much
knocked up with your hurried
journeys --

I cannot talk about the

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unutterable woe & horror of
the misery of this War.
the baseness & frivolity of
the "Times" & the English,
when such a convulsion of
agony is closing round the poor
world --
(the Guillotine of the Great
Revolution was merciful
compared to this) -- and when
none can tell but that Prussia's
military supremacy -- urged by
the popular clamour which
Bismark himself has raised.
may bring about terms so hard
that they *can* only ending in a disastrous universal
European war -- preceded by
a disastrous universal armed
peace. Poor France! poor
world!

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BURN

Private

I quite agree with you
as to the very bad effect,
the great want of judgment,
of Col: L.L's letter about
the exporting guns --

which I never heard of
till after it was done.

But why did you not
prevent it? --

I think they the "Socy" have done such
wonders, grabbing together
£ 100 000 & stores --
especially when one thinks
of the desperate state
they were in not more
than 3 weeks ago -- &
how hard Col: L. L. & Sir H.
V. have worked.

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that I don't like to be
always pecking at them,
tho' I answer freely when
I am asked.

[They would not ask me
about the letter which you
deplore.]

But they do want -- 1. a man
of great practical ability.
(somebody like Sir J. Lawrence,
2. some official experience
3. some knowledge of the world,

the great international
middle=class professional
world of England, France &
Germany -- 4. some Agent
& Correspondent out there
of the calibre of a "Times"
Correspondt, I don't mean
to write, but to organize & report

f183*Private*

Capt. Brackenbury's & Col:
L. Lindsay's letters in the
"Times" are very good (of
this morning.) But they
are the first which have
been good- except perhaps
some of the Surgeons' --

I wish there were somebody
to tell Col: L. L. what a
bad effect e.g. Mr. Furley's
letters have. He may be
doing his work well -- but
no one could tell it from
his letters -

And it has such a bad
effect to be told
that "21 cigars" & "19 blankets"
& "5 bottles of wine" were
"distributed"
that so & so "got up early" in the
morning

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& the superhuman efforts to
 procure "a cart"
 in a catastrophe of ten times
 the magnitude of the
 Crimean one
 when as many *hundreds* of
 blankets & of bottles of
 wine were given out
 every day as *units* appear to
 be given here on one --
 & when, if any body had
 been in bed, certainly every
 body "got up early" --

But the Surgeons' letters are
 good --
 It appears however as if we
 ought to be pouring in
 Hospital marquees, blankets,
 wine, food, medicines, linen
 at about 100 times the rate we

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BURN

are doing.
 Major de Winton here is
 doing his work well.
 Could you not, without
 quite killing yourself, give
 them a little help & advice
 -- as you only can? --

I had rather be poor McMahan now
 do you know? -- than Mr.
 Cardwell, Ld Northbrook & Storcks -- in the
 event of an ~~European~~ universal war.

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in great haste
 (I would not have written
 today but that I did not
 like delaying longer to thank
 you) -- please thank Marianne
 for her 2 kind notes -- ever yours
 truly F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff185-88, pen

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PRIVATE {UNDERLINED FIVE TIMES}

35 South St.

4 Nov/70 [15:732-34]

My dear Capt. Galton

I have great scruple -- I have no scruple in asking you to be so very good as to look over this packet to return it to me & to tell me (or Sir Harry Verney) what you think the Committee had better do.

From all the private letters I have seen, the £20 000, given by your Committee to the Prussian Sick & Wounded before Paris, seems to have vast difficulty in reaching those for whom it is intended.

These letters of Miss Rumpff's make one shudder that, when such assistance is at hand, men should literally be dying of want of some of the first necessaries for sick.

She writes in the garrulous German way
But I think she speaks the truth
What then should be done?

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I have obtained from the "Aid Society" Committee (thro' Sir H.) £50 -- to be paid in French gold thro' Dr. Guy to Miss Rumpff. [This is the first & only thing I have ever obtained out of your £260 000 -- Never mind that.]

I do not want more for her.

What one feels is that, if she or any one appears to be spending, somebody else will save The whole thing is rotten.

What is to be done? --

1.

What I should have thought the best thing if it could be done would be for you to go over to Versailles & to look into the facts, as regards the Stores, the Society's agents, & the real wants of the Patients.

[Nothing of the kind seems to have been done]

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2. What Sir Harry wants me to do is: --
 to write *him* a letter about the
 wants of the Hospitals & ambulances
 before Paris & for *him* to send it
 (my letter) to the *Crown Prince* to
 induce *him* (the C.P.) to look into
 the distribution & immediate
 application of our £20 000 to
 the wants of the Ambulances:

This I do not like to do.

I do not think that we shall be able
 to influence the expenditure *now* of
 the £20 000.

Every body knows that it is there

And it must all pass through the
 hands of the War Minister.

It is doubtful if even the Crown Prince
 could influence it.

Any interference within the Hospitals
 would be resented.

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3. The stores, however, (our Agents' stores)
 require to be placed on a better footing
 They should be more accessible
 [Of course Miss Rumpff's way of putting
 this part of the case must be separated
 from the case itself.
 She writes with a certain arrogance.]

4. The "Society" should also be looking
 after *THEIR own Ambulance*
 The sooner the better.
 They should not scruple to save upon
 it, if the circumstances are not such
 as to render the *whole* expenditure
 as beneficial as was intended.

5. What we want now is a rigid economy
 in grants & a better system of applying
 the remaining funds.

Please give me your opinion on all
 these 5 points. [I have said that I would ask
 you & have been encouraged to do so.]

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6.

N.B. I have had another noble & touching letter
 from the Crown Princess (which I think
 I will trouble you to read, as soon as
 I know where you are) --

And it has been suggested to me that, in
 replying to it, I might mention generally
 that I had had very bad accounts of
 the state of German Sick & severely wounded men
 taken from Versailles Hospitals to be sent home
 without due clothing or comfort in
 this cold weather -- & suggest that
 perhaps some of ~~the~~ our £20 000 might be
 devoted to this object?

[I might do this, but I don't think much
 would come of it.]

Sir Harry might write similarly to the
 Crown Prince at Versailles

What do you say?

[The whole Prussian Hospital administration
 requires reform

So far as one can see, these Versailles Hospital
 would require the *entire* produce of ~~the~~ our Fund
 to make them endurable to humanity]

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7. Would you kindly let me see any
 Report you have written to the Committee
 (I have seen nothing)
 [Hy. B.C. tells me that you have reported
 all the measurements &c of Hospital huts
 &c in the Rhine Lazareths --]

also: -- anything that you have written which
 touches on those questions of mine
 as to *the working of the Red Cross* &
 the *temporary* Hospital accommodation
you would recommend for it to adopt.
 (which questions Sir Harry tells me
 he showed you)

I am so anxious to see all that you
 have written --

May I add this ----- that
 the Committee have received vast & most
 valuable information -- quite enough to form

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conclusions & guide their course.

They appear not to read their own letters nor to read each other's letters & no précis seems to be written (or spoken) of all the information they receive for the modification or direction of what they do or should do --

[I have myself found, *in their own* letters, information which, they said they were *without*.

With a tithe of the information they have *already*, important conclusions might be drawn.

E.g. on this one matter of what has been done with their £20 000 at Versailles, one would think the Committee would be most eager for information. They have not even read what they have received themselves !!]

ever yours sincerely,
Florence Nightingale

Do not show
any more letters
of mine to
Col. L.L. to
"make him
angry"

FN

[end 15:734]

{`Do not show
any more letters...' WRITTEN SIDEWAYS IN RIGHT CORNER}

Private

unsigned letter, ff189-92, pen and pencil

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PRIVATE

35 S. St.

Nov 12/70

{`PRIVATE' UNDERLINED 4 TIMES}

My dear Capt Galton

I scribbled these questions before it was light this morning, according to your desire, but simply as a sort of guide to elicit questions from you (& Dr. Sutherland of him more anon.

The difficulty in answering them for the Abstracter will be undoubtedly this: -- -- to see what are the facts in the correspondence which do bear upon the points -- & to give these without a particle of the Abstracter's own opinions

[This is not so easy as people think, as you & I know.]

It would be better if a person of considerable experience could mark the points (in the corresponde) to be abstracted

To see exactly what the experience has been to deduce the principles if any such appear to obviate at once some existing difficulties is of course the ~~of~~ immediate object of such

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Abstract

Ultimately, I suppose, it is quite possible that other Red + Societies & other countries may be doing the same thing -- & that general rules for future guidance will have to be agreed to by all.

2: A careful overhauling of the correspondence by an experienced person would, I am certain, suggest many more points of detail than I have included in these questions -- which ought to be attended to in future.

3. To reply to many of the questions would involve no much experience as is not (?) possessed by many Army men of long standing

4. And on the other hand there might be

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invaluable hints all bearing on the replies -- which the abstracter might overlook from want of technical experience.

5. And it is possible that the Abstracts might answer questions which we cannot put at present (as above said)

Now for Dr. Sutherland:

I sent him my scribbled questions, with a general explanation of what we wanted, & asked him to add to, alter, enlarge, modify mine.

As usual with that luminary: --

he does not answer mine, but proposes something else which I had told him was quite *impossible*.

He proposes (in view of the above difficulties which I did not suggest to him, but which of course he feels more strongly than I do)

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~~is~~ that the Committee should send
 the whole corresponde to me.
 (as if they would do such a thing!!)
 that I -- *he offers his help to do it here* --
 should mark out the proper passages
 to abstract

Emily Verney, he says, might get the letters
 in detachments, bring them here,
 I mark out the points,
 she abstract them & shew me the Abstract

He also proposes that they should have
 a copy made at the W.O. (which
 I suppose is utterly out of the question)

I merely mention this to you, because
 I think there is reason in what he says --
 tho' it is very aggravating to be talked
impossible reason to -- [And I had
 told him that it was impossible]
 You may be able, IF you agree, to suggest

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some middle or possible course
 so that Emily Verney may not be launched
 in a sea of corresponde without much
 or any technical experience under a
 head of *less than* any to answer
 questions which only long-standing
 Army men fully understand

[I am certain that, if my name appears in
 it at all, ~~that~~ it will put a stop to
 the whole thing.]

Dr. Sutherland condescends to say that the
 questions are so full he can't add to
 them -- but advises us *to keep*
the questions till we get the Abstracts
 & THEN ANSWER THEM

[There is some sense in that --
 the only thing is: it is I suppose impossible]

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[Do not suppose that I am always in a `fronde' against our poor Society
On the contrary. I think there is evidence that you have done more good than all the Orders acting under rules.

What has been pointed out to me is: --
that the directing head *must* have technical knowledge & skill, experience, or uncommon common sense & judgment that he has none & that the want of this has been *the* want here.
This however has been -- Alas! , much more abundantly true with the other Societies -- e.g. Prince Pless
I do not know M. de Flavigny.]

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An old letter of mine will accompany this: I don't know that it is any use your sending it. It might suggest some points

*Please return it as soon as read
It is quite private*

N.B.

I have been told on private information (which I *don't* vouch for) that *now* in the Pr. Army *before Paris* a German/Prussian superior Medical Officer is placed in & over every foreign (neutral) ambulance & that the only reason why this has not hitherto been done in ours (Dr. Guy's) is: -- that they have only one Patient, a casual.

The above is a matter of the highest importance for our Society to find out And only they can do it. But they don't care to do it.

notes, ff193-200, pen and pencil

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Merely a few examples
of Questions by way of
beginning

Matériel

1. what Store accounts
are kept?
what should be kept?

what regular information
was supplied from
Committee's Depots abroad
to Comm: at home
as to amount of stores
from time to time
in hand at Depots?
What should be made?

what tables or estimates
of quantities of various
articles required for a
given No of men per day
were made?
What should be made?

what were the steps
taken for obtaining
information?
were these sufficient?
if not that should be taken?

- what invoices & lists were
made or required?
2. what shall be made?

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A few scattered *examples*
of Questions
35 South Street,
Park Lane,
W.

{`35 South Street,
Park Lane,
W.' PRINTED LETTERHEAD}

4. should each Nation have
its own complete Ambulances
or help the Ambulances
of Belligerents with
material & personnel?

is it the Belligerent's custom
to place a superior Medical
Officer of its own over
neutral Ambulances?
IF so, how does it work?

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how can the movement
of Patients be best directed?
-- how *is* it directed? --

if complete Ambulances are
to be sent by each Nation
what are their best sizes?

how best to use
international Surgeons?

a. with an Army?
b..in villages & outlying cottages
what kind of agreement
could a foreign Aid Society
best make? -- for these!

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2. should women be 2. Women nurses
 sent as Nurses? --
 if so, how to insure
 their services being
 used? --
 whether with their own
 special ambulance or
 to be attached to other,
~~one~~ two here, ~~one~~ two there?
 how best to use
 international Nurses?

upon what condition should
 women nurses , if any,
 be sent one? --
 where do they fail?
 where succeed? --
 what are the causes of such
 failure or success?

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Orderlies

3. same question as to
 Infirmiers or Orderlies

what provision has been
 made, by means of a Civil
 (Men's Nursing Order, by
 Volunteers, or otherwise,) to
 supply an adequate number of
 properly qualified men-nurses
 to both Belligerent sides?

what provision *could be*
 made? --

how far have Military
 Orderlies been employed?

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5. (5 As to mortality?
 specially among operation cases)
 what to be attributed
 to the crowding in closed
 buildings? or without
 beds? or want of cleanliness?

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6 as to temporary. or
 improvised
 bed & bedding?

as to temporary or
 improvised utensils?
 specially for means
 of cleanliness?

as to temporary or
 improvised kitchens?
 kitchen arrangements?
 immediate supply of
 hot cooked food?
 water? --
 stimulants?
 &c

as to clothing for sick
 & wounded who have had
 theirs compulsorily destroyed?

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7 as to transport
 a. of wounded?
 b. sick?
 c. supplies
 to battle field?
 to Ambulances?
 to Hospitals?

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ex. 8

1. What are the methods
in use in the two Armies
for supplying the Hospitals?

where are the weak points?

in what way could we
avoid these?

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2. what are the weak
points in the Red Cross
Societies' work?

What would be the
best direction to give
to give to the Red Cross
Societies' work?

What kind of *temporary*
Hospital accommodation
should be used by the
Red Cross Societies?

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what organization,
what instructions & authority
has experience shewn
to be best given to
Red Cross Societies'
agents?

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3. organization for
carrying wounded as
quickly as possible off
Battle fields
what is? --
what should be?

=== as to searchers?

bearers?
surgeons?
Nurses?
supplies brought to
the ground as soon
as firing has ceased?

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4. organization for
attending to Sick & Wounded
immediately round battle
field?

What is?

What should be
recommended?

as to Sick & Wounded in towns?

in villages?
in scattered
country houses?
in ditches, under
trees, hedges,
in holes where
they have dragged themselves
for safety?
in Ambulances?

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I. I 1. what should be relation

of English Red + Society

to other Red + Societies?

to Belligerent Head Quarters

to their own Inspecting
people?

to their own Agents?

what the power of the
Agents over supplies &
money?

signed letter, ff201-02v, pen, black-edge pale blue paper

f201 35 South Street, Jan 3/71
 Park Lane, {printed address:}
 W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Perhaps you will like to see
 the acknowledgment of Madame
 Werckner, of Breslau, for your
 Committee's £100.

I told her that I was only
 the spokeswoman of your Comm: --
 But, as I wrote at some length
 about the general operations
 of the Society, of which Germans
 really know nothing -- & also to
 impress her with the fact
 that the Society's grants were
 for the *Sick & Wounded*, I suppose
 she thought it more convenient
 to herself to answer me, unless
 she has also written to your

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Committee, of which I gave her
 the address --

Please make any use of the letter
 you like, & then return it to
 me. [I shall try to get her
 something from our "Widows' &
 Orphans' Fund "Committee.]

I cannot doubt, from so many
 various sources which write
 to me, that the sickness &
 mortality among the French
 prisoners in Germany is very
 heavy. It is quite absurd to
 make any Statistical calculation
 at present -- But, if it were

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ultimately to turn out that,
 what with Dysentery, Typhus
 & small pox, acting upon
 underfed or ill fed & half
 clothed bodies, the Total
 Death-rate, as has been
 roundly asserted, will not
 be much under 50 per cent,
 it will not be very surprising.
 Far from attributing it to German
 unkindness in Germany. I
 have not doubt that the
 prisoners have, *on the whole*,
 been not ill-treated -- But
 the LONG journeys by slow open trains
 have been frightful to men & boys
 almost starved. And we must

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remember how utterly exhausted
 they were *before* these -- [Even
 German authorities describe
 their state on arriving as
 lamentable]

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As for the Johanniter, there will
 be a heavy reckoning to *their*
 account some day. There
 cannot remain now the
 slightest doubt that they
 have diverted the funds,
 German, English & French,
 subscribed for the Sick &
 Wounded, to the use of the
 Army -- & also the goods --
 I shall have a good deal to say
 about this -- but not now --
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff203-04v, pen

f203 35 South Street, Jan 12/71 [15:761-62]

Park Lane, {printed address:}

W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Very many thanks for your letter & its enclosures. I will act upon all you have said

I am afraid you will think that la reconnaissance n'est qu'un vif sentiment des bienfaits futurs when however I begin again: --

Dr. Laseron (I dare say you know all about him -- he is the Director of a miniature Deaconess' Institution at Tottenham here -- & has been since the very beginning of the horrors, since Gravelotte, at work always in the thick of them with several of his Deaconesses)

Dr. Laseron returns *next Tuesday* to 3 of his Deaconesses now managing in an Ambulance near Orleans with Hospital requisites which he has come to England to fetch -- Meat & Soup Extract, indeed every

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thing is, as you know, wanted & every thing he will be happy to convey to the Hospitals of Orleans.

Dr. Laseron is immensely indebted to English help in general, & to your Committee, I believe, in particular & always tells the Prussian authorities that he could have done nothing without you

I do not want to press his claims --

(possibly he may have gone to St. Martin's Place by this time himself -- but I do not think he has --) as your Committee has such magnificent operations of its own on the Loire. But the wants there are like a Maelstrom which swallows every thing up. Dr. Laseron is an excellent channel for sending things -- And I shall send something by him, sure that he will hold on to his goods, like grim Death, till he has got them actually into his Patients'

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mouths or on their backs --

But what I can do is of course
the merest trifle compared with what
another grant from your Committee
could do for him, either in money or goods:

I write in haste, as *Tuesday* is near.
I was very glad of your Nos. 6 to 8. But
if the Committee would publish a great
many more of these, it would please
the Contributors
I hope you are better --

Please thank Marianne very much for
her letters which I am going to answer -- But
she must excuse my hurry. The reason of
my missing her letter was that she directs
to 32, not 35. [32 is Sir Harry Verney's *now*
let -- & *let* every year. *I* have not been there for 7
years -- Of course all depends upon the good nature

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of strange servants whether I get my letters
directed there. It was my little maid
Temperance, who suggested that the
missing letter was there -- & went &
routed it out. For 3 months a
business letter from India to me from the
G. G. once lay there thrown into a
drawer by the careless servants of a stranger
This is 35 {UNDERLINED THREE TIMES} And it was at 35 that I once
the pleasure of seeing Evelyne to tea -- [end 15:762]

had

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff205-06, pen, black-edged paper

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Embley -- Romsey March 7/71

My dear Capt. Galton

I know not what I can do with the enclosed letter from Mrs Cox but send it to you.

[You see that she does not wish her name to be mentioned -- And I think she is right].

I do not wish at all to advise as to what *should* be done with the remains of your Fund. But I concur with her as to what *should not* be done -- I mean that I could

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corroborate her statement from my own former personal experience & from what I have learnt during this War -- viz. that gifts given in the way proposed (if it *is* proposed) only go to save some Civilian or Military pocket -- to enrich some Intendant or Econome -- ~~It is~~ not to bring *additional* comforts to the Patients -- but to supply them *instead of* the Governments, the Administration or the proper authority supplying them --

But I can only state this -- as my experience

I cannot advise as to things I do not know

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Please send the letter to Emily Verney after you & Marianne have read it.

[But do not show it in Committee]

By the way, has anything come of the "Heads of Questions" & Précis of the Society's experience -- of Col. & Mrs. L. Lindsay's letters?

in haste

ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

signed letter with envelope, ff207-09v, pen pale blue, stamped, can

f207 {FRONT OF AN ENVELOPE}

Capt. Douglas Galton CB
 (or Mrs. D. Galton)
 12 Chester Street
 Belgravia
 London S.W

f207v {BACK OF AN ENVELOPE}

DATED BY ARCHIVIST

March 9th -- 1871

f208 black-edged paper

Embley -- Romsey March 8/71 **[15:784-05]**

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you 2nd part of Mrs. Cox's letter
 I suppose the Committee will consider it due to the
 subscriber to keep money-subscribed for the "Sick
 & Wounded" for that purpose.

They might however contrive some organization for
 its reaching the "halt & maimed" after the Peace as
 Mrs. Cox proposes -- other than the "Hotels Dieu"

Ought not she to apply for "Widows & orphans" to
 "Widows & Orphans" Committee? Unfortunately, there
 is in this Comm: no fixed responsibility, no reasonable
 arrangement by which French & Germans should share

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& share alike -- I know of French applications which have been (not refused but) entirely ignored. All goes to Germany.

I believe that all Mrs. Cox here says (in the letter I now enclose) about Prussian Hospitals is true everywhere.

The Prussian War Hospls are *systematically* bad.

The French War Hospls only *accidentally* bad.

i.e when you see the best (really organized) Prussian Hospital, you see how bad it is.

when you see the best (really organized) French Hospital, you see how good it is.

The Prussians don't *intend* to give their Patients every possible chance of recovery.

As to what Mrs. Cox says about feeding, all thro' this War I have felt that "Hospital treatment" was a case of beef & ~~porter~~ beer or soup & wine.

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Miss Lees, who had the charge of a Prussian Hospitals near Metz & elsewhere says just the same as Mrs. Cox about the loss of life from giving no stimulants & no fresh air -- she being an experienced Hospital Supt

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One thing I think the experience of the War has taught (my theory was very different) And that is: that English gifts must be as much as possible distributed by English hands. & as little as possible by the hands of priests, nuns, mayors -- & not at all

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by the hands of Economes, Administrations, Intendance.

This experience results also from the Lord Mayor's
& Mr. Bullock's & other Funds

And as to German Army Hospitals, too, as little
as possible by the hands of Administrations,
Medical or Military -- or "Johanniter"

But how to make the difficult application of
this experience?

And will the "Questions" bring it out? --

Please forward to Emily Verney Mrs. Cox's letter
in haste

[end 15:785]

ever yours sincerely
Florence Nightingale

draft, ff210-11, light pencil

[16:745-46]

*Proposed Hospital by Mr. Roberts
Sydney*

Remarks on proposed plan

1. The ground will answer
 2. (a) unadvisable to introduce the Administration
block AAA in a long line between the wards.
(b) no objection to the front & back blocks. AA-
but the intervening block A joining the two
would interfere injuriously with the outer
ventilation- no objection to joining front
& back blocks by a Corridor, but this would
scarcely be necessary as access could be
secured otherwise--e.g. by ye Corridors joining Pavilions
 3. War plan a a good
No objection to proposed bow window at end.
 4. Proposed dimensions of Nurses' rooms & Sculleries
17 x 14 too large. 10 x 12 sufficient Yes?
 5. One small ward for 1 or 2 beds at 2000 c. ft
per bed, on each floor of War Pavilions
 6. objection to multiplying small operation wards.
[Mr. Roberts proposes 4 small wards adjoining
Operating Theatre in *broad part A* besides Cottage
block H I]
- H I with 2 quite separate small rooms for capital

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operations as proposed enough
 accessible from operating theatre as shown
 All other small wards an expence & an incumbrance
 not without danger

7. Cottage block H I must have 2000 c.ft. per room
 only 1 bed in each
 a Nurse's room 10 x 12
 a Scullery do with hot & cold water
 sink, W.C. sink,
 small range for cooking
 [W.C. scarcely needed]
8. Mr Roberts wanted to consult Capt. Galton
 on *temporary* construction for Cottage block
What does Capt. Galton say? [Galton reply in ink: see letter]
9. Is not the stair-case as he proposes in
 one of the squares in the Ward plan difficult? **[end]**
 [Galton reply in ink: I think there is space & would
 [~~illeg illeg~~] be height [very faint]
 D.G.]

signed letter, ff212-13, light pencil, black-edged paper

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Frotteur 35 South St.
St. Thomas' Park Lane W
 See D Galton 16:3 74? March 10/74

[16:796]

My dear Capt. Galton
 Could you be so very
 kind as, thro' any of
 your Contractors or otherwise
 to discover & recommend
 a good *Frotteur*?

The Treasurer of St
 Thomas' Hospital has
 at last (and it is
 desirable to strike while
 the iron is hot) sanctioned
 the engagement on trial
 of a *Frotteur* to do one

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or two wards.

The `trial' means that
 -- if it is found to be half
 penny per ward cheaper
 than the present (porters)
 floor. work to which
 Erysipelas has been
 distinctly traced
 the Treasurer may then
 extend a real *Frotteur* system
 [An ignorant bay of 19 is
 now their only *Frotteur*
 and the porters who
 clean are stated
 actually to leave

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mud in the wards]

[end]

Pray help us

& oblige

yours sincerely

F Nightingale

signed letter, ff214-15, pencil

[8:375-77]

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35 South St.
 Park Lane W.
 April 15/76

My dear Capt. Galton

Are you in London?

Might I send you: & would you be so good as
 to look at & *criticize* some *Plans* for a
 Lying in Institution & Training school for Midwifery
 Nurses? about to be built --

I am so very glad that you are going to give
 on Saturday a Lecture on *Sanitary Results*
in India.

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How is Evelyne?

& *how is Marianne?*

Excuse pencil. I will write more intelligibly
 when I know that you are in London.

ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

signed letter, ff216-18, pen

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35 South Street. W.
April 21/76

My dear Capt Galton

I am so thankful to hear that Evelyne's trial is happily over: & that she & her 'little girls' are going on well.

May her health now entirely return' her happiness, except in being separated from you, has, I trust; always been perfect.

Will you tell Marianne (who I hope is better) & Gwendolyne that I give them joy with all my heart & soul?

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& will they tell Evelyne so with my very best love when they write to her?

Your Indian Sanitary paper

2. I am so very glad about your proposed reading to night of the Indian Sanitary paper: (I shall read it with avidity & that you think "So much has been done".

It is particularly needed just now: [e.g. the W. O. say: unless, you can prove that the Army Medical School saves money, it should be given up.]

Private *Army Medical School* *Netley*

3. I dare say you know that the decree for the abolition of this had already gone forth we have had a tremendous correspondence in which the Professors were most efficient Dr. Acland most kind & Mr. Hardy not unreasonable.

The result is: that the sole question now is: how to adapt the school work to the new Short Service at medical Dept. system:

Dr. Acland (in whose hands the copy

[15:511-12]

[end]

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of the Professors' statement now is:
 otherwise I would send it you.)
 sees Mr. Hardy tomorrow at Oxford.

And with Dr. Acland's assent I have
 had it proposed to Mr. Hardy to appoint a
 Ctee, consisting of you, Dr. Acland, Sir James
 Paget, & Dr. Sutherland, if well enough: to go to Netley,
 examine into the Teaching means of the
 School (the accommodation is most
 deficient) & report to him, Mr. Hardy,
 as to the best method of adapting these
 to the increased numbers &c under the new

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Army Medical Warrant

I do most earnestly wish for this Ctee:
 & that you will serve upon it:

& I think that so the School may be
 placed on a securer and wider basis than it has
 been for years

Dr. Parkes is an 'insupportable' loss
 4. Do not look at the Midwy Training School
 wh: I send:
 papers: till you have read your Indian
 paper. & believe me

ever yrs most truly F. Nightingale

signed letter with envelope, ff219-21, pen

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{FRONT OF ENVELOPE}

Immediate

Capt. Galton
 12 Chester Street

21/4/76

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[8:377-78]

*Proposed Lying-in Institution
& Training School for Midwife Nurses* [in red pencil]

35 South St W

April 21/76

My dear Capt Galton

I am extremely obliged to you for being willing to overhaul these plans

This possibility of re-opening our School for Midwifery Nurses comes from the quarter whence I should have least expected it St. John's House with 'force civilités' from the female Superiors.

This great civility is of course due to the hope that we, the NF; should spend our money with them, as we did with our ill-fated School at King's College Hospl

And this we should:

that is: if not only we were satisfied

with the *Lying-in* accommodation

and with the accommodation for *pupils*:

but also with the *Training means* afforded

we might very well spend money

(not in maintaining beds, as we did at K. C. H.)

but

in maintaining *Pupils* there: at this next
Institution

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And if the "National" *District Nursing Assn* gets money, they might do so too

[At present I must say the *Training prospects* appear of the gloomiest

The *Sisters of St. John's* seem to intend to be themselves the *Midwives*: & to contemplate only MONTHLY Nurses: & for the *rich*.

In that case, of course we should have nothing to do with them.

But we have this hold upon them: that they want our money & our name. They will not get it unless they do what we think essential.

This prospect not only of saving *Lying in* lives: but of possibly re-opening our *Midwifery School* under good conditions makes me willing not only to take a good deal of pains but to ask you to do so too.

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[I will ask you *at present* not to show
 these plans to any one. for some reason
 that I do not understand they ask this
 Afterwards I shall of course show the
 criticisms that you are good enough to
 make.]

ever yours sincerely
 F. Nightingale

Enclosed or accompanying are:

1 roll (2 plans: Estimates: & letter)
 1 Envelope of 5 plans &c
 1 Envelope of 3 letters &c
 F.N's Notes of criticism (3 sheets
 Dr. Sutherland's (1 "

& a copy of F.N's book on Lying in Institutions
in case you wish to refer
 that you may have it at hand.

note, ff222-25v, light pencil and pen [8:375-77]

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Proposed Maternity Hospital & Nurses Home and
Notes on Plans Nursing School 15/4/76

1. 48 Lying in beds: but in fact only 36 occupied.

Beds indeed by Architect's own showing, only 27: since, as there is no Delivery Ward, he intends 3 only out of each group of 4 to be occupied together.

2 Is not *Basement* accomodn unnecessarily Large?

A Dispensary not necessary in a Lying in Institution: where the fewer drugs the better.

3. No *Basement* accommodation especially not an but Patients Waiting Room, or Surgeon's Room should be under *Lying in Wards* The two, out Patients & In Patients, indeed the two, Patients & administrative, buildings shd. be separate: or if this is impossible, only harmless stores should be under patients. Not Coals: Even a Linen store where

there is much passing to and fro, not desirable.

4 3 We should think the *Ward Scullery accomodn* insufficient for this reason that every block (of 4 beds or Ward on each floor) Must have it's own *Scullery accomodn, Sinks &c* in order for the periodical cleansing of the whole: one block with all its appurtenances to be always vacant for cleansing.

Also, a *Bath Sink*. (*Infants Baths* essential) *Slop Sink, W.C., Linens & everything.* to each floor of each block quite separate "Nurses's Room" may be well turned into a Scullery: but there must be either 2 *Linen Rooms* one for each block or the *Linen* may be in *Scullery*. which is quite admissible In that case the *Linen Room* might be made into a *Nurse's Room*: But it would be far better to give up the "Nurse's Room," throw half of the *Linen Room* into each

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Scullery, ~~where infants must be washed~~, where there
 Must be a hot linen closet a small kitchen range, wh{cut off}
 syringes &c one for each women must be kept & washed
 Where infants -- must often be washed and dressed:
 & where there *must be room* for Nurses and pupils
 The Scullery is the "Nurse's Room" in a
 Lying in Institution & must be
 made proper for the purpose.

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5. 3 We suppose it is proposed to *deliver*
each woman in her own ward, in this case, after each
 Delivery, the Ward ought to stand empty for at least 10 months,
 to "assimilate it to
 "a woman's own home": objectionable also, (~~filled~~] for the danger
 of disturbing the women in the 3 next Wards
 especially if one were in a state of exhaustion):
 This makes ~~however~~ the *periodical vacating*
 & *cleansing* of the whole appurtenances still *more essential*: for if the
 Scullery
 is to do duty as the Scullery of a *Delivery Ward* as well, it will have a good
 deal to
 do.

6. Is it intended that the *Lying in Woman*
 shall occupy *the same Ward* from time
she comes in till time she goes out
 no convalescent Ward [3 changes are good.] But if only
 there were a *Delivery Ward* no other change is *necessary*.

7. It is not desirable to have *Ward doors*
opening OPPOSITE each other.

8. Will not the "*open*" spaces make dangerous draughts?

If there is a *Delivery Ward* (which is considered essential), the passages &
 corridors must
 have no "open" spaces; & must be capable of warming: as the Women will have
 to be carried thro them after *Delivery*

9. Yes: *Lifts*

10. We see no provision for ISOLATED *accommn*
 for a *SICK Lying in Woman*. This is essential.

11. We see no *accommn* for having RELIEFS
 of *Pupil Midwives*

Nor is the *number* proposed to train given:

? 30

{There are only 12 *Nurses'* beds} shown
 & 5' *Ladies* " } & no reliefs & [check #s]

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12 We see no accommodation for *Head Midwife*
or *Midwives*

There must be one if not two, or even three, *Midwives* ~~at least at first~~
The *Head Midwife* ~~she~~ will expect *two* rooms

The "*Sister's*" accomodn however might be turned
to this purpose.

13. Is not the *Mortuary* (tho' there should
be *no* deaths) too much in sight of the *left*
hand block?

Even if there were no deaths this is objectionable
[Of course *no Post Mortems* will be done *here*]

14 *Points of Compass* not indicated

15 4 floors & 3 floors of *Wards*
objectionable. This is the blot of the plan. both for
health & convenience

Also it necessitates vacating 12 beds: viz a whole block]

Always for *periodical* cleansing: of course you
cannot be scraping, white washing &c over the heads of ~~the~~ *Lying in*

Women: The whole block from top to bottom must stand empty at
one & the same time. **[end 8:377]**

F.N.

Begin Separate Notes on Mr. Salter Architect's Letter
folio

A. Mr. Salter appears to forget that in trying
"to assimilate" his "plan" to that of "*Lying-in* women's
"own homes" he has omitted *the most essential*
condition: viz. that in any room inhabited by
the same couple *a second Delivery* cannot take

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place within ten months = & may not take place
 for years This I believe to be the real secret
 of safety *at home*

The nearest approach that can be made to this
 is: to have 2 Delivery Wards to each floor:
 one of them always standing empty: month &
 month about:

And these Delivery Wards I believe to be essential
 in any Lying-in Institution *of more than 3*
 OR 4 BEDS: & in constant use: for any safety
 Mr. Salter's single bed Wards are then capital
 But ~~The~~ *delivery* in the single-bed Ward would not
 be without danger: nor would it be assimilated
 to Home lyings-in, as Mr. Salter wishes, unless
 each Ward after each Delivery remained
 empty for 10 months: a condition which
 renders any Institution at all - impossible.

Neither does *economy* appear to be attained
 by this plan: since the ~~necessary~~ essential 'standing empty'
 of each Ward, -- even for a much shorter period,
 than 10 months -- seems, by Mr. Salter's own
 shewing, to be ~~greater~~ necessarily longer than if there were ~~for~~ a Delivery
 Ward:

& Since, -- for this is important, if the Ward Scullery
 is to do the duty of a *Delivery* Scullery this so
 greatly increases the Scullery Work that it

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renders absolutely essential one good sized
 Scullery to each 4 beds -- not to be used for any
 other Ward together with Bath Sink, Slop Sink
 W.C. & c & Sink Bath for soiled linen:
 & all this standing periodically empty with its
 Ward.

N.B [To have all the soiled Delivery linen in *this* Ward
 Scullery somewhat increases the risk to the
 Lying in women in the Wards.] It is so much
 better to have all the Delivery bustle & mess apart

B. It would be impossible to nurse this
 in many respects admirable construction
 with only 12 Pupil Midwives:

even were there 3 *qualified Training Midwives*,
 as there ought to be:

[& for the first year, 2 *qualified Nurses* besides]

Nor could there be *any training* worth the
 name: in such a case.

With 27 occupied beds, there might well be

25 Pupils: or with 36, 30 Pupils

& there must be a thorough, sufficient, completely organized,
 & thoroughly qualified *Training Midwife* Staff

[I do not think one *Midwife* to every 6 or 8 Pupils

too much: (this is roughly speaking: for the staff *Midwives*
 are, of course, not 'told off' in this way]

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C. Are there not too many windows &
 draughts (tho' a fault on the right side) to
 the Wards?

D "Organ" could not be borne by an
 average woman during or soon after Delivery
 & would wake the Night Pupils sleeping by day
 Where half the Patients are under 9 days old
 & the other half lying in women who cannot
 leave their beds an organ seems superfluous.

F.N. [in blue pencil]

ff226-28 Observations on Plans for Maternity Institution at Battersea, in a
 neat hand not FN or DG but dated and initialed by DG 25 April 1876

signed letter, ff229-30, pen and pencil

f229

35 South St
Park Lane W.
May 6/76

My dear Capt. Galton

1. I was most thankful to have a second notice of the well doing of Evelyne, & her little girls.

I hope you still have the best of news.

2. Thanks many & great for your valuable notes on the *Maternity Instn plans*.

You shall hear of these, *I must*, again

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They are now in Hy B. C.'s hands

3. Great thanks too for your *Indian Sanitary paper*:

(also for sending me a copy:)

I thought it inimitable, exhaustive, powerful.

I would you had Indian affairs in your hands!

Private

4. I have heard nothing more yet of *proposed Committee for Netley School* But the School is saved: replaced in new Army Medl Warrant: & orders sent for increase of accommodation for Candidates.

[15:514]

[end]

I still however hope for Comm tee:

How is Marianne? My love to her & Gwendolyne: please: & believe me

ever yrs sincerely

F. Nightingale

signed letter with envelope, ff231-32v, pen and pencil

f231

Dr. Quain's Dictionary
Article on Nursing

35 South St.
Park Lane W
May 6/76

[12:716-17]

Private

My dear Capt Galton

I have made an attempt to do this Article: because
you & Marianne were so good as to wish
it: & because you thought it would be useful
[Do not be alarmed: it will be quite easy with
a pair of scissors to cut out a short Article
from the enclosed -- I have had it
printed in order to do so.]

But: X

Nursing cannot be treated like a *disease*:
it must be treated like an *Art* in its
relations to Medicine, Surgery & Hygiene:
it is almost coextensive with these.

A real Dictionary of Nursing would be
almost as lengthy as a "Dictionary" of Medicine

An Article on Nursing cannot be like an
Article on Amputations or on Fevers or on
Ventilation, since ~~it~~ Nursing embraces all these: &c

x Your kind instructions to me were: to be "quite" technical
"& professional": very much condensed: about 2 pages of
"double columns", (very close point,), to be in proportion
with the other articles: practical and not historical:

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`much more:

It must be more like an Article on Therapeutics
or on Hygiene:

I have tried to treat of Nursing here in its
relations to the *Medical Profession*: & from
the point of view of the *Medical Profession*:
what the Nurse has to do for the Physician
or Surgeon:

& on the other hand one cannot treat
of it without considering *what the*
Physician & Surgeon have to do for the
Nurse:

in training her, in building up the Art
of Nursing, & making it fit to be their
intelligent servant:

[If they would give me ~~this~~ heading & space for ~~my~~ an
Article on Nurses, "Nursing & Nurse Training,
I think a very respectable Article might be
made. x *If not, & if a strictly*

{the following is a long footnote at the end of the page}
x You will hardly believe it, but in *this* year a "Physician's
"Vade Mecum" has been put into my hands, revised up to *this* year,
in which nearly every one of all the old errors of *Nursing* is
~~revived~~: reproduced (The article on *Nursing* is of considerable length: much
longer than Dr. Quain's): even to *airing* the sick room, *not* from
the outer air but from the *stair case*: & - God help us - "in cases
"of Infectious Disease, the nurse may safely keep all the dirty linen till
"the end of the case, & then send it all together to the wash"!!!!

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{continuation of letter}

"*technical*" Article must be made (of what
is not yet a *techny* or Art:)

then I must make the Article of (omitting all the rest)
the parts p. 3 *Ventilation* ~~to p~~

food

p. 4 *Health of &c*

p. p. 5,6 to "*Shakespeare*"

p. p. 9, 10, 11 from "*What a Nurse is to do*
to end of "*Antiseptics*
& these wind up --

[Even this will have to be condensed I
suppose to get into Dr. Quain's 2 pages]

1. I come now to my reason for troubling you:
I should not like the Editor to edit my article
but to hack, cut it up & put it together myself.

If you could give me your advice upon what
the LENGTH & SUBSTANCE of the Article must
ultimately be to be useful, ~~in~~ & to be admitted
in *this* "Dictionary", so that I could do it myself.
I should be truly obliged to you:

[Probably Dr. Quain's "very close print" is much
closer than *mine*: this in itself would give
me *more room*.]

2. There is much *confusion of parts*, & some *repetition*,
in the print I enclose.

This is because I could make the Article in

3 different ways: each containing something

about Training: & one of the various repetitions: out of the enclosed.

Tho' Nursing is as old as the world, as old as

illness, -- as an *Art*, & an *Art* requiring training,

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it is as young as an Infant. I do not therefore
see how its future, how Training can be omitted

3. If I might have space & discretion left me, I
should gather up all about "Training".
(p.p. 4, 7, 8. part of 9, 11, 12:)
into one:

& so about the other subjects

4. I suppose p.p 1, 2 will be quite inadmissable
for any *Doctor's Dictionary* ?
[Je n'y tiens nullement]

Lastly: do not trouble yourself about this
if it bores you, as it well may: if you
think, as you well may: *I* have nothing
to do with this nasty subject: she must
manage it her own way:

In that case, just let *me* have it back
with your *general* advice: *but don't let*
the Editor have it to cut up as *he* likes.

My apology for troubling you must be: that
much of your Indian paper is written like
a Doctor: or rather as *no* Doctor could write
so I thought you might ~~write~~ edit this like a Nurse

[end]

Believe me ever yours sincerely
Florence Nightingale

envelope with notes on reverse side, ff233-33v, pen and pencil

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Mrs. Nightingale
35 South Street
W

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Miss Seymour Clarke

Nursing training -- an accomplishment painting or music in that way
You might learn the Art of Drawing in that way:
but painting and music have to do with dead instruments
Nursing is the only Art which has to do with live instruments
Or if painting has to do with live models.
You can't treat your Painting like a *model* to learn your Art upon
that is the whole mistake of looking upon Nursing
in that way

[end]

signed letter, ff234-35v, pen

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35 South St.
Park Lane W.
May 9/76

My dear Capt. Galton

I rather grudge you to the 'Railway plant' at Philadelphia: but I am thankful that they have a first rate man: because I am certain you will do much in other ways there for them & us: in Sanitary Administration & Sanitary Engineering & building ways --
Private Netley:

I think, - & I know that Dr. Acland thinks so too, - that a Report by our proposed Ctee (which would be published) on Netley means of teaching

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would do great good: & more even to the world at large than to the School itself: & more even now than when the question of the existence of the School was sub judice.

But as the 'Netley course' has been replaced in the new Medl Warrant: & as orders for increase of accommn for Candidates have been issued I think that the Ctee may not be granted at once --perhaps not till another 'poke': perhaps not till you come back. So, tho' very unwilling to run the risk of your going, I forgive you!!

My Article on Nursing:

As you must have very many things to do before you go, do not trouble about that *Quain* Article now but *return it to me with your GENERAL opinion & advice:* if you are too much pressed to do more.

God speed you at Philadelphia: I know you will do a great deal of good: & set your candle on a candle stick: the highest of the Seven Candlesticks. So you have the blessing of
yours ever most truly

F. Nightingale [16:817]

Montreal: You remember your verdict: on the old *Hospital* & the proposed new one & what you were kind enough to write:

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Greatly against my will, we sent out Nurses to the
old Hospital: 7 months from the day of their
 sailing, one, the noblest of them all, a young
 Nurse whom we cannot replace, died of *Typhoid*
 (a public mourning to us:) & ten of the Nursing Staff were
 under Medical Treatment for various forms of
Hospital filth disease.

I don't like to say much more about it: for Miss Machin,
 our admirable Supt there, is so terribly cut up:
 she is a Canadian: **[end]**

F.N.

signed letter, ff237-38, pen

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35 South St.

Park Lane, W.

7/7/77

[16:824]

My dear Capt. Galton

Your packet found me still here yesterday:
 tho' I was to have gone on Thursday with my Mother,
 whom good Shore took to Lea Hurst (at her
 own earnest desire) on that day.

Univ. Coll. Hosp

I have done my very best, tho' at the last moment
 of business, with these Plans, which I return
 to you, with 7 pages of Notes upon them.

The most ample or even excessive cubic space
 can be of no avail where *Post Mortem room*
 is in one Ward. & *Out Patients* in another.

I do most earnestly hope that you will warn
 them in time. Do you know, among

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all the plans, both Continental & British:

that I have ~~looked over~~ been sent me to criticize for 20 years,
this is the first I have ever seen with the *Post*
Mortem room in a *Ward*.

Surely we have terrible experience enough of *Post*
Mortem rooms in MUCH better positions than
this revenging themselves upon their Hospitals
to make this impossible.

[I began work before 6 this morning to put
on paper my strong conviction about: this
to you -- without delay]

They will disgrace themselves for ever: if they do it
If you could prevent it...!! **[end]**

=====

My going was put off, partly by the last
illness of our Matron of Highgate Infy,
partly by my own illness & overwork:
but I must go on Monday, because Shore
cannot remain longer with ~~her~~ my Mother: & she suffers

too much left with a companion: tho', as she
says, "at my own home".

Anything sent here before 10 on *Monday morning*
will find me:

after that, please, "Lea Hurst
Cromford
Derby":

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff239-42v, pen and pencil **[12:718-19]**

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Lea Hurst
Cromford
Derby
July 28/77

My dear Capt. Galton

Thanks many for your packet received:
I asked Shore to write to you to tell you
what bad case we were in here: Small pox
& Death in the house: a lad only just-entered
Shore's service: all the measures to be
taken to save frightened (new), servants: & all
Disinfecting to be done: a practical lesson
which I hope may profit others: and I,
in consequence, more `prostrate', as Nurses
say, than I have been for 20 years I don't

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know when I may be able to work again:

The "Hospital (Male) Organization" part of the Article (Dr. Quain) must be given up:

Why should you not to do it? No one would do it so well. ~~And~~ much better than I could, even if I could work now at all --

2. I have only just been able to look over what you have sent me: And I fear I shall have to *return* it with only a few trifling remarks. But then you can finish it much better than I. I 'approve' (impertinent word!) of all that you have done

3. I *more* than concur with what you & Dr. Buchanan say about the need of a Hospital Sanitary Officer: [you must state this forcibly in your "*organization*" (article)] -- *more* than concur, because he does not know what I could tell him about the things in our own Hospl, St. Thomas -- the cases of Erysipelas & Pyaemia arising with a *fatal* regularity -- Deaths ensuing -- IN Hospital [To the Out Patients W.C.'s some cases/Deaths must be attributed.] But then the Officers exist

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in *name* whom he wishes for. But nothing is done -- or rather what *is* done is done by the women, (our Nurses:) And much is concealed & hushed up.

[I well remember how appalled & helpless I felt when I first realized to its full extent -- *after* the Army -- that Civil Hospls were much worse than Military (as they are *now*, thanks to you & others,) -- in point of intentions to conceal & *non* intention to reform]

Where all power is vested in an ignorant

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Treasurer, it hardly can be otherwise -- Simon, the Officer of Health for England, did not do *for his own Hospital* -- ~~who~~ either from inability or unwillingness, -- what he was bound to do for all England He was one of the members on St. Thomas' "Sanitary Committee", & our own man, Mr. Croft, was another

But it is a very difficult question, as I practically at St. T.'s know:

If you appoint a Sanitary Officer from among the young Resident men, he has no weight: & possibly *is* more ignorant than the

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older Visiting men: (who will not serve as Sanitary officers): & certainly than the best among our Trained Sisters, who ruefully reckon the cases of Erysipelas in their Surgical Wards (to me) If this young man increases or diminishes or alters the ventilation prescribed in the Medical Wards by one of the Full Physicians; he is certain to be pulled over the coals. And the "Sister" obeys the Physician -- or -- obeys neither -- And often she is right And then the Treasurer -- !!! to whom the Medical Staff (at St. T.'s) is subservience itself. X

I expect great good from your taking up *this* subject: & from your article But you must insist upon this: special training, giving special authority, *is necessary*

X Dr. Steele in his Prize Essay says: the New Hospitals, specifying St. T's, are not better than the old as to Hospital diseases He does *not* specify: this & that & that practice in St. T's -- directly produces Hospl disease: And it would be a miracle if it did not

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for a Civil Hospital Sanitary Officer,
 whom it is necessary to have.
 Otherwise his authority (which you
 cannot enforce by Military Regulation)
 will be quite set aside.

You must invent the remedy recommend
 the organization.

I will return your scrap marked 'Private'.

I am writing this in the small hours
 of the morning: & must stop.

Love to Marianne: ever yours most truly **[end]**
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, f243, pen

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Lea Hurst
 Cromford Derby
 Oct. 20/77

My dear Capt. Galton

I should be more thankful than any words
 can say to see you Treasurer
 of St. Thomas' Hospital.

Then things *would* be well done:

It would go far to comfort my heart for
 many misfortunes: tho' 'h - g my heart' --
 -- that is not what signifies

ever yours, sincerely
 Florence Nightingale

I have many things to write about: & hope to write
 tomorrow: excuse great haste.

signed letter, ff244-45v, pen

f244

Lea Hurst
Cromford Derby
Oct 21/77

[12:719-20]

My dear Capt Galton

It gives me new life that there is a chance of your being our new Treasurer at St. Thomas' Hospital.

Dr. Quain's (Hospital Organization & Nursing) Article:

I have done nothing, been able to do nothing except just look over what you ~~have~~ sent me. I have made some very trifling suggestions: & approved what you have done, with many thanks: upon my Nursing part ~~I see us~~ Shall I

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send you back the whole?

I see no chance of my being able to do anything more: at least this year.

I am quite sure that you will do the

(Male) Administration part better than any one else: and Harry Bonham Carter, who has had to make considerable enquiry about the *London Hospitals* in this respect in the course of the St. Thomas' (Treasurer) enquiry says that he would do his part:

I could not undertake it.

Please say that you will. The Military part belongs especially to you: & the Foreign part is not out of your way.

I would gladly help. If you think I can help but I could not do more.

[Dr. Quain, you told me, would want his Article in November.]

I hope that you had a good stay at Derwent Bank: how well I remember its gardens & especially its beautiful Geraniums: Please give my love to Marianne who I trust

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is pretty well. & Evelyne in good cue:
 & Gwendolyne too. I do not know whether
 you are come back to London.
 We have had so much illness in the house here
 that we have not had the Doctor, sometimes
 two, out of the house, since we came (3
 months ago). And I have had to see them
 not as Patient but as Nurse: which à la
 lettre me tue: and `tue'-ing would not
 signify, but making me incapable for work
 signifies very much: which, tho' I am now left
 behind to rest, is my state now.

ever yours sincerely
 Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff246-47, pencil

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35 South St.
 Park Lane W.
 Jan 11/78

My dear Capt Galton

Could you kindly send me the part
 of my M.S. on Nursing &c &c for Dr. Quain's
 Article (which is I believe in your
 possession) that refers to Hospital
 Surgical Nursing cleanliness.

It is merely to assist me in criticizing
 the Report of the Sanitary Commee now
 acting upon some flagrant abuses at it. This
 --I have referred in that M. S. to some such
 abuses, tho' not by name as happening at St.
 Thomas.

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I will return it to you in a day or two

If you are still kindly employed on
that Article

I hope Marianne is pretty well: and
Gwendolyne & that you have good accounts
of your Italian.

Alas for Victor Emmanuel!

[end]

yrs every sincerely
F. Nightingale

Will you tell Marianne with my love
that poor Madame Werckner is again
in England at Lymington: & actually
obliged to look out for a "Companion's"
situation "to a lady" *for herself*?

Perhaps Marianne might hear of such
F.N.

signed letter, ff248-49v, pencil

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April 5/79

[16:853]

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Thank you very much
for your information about
the Quain `article', which
Hy Bonham Carter communicates.

2. Could you tell me any
thing about the plans &
construction, -- Sanitary & to
be recommended, -- or the
reverse, -- of the *Children's
Hospitals* in London?

the Evelina?

the Victoria in Chelsea?

-- the East London, in Shadwell?

-- the old Great Ormond St.

now that it is enlarged

or any Children's Hospitals in

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England that you could
 recommend either
 as to be imitated or to be
 avoided?

[I would gladly pay for the
 copying of any plans
 that you recommended]

I am told that there is a
 good new one at Nottingham
 Do you know the Liverpool
 one?

The Gr Duchess of Baden
 (we have had a good deal
 to do with her Training Schools
 for Nurses, as well as with
 Princess Alice's) has written
 to ask for "some plans of
 "The best children's Hospitals
 in England: She wishes to

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"know of any new progress
 in the different parts"
 & "to see some English plans".
 They are going to build a new
 children's Hospital at Heidelberg.
 -- I dare say you know all
 about it:

I wish they would send
 us the plans to criticize.
 You ~~very~~ very much doubt our
 having any model Children's
 Hospitals here, I believe
 But our sending plans might
 lead to their sending theirs
 for our revising: lead, at
 all events, to my proposing
 it

Please give me all the
 information & advice you
 can.

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3. You did us & the
world great good service
about the York Road
Lying-in Hospital: very
many thanks.

[end]

With my best love to
Marianne, pray believe
me. ever yours sincerely
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff250-51v, pencil

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Great Ormond St}
Children's Hospital}

April 15/79

10, SOUTH STREET

[16:854]

PARK LANE. W. {printed address:}

My dear Capt. Galton

How much obliged to you I am
for the Report & plans of the
Great Ormond St. Hospital,
which are just what is wanted
by the Baden-Heidelberg
people.

You are so very good as to say
that you will have the
plans copied for me: And
I am only too thankful to
return them to you for that
purpose

May we have the description
also copied? And in that
case do you not think it
would be desirable to send
that also to the Grand Duchess?
Could you have it copied

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without much trouble -- well understood
at my expense? But I am
giving you a great
deal of trouble.

The construction of the Wards
seems good.

Of course having the Out-Patient
Department *under* the In
Patients (more especially as they
~~with~~ are children) is an enormous
error: probably unavoidable
in London

But I do not see any
provision for an adequate
quantity of Baths -- which
would form perhaps nearly
half the whole Out Patient
Dept & fight half the battle
in a Paris Children's Hospitals,
& to which In Patients & Out
Patients would alike be admitted,
but at different hours. [Do you

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know the 'Enfant Jesus' at Paris?
 Also I see no adequate provision
 of W.C.s in the Out-Patient Dept
 And are there *any particular kinds*
of W.C.s for children?

I think there ought to be Sisters'
 Rooms off the Wards, more
 particularly in Children's
 Hospitals. Or there can be
 no real supervision.

[end]

Herbert Hospl Foul Linen Shoots}

[16:467]

I have often wished to ask you
 whether these are worked:
 & *how* they are worked: & if so
 whether they work well

You know that our *Foul Linen Shoots*
 at St. Thomas' Hospital are not
 used at all: partly because
 they have no receptacle at the
bottom for the linen: partly

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because they are too small
 but chiefly because no one
 will be at the trouble to
 make them work: And
 all sorts of bad contrivances
 are used instead. Till
 lately, the dirty linen was removed
 out of the Wards only 4 times
 a week. And I am sure
 much Hospital disease
 was the consequence:

How work the Herbert
Hospital shoots?

With love to Marianne
 & I hope you have good news
 of Evelyne (I liked her husband
 so very much if I may say so when I had
 the pleasure of seeing them
 at Lea Hurst) believe me

[end 16:467]

ever yours, most truly
 Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff252-53v, pencil

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Children's Hospital}
Great Ormond St.) April 22/79
10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

[16:856]

I am very much obliged
to you for your note: & the 2
numbers of the "Builder"
with plans, elevation &
description of the Children's
Hospital.

I think they will answer
the purpose, if ~~unless~~ you would
be so good as to have copied
a drain ventilation section,
which, if I am not mistaken,
was in the `cahier' you
sent me after the page
on which the plans are
[This section is not in the `Builder']
that is IF you think it of

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consequence to a German architect:

Should the copies you kindly
have ordered be however
near completion I would
still have them finished
& send them to Baden --

2. Do you know whether
there are in the `Builder'
or other architectural paper,
plans of *any other Children's
Hospitals?*

I have written for tracings
of *Shadwell* Hospital
(which we nurse & where
we have just lost a young
trained Head Nurse)

f253

- of *Belfast* (Children's) Hospital
just finished

- of *Liverpool* ditto:

Tho' none of these I believe
to be good: not very good
Victoria (Chelsea) I understand
to be merely an old house
adapted, rooms opening
out of one another.

3. To return to

Great Ormond St. --

the '*Builder*', dated 1872,
gives the Ward plan, with
two excrescences or wings
(very bad) opening from each
end of the Ward floor:
as '*not yet built*'.

They were not yet given
in the plans (Cahier) you
sent me. Do you

f253v

understand that they are
still '*not yet built*'?
I hope not.

With very many thanks
believe me
ever most truly yrs
Florence Nightingale

[end]

signed letter, ff254-55, pencil

f254

April 28/79

10 SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W. [16:856]

My dear Capt. Galton

I am so very glad that
your Chatham Sanitary
Lectures are being done
into a book. I am afraid
I am a poor critic, & I am
undertaking far too many things.
But if you are kind enough
to let me see them before
going to press, I would gladly
do so

Thank you very much
about the Gr Ormond St.
Children's Hospl.

I have seen a quite rough
sketch of a floor of the
(Chelsea) Victoria Hospl.
It is hard for anything to be
worse in these days of out cry for progress -- And they have had

f255

fatal Typhoid arising
in Hospl

[end 16:856]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff256-57, pencil

f256

May 10/79

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W

[16:857]

My dear Capt. Galton

I cannot thank you enough
for the copy of the plans
& description of the great
Ormond St. Hospital:
which are all that is
wanted.

[Please kindly to tell me
what to pay for the copying]

2. I have received the enclosed
tracings of the plans of the
NEW Belfast Children's
Hospital: just finished.

Would you kindly tell me
whether you think they
are worth sending to the
Grand Duchess of Baden?

f256v

To me they seem rather what
 you ought to be avoided
 than what ought to be imitated
 the great Square Ward with
 only 5 windows, Leaving 2 adjoining
 sides of the Ward quite
 window less -- for 17 beds
 the Corridor apparently without
 light or air,-- some Bedrooms, Kitchens,
 Receiving rooms, & lavatories with no outside window
 & numerous other defects: X so glaring
 that one thinks the mistake must be in one's own understanding
 My Herbert Darbishire, the
 Secretary wrote to me before
 sending them that "the ~~big~~ building
 "had been entirely constructed
 after" -- the outer laid down in -- My "Notes on Hospitals"
 And the Matron, who came
 from us, has asked me to
 write to the Committee a
 letter of approval on the plans
 X There are inside W.C.s.

f257

What do you advise me
 to do? I mean
 about sending them to
 Heidelberg And would you kindly
 tell me what you criticize? **[end 16:857]**

3. I have received tracings **[8:375]**
 (for me to criticize) of the
 new *Lying in Cottage Hospital*
 proposed to be built at Ravensworth
 House (which has been already
 bought as a site) at Balham

The plans do not give enough
 to judge by.

But would you let them be
sent to you (by me) to look at?
 Perhaps they have been
 already sent you ? **[end 8:375]**

With love to Marianne & Gwendolyne
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, f258, light pencil

Children's Hospital Plans}

10 South St. [16:858]

Park Lane w.

15/5/79

My dear Capt Galton

Very many thanks for your decision & criticism concerning the Belfast Children's Hospital -- *not* to send it to the Gd Duchess of Baden.

Would you be so very kind as to look at
1 Shadwell Hospital 2 *plans & elevation* enclosed
[This Hospital we nurse] It seems good;

Would you kindly look at the plans: & say whether I shall send them to the Gd Duchess also give me the benefit of your *criticism*
2 Nottingham Hosp 1 pencil plan 2 letters?

What do you think of this?

Is it worth sending to Heidelberg?

[end]

Pray excuse pencil excuse Trouble

& believe me ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff259-60v, pen

f259

Liverpool Children's Hospital}
 Manchester " " }
 10, SOUTH STREET,
 PARK LANE. W. {Address printed}
 May 24/79 **[16:858]**

My dear Capt Galton

I am very much obliged to
 you for your criticism & advice
 on the last 2 plans I sent
 you (for sending to the
 Gd Duchess of Baden)

I hope this is the '*vero ultimó*'
 time I shall trouble you

I send 2 plans of the
 Liverpool Hospl, which
 is a new one

Its merit is that the Out
 Patients Department is built:
 quite separate from the
 Hospital: (there is an
 entrance to it under cover)
 The Dispensary is in the

f259v

Out Patients' Department
 But I am surprised &
 disappointed at the Wards
 entering from one another
 &c &c

Do you think the plans are
 good enough to go to the
 Gd Duchess of Baden ?

[Germans are so fond of
 small Wards that they
 might be deterred from them
 by seeing this]

If you think they are worth
 sending, would you kindly
 write a criticism to go with
 them?

f260

2. I enclose a Report of the
Pendlebury Hospl near
Manchester with a plan
in it.

It seems to me by far the
best I have yet seen

And do we understand
that there is but *one floor* of
Wards?

Is this printed plan
sufficiently explicit to send
her? Or should I
write to Pendlebury & ask
for more elaborate tracings?

[N.B The plan by Mr.
Humbert in my notes on
Hospls' is also good.

That & this are really the
only very good ones, ~~to send~~
~~her,~~ I think]

What do you say?

[end]

f260v

of course I send for Ormond
St. & Shadwell plans:

Sorry to trouble you again
please excuse & believe
me, in haste, ever most truly yours
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff261-63, pen

f261

Dr. Quain's Dictionary:}

July 3/79

{printed address} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Capt Galton

[12:720-21]

Thank you for sending me
the Proofs of the Articles for
Dr. Quain's Dictionary: But do
you know I have not been
able even to look at them yet
Dr. Quain keeps us waiting for
2 years: & then send us the
Proofs in ~~the~~ my busiest of time of
all the year, June and July
busiest because every body
does like Dr. Quain, & puts
off their business till now every year --
I don't know where I shall be
able to look at them Which
do you think would be best
to ask Dr. Quain how long
he can give us: or not to

f261v

ask, & take it up as soon
as I can?

And it would save me so
much trouble if he would
send me the M.S.S. to
read the Proofs by:

I never can undertake to read: a
Proof without the M.S.

[end]

[6:560-61]

f262

2 I have a case of pronounced
Diphtheria (blood poisoning
of a virulent-type) in the house
-- my cook.

What should you ~~do~~-advise?
I myself believe that no Typhoid
nor Diphtheria can arise
without defect of drainage.
The Doctor is quite sure
that there is nothing in the
house of the kind: no smell,
no nothing.

I always distrust this
But last year I had the
whole house put to rights
at an expense of £440
by Waller: the basement
drains entirely taken up
[there was a quagmire of soil
under the basement] asphalt
laid &c &c
& the soil pipes down the
middle of the house between

f262v

the drawing rooms which
were not soldered! entirely
renewed.

Still when the wind is S.W.
or S., especially when it is
going to rain, I always
smell a close faint smell
but that seems to me to
come from the outside.

Last Christmas there filtered
hi from Lord Lucan's next
door water (from a damaged
pipe of his connected with
his soil pipe/ into-our kitchen
And, only after violently
threatening Lord Lucan, did
I get it - let to rights. They
assured me there is no smell in
the kitchen.

I fondly fancied that we
were all right.

I lie awake thinking what

f263

2

I ought to do

[end 6:561]

What should you advise?

3 I took your advice: & have asked the Architects for a *Ward plan or tracing of the Pendlebury Children's Hospital*

[16:859]

There have been delays upon delays. But the Chairman came to my help.

I hope to have it soon, & send it to you, before sending it & others to Baden

[end]

With love to Marianne & Gwendolyne.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff264-67, pen

[6:561-62]**f264**

12/7/79

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Capt Galton

Thank you very much for recommending Mr. Griffith, the Sanitary Engineer, to look at the drainage of this house. He came here to day. I gave him all the information I could to help him in his inspection according to him, the whole Drainage must be taken up & altered: every thing that Walter did last year is wrong in principle - tho' very nearly done, & of course so much the worse for that. And, every thing must be changes (after all the cost I was at last year.) This will cost about £400 more - which is really very serious to me [for Lea Hurst

f264v

is now a very
 heavy expense to me]
 What I trouble you for is
 to ask: *may I be*
implicitly guided by what
Mr. Griffith says?

What he says is mainly this:
 that *nothing* is cut off from
anything: nothing intercepted:
 that there is a strong draught
 of sewer gas *up* into the scullery
 sink
 that both the Pantry sink &
 Housemaid's at the
 top of the house smell "queer"
 that one cistern supplies both
 W.C. & drinking water:
 that as far as he can see, the
 Kitchen cistern (supplying

f265

water for cooking &c is
 contaminated by sewer air
 not being cut off from the sewerage.
 [This, which is most serious, I
 insisted upon should be
 remedied at once: & he is
 to send people on Monday
 to put it to rights immediately]
 that the Drainage pipes under
 the Basement Corridor are *not* laid
 straight & too large: & *no fall*:
 that the hermetically sealed
 flagstone over receptacle
 containing double syphon
 [the whole of this, you understand
 was put in by Waller last year]
 -- is only a cover to a probable
 miniature Cesspool
 I suspected this, & as soon
 as the Diphtheria broke out
 sent for Waller & had it
 cleared out]

f265v

that in short pretty nearly every room in the house has a possible communication from the main drainage: & as there are no interceptions /or whatever I ought to call them/outside, ~~every~~ any leak must discharge into the house.

There is a soil pipe *between* the drawing rooms (put in new last year by Waller - with ventilating horizontal tubes to the outside, which Mr. Griffith thinks must be stopped up,) this he thinks must leak & he thinks there is an *up* draught up it.

[I should say that I liked Mr. Griffith's draining enthusiasm exceedingly: & he certainly did inspect most vigorously]

He proposed to abolish one W.C. upstairs: to abolish the soil pipe between the drawing rooms

f266

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- to put on a Ventilating pipe there
- to carry the soil pipes of the
other WCs outside the house
if possible

then to cut off all sinks, cisterns

&c - this of course - to have ~~a~~ ~~all~~ drain pipe man holes

&c *outside* in each area a

& in short, I need not tell you,

you will know what he means

to do He thinks each WC *pan* has a tiny
cess pool under it.

Also: to dig a hole to see if

'Lord Lucan/ is coming in now

He proposes for himself &

foreman to come separately

this next week ; & complete

the inspection:

& then to tell one what I

must do.

He certainly did tell me of

iniquities I never should have

guessed of - I mean how

our sinks cisterns & W.C. &

all communicate with the main

sewer

f266v

[maids you know, always
protest there is no smell]

What I trouble you for is as I
have said: have I just
to put the house into Mr.
Griffith's hands? & pay?
ever yours most truly
F Nightingale.

f267

I send you Engineering
pamphlet by an Indian
friend of mine of which
I should like to know your opinion
FN '

signed letter, ff268-69, pen

f268

17/7/79
10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Capt Galton

Many thanks for the Dr. Quain
M.S. I have no doubt that
Hy Bonham Carter has the
original M.S. And I will
write to him for it.

I cannot thank you enough
for being kindly willing to see
Mr. Griffith about my Drainage
[I enclose you a letter of his.]
Tomorrow *p.m.* / Friday / he comes at
4 to meet the Builder, who
with 4 men has been
dabbling about in the drains
here all day to day & yesterday
At 5, as you will see by this
enclosed he *mean* Mr. Griffith,
means to see me
I should be most thankful

f268v

if it proved that
 I might "safely wait" as you
 say, if this year I were
 "cut off by an efficient trap
 "from the main sewer
 " & given ventilation to my
 "drains from below & above"
 "before spending the extra
 £400."

I suppose Mr. Griffith will
 say tomorrow "exactly what
 he does recommend" as he
 will then have "completed
 his inspection"

How would it be *least*
 inconvenient to you - kindly
 to meet *him*?

You could not meet him *here*

f269

at say ~~1/2 or 1/2 past~~ 5:30 or 5:15
 tomorrow afternoon

Could you? & "talk to him" ?
 Or at any other time?

Or would it be less
 inconvenient to you to meet
 him somewhere else?

I will send at 10 tomorrow
morning for your answer,
 please: I will then send
 to let Mr. Griffith know
 ever yours most truly
 F Nightingale

Mr. Griffith seems fond of the
 'viva voce' & averse to the
 pen. He always insists
 on *seeing* me: & I don't get any
 written report: FN

signed letter, ff270-71, pen

f270

Plans for the Heidelberg Children's
Hospital

[16:859]

10 SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.
24/7/79

My dear Capt Galton

After a month's delay &
calling in the help of the
'Chair' of the Pendlebury Hospl
I have got in the accompanying
packet.

There is as you will see,
a tracing of the Ward (in
the long envelope)

And there are the
photographs of the interior
of the Wards.

What do you think is
desirable to send to the Baden
Grand Duchess?

Do you think the Photo s
are of any use?

And if so which?

f270v

[I enclose a copy
of the Report in
this cover for reference
to the general plan]

Do you think we ought
to keep a copy of the Ward
tracing for ourselves? [We
shall never see it again].

You will see that the
Architect does not forbid
its use abroad but does
at home. We must keep
it to ourselves.

If you think it desirable
that we should have a
copy of the Ward tracing made,
could you be so very good
as to have one made?

f271

Messenger shall call tomorrow
at 10 for your instructions

I was so very glad to see you
again. & so very grateful
for your visit

[end hosp70s]

O that the Zulu War may be
now at an end but O O O

[15:857]

that they may learn from it
a lesson

[end 16]

[end 15:857]

Mt best love to Marianne & I
earnestly trust that Gwendolyne
may soon be better.

in haste

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff272-73v, pen

f272

Aug 6/79

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address}

PARK LANE. W. [16:860]

My dear Capt Galton

I cannot thank you enough
for your great kindness
about the plans for Children's
Hospitals for Baden
your care in criticizing them
& your goodness in having
them copied.

{I wish you would let
me remunerate somebody
for this}

It is like days gone by.
Just as I was putting up the
selected plans for Baden,
arrived a lady to ask me
to see the Grand Duchess?
She was in England
So I was able to explain

Aug 11

My dear Capt Galton

It has taken me all
these days (of this busy time)
to finish this scrappy note

Pray, my love to Marianne
& Gwendolyne

& believe me
ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

I go tomorrow into Derbyshire
where my mother is already

signed letter, ff274-75v, pen

[6:562-63]

f274

Lea Hurst

Cromford Drainage &c. of
Derby 10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.
Sept. 4/79

am

My dear Capt Galton

It is very good of you
to look over this troublesome
business & criticize it.

Would you be so very kind
as to give me your opinion
upon the enclosed?

I feel so incapable, not
being able to ~~make~~ see in the
smallest degree into things
myself.

The "arrangements" which
Mr. Griffith says must be
"entirely removed" were
laid down by Waller at an
expense of about £400

f274v

last year: besides which
 in each of the 2 previous years
 Mr. Cairns, a Builder,
 put in the soil pipe (new)
 between the Drawing rooms,
 the Ventilating pipe &c
 &c at an expense of
 about £100 each year

I incline to have 1.2.3.4.5.6.7. The
 whole done this year
 that Mr. Griffith proposes
*including your ventilation
 of soil pipe:* (It will
 be only £50: + "charges" and + 6 and 7
 if you approve)
 I am really very 'hard up'

f275

this year; (& not thro' a
 'riotous' course of living)
 [The expenses of this place's
 people
 press very heavily upon me.
 besides £150 which I
 have now to pay for repairs
 in this house.]
 But still I should incline
 next year to do all he,
 Mr. Griffith says in South
 St., PROVIDED YOU recommend
 it, & I can afford it.

Do you think Mr. Griffith
 a little hand - over - head &
 reckless in his assertions?

He & his Builder, Mr. Vare
 made somewhat of a
 cock a doodle about the
 "drain pipe which they discovered
 in the cellar," & which they

f275v

said came in from Lord
 Lucan's house, as being
 the cause of all the mischief
 tho' they observed it was
 quite new, & I told them
 it was a poor Ventilating pipe.
 I had had put in

*(See bottom of p.3
 & top of p.3a)*

Then I had a plan of the
 Drainage made for Mr.
 Griffith by Messrs Waller & gave
 it him.

And he, I suppose, lost it

For he has made Messrs Waller
 give him a facsimile:
 Also: he seems to forget things, e.g. 6 & 7,
 which he had declared absolutely necessary
 to be done "at once" &c &c &c
 Please be so good as to
 give me your best opinion
 which I shall be too glad to
 follow. yrs ever most truly
 F Nightingale

signed letter, ff276-77, pen

f276

Lea Hurst
 Cromford Derby
 Oct 23/79

My dear Capt Galton
 I was just writing to you
 to ask for news of Gwendolyne
 when your kind notes arrived
 I am so sorry to hear of so
 little improvement : this
 long cold year how much harm
 it has done but I could
 still fain hope that she
 might go, dear child, to some
 warmer place for the winter.
 Please give my most anxious
 love to Marianne & Gwendolyne,
 tho' it's little good it will do
 them & please let me know
 what is decided for the winter.

f276v

About Dr. Quain's note : -
 would *this day fortnight*
 Nov. 6, do to let you have
 the Proofs - being your own,
 "Hospitals", & my two "Nursing"
 & "Nurse training": for his Dictionary

[12:721]

I might be able to let
 you have yours a little
 before. as he is come
 to "letter H" I presume
 it is yours he really wants,
 & not mine: for I suppose
 mine do not come till "N"
 Or does it all come under
 "H: as "Hospitals", "Hospital
 Nursing" &c?

I have a few (very trifling)
 remarks to make upon yours

f277

as you ask me. which
 I cannot well make without
 working over the whole.

I think you have improved
 mine incredibly, by reducing
 it to order & sequence : &
 am very much obliged:
 & by making a separate
 Article on "Hospital
 construction & administration"
 which is extremely good

I have no undisturbed time except before 7:30 a.m.
 Hence my lingering:
 but I hope to let you have
 the whole *by this day fortnight*
 if that will do

[end]

in haste
 ever yours most truly
 Florence Nightingale / P.T.O.

initialed note, f277v, pen

Lea Hurst
Cromford, Derby
23 Oct. 1879

f277v

Thanks to you, Mr. Griffith,
and his builder, Mr. Vare, have
finished the Sanitary work
at 10 South St. And I hope
it will be quite successful.
But I am still detained
here partly because Mr.
Vare did not finish some
floor-varnishing work
in my rooms till some
weeks later than he promised
- partly because of the School
& Parish work here remaining
to be done, 'we' being the
only 'resident family.' [Water
supply & drainage is to be
executed on account of
Typhoid. I wish they had a better
man to advise them. A substantial
tenant's wife & laundress died of
blood poisoning in her first confinement
owing to an open sink stone drain last week

[6:563]

FN

signed letter, ff278-80, pen

f278

10 South St. {printed address:}

Park Lane W

July 19/80

My dear Capt Galton

I had the great pleasure
of seeing Evelina the other
day. She looks `filled out'
and less fragile than she did:
tho' I was sorry to see her
pale checks & hope they
will soon be rosier

I feel like a great grand-
mama. I earnestly trust
that Gwendolen is very
much stronger. Evelyne
tells me Marianne & Gwendolen
were going to Bracknell.
She also told me that
you were going to America

f278v

May I trouble you for a
moment as to my sanitary affairs
of this house?

[6:564-65]

Ever since the hot weather began,
the smell of last year has
been as bad as ever: worse
in the small Drawing room:
much worse in the Dressing:
room over it X in the W.C.
on the 3rd floor a regular
smell of sewer air.

I sent for Mr. Griffith who
very patiently went over every
thing with the Builder:
he said he should advise
me to have the whole drainage
put to rights, which would
cost "at least £300"

X Tho' not quite the same: more
musty & less sewer-y

f279

But he promised to come
again in a day or two : &
as usual he has not been
tho' it is week ago.

In the meantime his
Builder came : I discovered
that in the W.C. in question,
the under housemaid had been
in the habit of "teeming" down
the slops, so that they
had overflowed the W.C. pan

[Do you think it possible
that these can so have
saturated the partition
wall which separates the
two rooms all up the house
that this may be the cause
of the musty smell. Which
makes my rooms intolerable!

There is *no* smell above]

f279v

The Builder said he
would send a plumber
next day "to put that
W.C. to rights" "according
to Mr. Griffith's orders."

As usual, he never came,
tho' it is 6 days ago.

Expecting Mr. Griffith
every day, I have never
imparted to him the
Builder's discovery.

Had you been remaining
in England. I should
not have troubled you
now: but should you have
asked to be so very
good as to respect your
kindness of last year:
& let Mr Griffith see you:

f280

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& then for you to advise
me whether I should
let Mr. Griffith do the
whole or a part, & if
so *what part?* of
what he proposes?

Would you be so very
kind as to give this
poor creature, me, a word
of advice? & excuse my
troubling you?

ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

Mr Griffith tells me he
is to drain *Bombay*:

FN

initialed note, f281, pencil

f281

10 South St. This house
24/7/80

I think Mr. Griffith is
a goose about Ventilation
is he not? He insists
upon Building a Ventilation
~~bet~~ in the partition
between the Drawing
rooms: & he
wishes to do the same
in the Bed room floor
so as to ventilate one
room *thro'* the other

Nothing will induce
me to consent to this
unless you see something
in it that I do not

He also says the whole
thing will cost £400

FN

signed letter, ff282-83v, pencil

f282

Private

Paper on *Orderly*

Nursing in Station Hospls

10 South St.

Park Lane. W.

Confidential - July 24/80

My dear Capt Galton

Mr. Childers says that he has read the above ~~paper~~ memo several times most attentively that he summoned Sir' Charles Ellice to read it with him that Sir C. Ellice was "not surprised" at it That it "reflects as much blame on the Military as ~~well~~ on as the Medical authorities &c &c that he ~~would~~

f282v

will

order Sir Wm Muir to make a report to himself on the subject On some one suggesting Dr. Sutherland as one who was probably to be consulted on these Hospital matters, he said he had never "even heard the name "of Dr. Sutherland"

f283

Can you suggest any
 thing this is the object
 of my troubling you
 as to any further step
 to be taken now?
 especially could some
 one (not I) insense
 Mr. Childers as to ~~the~~
 Sidney Herbert's
 Commissions & Dr.
 Sutherland's connection
 with them?

f283v

[Mr. Childers said he
 would wish to see me,
 but could not till
 after Parlt was up

I merely mention this
 that you may not
 suggest it]

I wish Genl Lysons
 could have spoken to
 Mr. Childers about Dr
 Sutherland

Pray suggest
 & believe me

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

My love to Marianne

& Gwendolen, please:

& thanks to you for coming
 to me

signed letter, ff284-85, pencil

f284

Letter to Mr. Childers
 10 South St.
 Park Lane W.
 July 26/80

Me dear Capt. Galton
 I shall be very much
 obliged to you indeed
 to "explain to Mr. Childers
 about Dr. Sutherland"
 It would be much
 the best if you were
 seeing or writing to Mr
 Childers & could bring
 up any Sanitary subject
 & then "explain" about
 Sidney Herbert's Commissns=
 & Dr. Sutherland's work.
 But if this opportunity

f284v

does not occur, I think
 you must say, please,
 (but only if you cannot
 tack it on to something
 else) that I "had
 asked you to explain" &C
 [I think it must not
 be connected with the
 "Orderly Nursing", because
 Mr. Childers has promised
 to work that *as if from
 himself*: & he had better
 not think that I am
 agitating otherwise
 about that]

But if you could
~~make~~ "hear" "from some

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one" "that he Mr. Childers expressed
 importance of Dr. S., "
 that would be better
 still.

ever yours most truly
 Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff286-86v, pencil

f286

This house: 10 South St.
26/7/80

Thank you a thousand times for your advice about the things that you would insist on being done: & for your great kindness in saying that you "would see to the thing being properly done in the autumn", if I had an "estimate, from a builder or plumber" I am afraid I have let things go too far with *Mr. Griffith* to do this, He sent two men to measure for

f286v

the estimate he is going to make himself, even before you came: tho' at the rate he does things it may be weeks before the Estimate is made. But I shall knock off everything except ~~on~~ what ~~it~~ is upon the "~~list of drains~~" you have kindly made of drainage requisites. I do not think Mr. Griffith is a person quite into whose hands one should quite trust oneself He is such

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an irrepressible talker
 that e.g. he constantly
 contradicts himself:
 or forgets e.g. he
 wished to put in a
 new closet here, which
 was to take a week
 I made all the
 arrangements. The
 workmen never came.
 And he then wrote
 to me that *I* "was
 under some misapprehen-
 sion"; tho' he afterward
 admitted he was wrong.
 Again in the same week;
 he declared "a room
 was uninhabitable", &

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afterwards said it
 merely "smelt of Vinegar."
 I will not take up your
 time with mentioning
 other things:
 I thought I was mistaken
 because you trusted
 him: but I don't
 think you do trust
 him very much.
 His builder, Vare, is a
 poor weak creature
 who says just what
 the *maids* say

F.N.

I will be obstinate against
 the proposed Ventilation
 thro' the partitions

signed letter, ff288-91, pen and pencil

f288

10 South St.
Park Lane W.

August 7/80 [15:236-37]

My dear Capt Galton

Three things have I
desired & your goodness
has promised: but
without a doubt you
are exceedingly pressed
by business.

1. *the National Aid Socy*
plans for training Nurses

a. I think you agree
with us that 1 year's
training in a large London
Civil Hospital with an
organized system of training,
is necessary for all Nurses,
especially for Military Nurses,

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most especially for
Superintendg Nurses
at least you have
incorporated this in your
(Dr. Quain's) article.
Was this carried at your
National Aid meeting
to day?

And would you counsel
me whether I could do
anything now to 'aid'
this object, about which
we spoke together?

Should I ask *Sir Wm*
Muir to come & speak
to me now?

or what else?

[end 15:237]

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b. Are you trying to
 `aid' ~~the~~ our Sick & Wounded
 in Affghanistan?

[15:851]

You have probably told
 Col Loyd Lindsay all & more
 than you told me about
 Mr. Young & the Purveying
 in the Zulu War.

The best thing to do
 would be of course to
 lend a *Mr. Young* paid
 by the Nat-Aid Socy., to the
 Affghan War. But this
 I suppose would not
 work in this case. Is
 Mr. Young out there
 as Commissary?

The Military Nurses in the

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Zulu War were amply
 supplied with *private*
moneys and without
 this they could have
 done nothing. Had
 they not been able to
 buy articles on the spot
 for the sick, the Nursing
 would have been a failure
 utterly [I suppose these
 moneys were supplied by
 you & by Stafford House]

[end 15:851]

f290

Private [2]

2. Memo on Orderly
Nursing in Station Hospital
which you saw.

Mr. Childers has got
A Departmental official
answer to this, which
he has sent us.

I have not yet seen
it; but should like
much to show it to
you before you leave
if you have time

3. Drainage of this house
Mr. Griffith writes to me
that he has "the plans

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"ready" & wishes to
see me "next Friday"!!
about this.

I should be so very
thankful *to show this*
to you. [I would
write to him to send
me the *plan* at once to show you], as you
kindly suggested.

May I ?

[Nothing ever comes of
my interviews with
him except a sea
of self asserting talk
from him, & hopeless
fatigue for me]

f291

I could reserve *any day*
except Wednesday
 at 5 or at 6 or at 4
 to see you. if you would
 be so very good:
 but am shy of asking it
 knowing how busy you are

Pray forgive me
 & believe me
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff292-94, pen

f292

Drainage &c to house:

10 South St.
 Park Lane W.
 Aug 14/80

My dear Capt. Galton

It is so very good
 of you to be writing to
 look at this and
 without you I do not
 know what I should do.
 It is vain for me to try
 & cope with Mr. Griffith's
 flood of talk.

I enclose

1. the plan & note which
 you saw before
2. a note in answer to
 my note requesting the
 other plan to be sent
 which he proposed to you

f292v

3. Estimates & note

I do not see that
anything ~~has~~ is to be done
to counteract the
mustiness in little
Drawing room which
is after all what I
complain of most
Estimates

a: there was a new
soil pipe the year before
1st

b. I presume this W.C.
is to be on the *3rd floor*
but he does not tell one.

c. the *new ventilators* "
are just what I
entirely object to "leaving
to" him, without you &
me knowing what he

f293

proposes

[I told you what he
did propose to me]

d: I want him much
more to clear this partition
of foul air than to
bottle it in

e, I presume is W.C.
on *dining room floor*:
he must not make
any "sashes" without
your approval: he
has the wildest notions
on these points.

f. and i I must leave
entirely to you

g. and h. ditto

f293v

I can scarcely express
 how much obliged to you
 I am. I am done for when Mr.
 Griffith is "on the latest
 known Sanitary principles".
 His are just what confuse
~~dread~~ one: why can't
 he say, common sense
 principles? -- When he
 wants to bamboozle one,
 he always gets astride
 of the "latest known".

But you will bring
 all things right.

f294

Training Military Nurses

I see Sir Wm Muir

to-day

I have heard from

Longmore at

Cambridge I cannot

find that the proposal

has been referred

back to him from the

Nat Aid Socy.

in great haste

ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

signed letter, ff295-98, pen

f295

PRIVATE 10 South Street

Aug 16/80

[warnetn]

Nat. Aid Socy.

Training Nurses

My dear Capt. Galton

I had a long interview
with *Sir Wm Muir* on
Saturday, according to
your - kind advice.

He objects neither to
your taking ~~women~~ nurses fully
trained from St. Thomas'
for your scheme: nor to
your sending women
to be fully trained at
St. Thomas' for your
scheme. He says it
rests entirely with you

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"You pays your money,
& you takes your choice".

He said this distinctly
& repeatedly: viz. that
it was the only right
principle: *for you* to
say what you will
have, as you give the money

He said: it would
rest with *Prof Longmore*
to *work out* the scheme:
that is to say whether
the Nurses had better
be trained Nurses from
St. Thomas', or ~~Nurses~~ women
sent there to be trained

f296

[N.B. I had not at all advocated to him anything but sending ~~Nur~~ women to be trained at "Civil Hospitals."]

It seems ~~to me~~ to rest entirely with you what you propose to do: Mr. Longmore working out the details

He showed me the whole correspondence: [I was rather surprised to see a letter from Col. Loyd Lindsay dated Aug 10 your Meeting was Aug **7th** merely saying that he was "authorized to pay the money" without

f296v

a word of the proposal at that Meeting which Sir Wm Muir did not know till I told him.

[He says 5 Nurses a year (not 9) are all that are proposed for the "£760"]

You may have it all your own way, if you like.

N.B. I look with terror at the plan of turning these Nurses adrift by twos or threes to be directly under the Doctors, in various Stational Hospls with only a Supg Nurse

f297

PRIVATE *Orderly Nursing*

We then had a long conversation about this: he says for the last 2 years they have recruited the Orderlies, (Army Hospital Corp,) solely from *Civilian* sources - that they have an ~~perfect~~ ample choice of *good* men - both for Hospital Orderlies & N.C. officers - & that they have no difficulty in keeping the good men - (by promotion) - that they are quite aware how bad the Army Hospital Corps was when

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recruited from the Line Regiments.

He says that they now entrust all the "Purveying" business, equipment, stores &c, to this Corps thus relieving the Medical Officers of all but their proper work, Medical treatment.

He told me a great deal about this which I should be glad to tell you. I am so very anxious to know *from you* whether this *real or not*.

f298

[He evidently knew nothing of "Purveying" difficulties in the Zulu War.]

He spoke with enthusiasm of the system of training Hospital Orderlies as "bearers" now at Aldershot I have heard a very different account of this

I should be so glad to know *what you think* of it all.

[You know how well I am aware that Sir W. Muir always thinks his *paper is practice*]

f298v

9.9 He told me the Norwich affair, the Sulphuring the Patient was "a hoax". It is *not* a hoax, in as far as it is *a trial*: (in the "Times" this morning)

in haste I am obliged to interrupt this note.

ever yours most truly
F Nightingale

note, ff301-02, pen

f301

Military Hospital

The reply to the Memo on Orderly Nursing in Mily. Hospls. shows that the authorities are not prepared to initiate mobilization.

But the facts were furnished by Officers or Officers' wives who saw the occurrence in the Hospitals.

The Norwich case comes opportunely to show that objectionable things do occur in Military Hospitals in consequence of the absence of supervision.

[Is it probable that the removal of Regimented surgeons has something to do

f301v

with this - in that the Surgeons have none of the individual in the men of their Regiments which they formerly had?]

It need scarcely be pointed out to the Secretary of S. that the Minute does not answer the original paper - the facts stated are not met in the reply:

General allegations as to the sufficiency of rules only are made Now no one argues that the regulations are not sufficient. The arrangement is that regulations are not carried out

f302

N.B. Altho' female Nursing
might check the evils, yet,
as it is improbable to have
female Nursing in all
Hospitals, there should
be such supervision as
would ensure proper
treatment wherever
female Nurses cannot be
placed

signed letter, ff303-03v, pen

f303

10 South Street

Aug 18/80

[15:257]

My dear Capt. Galton

You see that Prof.
Longmore has reported
to Col. Loyd Lindsay
against *training* in
Civil Hospitals:

And you see that
he "reports" *Mrs. Deeble's*
opinion *not* his own
as also that the training at
Netley is sufficient.

This is certainly *not*
the opinion of his Chief,
Sir Wm Muir.

But it rests with
you, (the Nat. Aid Socy)

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to decide.

as Sir Wm Muir says.

What is to be done?

ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

When may I see you?

FN

[end]

initialed letter, ff304-05v, pen

f304

PRIVATE *Paper on Station Hospl*
 & CONFIDENTIAL *Orderly Nursing (which*
 you saw)
 10 South Street
 Park Lane
 W.
 Aug 18/80

My dear Capt. Galton,

The reply promised by
 Mr. Childers has not
 yet reached us

But Sir W Muir, in
 telling me of the great
 "improvements" made in
 the Army Hospital Corps
 (which I wanted to ask
 you about) in the last
 2 years. himself
 introduced the subject.

& told me of his reply:
 which appeared to be

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mainly this:

1. the 'paper' was "vague"
 & did not mention
 where the Hospitals were
 in which the neglects
 & sins alleged took place
2. the "Regulations are
 "perfect"
3. no "complaints" have
 been made.

[I could not ascertain of
 course, whether the
 "papers" referred to
 was mine or another.
 For there appear to have
 been more than one of
 such "papers".]

f305

Would you advise
 that I should now
communicate to Mr.
 Childers the *names* of
 the *Hospitals* (which
 I have by me in reserve)
where the events happened
 (which in the "paper" you
 saw are detailed & which can be
 proved)?

I may tell you in
 confidence that
 Portsmouth Hospital
 is the greatest sinner
 on that list
 Since I wrote this, a letter
 from Mr. Childers says that

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the "reply promised"
was not sent because
"it was thought better to
"MODIFY a part of it."
 [I suppose they found they
 could not *stand by*
 their contradiction of
 the facts in that paper.]

FN

draft, ff306-08, pen

f306

PRIVATE Nat Aid Soc" Training
Nurses.

18/8/80

[15:257-58]

[2]

I need scarcely say, that
what should be looked
upon with alarm is
the dotting about very SMALL
parties of Nurses in
Military Hospitals
without any sufficient
supervision.

I think that you (Nat. Aid Socy)
can scarcely mean this
e.g.

	<i>Sups</i>	<i>Sister</i>	<i>Nurses</i>	<i>servant</i>
<i>Portsea</i>	/		2	/
<i>Aldershot</i> (Cambridge Hosp.)	/		2	/
<i>Chatham</i> (Fort Pitt)	/		2	/

This is what is intended as the
[p. 1]

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X

destination of the
present batch of Nurses
to be paid for by the
Nat. Aid Socy I understand
Surely it would be better
to take but one Hospital at a
time. This is a very strange way

X In one of the Minutes
which have been shown
me, it is said

"All to be under the direction
of the Lady Supt. Genl."

but in the conversation

I had this did not
appear to be the
intention. And, *if it were,*
the present Supt. at
Netley is *not* the woman
for this general superintendence

f307

of carrying out the "nuclear"
system.

I never heard before
that this two-ing & three-ing was contemplated
On the contrary it was always said
that 4 or 5 were the

fewest possible to place
in any *one* Hospital

When it was intended
that the Nat Aid Socy
should train & pay for
9 Nurses I was
distinctly told that it
was contemplated that

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5 should ~~go be destined~~
to (say) *Aldershot* &
4 to (say) *Portsmouth*.
(or vice versa)

The fact is: I do not
quite understand the
proposal of the Nat. Aid
Socy. I suppose. *Is the*
"£760 a year" for the
training "at Netley" of [?]
"5" ~~Nurses~~ Probationers?

Or is it besides to be arranged for the payment
of 5 Nurses at Military Hospitals
afterwards training?

[The A.M.D. believes the
latter, it would seem]

The *Estimate* for the Nurses
at *Portsea, Aldershot, Chatham*
(see p. 1) is £856 &c. is this
~~they think~~ what you are to pay also?

f308

PRIVATE

[2a]

[I am doubtless under some error occasioned by seeing this Estimate for the 3 Hospl; before mentioned].

Some time ago the D.G. wrote to me about Nurses for Devonport, Portsmouth, Aldershot.

At that time he intended to nurse 3 or 4 of the more important Station Hospitals well, with sufficient Female Nurses in each: & not to nurse more Hospitals (in number) with far less efficiency. (to say nothing of other dangers.) by a sprinkling of twos or threes of female Nurses to each.

[end 15:258]

signed letter, ff309-09v, pencil and pen

f309

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[3]

My house: drainage

Very, very many thanks for what you have done with so much trouble

I am afraid I can scarcely spend £250 with so little confidence either as I have in Mr. G.

[He says he can't put a new soil pipe without re-papering or repainting the whole room - I can only say: it was done 2 years ago-

He says 'I said make a lath & planter partition'. I said: empty it of foul air]

I feel very much inclined

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to do nothing.

Might I see you about

ALL these affairs *some*
afternoon before you
 leave at 4 or 5 or
 6? And would you
kindly fix WHEN! [as
 I have several appointments]
 I have been so interrupted.
 ever yours most truly
 F Nightingale

Please keep all this letter
strictly to yourself:
 but please discuss the
subjects in it with
 your host: & *let me know*
your conclusions FN

signed letter, ff310-11v, pen

f310

Station Hospital) 10 South St.
 Orderly Nursing) Aug 21/80

My dear Capt. Galton

Here comes the "answer" (?)
 from Mr. Childers at last.

What do you advise
 to be done now?

It is difficult to understand
 how a great Govt. Office could
~~should not be ashamed to admit~~
~~sent out father~~ such an answer.
 It is easy to understand
 how such/these things ~~comes facts~~ can be ~~exist as~~
~~were detailed in the Memo~~ see
 where such an answer is
 possible.

This "answer" (so called)
 is the best ~~explanation of~~ evidence that
~~how~~ the neglect can exist

f310v

Would you please return
 it to me? & say what
 should next be done
 I know how & with what
 remark on the margin
 the "answer" would have
 been returned to its writer
 by Sidney Herbert

I have seen such answers
 as this at the Crimean War
 time. 'The Patient has
 died of neglect & want:
 but he should not have
 died by the Regulations.'
 therefore the allegation that he is
 dead "is disposed of.

The writer is not conversant
 with the conduct of Military
 Hospls" if he were, he would
 see that these neglects are
 all right
 {in bottom margin:}
 Med' Offrs
 don't teach
 or look
 after the
 Orderlies
 Civil
 Hospl
 current
Supervision
 visiting of
 Hospital is
 independent of
 Medl. Off

f311

The answer is exactly what
 Sir W. Muir told me it would
 be: viz 1 that no *names* of
 Hospitals are given 2. that
 no "Regulations" are perfect
 3. that they have no "complaints"

Shall the names of the
 Hospitals now be given?

It seems strange to ride
 off upon: Female Nurses
 are all that is wanted: X

But you see he accepts
 the "£ 1000" from "Col. Loyd
 Lindsay" therefore he
 appears implicitly to accept
 the Civil Hospl. training
 which was its condition.

X Will the trial at Norwich
 let the prisoners off on the
 ground that the man was not
 murdered/sulphured to death, because there are
 over

f311v

"If the allegations in the
 anonymous paper are *vague*
 what other word can be
 applied to the reply?" was
 said to me

Please help us:

ever yours most truly
 F Nightingale

Up to last night, Col. Loyd Lindsay's
 letter enclosing Longmore's,
 to Sir H. Verney had not
 turned up either at
 Claydon or in London

F.N.

going to be Female Nurses?

signed letter, ff312-13v, pen

f312

Station Hospital) 10 South St.
Orderly Nursing) Aug 21/80

My dear Capt. Galton

Here comes the "answer" (?)
from Mr. Childers at last:

*What do you advise to
be done now?*

It is difficult to understand
how a great Govt. Office
could admit such an answer.

It is easy to understand
how these things can be
(see Memo, which I enclose
for reference) where such
an answer is possible.
This (so-called) "answer" is the
best explanation almost
the best evidence of the
neglects

f312v

I know *how* & with what
marginal remark such
an "answer" would have
been returned to its writer
by Sidney Herbert.

I have seen such "answers"
as this at the Crimean
War time. 'The Patient has
died of neglect & want of
proper attendance: but he
should not have died by
the "Regulations": therefore
the allegations that he is
dead is disposed of.'

"The writer is not conversant
with the conduct of Military
Hospls": if he were he
would see that this
mis=conduct is all as it
should be-

f313

It seems strange to ride
off upon: 'Female Nurses,
are all that is wanted':

Will the Norwich trial let
off the prisoners on the
ground that the man
was not '*sulphur=ed*' to death
because there are going to
be Female Nurses:

[But you see he accepts the
"£1000" from "Col. L. Lindsay"-
therefore he implicitly accepts
the *Civil Hospl training*
which was its condition.]

The "answer is exactly what
Sir W. Muir told me it would
be: viz 1. that no *names*
are given: 2. that *the "Regulation"*
are perfect. 3. that they
have no "complaints": (only
criminal trials, it appears.)

f313v

It was said to me: "if the
allegations in the anonymous
paper are *vague*, what
other word can be applied
to the "reply?"

But it is no question now
to criticize the reply: but
what is to be done?

Please help us:

*Please return the whole
to me & say what should
next be done with Mr. Childers.*

*Shall the names of the
Hospitals now be given to
Mr. Childers?*

ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

Up to last night, Col. Loyd
Lindsay's letter (enclosing
Longmore's) to Sir H. Verney
had *not* turned up either in
London or at Claydon FN

signed letter, f314, pen

10 S. St
23/8/80

f314

My dear Capt. Galton

You are so good as
to say: you could come
"any time between 4
and 7 that suits" me,
to-day.

5 would suit me to-day
better than 4, provided
that does not curtail
your visit to me:

If I do not hear, I will
expect you at *five*
(5) & hope for an

"*exhaustive conversation*
ever yours most truly
F Nightingale

signed letter, ff315-17, pen and pencil

f315

Nat. Aid Soc.")
training nurses)

10 South St.
Park Lane W
Aug 28/80

My dear Capt. Galton

I have to report progress
to you.

[15:242]

I wrote to Sir Harry Verney
the substance of the Draft
you so kindly wrote for
me. And he much
prefers your "Resolution"
to his "Protest."

The Meeting does not
seem yet to have been
called Or has it?

As you said, Prof Longmore's
whole argument was based
on *Dressers* (not Nurses)
doing the dressings in Civil
Hospitals, I have therefore occupied
myself in ascertaining what

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is done *St. Thomas'*
 & what at Netley
 with a result that far
 more dressings than even
 I supposed are done by
 the *women* at *St. Thomas'*-
 certainly 3 times out of 4
 of the most important
 dressings, including those after Operations,
 Accidents & severe surgical
 injury:
 with a result too that there
 are ~~no~~ few wounds, if any
 less than - MONTH old,
 showing at Netley:
 & these for the most part
 do *their own* dressings:
 that the cases are all chronic,
 very chronic
 & the Nurses seem to do
 nothing of what they have

f316

to do in War Service or ~~in~~
 every day in a *large Civil*
 Hospital, like *St. Thomas'*,
 where they are systematically
 trained to do it.
 I have, besides my own
 evidence, letters from
 Mrs. Wardroper to me,
 confirming this:
 & from Mr. McKellar
 (which I asked him to
 write) to Sir Harry Verney
 as he/Mr. Mck is experienced *both*
 in what is needed of
 Nurses in *War Service*
 and in what our Nurses
 do at *St. Thomas'* (to which
 Hospital he belongs.)
 I have sent these letters
 to Sir Harry.
But it will be for you,

f316v

please, to advise &
decide whether these
or *what evidence* shall
be produced at *Nat Aid*
Meeting of what is here
advanced.

I thought it important
to have evidence other
than my own.

Mr. McKeller would
attend *to be enquired of*
any Meeting of the *Nat. Aid*
Socy: But I suspect Col.
L. Lindsay would not like this.

[I am afraid, if I write more,
you will say: 'I have many
letters from F.N.')

But please consider this

[end]

f317

2. [2]
Distribution of Nurses when
trained in twos or threes.

I have the unexpected
satisfaction of hearing
from Sir Wm Muir as
follows

"I am quite at one with
you in thinking that it is
better to nurse one Hospl=
efficiently than two or three
in a perfunctory manner:
& I will bear your wise
recommendations in mind
when the allotment of
the *personnel* comes to be
considered:" i.e of undertaking
one Hospl. instead of 3 at a time
When may I see you? or

is this too much to ask?
ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

[end warnetn]

f319

All I know is that ~~it~~
 it is totally useless *my*
 trying to oppose him in
talk (which is the
 reason you can scarcely
 ever get him to write
 anything. I suppose

Please advise me:

please forgive me

& believe me

ever sincerely yrs

F Nightingale

signed letter, f320, pen

f320

Nat Aid Socy Training Nurses

10 South St.

August 31/80

My dear Capt. Galton

Col Loyd Lindsay, as you
 know, objects to calling another
 Meeting of the Council.

Sir Harry Verney has written
 to him, demanding that it
 should be called.

May I show you to-day
 Mr. MacKellar's & Mrs.
 Wardroper's letters.

& ask your advice?

How is Marianne?

ever yours most truly

F Nightingale

signed letter, ff321-24, pen

f321

Nat Aid Socy: Training Nurses
 10 South St.
 Aug 31/80

My dear Capt. Galton

May I trouble you now further?
 It is difficult to suppose
 that Col. Loyd Lindsay can
 refuse a further Meeting-
 and Sir Harry Verney's
 Resolutions suggested be
 you should be proposed
 at the Meeting.

Col. Loyd Lindsay appears
 to have chosen Prof. Longmore
 as his adviser. And of course
 in many respects, Prof.
 Longmore *would* be a very
 valuable adviser.

But to do this is to ignore
 altogether the past history
 at Nursing Reform & the
 experience which has been

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accumulating for 25 years.
 - experience which we
 may say Military Medical
 Officers have as a rule
 not taken or understood
 the bearing of.

I enclosed *Mr. McKellar's*
 & *Mrs. Wardroper's* letters,
 which please return.

If the object of the Council
 is to inform itself on the
 subject of what *is* & what
 is *not* taught & *how* taught
 in St. Thomas; & how
 suitable for War Nurses -
 their best course would
 undoubtedly be to ask *Mr.*
McKeller to attend do you
 not think?

And I would suggest that

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Sir Harry should consider whether this could not be arranged.

My objections to reading the letters at least in extent is that they are written with a purpose no doubt perfectly bona fide and do not carry the weight which verbal communications would do

I would suggest that only those parts of Mr McK.'s be read which contain a statement in reply to the question. "what is needed in war time & "marked *in red* - & of Mrs. Wardroper as to the *dressings* marked *in red*. This would answer Mrs Deeble's statement

f322v

It appears very desirable to avoid conveying the impression that the N. Fund (that is, I) wishes to oppose any action of the Council for the sake of having a finger in the pie, & these letters put forward St. Thomas' too prominently. We do not want the War Nurses - but we do wish to insist on the principles which 25 years' experience has taught - which experience will be thrown away if the scheme propounded is followed out.

The Resolutions (yours)

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embody the principle of
Civil training, which
be it observed embodies
also *Civil discipline*
not to be found in
Military Hospitals.

In supporting these
Resolutions notice will
have to be taken of Mrs.
Deeble's allegations:
? and it might be sufficient
for the mover simply to say
that enquiries had been
made & it was
conclusively shown that
these statements were *not*
now correct - &, if need be
the extracts could be read
in confirmation

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But the main principle
is involved in the question
of Civil Hospital *with*
proper Training School
as against Military
And *Mr. McKellar's*
verbal evidence would
be most valuable
would it not?

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I COULD see you at
4 or at 5 or at 6 to-day
if possible to you

Please return me
the enclosed letters
with your remarks
ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff325-26, pen and pencil

f325 *Nat. Aid Socy* 10 South St.

Aug 31/80

My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for your
kind advise.

I am very, very sorry that
you will not be in London
again. Because I consider
the matter of the *Civil Hospl*
training as good, i.e. as bad
as lost by your absence.

~~But~~ As I understand Sir
Wm Muir, the £1000 a
year voted by you on
condition of a *Civil Hospl*
training has been offered
by Col. Loyd Lindsay (& accepted) *without* the
condition. It is as good as
paid already.

But I will do my best.
I have no scruple in troubling
you about this, because it is

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a public matter. But I have
great scruple in troubling
you about
my house.

Could you kindly return
me *Mr. Griffith's letter*
tomorrow, (Wedny) with a line
from yourself?

He comes here on
Thursday to settle, And I have
not an idea what to say
to him:
for He is so masterful &
so incorrect. Help me:

Bon voyage et bon retour
ever yours most truly
F Nightingale

f326

How I wish Col Loyd
Lindsay would put off
the whole Nursing training matter
till you all return to
London say in November
Would he?

FN

signed letter, ff327-28, pen

f327

Nat. Aid Socy. 10 South St.
Park Lane W.
Sept. 1/80

My dear Capt. Galton

Col. Loyd Lindsay has called
a Meeting for tomorrow (Thursday)
at *one*, as you will have
heard.

Sir Harry, in pursuance of
your kind advice, has asked
Mr. MacKellar to attend: &
has let Col. Loyd Lindsay
know of this.

He has also, in conformity
with your advice, telegraphed
to Col. Loyd Lindsay to
telegraph to Prof. Longmore
to come: & has written
to Prof. Longmore himself.

[Sir Harry has put off his
going abroad on this account.]

f327v

I am sure you will not desert, tho' I am afraid it is very inconvenient to you to come.

[Sir Harry at first proposed to let Mr. MacKeller ~~move~~ be examined *first*: & then he, Sir H., would move his Resolutions.

But I think he now will move his Resolutions, & then Mr. MacKeller he called in, as you say, for verbal evidence.

Was not this your idea?] I trust that you will put *questions* to Mr. MacKeller, & also to *Prof. Longmore*, if indeed he comes.

f328

I don't think much will be done without you.
 2. You will kindly return me *Mr. Griffith's* letter about *my house*, with a word of advice from you, will you not? *Mr. Griffith* comes here *tomorrow* (Thursday) at 5 - & one to Marianne & Gwendolen. How are they?
 ever yours most truly
 & apologetically
 F Nightingale

signed letter, ff329-30v, pen

f329

Lea Hurst
Cromford: Derby
Nov 16/80

My dear Capt. Galton

[16:861]

Are you returned
from America? & how
are you?

You will remember how
last year you most kindly
helped me in collecting,
choosing from, & having
copied Children's Hospital
plans for the Grand
Duchess' of Baden, who
was about to build a
Children's Hospital at
Heidelberg, which is
~~was~~ to be a supplementary
Hospl. for the (Medical)
University at Heidelberg.

[This is not an advantage.
but a necessity.]

f329v

Your labour has not been
in vain.

And the Gd Duchess
(who has just given us a lady
Probationer, to train at
St. Thomas' as a Supt)
has sent me by her the
plans of this Hospital
"to criticize freely" before
they begin to build.

Would you have the
great kindness if I were
to send you those plans
to look them over with
critical carefulness, &
make your severest
remarks with your
earliest convenience?

I have made a few;
but would like to await yours.

[end]

f330

I have so many things to go on discussing with you that

I cannot venture to begin:-

Military Hospls: "National Aid

Socy" Nurse: training &c &c &c

Marianne was so very good as to enclose a note from Mr. Griffith to you: I believe he has discovered the cause of the mustiness in my house, 10 South St., but it has been a great job, & the works are now all but finished.

Please give my best love to Marianne. I am most anxious to know how she is & Gwendolen.

I have been unable to write We have has a most anxious time. Shore is now in bed here

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from a slight relapse

of a very serious illness:

& unable to go to Embley

where Uncle Sam is dying

but very slowly.

I hope you had a successful trip:

& with many thanks for

all your kindness.

& hoping to see you when

I return to London

believe me

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff331-33, pen

f331

) Lea Hurst
) Cromford, Derby
 Child's Hospital) Nov 24/80

[16:861]

My dear Capt. Galton

Very many thanks for your kind offer to look at the plans for the proposed Children's Hospital at Heidelberg. I had already sent them to Dr. Sutherland: & he will forward them to you.

Pray be so good as to return them to me here, when you have done with them, WITH YOUR REMARKS.

[end 16:861]

[15:526-27]

Norwich orderlies.
 2. You remember showing me the charge at Norwich (against orderlies) of smoking with sulphur a Patient in a Barrack Hospital on

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August 3, who died on the 6th:

I have taken pains to see the Report of the Trial at the Assizes, which has just taken place.

The prisoners are acquitted. It appears clear that they did smoke the Patient with sulphur, with the idea of *disinfecting him* & hastened his death: but owing to their being tried on a charge of doing it with the idea of *killling* him they are acquitted.

It was an utter mistake making it a charge of murder. Our case against the orderly system is: *not* that the orderlies try murder their Patient,

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cases, but that they are so entirely without supervision of any kind that they can, without being discovered by Medical Officer or any superior, perform such acts as these as nurses not as murderers, which *nobody* justifies as Nursing: & that the so called Nursing may turn out manslaughter.

I wish you could point out how this case may be made use of with Mr. Childers in support of our assertions.

The case is the greatest confirmation of our Statements I could wish, or *not* wish, to see.

But the ridiculous mistake of trying the prisoners as

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for intent to Murder has spoiled it in all but its publicity. The publicity given to it. is I think highly favourable to us if we do but turn it to account.

How shall we?

[end 15:527]

3. I see (in the Times) that *Lothian Nicholson* is appointed Governor of Tasmania.

Does he start soon?

Would you give him my best love, for auld lang syne & say how sorry I was that I found no way of helping a case which Mrs. *Lothian Nicholson* wrote to me about. [It was just after my Mother's death.]

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I wrote to Marianne to
ask her to be so good as
to tell him that I had
taken pains about it
& failed. It was
about helping a poor
woman of bad character
to emigrate: (not a penitent).

And now, my very best
love to Marianne &
Gwendolen, please And
I do trust that their
winter at Cannes will
be pleasant & quite
set them up. Are they gone?
God bless them.
in some haste
ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff334-35v, pen

f334

Nat. Aid) Lea Hurst
Socy) Cromford: Derby
Nov 25/80

My dear Capt. Galton
Excuse me for writing
so soon again:
I omitted yesterday to
say: I hear that
"Col. Loyd Lindsay will
propose to the National
Aid Society to offer to
Mr. Childers that ~~they~~ you
should provide *Female
Nurses for the Army.*"
you "expending the
interest of your
funded capital the
government supplying
the rest."

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Please be so good as
to tell me about this.
Is it a re-opening of the
whole subject.
Are the subscribers to the National Aid
Soc'y which is for
time of war to "aid"
the government &
subscribe to the ordinary
*Military Hospitals in
time of peace?*
[You put this very
strongly before.]
Would you advise me
to remind Mr. Childers
of his wish to see me

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when I return to London
about the *training* of
Nurses?
We will revive the
question with him
of the state of the
Station Hospitals, as
to which we received,
as you said, that
inconceivable answer:
May Marianne & Gwendolen
have good weather for
their journey to Cannes.
We are in great trouble
here: Shore too unwell
as yet to go to his
dying father as Embley

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in haste
ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

Add Mss 45765, microfilm, correspondence with Douglas Galton 1881-86, 323 folios, 212 pages, Adam Matthew reel 14

signed letter, ff1-4, pen, black-edged paper, underlining in red pencil

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10 South St [15:527]

Park Lane W.

Jan 25/81

My dear Capt Galton

I have long expected
your kindly promised
letter about the
'*Norwich case*' - & also
about the *National Aid*
Socy doings in the
matter of *Trained Nursing*
for the *Army* -

But it has not come -
- Are you in London?

Shall I send you the
newspaper reports
(which I have) of the
Norwich Assizes trial

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of the sulphur case:
in order for you to
see *what can be made*
of it for your purpose.

I am now going to
act upon your advice
of drawing up an
answer (for Sir Harry
Verney) to Mr. Childers
on that "extraordinary"
Minute which was
written (to rebut the
Memo of Orderlies'
delinquencies in Station
Hospitals) by the
Director Genl.

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& to consult you *how*
 it is to be written.
 You said; if we could
 "make anything of the
 Norwich case"
 & if we could "give details
 of one instance: e.g. the
 one where an 'incurable'
 wound was sent from a Military Hospl (by
 Mrs. Hawthorn) to Mr.
 Sydney Jones at St.
 Thomas' Hospital who
 cured it, simply by
 cleanliness & good *nursing*,
 in 6 weeks".

*Shall I write to Mr.
 Sydney Jones & ask him
 if he would & could*

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give me *the details*
 & allow me to quote
 him *on that case?*
 Sir Harry wants me to
 see Mr. Childers (who
 had previously
 proposed it) on the
 "plan" of the Nat. Aid
 Socy (of which you
 spoke to Sir H.V.
 at a Railway Station
 some months ago.)
 But I have never
 clearly understood
 what that "plan" was -

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You promised to write
& I suppose had no
time.

Sir W. Muir writes to me:
Jan 8.

"I take it for granted
"that Mr. Longmore the
"representative of the
"N.A.S. for Sick &
"wounded - has kept
"you au courant with
"all that has been done
auprès the new Nurses".

Not one word.
I have not heard one
word since August
(when we fought &
failed) from any one

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man of the N.A.S.

*Please tell me what
has been done.*

[end]

I have much more to
ask & to say:
but will not write
more till I know
you are in London
& able & willing to
enter on these subjects.

I hope you have
good news from
Marianne & Gwendolyn

f4

in great press
ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff5-5v, pen

f5 {in another hand: 5 Thursday 7th April}

6/4/81

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

You were so good as to say
that you would appoint a
day to see me again before
you went to Cannes.

I could see you any day
except Friday (I think you
said you were going to
Birmingham on Friday)
at 5, provided you
could kindly ~~ad~~ fix the
day soon -

Dr. Evatt, the man from
Affghanistan about the
(horrible) state of the Indian
Hospitals attendance, was

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here yesterday.

I think we must a
little modify the sort of
letter you proposed for me
to write to Lord Ripon.
but I should like to
consult you about this.

Yours ever most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff6-9v, pen & pencil

f6

Rural water supply }
India }

May 23/81 [10:303-04]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Sir Richard Temple, possibly
 the only retired Indian who
 feels as great a call to urge
 India's affairs in England
 after his 30 years' service
 as to manage them in India
 during the same, is extremely
 anxious to bring before the
 Army Sanitary Comm:
rural Sanitary affairs -
 which he thoroughly knows
 not only in Bombay but
 in Bengal & almost all
 over India

particularly *water-supply*,
 contaminated water- supply
 to which he attributes Cholera
 & much of all disease in India
 as you do -

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He recognizes what has been
 done for the water - supply
 in large *towns*: & what has
 been done by the Army San Comm.
 But the protection of the sources
 of water - supply in *villages*
 & rural districts he says
 is almost unknown.
 He gave a great many instances
 of this,
 such as the fouling by natives
 themselves of the drinking water
 by washing &c
 beasts &c
 - percolation from cess -pits &c
 - sewage &c poured on above
 instead of below points
 where drinking water is drawn
 on streams

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[In an Article I wrote in
 Nat, Indian Assocn Journal
 October, 1879, which I can
 scarcely ask you to take the
 trouble to read, I have a
 good many of these causes of *rural*
 ill - health.]
 Sir Richd Temple says that
 everything depends in India
 on public opinion in England:
 - he wants us to write & agitate
 on this *rural* water - supply
 question
 (India being a country of
 villages)
 but above all he says:
 'why does not the Army
 San: Comm: call men
 recently returned from
 India, like me, & cross
 examine them?

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'ask me to name cases
 - 'my knowledge is in my head
 - actual experience acquired
 on my tours.
 'gladly would I be
 cross - examined.'

This is not the Army San. Comm
 mode of action -
 but *pray think how it
 could be done.*
 It is not often that we
 have a man who knows
 all parts of India except
 Oude - other men know
 India only in part - so
 eager to be subjected to
 cross - examination.

f8 blue paper, red underlining

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I shall write to Dr.
 Sutherland about this.
 But pray do you consider it.
 If you could *before*
Wednesday (but of
 course I could make use
 of any suggestions you
 kindly make *even*
 after that) give me
 some hints as to how
Sir Richd Temple
could be utilized,
especially before the
Army San Comm.,
 & more particularly on
 this subject of *rural*
 water - supply.

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it would be of immense
service.

also. tell me what is
doing *now* as to the
remedying defects in
rural water supply -
& generally what is
known at home -

I read the Reports & I see
much noticed & little done.
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

[end 10:304]**f9**

2 Thanks very many for
your two letters -
for the 100 copies of
my Article in Dr. Quain's
Dictionary -

[I will write & thank
Dr. Quain.]

3. The Gd Duchess of Baden
desires her thanks to be
specially conveyed to
you for your kindness
in procuring for her
plans of English
Children's Hospitals
& ~~of~~/in revising for her
the sketch plans of her

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proposed Children's
Hospl at Heidelberg -
I think I shall have to
consult you again
about this.

4.

I have heard a great deal
about Nursing at Netley
also in Natal (Newcastle -
Fort Amiel) just now
- I have received no answer
to the letter, prompted by your
kindness, as to what the
Nat. Aid Socy Probationers
actually ~~will~~ do in actual Nursing
But I have received direct
evidence that the *Nurses*
do nothing: *they don't nurse.*

[15:243]**[end]**

F.N.

ff10-11, May 27, 1881, from Dr. Sutherland to Capt. Galton re information
given to FN and mentioning a muddle over smallpox and vaccination, embossed
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signed letter, ff12-17, pen, underlining in red and blue pencil, pale blue paper

f12

{ "Sarah Acland's Memorial Training
 { School: OXFORD
 { Mrs. Liddell
 { Matron 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 PRIVATE Park Lane. W.
 & CONFIDENTIAL June 6/81

My dear Capt. Galton
 I wish we could help Mrs.
 Liddell in the way you wish.

But the difficulty is: *not*
 to recommend a suitable
 person, but that no
 suitable person will take it.

As for Mrs. Fellowes, they
 might as well try to get the
 Archangel Gabriel. And
 I am so anxious to keep
 Mrs. Fellowes before you
 as a person cut out & made
 expressly to carry out a
 great reform some day in
 Military & War Hospitals,

f12v

in case you & the National
 Aid Socy ever want such
 a person that

I trouble you with some
 account of the transaction.

Mrs. Fellowes returns to us,
 as you know, for a year's hard work: as
 Sister in a Male Surgical
 Ward (under Mr. McCormac)
 as the best preparation
 for hard work in War
 Hospitals in future, to
 which her whole mind is
 given. Oxford would not
 be a help but a hindrance
 to her in her career.

She showed me Mrs. Liddell's
 letter: ~~To~~ & we have besides
 had (numberless) applications

f13

from the same - I *think*
 the Nurses are 7, 5 *private*
 & 2 District Nurses, whom
 the "Lady Supt" is to "superintend"
 - no Hospital work, scarcely
 any superintendence of *Nursing*
 whatever: a regular 'Lady
 Bountiful' work! & a house!!

I leave you to guess
 whether any good woman
 would waste herself upon
 this.

As for the "Nursing" of the
 "Ratcliffe Infirmary", *let*
them "undertake" it, & we
 will see.

Some time ago, they applied
 to us for a lady to
 undertake the Ratcliffe -
 We sent down, to our great

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inconvenience, one of
 our best women, (Miss Airy,
 niece of the Astronomer Royal,
 who has now been with us
 some 10 years. And they
 elected a woman who
 knew absolutely nothing:
 shewing what chance
 there is at Oxford of
 introducing trained Nursing.

As for "the undergraduates,
 is the "lady" to lecture to
 them, or to play lawn
 tennis with them, as I
 understand they do at
 Cambridge?

I enclose Mrs. Fellowes'
 letter, which please return.

PLEASE *not* to make

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mischief by sending this
 my letter to Oxford, which
 I sincerely wish well to,
 (having been consulted from
 the first, and none of
 our recommendations taken)
 You know us well enough
 to know that we think
 the "trained lady" should
 be Matron of the Ratcliffe
 Infy, & that the having an
 untrained Matron of the
 Ratcliffe, & a *trained*
 Matron of the "Sarah Acland
 Home" to *remedy the*
 former's defects (in nursing
 the Ratcliffe) is: - 'putting
 the cart before the horse'.
 You & I have no time, but

f14v

I have been thus diffuse
 for two reasons: 1. that you
 should not think we should
 disregard any request of yours
 - & that you should understand
 - *tho' for yourself alone* -
 the real state of the Oxford
 case. 2
 2. that you should keep
 Mrs. Fellowes before your
 eye.

f152. *Natal: Newcastle***[15:873]**

Private Are you aware that, when the 3 battles were fought, with an average of 500 severely wounded in Hospital, they had ~~neither~~ ~~Chl~~ no Hospital or medical appliances whatever, I *excepting on a "peace footing."* The P.M.O. says it was Sir G. Colley's fault (order). And Sir G. C., were he alive, would probably say it was the P.M.O.'s fault. The P.M.O. managed to send up some Chloroform &c by the Post Cart after Majuba. There were wounded who were four days unattended to ? in consequence of the "peace footing" arrangement.

I hear this from Head Quarters out there N.B. -

f15v

NB the Medl Off. in charge of
 Fort Amiel wrote home to
 Longmore a flaming letter
 of praise of the arrangements, and
 of self - congratulation on
 "everything so good" (which
 I saw) - Orderlies atrocious -
 I dare not tell what I know
 (which comes from Head
 Quarters) for fear of costing
 men their promotion.

Col Loyd Lindsay again
 writes to me that "everything
 "was provided: nothing was
 "wanting":

provided, yes, at D'Urban:

it may even ~~be at~~/have got so far as Pieter
 Maritzburg. {printed address, upside down:}

10, South Street, He little knows -
 Park Lane. W.

[You know, it seems to me all
 Balaclava & the front, & the
 Crimean War in little, & the wants
 in little, over again.]

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3. I have done nothing yet about the (Mrs. Hawthorn's) paper on Orderly Nursing:
- Station Hospls: or all the things we have talked over together with reference to Mr. Childers.

[end 15:873]

I want to see you very much. But I am so overworked & overwhelmed. And at this time we are very busy - We are going to nurse the Marylebone new Infy (760 beds) thank God. And, I see all the women, our "trained" women, one after the other, for 3 or 4 hours alone. before they go in -

Shall you be going out of London?

I do not like to trouble you to come without something definite to enquire of you.

f16v

4. My house has just as bad smells as ever after all Mr. Griffith has done: indeed, I think it is worse (in the *Drawing* - rooms): viz the stuffy, close smell. I don't know what to do To go on thro' the 3 summer months with it is intolerable.

I can't receive a nurse alone in the small Drawing room without our being half suffocated with the closeness.

f17

5. Thank you for telling me
about Marianne & Gwendolyne
& Evelyne -

Could you tell me whether
Marianne recommends any
Singing Master or Mistress
who can teach how to put
~~out~~ forth & massage the voice like *KROFF* -
dear old *Kroff*?

It is for Rosalind Shore Smith

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff18-21, pen & pencil

f18

PRIVATE

June 7/81

Sir Richd Temple 6 a.m.
{printed address:} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

[I had not time to put this
in my letter of yesterday.]

We have done nothing about
Sir Richard Temple & his offer
~~illeg~~/ to meet the Army San: Comm:

Dr. Sutherland says: "his
offer" (to give information or
advice before the A. S. C.) "is
"a very important one." "That
"which is deficient in our
"work is a matter over which
"we have no direct control,
"viz. the administrative
arrangements for securing that
the water supply of villages &

f18v

"small towns shall be improved,
added to & protected."

x x x'

"There is nothing to prevent our
receiving any information
or proposals which Sir R.
Temple might be good enough to lay
before us. If he would like
to see me here on the subject,
in order to ascertain what
would be the best course to
take" &c &c &c -

This Sir R. Temple was too busy
to do. [Besides, he is afraid
of Dr. Sutherland's *deafness* (scratch this out)
Besides, he forgets.] He asked
if he could not meet you -

f19

I feel what you say, about
"information". I feel it for
myself every day of my
weary life. I have information
enough: information abounding,
too much information!!
What I want is not to *know*,
but to *do*: some one to
enable me to utilize these
tons of information, to *carry*
out what we *know*, ~~or rather~~
to abolish what we know to be so bad.

But I think you should
try to utilize Sir R. Temple.

Here is an man who has
been 30 years in India
in every province but
Oude, in nearly every
position but that of Viceroy.

f19v

He knows exactly, that is by experience, where the hitch is in every *local ADMINISTRATION: & administrative arrangement.*

As he says himself: he is now a 'private gentleman' at large: he has 'no one's leave to ask' (to come & lay things before you).

He will not WRITE any thing for you: he has too much writing to do -

But if the A. S. C. would send him a *list of questions*, he would come & answer them viva voce.

I asked him what the S. of S. could do *here* to further our views. He answered

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- "S. of S. to address Govt of "India, requesting them to "desire the several local "Govts to ascertain from "the District Officers "what has been *done* for "Village Sanitation, x (exclusive of Sanitation in towns & municipalities.)"

["If *nothing* has been done, why not?"]

x "said Sanitation would *include*

water - supply
collection of sewage
& the disposal of it for
fertilization"

&c &c &c

there add } &c &c &c
what it "includes"

?

f20v

Pray help me.

Every Indian S. of S., every
great Indian always
tells you, 'Temple knows
more all over India,
has acted all over India
more than any one. '

*Don't you think we
could utilize him to put
us in the way of getting
"general Regulations", for
instance, issued by each
local Government so that *practical
administrative Sanitary
work should be carried
out?**

OR HOW?

Do you see Lord Hartington now?

f21

[It is extraordinarily
difficult to *fix* him, Sir R. Temple, as
perhaps you know.]
He Sir Richd Temple is coming here again
in a day or two -

Please answer by Thursday
at latest, my various
questions (see P. S. next page
& believe me
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale)

I re-open this to send
Thanks for yours, just received
Pray don't forget about
YOUR ARTICLE, i.e. enlarging
(& re-printing) YOUR ARTICLE
in January's Edinburgh, with

f21v

all the things we have talked
 about, including present
 state of *Purveying, Transport, & Orderly*
service, in relation to new
 Army Medl Dept. *Service & Regimental*
 (or *non- Regimental* rather)
Hospital Service & 'short service -
 & enlisting & *training of Hospital*
Orderlies - &c &c &c
 Possibly you might also touch
 upon *Station Hospls* at home,
 & Indian native Army Hospls
 Corps abroad - (the latter in relation to
 observations, see
 my letter to Ld Ripon, concocted
 between you & me -

F.N.

P. S. Do you ~~illeg~~/ not think between
 {printed address, upside down} Ld Ripon, & I. O. here,
 10, South Street, we might get
 Park Lane. W.
 something done, in the way
 of carrying out *practically the Sanitary*
work in India which you have so often advised.

{in the following ffs, to distinguish between pen underlining (italics) and wide pencil underlinings, I have used small caps for the latter; any double underlining is now bold italics. -GW}

signed letter, ff22-23v, pen

f22

NATIVE ARMY HOSPITAL }
CORPS IN INDIA } June 20/81 [10:179]
{printed address:} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you Lord Ripon's answer (which I ought to have done some ~~time~~/ten days ago) to the letter which you kindly revised for me on the creation of an Army Hospital Corps of *natives* in India.

You see how kind ~~he~~/the answer is, but I had rather he should have distinctly said he would send me the "Regulations" for criticism, or the proposed if any *is* proposed, plan of *training* for suggestion, or something of that sort.

Please return it to me

f22v

with your comment.

[end 10:179]

I have had 2 long interviews
with SIR RICHARD TEMPLE:

[10:304]

(he is very discursive)
you remember you kindly wrote
"If he could suggest to you practical ways in which the VILLAGE SANITATION & CONSERVANCY could be effected" - "ways which I apprehend must differ in every part of India"
"I think you (or Dr Sutherland or I possibly) (but NOT the Army Sanitary Committee (quâ Committee)) could make

f23

"the suggestion to Lord Ripon
& get him to push it in India."

[I copy you verbatim et literatim]

I have now got it all down on
paper & will send it
you if you are in London
whenever you have time to
look over it.

You will see he thinks
legislation necessary -
an "Imperial " Act - on
the Viceroy's part -
he thinks ~~his~~/the Viceroy's hands should
be strengthened by the
Govt, the **S. of S.**, at home -
he thinks little or nothing
has been *done* in Sanitation
except in *towns*, in India.
But I will not anticipate.

f23v

- you will find the 'reading'
startling enough - it is an immense
scheme - almost as great as
when we first started
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

[end 10:304]

ff24-25, DG letter 12, Chester Street, Grosvenor Place, S.W., June 20, 1881
from Capt Galton, returning Lord Ripon's letter and stating that he sees no
provision for training and giving news of Netley; PS f25 Loyd Lindsay has
been to Netley, Mrs Deeble; The hosp is very full now

signed letter, ff26-27v, pencil, blue paper, underlining in red

f26

Village Sanitation } 10 South St
 IN INDIA } June 22/81 [10:179]
 6 a.m.

My dear Capt. Galton

I send on/by your kind leave
 my pages giving Sir R. Temple's
 suggestions & information, & Dr. Sutherland's
 comment. which does
 not help us much: at least
 it does not touch the
 main points & proposed
 springs of the machine,
 nor how to set them in
 motion. It is the old
 story: all "information"
 & no or little action.

Please give us *your*
 very active-est help [see p.

3

I see *Sir R. Temple* again next week. What
 further *suggestions* can we ask for?

f26v

Native Army }
 HOSPITAL CORPS }

Thank you for your
 criticism - which is very
 just

On re-reading by its light
Lord Ripon's letter, it
 struck me that it is
 framed in order to give
 me the opportunity to write
 to him again what occurs as *suggestions on details* -
 - that he expects it: (he
 says "with your assistance"
 This is not meant out of
 civility.)

What shall I say? -
 [If I do not write, I doubt

f27

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his sending me "Regulations"
when they come out.]

What do you say?

[end 10:179]

Village Sanitation again

Please in your answer say precisely
how we should proceed: what further
suggestions or *explanations*, if any, we want
from *Sir R. Temple*: also &c &c &c

Perhaps we might meet (you & I)

This house: }
Mr. Griffith }

To day I have over again
the dreadful Sulphur Test
in the closet below - The
musty smell in the
drawing rooms, [which
they all but pulled down
the house last year to prevent,

f27v

& said they had prevented
& were cock a hoop because
they had "discovered" their
predecessor's failures] has
been worse than ever this
year.

Netley: }
Mrs. Loyd Lindsay }

By the "*Red Cross Nurses*"
do you mean the *National*
Aid Socy Probationers?

Could you tell me a little
about them?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff28-29, pencil, blue paper

f28

1. *New Native Army Hospital Corps*
 & *Village Sanitation: India*
Lord Ripon 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 July 16/81 [10:180]

My dear Capt. Galton
 I have been a long while
 without hearing of you.
 I have been very busy, &
 so doubtless have you.

Were you so good as to
 write to Mr. Griffith about
 the abominable mustiness
 of my two rooms - worse
 since he put my house
 in order?

I have prepared an answer
 to Lord Ripon with
 suggestions on the Native
 Army Hospl Corps, according
 to your advice I should
 like of course to show it you

f28v

I am preparing a letter to
 him on the other subject,
 Village Sanitation in India,
 which we discussed together.
 This too I should like to
 show you - of course.

Shall I *send* them you?

or may I hope to see
 you soon? or *both*?

[end 10:180]

I could see you, *at present,*
any afternoon (after
 Monday) at 5: if you
 would kindly fix.

I have been very dilatory: but
 the only time I have to write
 is *before* 7.30 in the morning.
 Indian work is now my '*extra*'

f29

I have seen my Army Doctor
again.

I have things to tell you, ludicrous
were they not too sad, about
Ly Strangford's certificated
Nurses, about Orderlies'
training, about the training
of your *Nat. Aid Socy* ~~Not~~ *Prob=*
ationers at the Herbert, &c.
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed note, f30, pencil

f30

10 South St.

July 18 1881

My dear Capt. Galton

I shall be very glad
indeed to see you *tomorrow*
(Tuesday) at 5, as you
kindly propose.

You will find a great
deal for me to ask you,
some of it, I am sorry, of
a vexatious kind.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

I shall have *both* letters
to Ld Ripon ready drafted
to show you.

signed letter, ff31-32v, pen & pencil

f31

10 South St.

July 24/81

My dear Capt. Galton

Mr. Vare, Mr. Griffith's
builder, will be here
at 5 on *Tuesday*, if
you are so very good
as to meet him here,
as you proposed.

I shall then have
seen Sir J. Fayrer,
& you & I can discuss
any modifications that
he may have brought

f31v

into the new Native
Army Hospl Corps
question

But he is said (by
Dr. Sutherland) to be
less 'giving' than
'receiving'.

With love to Marianne
& Gwendolyne
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f32

I shall also have had
some corresponde about
the Agriculture & Forestry
question for the C. S.
~~that~~/which you have thrown
so much light upon.
& will, I hope, throw more.
F.N.

f32v

Capt Douglas Galton
 12 Chester St.
 24/7/81
 signed letter, ff33-34, pen

f33

August 2 1881
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I will gladly have a talk
 if you think it worth while
 on the Hospital "State
 Supervision" question.

During my Hospital life
 in Paris, I cannot say that I
 fell in love with the Hospital
 "State *administration*" results.

I would also crave to ask
 your advice on the results of
 the *Sir G. Campbell* talk as
 regards the letter to Lord Ripon
 on Village Sanitation, which
 is certainly much affected
 by what Sir G. C. says -

If it were not universal
 would it not be extraordinary

f33v

how two (successive) Lt. Governors
 are diametrically opposed as
 to *facts* - This contradiction
 principally regards the
 possibility of using Zemindars
 as Village Officers.

But it applies to much
 else, indeed to almost every
 thing, excepting unhappily
 the fact of there being NO
 Village Sanitation.

Could you come to me
 at 5 or at 6 on *Wednesday*
 (*tomorrow*) afternoon,
 when you could tell me the
 result of the N. Aid Socy
 Meeting -

f34

advise me on the letter to
 Lord Ripon, which I suppose
 ought to go on Friday -
 & talk over the State Supervision.
 It is *not* a subject I should
 undertake.

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff35-35v, pen

f35

August 10 1881

10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I have kept *this* afternoon
 at 5 open if you could
 be so good as to come.

Otherwise I am afraid
 the 'Village Sanitation' letter
 to Lord Ripon will not be
 sent this week: as tomorrow
 (Thursday) I am engaged,
 & Friday is mail day.

Also: have you been so
 kind as to do anything to
 procure Mr. Grant Duff
 the information he wants
 about the scheme of
 Madras Drainage & Water Supply?

f35v

Mr. Young was very
 communicative on Sunday:
 & particularly amiable
 & brilliant on the fine
 Arts of purveying.

I liked him very much

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 a verbal answer, please

signed letter, ff36-37v, pen, blue paper, red underlining

f36

10 SOUTH ST

Private Aug 16/81

My dear Capt. Galton

Mr. Griffith is so impracticable that I thought the way to give your kindness *least* trouble was, if I must give you much trouble, to write you a letter which you could show or read to Mr. Griffith,

- *IF* you thought fit I wish I had time to make it shorter & civiller.

I know not what to do -

But I have ~~put~~/said this in the enclosed letter

I go out of town *in 10 days* for some weeks.

f36v

2.Thank you very much for going to Mr. Frederick's Office for documents relating to *Madras Drainage & Water - supply* But there is a new element, "Mr. Jones'" scheme, never mentioned by Dr. Sutherland, introduced by these - And they rather complicate than clear up the answer to be made to Mr. ~~Rawl~~/Grant Duff.

Mr. Rawlinson is coming here to help make the darkness darker -

f37

3 90 Harley St.

I am so very, very sorry
that I am unable to see
Miss Meyrick - I have
not a moment to-day,
tomorrow, or Thursday.
And, you say, she goes
tomorrow,

I have sent her a note
by hand to say this - &
asked what I can do -

But if she is going
tomorrow, she cannot carry
out anything even if
we could hit upon it.

Could not a Doctor
visiting the rooms & the

f37v

cases (which I cannot)
be a better adviser?

I am so interrupted that
I must beg you to
excuse this
& believe me
ever most truly yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff38-39v, pen, pale blue paper, red and blue underlining

f38

MADRAS SEWERAGE & WATER SUPPLY

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

August 21 1881

My dear Capt Galton

I am no nearer but rather
farther from being able to
furnish Mr. Grant Duff with
definite information &
advice about the above.

I have seen Mr. Rawlinson:
I have seen Dr. Sutherland's
Draft criticism on "Mr.
Jones' scheme".

And we are now in possession
of so much information
that we know nothing.

Mr. Rawlinson *now* says

"stick to *Major Tulloch's* scheme"
also: "recommend *Bombay* as
an example for Madras" -

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but we are "in the dark

"as to the scheme of Mr.

Jones & HOW FAR IT MAY
BE ADVANCED".

I have asked Mr. Rawlinson
to see Dr. Sutherland -
to have Major Tulloch back,
(who is away on his holiday
but not far.) [Mr. Rawlinson
proposed both these.]

to tell me how far Major Tulloch's
plans were completed &
estimated for -

so that we may be able to
give some precise information
& advice to Mr. Grant Duff.

Any other would only perplex
him -

f39

What I would fain ask of you
 is TO GET THEM TO DO THIS,
 TO SEE DR. SUTHERLAND & MR.
 RAWLINSON,
 & make them give me half
 a sheet of foolscap with
 DEFINITE INFORMATION &
 advice for MR. GRANT DUFF.

[I have written a letter
 asking the D. of Buckingham
 who is to be at Claydon on
 Tuesday to tell me what
 he knows. But I do not
 expect much from this.]

IF you are in London, I would
 send you this letter to the
 D. of B., merely to remind
 you of what we do know.
 But I must have it back

f39v

to post TO-NIGHT. please
 And I would send you Mr. Rawlinson's last
 letter to me on the subject,
 which I need not have back
 so soon.

Pray give a helping hand
 to POOR MADRAS.

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 I gave Sir R. Temple's newspaper
 slip about the completion of
 BOMBAY MAIN SEWER to Mr.
 Rawlinson; & he has written me
 a very interesting letter about it
 recommending BOMBAY as an
 example for MADRAS. But what
 is the use of my saying this to a
 man who knows nothing of either?

signed letter, ff40-43, pen

f40

10 SOUTH ST 2
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

August 21 1881

My dear Capt Galton

Mr. Rawlinson at his own
 desire went into my small
 Drawing -room. I had not,
 I *think*, told him any thing.
 I presume that he smelt
 the musty smell, (tho' the
 French window was wide open)
 for he said when he returned
 - "the smell appears to me
 "to come from the **floor**:" (just
 what we said:) "to rise from
 "the floor near the folding
 "doors.

"I should get Mr. Griffith
 "to take up a square foot
 "or so *of the floor*. **And let**

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"him send for me when he

does it. I should like
 "to smell for myself."

He thinks there must be
 dirty 'pugging' (he called
 it) - dirt under the floor.

He said at once, as we did:

"It is no sewage smell."

He thought it possible, not
 likely - that there might
 be a drain - pipe in Lord
 Lucan's wall which caused
 the smell.

f41

I moved the furniture, the next day, sent away a huge boxfull of papers which I thought might intercept ventilation, & some stacks of loose papers. The same afternoon I had a business - lady with me in the small Drawing - room for 3 hours.

There was no smell!!
I was quite relieved: & was going to write to you.

But the day after that, I had a business = lady again for a couple of ours with window partially open - & ventilation wide.

And the smell, the musty smell, was as bad as ever !!!
I took more than usual notice

f41v

this day whether it came from *Lord Lucan's side*. And I could not detect the least smell as coming *particularly* from that side. It seemed to rise *evenly* from the whole width of the floor. near the folding door. [It is most difficult to understand: the joints of the floor are quite tight.]

WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

I go this week away.
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

f42 blue paper

Enclosed: 2 letters

I thought it better to write
to *Parthe*, because she
might make the D. of B.
dictate to her a few
words -

But I do not expect
he will know exactly
where *Mr. Jones'* scheme
is *now* -

When I saw Mr. Rawlinson,
he recommended *Mr.*
Jones' scheme -

Now, he recommends
Bombay, & Major *Tulloch's*

f42v

scheme -

I enclose his letter -

Please return me
the letter to ***Parthe*** to day.

f43

2 Can you say & have you
thought anything about
~~M~~ *Dr. Evatt's* letters
about the *Army Medical*
Dept's position &
future duties?

F.N.

21/8/81

signed letter, ff44-45v, pen & pencil, underlining in red

f44

MADRAS DRAINAGE

MR. GRANT DUFF

}

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

August 23 1881

My dear Capt Galton

I feel quite in despair.
I should have been so
thankful to recommend
Major Tulloch's scheme
to Mr. G. Duff, if - - - years
(1866 to 1881) had not
intervened, and "Mr. Jones
scheme", and &c &c.

You say so truly that we
CAN only "confuse" Mr. G. D.
"when he gets out to Madras"
if we "recommend to him"
"to adopt Tulloch's scheme,"
however admirable, "whilst
"it is possible that the
:scheme of Mr. Jones is in

f44v

"progress".

I had actually written this
to Mr. Rawlinson when
the whole packet enclosed,
& which I venture to send
you arrives.

I had also written to you
at 6 this morning what
I enclose.

Not one word of Major
Tulloch's or Mr. Rawlinson's
Mema can be gainsaid:

BUT WHAT USE ARE THEY
TO MR. GRANT DUFF?

f45

[I had Mr. Rawlinson here quite 3 hours this day week. And we went over letter by letter the Madras Muny Reports which you kindly sent us, (& Dr. Sutherland's M. S. diatribe against Mr. Jones' scheme) - AND I explained to Mr. Rawlinson exactly how the case stood with Mr. Grant Duff.]

And now he sends me ~~this~~ these, which are "excellent" "tea", "only they have not at all the taste of tea", as Miss Edgeworth's Irishwoman said.

WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

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COULD YOU SEE MR.

RAWLINSON TO-DAY -

& come to some

CONCLUSION with him?

PLEASE DO: & tell me
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff46-48, pen & pencil

f46

Madras Drainage }
 Mr. Grant Duff } 6 a.m.
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
 August 23 1881

My dear Capt Galton

I feel so very strongly
 what you say that we
 may succeed in only landing
 Mr. G. Duff "in a false
 position" that I have
 written your caution to
 Mr. Rawlinson.

I cannot get anything from
 the D. of Buckingham before
 WEDNESDAY morning at
 earliest. And you are
 going out of London on
 Wednesday. Are you
 coming back *this week?* -
 I almost despair, (among

f46v

all these men, accustomed
 now to write Minutes,
 & *not* to be railed to ~~the~~/such a
 point as this: -
 'what am I to *do tomorrow?*)
 I almost despair of giving advice that will
 be *useful* to an ignorant
 man in authority: like Mr.
 Grant Duff -
 But the object is so ~~large~~/important
 that we must not give
 it up.
 PRAY DO NOT.
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

f47

2. MY HOUSE }
 10 South St. }

What were you so good
 as to do with that
 letter which I sent you
 a week or two ago -
 meant to be a *reply* to
 Mr. Griffith's *answer* to
 your kind application to
 him?

Were you so kind as to
 do anything with it?

It seems hardly worth
 while to trouble you, as
 "no smell whatever
 "could be detected under
 "the floor", you say, where
 you were good enough to
 come the other morning, -

f47v

hardly worth while to trouble you
 to try the same experiment
 again.

And yet I have noticed
 that there is *never* any
 smell in the *early morning*
 even when the rooms have
 been shut up all night.
 (so that the experiment
 hardly holds good.)

I have never noticed ~~it~~/the smell
 except in the *late afternoon*

If Messrs Vare would take
 up a board, shut up the
 room one day, & you (or
 Mr. Rawlinson) be so good
 as to come *about 5 p.m.*
 to see, or rather to smell - -
*But does Mr. Griffith mean to
 stay entirely neutral?!!* F.N.

f48

DR. EVATT: -2-
ARMY MED: DEP.

3. Please be so good as to remember to give me some hint as to *Dr. Evatt's* views, or rather *yours* on the *Army Med: Dept* question.

F.N.

23/8/81

signed letter, ff49-50, pencil, blue paper, red underlining

f49

MADRAS DRAINAGE & WATER SUPPLY
Claydon Ho
Bucks
Aug 28/81

My dear Capt Galton
I have received long Mema & questions from Dr. Sutherland & Mr. Rawlinson - calculated rather to confuse than enlighten Mr. Grant Duff.
Since then, the Duke of Buckingham has answered at some length And what he says has at least the merit of being precise.

f49v

I forward it by this
post to *Dr. Sutherland*
with his own (& Mr.
Rawlinson's) Mema
for reference -

Could you possibly
call on Dr. Sutherland
tomorrow (*Monday*)
& help him with his
reply?

I am writing against
time

ever yours mo truly
F. Nightingale

f50

It is very, very good
of you to go & smell
the board taken up
in my unfortunate
room on Monday
at 5.

I directed Mr. Vare
to write to you - accepting
F.N.

unsigned telegram, f51, pencil

f51

postmarked: Southwestern Office London 81 Oc 17
{handed in} Matlock Bath 1 31 p. m. {received here at} 2:17 p.m.
{From} Florence Nightingale {To} The Housekeeper
Lea Hurst Cromford 12 Chester ~~Place~~
Derby St. Grosvenor Place
Is Capt Galton in England
And if so where return
telegram paid please reply

signed letter, ff52-55v, pen & pencil

f52

Lea Hurst

Cromford: Derby

22 {printed address:} ~~10, South Street,~~

44 _____ ~~Park Lane. W.~~

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Oct 18 1881

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My dear Capt Galton

Thanks for your Telegram.

I hope that you left Evelyne's
& the Fenzi affairs settled

[1:471]

to your & her satisfaction.

One would be sorry to hear
that Cammillo's energetic
efforts on the path of
Italian agriculture were
to be cut short.

Are they to live henceforth
in Florentine affairs? Yet
a more lovely sojourn than
Florence could hardly be.
My heart always turns to her.

f52v

VENTILATING GRATE *for 10 South
St.*

2. You have been so good
in troubling yourself about
my unfortunate house in
South St. that I am coming
to trouble you again.
'Neighbour, neighbour, I'm come
'to torment you,' you will
think applies to me always.

Mr. Vare has, after a
6 weeks' delay, sent me
the enclosed "Boyd's List
"of Ventilating Stoves", as
he says by your order,
for me to choose one for
my *small* Drawing - room: as
you & I agreed.

I am afraid I know no

f53

more about "Ventilating Grates"
than a duck.

None of these it would seem
would do for my room.

The room is too small for a
fire - place projecting out
into the room. As it is,
there is scarcely space
between my bed & the fire =
place for my Visitor=Nurse
to sit without ~~burning off~~/scorching
her 'back hair'.

Shore says the only one that
would do is the
"Hygiastic - Ventilating School Grate".

What do you think?

You discouraged, & I entirely
concur with you, any grate
that would necessitate much

f53v

work, pulling down & building
up, taking up the floor &
The joists of my floor too
run I believe the wrong
way.

Indeed I don't want a big
job. I have **no** money to
spare. And I want to be
able to re -occupy my
house very soon, if needed.
And both Griffith (but
I have nothing now to do
with him) & Vare are **so**
expensive.

And I think you said
that the advantage of a
Ventilating Grate would *not*
weigh against a great
job of floor-meddling-with

f54

Shore suggested that any
~~box~~/flue for the inlet of fresh air
should be *not* "below the
floor" but *above* the floor:
~~& that~~ in a box running
along the wainscoting
from the outside: to save
a great job -

But he thought that a
'Tobin' in the wood work
under the (French) window
would, as at St. Mary's Hospl,
supply fresh air in the
easiest way under the
circumstances. He has drawn
~~put~~ a 'Tobin' on the
back of the enclosed List.

f54v

I can only throw myself
on your kindness, & ask
you to be so very good
as to settle this weighty
point for me -
but *as inexpensively* &
with *as little of a job* for
me as possible.

Would you also be so very
kind as to see that
Mr. Vare does the *h'air=*
bricks on the Drawing room
floor (which he thought
might be stopped up)? This
might diminish the cell.

f55

MADRAS DRAINAGE

3. After a lengthened
correspondence with Mr.
Rawlinson, Dr. Sutherland
& the D. of Buckingham,
the two former gentlemen
turned out to be diametrically
opposed as to what was
to be done re MADRAS
DRAINAGE - And I was
actually obliged to let
Mr. Grant Duff go, (tho' he
called to "take my commands,"
as he said) without giving
him a ~~decision~~/an authoritative opinion,
or indeed any. I think
I was scarcely ever so
disappointed in my life
at losing such an opportunity
for Madras. It almost broke my heart.

Mr. G.D. went to the D. of

f55v

Buckingham at Wotton
& the D. of B. insensed him
with all his ideas (which
I need not say are not ours)

I hope Marianne & Gwendolyn
are pretty well. Are they
in London? Please give
them my best love.

With many thanks & many
apologies pray believe
me ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

4. Has any Report come in
{printed address, upside down:}
10, South Street, about Netley
Park Lane. W.
Probationer - Nurses' *training*
F.N.

signed letter, ff56-59, pen & pencil

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Private } NATAL
 HOSPITALS } Feb 21 1882
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt Galton

I am so very glad that
 you are, tho' slowly, getting
 so much better - And I
 hope soon you will be
 standing on the peccant
 poor leg.

Will you kindly *in the
 strictest confidence* look
 carefully over the enclosed
 letter from MRS. HAWTHORN?

[I think Military Hospls
 & Orderly Nursing are
 actually worse than they
 were before the Crimean War.

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And I am sure that Officers,
 especially Longmore, are
 even more determined
 to *decline* or to *calumniate*
 ("Calomniez, calomniez
 toujours, il en reste
 toujours quelque chose")
 "extraneous aid", for fear
 of the secrets of the
 prison house being
 betrayed.]

WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

Pray think & pray suggest
 - THIS AFTERNOON, if possible.

Strangely enough, DR. ACLAND'S
 son Frank is in the
 Battery Artillery at Natal,

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where Typhoid Fever is raging.

(a.) And Dr. A. is so uneasy that he has written to ask Sir ~~John Stokes~~ Harry Verney to "call upon " Sir John Stokes, Adjutant of Artillery, H. G.

(b) Sir Harry proposes to speak to MR. CHILDERS in the Ho. of C. tonight about this, & about the Nursing.

I don't feel at all hopeful about either application - but please do **you** think it over most carefully.

(c.) Sir Harry proposes to call upon Sir Evelyn Wood, if he is come back, & ask *him* whether anything could be done

f57v

thro' the "General" in Natal.

[The "weakness of our communications & their "Russian" character must always be kept in mind.

I mean that, if we betray our authority, *that* person is immediately black = balled. Sir H. V. mentioned Mrs. H. to Longmore last year. He Longmore not only broke confidence by showing ~~the~~/Sir Harry's letter, but aspersed her in writing as "untrustworthy" to friends & strangers in consequence - & seriously injured her. You will remember the story. [Dr. Stokes had written, when in charge at Newcastle, Natal, to Longmore

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saying that everything was
perfect & everything after
"the model of Netley" !!

- *I saw the letter* -

Mrs. Hawthorn was
nursing at Newcastle in
this "perfect" Hospital.

And Dr. Stokes was
"relieved" a fortnight after -

Hinc illae lacrymae!! {hence those tears i.e. the real reason for the
trouble -GW}

And Longmore's cruel
aspersions upon Mrs.
Hawthorn.

So we cannot quote *her*.

I have however heard
much *direct* from Medical
& other Officers - from your
Mr. Young & others. Still
no one will/chooses to be quoted!]

f58v

Now please give me
your best advice.

f59

2. Have you heard anything
from Sir R.L. Lindsay
about the report you
called for as to the
Probationers you have in
training at Netley & Woolwich?

I was thinking of writing
to *Sir W. Muir* for
information. *Shall I?*

I will write tomorrow & answer the
questions you so kindly
ask about Ld Ripon -
& this house
nothing satisfactory -
ever yrs most truly
F. Nightingale

initialed letter, ff60-60v, pen & pencil, underlining in red and blue

f60{a}

Private TRAINING OF PROBATIONERS

AT NETLEY

~~Burn~~ March 9/82

Please 10, South Street, {printed address:}

return *this* Park Lane. W.

to me

My dear Capt. Galton

I earnestly hope that the leg which has occasioned such a long & painful confinement is almost himself again.

May I ask if you have had any report of the progress of the Probationers at Netley & Woolwich: or if Col L. Lindsay has communicated with you on the subject?

Sir H.V. has just had this, in answer to his own application. And it is

f60v {b}

dated, as you will see, 7 months ago.

It is a curious use of words to call this a Report - that is, it is a Report of what they *are* to do: not of what they do do: or of what progress they have made in it.

["The course" is almost entirely copied from ours at St. Thomas'. Indeed you can find it now-a-days by tearing out a ~~sheet~~/page of any Nursing book. †

But Dr. Acland is enchanted with it.]

Now, WHAT IS TO BE DONE?

f60v {c}

I should much rather Sir
H.V. had acted *with* you
(or some one else if you had rather not) of the N. A.
S. in calling for this, &
above all in answering it.

[Of course his letter will
be seen by hostile persons.]

He proposes to write
something of the enclosed:
but very good naturedly
will alter it.

I think 1. there should be
no mention of St. Thomas'
2. that it should be made
much more prominent
what progress the Probationers
are making in WARD work
& what tests there are of
this progress -
& much less prominent
about the *Lecture* work.

f60{d}

3. he should not betray, as
in the pencil on blue scrap,
that he has been prompted
by a nurse

4. *what would you advise*
as to the "N.A.S. demanding
"some proof" ~~as to the~~ of
progress of the Probationers
in Nursing:

& as to Sir H. V. "proposing
to Sir R.L. Lindsay" to send
"Mr. McCormac or somebody
"to Netley & Woolwich to
"test their progress"

(see passages *marked in red* on both Sir H.'s scraps)

PLEASE ADVISE ON ALL

THESE THINGS: & DISCOURAGE or
ENCOURAGE

Might I send for your
answer TOMORROW?

ever yours most truly

Imagine teaching F.N.

"bandaging" on "one of the female servants!"

{written in the right side margin}

"Lectures" illustrated" by "Diagrams" &c No *Clinical* Lectures apparently

There are few "Operations" - & there are no "accidents": & no (acute)

Fever cases [end]

signed letter, ff61-62v, pen & pencil

f61

NATAL MILITARY HOSPITALS

PRIVATE Burn March 9 1882

Please 10, South Street, {printed address:}
return Park Lane. W.

this
to me.

My dear Capt. Galton

[15:877-72]

Let me send you another
letter I have received from
Mrs. ~~filleg~~/Hawthorn

Dr. Acland *has* received
a letter from his son, Lt.
Acland, giving rather tremendous
information: 58 out of 150
men disabled: 14 Fever Cases
in a tent &c &c. [Dr. A. was
staying at Sir H. Verney's here
this week.] He should have
gone straight to Mr. Childers
with this letter. If we
could have brought these
independent witnesses &
separate sources of
information to bear on Mr.

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Childers, - Dr. Acland & Sir
John Stokes, both with
sons in Battery, - & ours
from a woman & a Nurse
Mrs. Hawthorn, - one would
think Mr. Childers *must*
enquire for himself & act
on it.

As it is, Dr. Acland, man=
like, has put off going to
Mr. Childers for a week,
& meanwhile Sir H. V. told
Mr. C., with whom he
dined tête à tête, that I had
had *this* letter from Mrs.
Hawthorn. I cannot therefore
keep it back now: tho' I had

f62

rather Dr. Acland had appeared
quite independent of us.
I should tell you that Mr. Childers
knows Mrs. Hawthorn's
name as my correspondent,
(tho' I have not told *her*
so.) - Sir Evelyn Wood told
him that she was "much
more trustworthy than the
Doctors."

Sir H.V. is to show Mr.
Childers *THIS* letter from Mrs.
H. *to-day* at the Ho: of C.
*Please give me some good
advice.*

Also: shall I let Mr. Childers
see the *last* sheet of Mrs.
H.'s letter?

f62v

[I said the Military Hospls
were as bad as they were
at the opening of the Crimean
War.

I think they are worse.
What is to be done?

PLEASE SUGGEST

[end 15:878]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

Might I send for your
answer at 12 ~~or one~~
today?

F.N.

Where is your promised Review
Article?

ff63-64v, 12, Chester St. S.W., March, 9, 1882 from Capt. Galton re Mr.
Childers and the problems in the Cape Hospitals

unsigned letter, ff65-66, pen & pencil

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NETLEY PROBATIONERS' TRAINING

PRIVATE Please March 10 1882

return 10, South Street, {printed address:}

this Park Lane. W.

to F.N.

My dear Capt. Galton

You do not say how
you are. Please tell me.

It occurred to me à propos
to the "Course of Instruction"
at Netley which I sent you

(which certainly embraces
practice on cases which

NEVER ARE THERE): would

it be possible for you,
the N. A. S., to call for
thro' the *Director Genl,*

a *Statement of what*

ARE the *Cases, Surgical*

& *Medical, at Netley:*

[15:245]

f65v

[Probably there is a Daily

'State' of the Diseases &

Injuries of Patients in] Hospital]

[illeg]/also: an Abstract for say

the last 3 months

of the *numbers of*

Amputations- - - Primary

Secondary

Other Surgical Operations

Accidents: & what?

Fevers: NOT the *sequelae of*

Fevers

Dysentery NOT chronic -

And other *acute, NOT*

chronic diseases

f66

I have not consulted a Doctor about this: but have merely put down what came into my head UN = professionally. the object being *not* to have a professional statement but merely a rough idea of the AVERAGE *character of the cases* for at Netley.

[I have heard from Civilian Doctors, who certainly went down in no unfriendly spirit, that they have been in the Hospls of Netley & Woolwich, when there was *not* a single *acute* case - *nor* a single *accident*

f66v

(except from a kick of a horse: this at Woolwich). nor a single Operation except for Hernia or Stone (& that *these* the NURSES did *not* attend)

And I have heard from an ARMY Medical Officer (what I think I told you) that the Nurses & Probationers at Woolwich innocently asked the P.M.O. there: "but *where* are the *Surgical cases?*"

And - *there were none* - (that is, you know, not what are called Surgical Cases in Civil Hospitals).

[end 15:245]

ff67-68v, copy, March 10, 1882, re the training of nurses at Netley, suggesting that it be allowed to be completed before passing judgment upon it

signed letter, ff69-72v, pencil

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NATAL HOSPITALS: } {enclosed in an oval} Please return this.
[15:878-79]

ARMY HOSPITAL CORPS: }
MRS. HAWTHORN: } 29/3/82

A/B. My dear Capt. Galton
If this is considered a sufficient answer
or an answer at all to MRS. HAWTHORN'S
letters which Mr. Childers does not even
profess to disbelieve, & if MR. CHILDERS
means to make no sort of enquiry -
WHAT CAN BE DONE? -
PLEASE ADVISE: very seriously.

f70

And please think of the *form of*
"Return," - which Sir Harry will
move for, - showing, I suppose, what
the Nursing of the A. Hospl Corps is -
how the Orderlies are *trained*
how *supervised* -
what are their *duties* -
how they fulfill them
&c &c &c &c &c
It is difficult to frame a Return
showing the *moral & practical qualities*
of a Nurse - - - - - unless
~~Shall~~ we as: *how many Patients they*
have killed -
You must do it.

Can Mr. Childers be satisfied with Dr.
Sinclair's answers?
One can scarcely understand how an educated
man, let alone a man in authority, can
call them answers at all.
If a S. of S. thinks an Orderly a man to
whom you say: 'Do this & he doeth it:'
then, does he suppose that the Medical Officers

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tell them *to do* what they are described
by independent Officers & Lady Nurses
as doing?

B. C. Regimental v. Station Hospitals

2. In answer to a letter I received from you,
I enclose a letter I had from Major
Stopford [I dare say you know him:
a very good man] on the Regimental
& *present Medical* system.]

I entirely concur, as you know, in what

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he says - the object being *now* to make

the A.H. CORPS UNDER THE DOCTORS AS

GOOD as we can - is it not?

But how to get in a contending element?

The necessity of three elements, the

Administrative, the Medical & the Nursing,

(all subject to one higher power), to supply

the friendly rivalry without which there is

no progress nor common efficiency, is obvious -

It is this which saves Civil Hospitals

f72

from stagnation

The very worst Hospitals are those which

are either 1. *entirely* under a *Religious Order*

2. *entirely* under the *Doctors*

or *Master* -

You see now there is absolutely no public

opinion to prevent - these Orderlies from

becoming virtual murderers -

It is just the same as it was in the

old Workhouses Pauper Patients could

be murdered ~~wholesale~~ *ad libitum* - {at will - _GW}

It is unspeakable the good which the

friendly clash between ~~a~~ the *Medical & Nurse Schools*

does us, disagreeable as it often is

Now there is *nothing* of the kind in Military

the *Station Hospitals, especially in colonies*

& *war times.*

WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE US DO?

But please ~~not~~ while thinking over this

not to let it prevent you from saying

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WHAT OUGHT TO BE MOVED FOR AT ONCE
IN THE HO. OF C.

yours ever most truly

F. Nightingale

~~I have had~~ [see MR. CHILDERS' answer]:

Troops are made "to move", I suppose. Can *this* be
an answer & excuse for sufferings *because* they have
"to move"?

Troops are made to fight. Yet it used to be thought
an excuse for any failure in supply that they had to fight.
{across the top}

How is such a *Medical*
Dept as this to judge of
your (N. A. S.) *Probrs*?

[end 15:879]

initialed letter, ff73-74v, pen & pencil

f73

NATAL: HOSPITALS }
Mrs. HAWTHORN } 29/3/82
(PLEASE RETURN) 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

If this is all that can be
said in answer to *Mrs. Hawthorn's*
letters which Mr. Childers
does not even profess to
disbelieve, & if Mr. Childers
means to make no sort of
enquiry, WHAT can be
DONE?

It seems hopeless -

Would you be so good as
first to advise -
& then to think of the
FORM OF "RETURN" which
Sir Harry will move for
after Easter, ~~sh~~/showing

f73v

I suppose, what the NURSING
of the A. HOSPITAL CORPS
really is, how trained,
how supervised, & all
the rest of it - tho'
how this is to be shown
on a return I scarcely
know.

If Mr. C. were a man, he
would make an enquiry.
Can he be satisfied with this
Dr. Sinclair's answers?

~~And again, how~~

Troops are made "*to move*",
I suppose - Can *this* be an
answer & excuse for
sufferings *because* they

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{this is a repetition of f72v}
...One can scarcely believe, you

f74v

know, that an educated
man like Mr. Childers,
let alone a Minister of
State, could think

THAT *an answer*
which he has given.

signed letter, ff75-76v, pen & pencil

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PROBRS AT NETLEY

A

{enclosed in an oval} Please return

10, South Street, March 29 1882

Park Lane. W. {printed address:}

My dear Capt. Galton

I am so very glad to see your
"returning thanks" card, which
I hope means you are quite
well I give us joy.
But the card ought to
specify *how well* you are,
I always think: because
what people want is not
thanks - but to know how
you are.

TRAINING OF PROBRS (N.A.S.) AT
NETLEY

Sir Harry V. wrote exactly
what you so wisely
suggested.

[15:245-46]

And here is, at last, the answer
[Loyd Lindsay spoke to him

f75v

in the Ho. of C. about it.]

I suppose we have nothing
to do but to submit.

But what sort of "Examiners"
will the *D.G.'s* be?

It is people *examining*
themselves.

Do you, the N.A.S., who
pay, mean to have no independent
examination of your own?

It is not, as in St. Th's,
where our Nurses have the best
possible examination
independent of us, - that
of competition & public
opinion. The public
Institutions won't take

f76

Nurses

from our Training School
unless the Nurses are up
to the mark.

There is an open market.

But Military Hospitals
are rapidly becoming
the worst sort of close
borough. They are
exclusively under the
MEDL Dept. There is
no possibility of any
clash or stir of public opinion
- not even the C.O's
can enter in.

*It is just what we have
always striven against -
It is worse than it was*

f76v

before the Crimean War.
where at all events there
were the Regimental
Officers.

~~{I have not yet sent you that
letter I intended}~~

PLEASE SAY WHAT YOU

THINK about accepting Sir
~~Loyd Lindsay's fiat.~~

yrs ever F. Nightingale
most truly

Could you return me a
letter I wrote you about
asking the *Classes of PATIENTS*
AT NETLEY with your
opinion - not for
immediate use?

[end 15:246]

F.N.

signed letter, ff77-78, pen & pencil

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N.A.S. PROBRS AT NETLEY & C

A April 5 1882

(Please return to F.N.) 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I hope your sea - air ~~is~~/has been going
you good:

Many thanks for your letter.

I avail myself of your
kind leave to consult you
again.

[You desire me to return
you my letters with the rest
for reference.]

Sir H. Verney, rather to my
consternation, proposes
to write (**A Z**) to Sir R.
Loyd Lindsay that you
the N. A. S. should "suggest"
WHO the "Examiner" appointed
"BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL" should
be - [I should have thought

f77v

this would have only

'suggested' a flat refusal.

[Sir Harry very kindly *invites*
our alterations]

Then he adopts your suggestion
& proposes as an alternative
"one of yourselves" or "some
other person" should be "deputed
"to be PRESENT at the Examn."

At the same time he echoes
what you say that *your*
going, however otherwise
desirable, "might be found
unadvisable as fettering
future action by *conveying*
a tacit approval."

f78

Please criticize
& ADVISE upon **A Z**.

I trust that you find your
ancle now a useful
member to walk upon.
It has been a sadly long
imprisonment.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

Should we not ask **if the** your
Woolwich Probrs are to be
included (& included at NETLEY
or where? with ~~the~~/your Netley
Probrs in the EXAMINATION?
merely as a matter for your information.

ff79-80, copy, April 5, 1882, re the examination of the N.A.S. probationers
signed letter, ff81-83v, pen & pencil

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ARMY HOSPL CORPS & ARMY MED. DEPT.

B April 5 1882

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I do not know whether
you saw in yesterday's "Times"
that Sir H. Verney asked
Mr. Childers for the information
suggested in **B** (which
you will see is virtually
what you so kindly wrote.)

He read from p. 1 -
he did not read what is
on p. 2. but he said
it in his little speech.

Mr. Childers, badly
reported in "Times", was
most unexpectedly in a
'coming - on disposition':
thanked his "hon-friend, the
member for Buckingham," for

f81v

"drawing his attention to it"
 & so on, & so on.
 "would give him all the
 information sought for
 when the matter came on
 in the Army Estimates."

Sir Harry proposes to write Mr.
~~him~~/Childers a letter to "keep
 him up" to this
 writing out & ADDING to
 "Suggestion" **B**
 & asking for two separate
 REPORTS **not** Returns by the Army
 Medical & by the COMMANDING
 Officers (the Military)
 showing the results of

f82

the new system, viz - the
 putting the discipline as
 well as the Medical
 attendance in Hospital
 under the Medical men
 - & what the changes are
 that have been made or are
 being made in the Army
 Hospl corps.

He says, as you do, that
 if the Commanding Officers'
 report contains "hostile
 "inter departmental remarks,"
 Mr. Childers will not let
 the Ho. of Comm. see it.

But then it will be known
 that Mr. Childers has withheld
 it. We are right in
 asking for it. It can do

f82v

nothing but good to ask
for it.

So says Sir H.V. And you
I think will agree.

I despair of reaching *any how*
such miseries as the Natal
ones, or as those at
Portsmouth &c (set forth
in the previous paper of
Mrs. Hawthorn 2 ~~or 3~~ years
ago), AS *Mr. Childers* will
make no special enquiry
of his own.

But I think the MILITARY
(COMMDR) OFFICERS' report asked for
may prove an opening;
as Lt Acland was quite
as strong as Mrs. Hawthorn
upon all point of neglects by
orderlies

f83

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And please consider WHAT
ADDITIONS CAN BE MADE
to Suggestions **B**
especially with a view to
THIS - & WHAT SHALL BE
ASKED FOR IN THE REPORT
especially with a view to this -

You were so good as to say
that you would re - consider
the subject: if I would
return all the bits & scraps
for reference - I do so.

[I have no copies of any.]

[You know we must not
forget that nothing could
be worse than the
Regimental Hospitals when

f83v

they were under the C. O.'s
 a quarter of a century
 ago -

It is, at this time of day
 when such vast improvements
 have been made all around,
 that the Hospitals going
 back to that state amazes
 one -

ever yrs most truly
 F. Nightingale

ff85-86v, copy, April 6, 1882, re the administration of Army Hospitals and
 the relation between the Regiments and the medical men.

signed letter, ff87-91v, pencil

f87

Natal Hospitals } 10 South St. May 4/82 [15:881]
Mrs. Hawthorn }

My dear Capt. Galton
 Would you please read this gallant woman's
 fight with the Generals & Doctors -
 & then say what is to be done?

Read first please the letters of March
 25 and 31: & then the two earlier ones

Say, first, please:

1. is there any good in showing these letters

f88

to Mr. Childers?
or is he altogether hopeless?

[N.B. he has blotted out all but the first 9 questions in Sir Harry's 'notice' (the most colourless ones -) & says, besides, he never meant to give him a Return, but only to answer in debate.

Do you think Sir Harry should persist in moving for a return?

It is obvious that Mr. Childers thinks all this is merely ~~only~~ between him and Sir H. & me & Mrs. Hawthorn. And therefore
2. it is doubly necessary that the M.P. who should move for *Genl Smythe's report*, referred to by Mrs. Hawthorn, should *not* be Sir H. & yet should not be of the "Opposition" -

Sir H. says: should it be Sir A. Gordon, or Col. Colthurst, or - who?

Mr. Holms is official - is he not?

f88v

3. Sir H. says: what would be the best method of carrying out an enquiry? a Committee? or Commission? or what? or whom?

But would Mr. Childers grant any thing of the sort?

4. Sir H. is gone down to see if Genl Drury Lowe is come?

Do you know him?

f89 blue paper pencil

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5. Could you not suggest something that should be done with all these men, - Patients, Generals, Doctors - who are coming home?

We can have evidence now enough, if we please, : or rather if Mr. Childers pleases -

[I suppose I am 'in' for seeing Dr. Blair Brown, & Trumpet Major Epps -

I am glad also to see the man on the

f90

other side, that "Serjt Morris" - Else it will look only like a harbouring of disaffection

But oh what will be the good of it

all if we cannot get a Sidney Herbert or an Alexander to do anything?

6. Do you think anything is to be made of *Sir G. Wolseley*, (whom Sir H. V. knows rather well)? but if we do, then I suppose we must give up Mr. Childers - Otherwise it will be like appealing from Mr. C. to Sir G. Wolseley?

[end 15:881]

f90v

~~The~~ Netley
The Nurse Examinations are over -

[I don't know that Sir R. Loyd Lindsay has done any thing]

And they have actually begun *placing* the Nurses *out*: with no reference to you who pay.

Mrs. Deeble has written to ask to see me!! & comes tomorrow -

She calls the Nurses only "fair" to me.

f91

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Would you kindly send me back
Mrs. Hawthorn's *letters* to morrow
morning?

And if you could let us have an
answer in the course of to morrow,
Sir Harry stays till Saturday - But
don't trouble for that: he will be back next
week - I had much rather have your
considered opinion.

f91v

Please send back *this*
with your advice & suggestions.

I trust you are now well or
almost well & am
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

ff92-93v, copy, May 5, 1882, re the importance of bringing public opinion to bear on the question of the Army Hospitals and advising FN to write to the Times with the facts from Mrs. Hawthorn; doctors can't maintain discipline in AHC or among patients; imposs for Childers to resist making an inq in fact of facts, but do not think will be satisfactory, get Hawthorn material published in the Times. You mt poss get it discussed in House of Lords, Ld Morley represents WO is such a red tapeist, don't think will get much satisfaction, get ventilated in the Times, that questions shd be asked and returned moved for in both Houses; Epps discharged, his evidence cd be published; PS you shd get Mr Alexander Gordon to ask whether a report has been made by Col Montgomery, mil sec to Leicester Smith CO at Natal on conduct of members of AHC at Natal and whether any objection to producing that report

ff94-95v, a better copy of ff92-93v

ff96-98, Pietermaritzburg, Natal, March 10, 20 I, Extracts & Substance of Mrs. Hawthorn's letters, in a small hand

initialed letter, ff99-100, pencil

f99

Netley Nurses 10 S. St May 7/82 [15:246]
N. Aid Socy }
My dear Capt. Galton

I think you ought to see these papers.
[I had a long conversation with Mrs. Deeble
last *night* ~~of~~ by her own appointment,
of which more another day.

Four of your Nurses are already sent to Chatham, where, she says, they are *not* wanted. And the authorities will not have them at Portsmouth where as you know they are

f99v

direfully wanted]

[end]

I am afraid I must ask you to let me have all this back by 2 to-day: I will send it again if you want it.

f100*Mrs. Hawthorn's letters*

I should excessively dislike writing to the "Times", as you advise, unless there were absolutely no other way - If we lost our cause, & yet more if we gained our cause I should completely cut myself off from all future possibility of communication with the Army Medl Dept, with Military Hospitals Nursing, & of course with Netley - & with all possibility of usefulness in that way

[15:881-82]**f100v**

It would in fact close any Military Hospl career/course for me for ever } What say you?
& any intercourse with Army Doctors

I hope your friend, Dr. Longhurst, knows the necessity of caution. You know that Dr. Longmore has already done all he could to injure Mrs. Hawthorn for the sake of discrediting her evidence -

And Dr. Evatt has never been near me again.

[end 15:882]

ever yrs most truly

F.N.

ff101-03, Netley, May 7, 1882, re the actions to be taken since the results of the Nurses' examination are available

signed note, f104, pencil, blue paper

f104

10 South St
11/5/82

My dear Capt Galton

Did you send me back the *Return Table* (in
figures) answering your *first* 3 questions
as to numbers & distribution of A. Hospl Corps?

I have no doubt it is my own rank
stupidity that I cannot find it in your packet -
But I cannot - And so I trouble you -

Thanks: ever yrs most truly F. Nightingale

{f105 is blank}

ff106-07v, Army Hospital Corps Distribution tables

{the underlining in heavy pencil has now stopped; I have reverted to the
usual way of indicating double underlining, i.e. small caps -GW}

signed letter, ff108-08v, pen

f108

May 12 1882

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

In answer to your note
saying that Sir R. Loyd
Lindsay would wish to
see me about a proposal
that the Nat. Aid Socy
should send trained female
Nurses to India, I
shall be most happy, if
I can be of any use, to
see him.

[10:782]

[end 10:782]

I suppose Wednesday or
Saturday afternoon or even
Sunday would be of the
least inconvenience to
him - & that he will be

f108v

out of London at
Whitsuntide.

I am sorry I cannot propose
tomorrow (Saturday) or
next Sunday. But if
he would kindly let me
know *a few days* beforehand

I am a little overdone
& overpressed just now.

I would keep 5 o'clock
on any Wednesday, Saturday
or Sunday that he would
kindly fix - for him.

Pray believe me

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

initialed letter, ff109-09v, pencil, blue paper, had no time to write
yesterday, told Loyd Lindsay she had been in commun with Lord Ripon about
scheme for re-organizing the Indian Hosp Corp

f109

12/5/82

[16:834]

My dear Capt. Galton

Sir Harry Parkes asks me (for
Sydney ~~for~~ /to recommend any documents or books
concerning the administration of Civil Hospitals
- provision for the health of towns
- management of *country* Hospitals

I have sent him a quantity of Local
Govt Office plans, documents & works -
& Army Sanitary Comm ditto -
- recommended your "Healthy Dwellings"

f109v

~~& other books~~

but can find ~~nothing~~/ no books about the
management of Hospls.

Can you recommend any?

Is Dr. Quain's Dictionary out?

And could I have your article
on the administration of Hospitals?

There is plenty written about the
construction of Hospls but such a
dearth of anything about their management. **[end]**

F.N.

F110 is end of f109v

ff111-12v, DG letter Hanbury Mount, Bromsgrove, May 17, 1882 re the reorganization of the Indian Hospital Corps and the training of Nurses before their going out to India, by whom; had no time to write yesterday morn, I told LL that you had been in communic with Ripon about scheme for the org of Indian Hosp Corps and that she wd be in a position to advise him re intro of female nurses; this an original letter, scratchy handwriting signed letter, ff113-14, pen

f113

May 22 1882

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for your note - & its wise suggestions.

I was till 9 last night gathering information for Sir R. Loyd Lindsay from an Army Medl Off; of Indian & home experience -

I am going to send you the results of all this & of Sir L. Lindsay's visit for your advice.

In the meantime - (I am ashamed to trouble you again) - would you *recommend*, &, if so, would you *frame* a question like the enclosed to be added to Sir H. Verney's motion for a Return?

f113v

My A. M. Offr is as strong as I am, nay much stronger, ~~upon~~/against *promotion* in the A. Hospl. Corps being ~~as~~ out of care - keeping of blankets - & of stores. The *higher* posts are those which take care of meat & sugar - ~~not~~/the lower those which take care of the human being.

The effect on the minds of the orderlies is disastrous.

I see Dr. Blair Brown of Natal to day.

f115v

to deprecate Soldiers' Wives
 introduced as they have been
 as Nurses in India. & {there is a bracket in the left margin around the
 preceding lines}

to propose what
 he call the "highly trained
 "N. A. S. Nurses" for India.
 He proposes no Station to
 begin at. no system ~~of~~ for
 introducing them, or for organizing {the following 7 lines have a line in
 the left margin beside them}
 their relation with the
native Army Hospl Corps -
 (an element of difficulty
 which exists nowhere but
 in India) viz. the EnglishWOMAN
 superintending & teaching
 the Hindoo man:
 or for defining their Nurses' duties
 & responsibilities in the Wards.
 (another element, if not of
 difficulty, yet of novelty) viz.
 the large Eurasian Subordinates

f116 {there is a line in the right margin beside the next 6 lines}

Medical Dept employed -
 giving orders as you know to the poor
 native coolie Orderly, - now
 indeed '*enlisted*'. but as
 far as we know not trained, & nothing more
as yet: - who is the only NURSE
 - the difficulty being that
 the WOMAN can certainly
 do the actual bedside work
 - done by women about men Patients
 in all Civil Hospitals -
 even *less* in Indian than
 in Home *Military* Hospls -
 but is *much more wanted to do it*,
 And yet that Sir R. L. L.'s
 idea seems (very naturally)
 to send out women merely
 for *superintende*.

whereas we know that
 there are too many classes
 out there already to do the *superintende*

f116v

already - & only one,
 the Coolies, miserably untrained
 & ill equipped, to do the
 work - (of Nursing) -
 that there are in fact
 5 or 6 ranks or classes
 to *give orders*
 one, the coolies, to *nurse*:
 one, the Patients, to kick the
 coolies.

To put another necessarily *order - giving*
 class, the woman, into this
 (dis) organization does not
 seem exactly the way to
 mend it, except with very
 well-considered rules & {the following 4 lines have a line in the left
 margin}
 training - carefully adapted
 to the new system of
 training, (if any), & working of
 the new native A.H. Corps.

f117

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Sir R. Loyd Lindsay's idea, he told me, was: to offer your A.H.C. Nurses to Lord Ripon (not to Lord Hartington - that can hardly answer) & leave them authorities in India to assign the Nurses' duties & responsibilities - & to organize their place in the Hospitals. But that would hardly do - the more especially as Mr. Young, tho' he speaks {the following 4 lines have a bracket in the right margin} only of Calcutta, indicates that Soldiers' wives have already been introduced (disastrously). Now you can scarcely wish your trained Nurse or any respectable women *to take the Soldiers' Wives places.*

f117v

[Mr. Young dwells on the loss of life - & he cannot speak too strongly of it - incurred by the want of Nursing - among the troops in the Affghan War -

[15:852]

This was especially the case in the march home with the Sick & Wounded from Cabul to Peshawur, after Sir F. Roberts' march to Candahar - as F.N. has learnt from M.O. s personally engaged in it. {the following 6 lines have a bracket in the left margin}

But it can scarcely be thought that female Nurses would have facilitated to the wounded that march home, which Medical Officers themselves died of.]

[end 15:852]

f118

Sir R. L.L. will see Dr. Crawford, the new Director-Genl, on his arrival from India, about the whole scheme - {the rest of this f has a bracket in the right margin}

But a great deal of enquiry from Indian EXPERTS will be necessary, especially in this transition time of the "Unification" Army Hospl scheme, and the organizn of the new Native A.H. Corps in India, before ~~the~~ any reasonable scheme for the employment of trained English ladies in Military wards with Indian diseases and native untrained Orderlies can be worked out for India

f118v

II

Sir R. L. L. & I had a good deal of talk - not only about this but about the Army Medical Dep. & their grievances. {the next 7 lines have a bracket in the left margin}

I went into the grievance of the not having the title of 'Royal' - which Sir R. L. L. was entirely, when at the W. O., in favour of their having - but, he said then the Commissariat will want to be 'Royal'. and the C. in C. is so against it.

[I should tell you that he is not in favour of taking the discipline of the A.H. Corps out of the hands of the Medical Officers. And I think he is {printed address, upside down:} 10, South Street, right, on the grounds Park Lane. W. that

Major Stopford gives, in the letter I showed you.

f119

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{the first four lines have a bracket in the left margin, then the next two lines have another bracket}

Out of this arose - *what could be done to strengthen & improve & raise the Army Medl: Dept? & also the training &c of the A. Hospital Corps?*

We discussed some points - mainly those, I think, I have discussed with you - {there is a left hand bracket to the end of the page}

men too young -
 training too short -
 promotion not *in* Nursing
 but *out* of Nursing into
 Clerk ships

&c &c &c

f119v

They are now enlisted for {the next four lines have a left side bracket}

7 years service
 5 " reserve

He would have them
 all 12 years in service.

He asked me to draw
 up a Memo for Mr. Childers
 & the Commander in Chief
 about all these things -
 [But will not ~~this~~ such a memo be shelved
 at once?]

& about the A. Medical Dept. {there is a left side bracket to the end of the page}

what are their grievances,
 what the privileges they
 would like to strengthen
 their position if they
 are to be welded in to
 be the *Officers* to the Army
Hospital Corps.

f120

Those items, furnished me last year by Dr. Evatts, of Woolwich, who came home last year from India - & who gave me so much information about the working of the native & the subordinate Medl Dept elements in Indian Hospls, occurred to me, which you & I talked over.

You will remember: you put some questions to him which he answered about the working of the Medical Officers under the new (~~illeg~~/non- Regimental) system in India.

Should I put forward those grievances now? some seemed trivial: such

f120v

as - not going to Court-balls
not called "Royal"
not receiving decorations
some important
such as

1. whether the A. Med. Dept & the
A. Hospl Corps
must not form *one* Regiment
in title, uniform & tradition
- in identity of duty & of work
2. freeing the P.M.O.s & higher rank
& even the D.G. from routine
work & letting them be more
Doctors

{printed address, upside down:} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

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III

IV

I cannot say at all what progress was made, if any, with Sir R.L.L. with regard to the Netley training.

[15:246-47]

It seemed to me rather a subject in which he (modestly, to himself) declined ~~filleg~~/having any knowledge - & wished us rather to see each other & fight it out by ourselves - He asked me about Mrs. Deeble & my having seen her And asked me to see Miss Stewart, your new? "trained" lady & Supt at Chatham. (which of course I shall do.) He evidently proposes to send her to India.

f121

As I say, he seemed rather to wish to bring us all together than to have anything to do with it himself.

He would say: 'I don't know anything about it & can't learn' -

He is going to see Dr. Crawford the new Dir. Genl about the Nurses for India -

It would be rather desirable for me to see Sir R.L. Lindsay again BEFORE he sees Dr. Crawford.

I understood ~~him~~/Sir R. L. L. to say that he wished me also to {there is a left side bracket around the next 4 lines}

prepare a Memo about Indian Hospital *Female* Nursing: but to see *Dr. Crawford* first.

f122

I am to see his Miss Stewart on
~~Tuesday~~/Monday. I rather or indeed
 very much grudge the time
 to see his Nurses when I
 don't see our own half enough.

He says: "we can't do any
 thing in *Civil Hospital*
 training for the Nurses
 when we have only just
 enough money, £2000 a year,
 to do the Netley training."
 He did admit that the
 Nurses ought only to be
 women taken from Civil
 Hospitals, Kings' Coll:, Liverpool
 But these are not the best.
 And Mrs. Deeble says that
 Longmore & co. object altogether
 to any "London Nurses".
 She thinks very little of your
 new N.A.S. (Probationers) Nurses.

f122v

I did not say this to Sir R.
 L.L.

[end 15:247]

He asked me about her
 as if it were he who had
 introduced her to me.

I want your advice upon
 all this.

signed letter, ff123-24v, pen & pencil

f123

Please

return

to F.N. May 28 1882

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Could you take the trouble
to glance through all this
(unfinished) before I work
it up, & return it to me
giving me your opinion
upon it - upon such
points as these among others:

1. what should I do with
it?

2. should I trust Sir R.L.L.
unreservedly?

[15:247]

Go thro' it all with him,

You see the Doctors'

unreserved opinion

(**III**-(p. 5.a.IV *Female Nurses*

that Nurses can no more be
trained at Netley than
Doctors educated there)

f123v

given me without even

knowing my bias, rather
believing me the author
of Netley, much less
prompted by me -

Would Sir R. L. L. *believe*

this to be *unprompted*?

[end]

Is he to be trusted with

III p. 7 "MOST PRIVATE"?

Is he safe?

3. Would there be the
least use in my writing
a memo for S. of S. & C. in C.

as he proposes? Would

it not be shelved?

4. What should you

suggest?

f124

5. He wishes to see me after the Whitsuntide holiday - What line should I take with him?

6. How could I get more & important opinions as to the feasibility & effect of welding A. M. S. and A.H.C. into one Army Medical Corps?

7. These are three distinct subjects, you see:

- a. improvement of A. Med. Dept
itself
- b. reorganization of A. Hosp. Corps
as to
 1. enlistment
 2. training
 3. promotion & organization
- c. female Nurses
 - in War
 - in India
 - at home
 1. training
 2. organization

signed letter, ff133-36, pen & pencil

f133

Please

return

to me - F.N. June 3 1882

{printed address:} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Thank you very much for
your letter -

I am not a little appalled
at the task before us:

I have now seen all
whom Sir R.L. Lindsay asked
me to see - I enclose for
you just to glance over,
if you please, & *return*
to me - *strictly private*
my notes upon Netley Nursing
& training. You will see that it is
far worse than I knew
for the training of your
Probrs - because even those

[15:250-51]

f133v

things that we strictly laid
down for the Nurses to do,
while we had no idea of
training being given exclusively
in any *Military Hospl*,
are neglected.

All that I have seen
concur in its being merely
playing at Nursing.

Please observe all this is
STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL, of course.

2. Please look at the
newspaper strip I enclose -
Mr. Childers was not so
reported in the "Times."

f134

Nor did Sir R. L. Lindsay say anything to me about it.

Mrs. Deeble wrote to Mr. Childers asking him to allow her to contradict it - in the newspapers. And he very naturally forbade her.

Then she wrote to Sir R. L. L. And he said "it would not do the Nurses any harm".

The "difficulties" I suppose are principally that Mrs. Hawthorn & other ~~women~~/Nurses have exposed the "scandals" of the A. *Hospl Orderlies* &c

I liked your new (trained ~~N. A. S.~~ Probr)

f134

Supt for Chatham, exceedingly She is sensible, zealous, judicious, & has 13 years' London Hospl experience - & is an enthusiastic Nurse: †/& has as good or better views on *training* than the most advanced. I consider it quite a Godsend that you have a *Civil trained* (NOT from St. Thomas', & thus not exciting the opposition St. Thomas does at Netley & elsewhere) gentlewoman, free from prejudice, & exceedingly *able*, to begin your N.A.S. work. It may make a great start. Any one of the Netley stamp would quite have ruined it.

[end 15:151]

f135 blue paper

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I shall want all your help in every thing -
 Might I see you before I see Sir R. L.
 Lindsay again - or after - or both?

I *will* try & see Sir R. L. L. as you
 advise.

To-day I see our own "Home Sister" - on
 various business & on Monday a lady now at St. Thomas'
 who knows both Military & Civil Hospitals.

I will ask Col L. Lindsay to move for

f136

the Return you advise - including cost -
 Sir Wm Muir told me that the State
 saves £30 000 a year by the present
 "Unification" (Non - Regimental) system
 of Medl Dept.

Whom could I ask more details of as to welding
 together A Med. Dep & A. Hospital Corps?
 It should be some one either favourable to
 or himself a Med. Dep. man -
 [in blue pencil] Is the Unification right or wise?
 Is it not tending to make the Doctor a Milit.
 instead of a medical Man
 Will you think about my seeing you
 some afternoon?

yrs ever most truly

with love to Marianne

F. Nightingale

envelope, ff137v-38v, pencil

f137v

Enclosed	4 sheets	}	Please
	1 newspaper cutting		return
	2 note sheets		all

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Sir Wm McCormac

McKellar

Netley Nurses

Mrs. Hawthorn

N.A.S. Nurses

Sawyer

Lady Night Nurses

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{archivist: 3/6/82}

Ask whether you may call for this at 10 a.m. tomorrow
(Sunday) morning

carry it *flat*

Capt. Douglas Galton
12 Chester St.

3/6/82

ff139-40, June 4, 1882, re the situation at Netley with regard to nursing and medical officers.

unsigned letter, ff141-44v, pen

f141

Capt. Galton: June 6 1882
10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

1. A. Hospital Corps is always
on detachment Service
But so are other Corps - e.g. R. E.
on Survey
what constitutes their efficiency?
(a) young R. E. Officer
may be ordered away any day
(b) experienced Serjeant:
who tells the young Officer
what the discipline is -
what the punishments should be.
(c) carefully trained men
On Survey
they have working pay
not 6 months' but 6 months'
good *conduct* entitles a man
to 1d. a day extra or whatever
it is.
Serjt ~~recommends~~/mentions to Officer

f141v

local officers to recommend -
 head officer } of Station should
 = P.M.O. } do it.

All this is the very reverse in
 the A. Hospital Corps:
 their own Officers are promoted
 from the ranks
 their Serjeants are 18 - know
 nothing of their profession of
 Nursing - promoted to the quill
 their men are without training
 discipline or experience -

- a. carefully trained men
- b. good N. C. O. s
- c. M.O. over them like an
 Officer of the R. E.
 this would constitute efficiency.

Serjt Majors = Superintends Nurses
 Officers over = Medical Nurses

f142

2. Army Medl Dept.

{this f has a right side bracket from
 beginning to end}

A. Hospl Corps
 merely Corps for the Nursing
 should be subordinate branch
 of the A. Med: Dept.

And the highest branch of the
 'A. Med. Dept. Nursing Corps'
 should be *bonafide* Nursing

The store-keeping & feeding
 branch should belong to
 Army Service Corps
 under the Commissariat.

The P.M.O. s should be supplied
 with other people, Secretaries
 & P.M.O's Clerks, (not
 from the A. Hospital or
 Nursing Corps) to do the
 clerical work.

f142v {this f has a left side bracket}

3. let the men of the A.
Hospital (Nursing) Corps
be either men to serve
their second period of service
- or men volunteering out
of the reserve - with clean
defaulters' sheets - as many
good conduct stripes as can
be had - good recommendation
but let them all be men who
have served their first
period of service

(not volunteers from Regiments
- the best will not be ~~allowed~~/parted with)

And let them all be ~~fillieg~~ allowed
to serve their 21 years
for pension.

*But you will not get men
out of the reserve except
with good pay.*

f143

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4. promotion by merit =
= destroying all progress
when it is in the hands of
one man

[look at the Army Med: Dept.]
Unless it is as it is in the
French & German Armies
where a Committee investigates
claims to merit, & recommends
to C. in C., it must be
mere favouritism, if not
terrorism. A man's
promotion is stopped, if
he tells the truth.

f143v

5. *Bearer Corps*
 should be men from the
 Regiment.
 under the Transport Service

Bearer Drill - a farce -
 keeping separate Bearer
 companies under a M.O.
 Commandg a farce
 as our army is constituted

{f144 is blank}

f144v

call for Return of cost of
 A. Med. Dept
 as it was in 1866
 & as it is now -
 & how ~~cost~~/saving, if any distributed

ff145-46v, DG letter June 11, 1882, re Sir R.L. Lindsay's ignorance of Mr. Childers' intentions and a possible position for Miss Stewart

initialed letter, ff147-49, pen

f147

PRIVATE

Please June 11 1882

return 10, South Street, {printed address:}

to F.N. Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I hope that you are the
better for your Worcestershire
business.

You said you would be
so good as to see Col. Loyd
Lindsay to - day. I think
there is no time to be lost.
I hope very much to find
that he is on 'Mr. Childers'
"Court of Enquiry" into the
A. Hospl. Corps in Natal -
- & that he will be able to
tell you who are the "2
or 3 Military Officers" on it,
& also the Medical Officers

[15:884]

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also - *whether the Report
has been received from
the Genl Officer Commandg
in S. Africa "of ill-treatment"
"of Patients in the Hospitals
"in Natal Command".*

Without this, nothing can be
done -

I have seen a Genl Officer
since I saw you who
was out in both Wars
(Zulu & Transvaal) til Nov
1881 - in Command from May
till November 1881 -
He says the P.M.O. s are

f148

moving heaven & earth to
 prove that all the accusations
 are false - that they
 have been canvassing *him*.
 - that the enquiry will
 probably be a failure,
 because no witnesses,
 except those who have
 taken their discharge,
 will stand to their word -
 - that there is *nothing*
but this Report, which
 is signed by Commg Officers,
 &c - which will not be
 successfully challenged.

Unfortunately, you see,
 he himself was not there,

f148v

during the time (the Typhoid
 broke out in Dec 1881)
 of the complaints. *He* kept
his Hospitals in order.

But if the *Report* is not
 forthcoming, he authorizes
 us to use his name that
 he "can vouch for complain{ts}
 "having been made by
 "Patients during the time
 "he was in S. Africa."
 "& that they were brought to
 "the knowledge of the Genl Off.'
 "Commandg"

Could you communicate
 with ~~me~~ on/Col. Loyd Lindsay, & then with
 me on this subject? I very
 much hope he is on the
 Enquiry.

F.N.

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2. Please also to tell me what you learn of *Sir R. L. Lindsay's* wishes on the other subjects on which he asked me.

Shall I *then* write & offer him an afternoon this week? (any afternoon, at present, but Thursday)?

Most

Private Miss Stewart, your future Supt. at Chatham, whom he likes & I like so much & whom he asked me to see, has seen him again, & finds him entirely against any Civil Hospl training for Nurses. "So", she says, "I could say no more." F.N.

[end]

unsigned letter, ff150-55, pen & pencil

f150

PRIVATE N.A.S. }
Nurses }
Please June 21 1882
return 10, South Street, {printed address:}
to F.N. Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I saw Sir R. Loyd Lindsay again last Saturday. He was much more inclined to listen to the necessity of a thorough training for your Probationer Nurses, & to the fact that this can only be had in Civil Hospitals, & cannot be had at Netley than I had ever supposed it possible.

He spoke of the Guards' Hospitals (Genl Higginson) having applied for Nurses, as you told me.

f150v

& of the possibility of Miss Stewart going there -
 AND *of the possibility* of Probationer Nurses attending for a "*few hours a day*" Civil Hospitals from there.
 I was so exceedingly anxious for something to grow out of this, as you said, that I felt unwilling to do more than suggest enquiry -
 I believe as a fact that since you cured the Guards by ventilation, there is perhaps *one* NURSING (bed-ridden) case in each of their Hospitals. But I offered

f151

to Sir R. L.L. to look over any returns of sickness & cases with a view to their NURSING qualities.
 I am sure as a fact that no Civil Hospital would or ought to take in Probationers to train "for a few hours a day". Probationers must be brought under the full discipline & course of work of a ~~good~~/great Civil Hospl Training School to do any good. Otherwise it is taking them in in the morning, after ~~all~~ the Ward~~work~~/Nursing is done, & letting them out in the afternoon - before the evening Ward~~work~~/Nursing is begun -

f151v

And this was actually done
at Guy's Hospl with
Mrs. Fry's "Nursing Sisters,
& is still, I believe, with
some Probrs there

But I did not say much
to Sir R.L.L. ~~about~~/against this:
because I do think
something might be manage{d}
& something might grow
out of it.

I think we, at St. Thomas,
should not take in for less
than a year. But Miss
Stewart is of King's - they
do take in for a few months.

As for training on *Guards'*
Patients, that would be
considerably less, (on say a
Patient a month) than at
Netley. Still don't let us quest{ion}
it. [end]

f152

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[By the way, I had here
yesterday an Army Medical
Officer who was at Netley.
He says the training by
the Sisters of the Orderlies
(one object of the Institution)
~~is~~/was absolutely *nil*. The Sisters
do all they like to do *themselves*
viz. the dressings, giving of
medicines, & stimulants, attending the Doctors
- & leave all they don't like
viz. the cleanliness, the dis=
agreeable functions, the bed=changing, &c to the
Orderlies, to do -

And - that is all that]
the training of Orderlies
by women has come to } Dr. S. M.

f152v

Sir R. Loyd Lindsay said
 - & this is the main object
 of my writing now -
 that *on Friday* there will
 be a *Meeting of the N. A. S.*
 that "*Capt Galton & Sir H.*
Verney would be there" -
 "*two people who knew*
a great deal about the
subject" -
 that he should bring
 forward the training &
 destination of the N. A. S.
 Nurses - (he mentioned 4 destinations)
 - that he had abandoned
 the project of Indian Nurses
 for the present - [I am rather
 sorry for this] - but he should
 read Mr. Young's letter.

f153

Sir R. Loyd Lindsay
 is coming to me on
Friday, after the N. A. S.
meeting.

[15:885-86]

f154

Private -3-
 2. *Enquiry Natal A. Hospls*
 I learnt yesterday who is
 upon this -
 - Sir E. Wood: President
 - Mr. Lawson: } to represent
 (who is he?) } the W. O.
 - Dr. Donne: to represent
 A. Medl Dept.

[who is he?
 [I cannot find out that he
 has seen any *field* service
 since the *fleet* in the Baltic:
 - sic.]
 - Genl Redvers Buller:
 (added afterwards)
 In the strictest confidence,
 let me mention that the
 Medical Officers who saw
 & struggled against all
 the evils of the A. Hospl Corps,
 (which you know) in Natal

f154v

have declined to give
 evidence - and, they say,
 "IF we *did not*," Dr. Crawford
 'would ask us what
 'evidence we have to give,
 '& he & the Duke would
 'forbid us to give it.'

Also: Dr. Stokes, the man
 who did all the mischief
 at Newcastle by declaring
 every thing perfect when
 he was doing nothing -

(I saw his letter which
 Prof. Longmore handed about)
 Now the facts of the case were these:

"you could smell the '*Pus*'
 across the Park" - "there was
 Gangrene in one place" Mt. Prospect.

"men don't die of
 gunshot wounds for months -
 unless fatally wounded" -
 therefore the men were alive:

f155

but everything was left for
 his successors to do -
 while he was writing
 flattering letters to Longmore.
 - - this man is going to give
 evidence !!!

What is to be done?

~~I am at my wits' end.~~

No Private will stand to his
 word. I have corresponded
 with that Trumpet Major Epps
 who has taken his discharge.
 He does not seem inclined to
 come forward; tho' he says
 he will give his evidence
 to me or to any one in
private. So say the Medl Officers

What a reign of
 terrorism it is.

f155v

You see I don't want to
put myself forward as if
it were I who were
mothering this enquiry -

[end 15:886]

{printed address, upside down:} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

signed letter, ff156-56v, pencil blue paper

f156

Private 10 South St
June 21 1882

My dear Capt Galton

Sir Harry Verney has often said
to me: what a pity that a man so
efficient & at the same time so experienced
as Capt Galton should not actually
be in the Administration, now that
his party is 'in' -

Is there any appointment or post

f156v

of any nature which would be
acceptable to Capt. Galton
& which he, Sir H. V., could properly
ask for ?

most truly yours
F. Nightingale

ff157-59, June 23, 1882, re the necessity of having lady nurses at Guards' Hospitals and the probable futility of the enquiry as presently constituted, to have a nucleus of an establishment directly under our own eyes in London; Miss Stewart has sufficient sagacity to arrange for and insisting training course in a civil hosp

signed letter, ff160-61v, pencil, blue paper [1:471]

f160

10 South St
July 6/82

My dear Capt. Galton

How grieved for the loss of the little
Cammilla - I have her photograph before me
- so robust, - like an English child
trying sturdily to do her duty in standing
for her photograph as in anything else -
not as if she were being looked at -
now laid low - How grieved for her parents

not for her.

f161

I trust no one else has had this dreadful
 Diphtheria - Pray give my
 tenderest greetings to the parents: for
 my heart is "greeting" for them, as the
 Scotch say - Pray tell Marianne
 how much I feel it. [end 1:471]

I have so much to say: my last seeing
 Sir R. L. Lindsay, Dr. Crawford &c -
 Sir Evelyn Wood has closed his Natal
 enquiry - More dreadful evidence has come to me
 since from Natal, which I/we have sent him.
*The Report from Col. Montgomery to Genl
 Leicester Smyth* is NOT come home !!!
 [This was the only document of real use.]
 If Sir E. Wood goes to Egypt, ~~the~~ his Report
 will be worth nothing.

f161v

I wish I could have asked to have seen
 you: but I go to=day away for a
 few days' rest - When I come back, I hope.
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 I hope 'your ' marriage will be as happy
 as it must have been pretty
 under Marianne's auspices

signed letter, ff162-64, pen & pencil

[1:471]

f162

Claydon Ho

Bucks July 12 1882

~~10, South Street,~~ {printed address:}

~~Park Lane. W.~~

My dear Capt. Galton

How sad, how very very
sad & painful the dangerous
illness of the father - so
good a man, so great an
improver, (in which so much
of the future of Tuscany & of
Italy is bound up -
following on the death of
the darling little child
& Evelyne so exhausted
with Nursing. I trust
that you have now good
accounts of them both.
I have only just heard thro'
a kind

f162v

kind letter forwarded to me to-day from Marianne
to Parthe how terrible
has been the anxiety.

There must be, one would
think, some defect in the
drainage of the house -
where is their house in Florence?
(beautiful city - how *can* she
have defects? -)

No doubt you will insist
on this being looked to -

I do indeed grieve with
you on this sad & grievous
history. My best love to
Marianne & Gwendolyne.

[end 1:471]

f163

I am here quite alone
& should indeed scruple
to trouble you about other
things were they not too
sadly congenial & pressing
subjects - the nursing of
the Army Hospl Corps -

[15:877]

[I was sorry to hear from
Sir R. L. Lindsay how ill
Ld Overstone was: (before I
left London)]

Can you hear anything
about Sir Evelyn Wood's
report on the Natal enquiry?

He has returned me
the last evidence from Natal
(which did not arrive till
the enquiry was closed).

And I enclose it. Please

f163v

return it to me, unless
there is some one to whom
you think we ought to show
it.

Sir E. Wood said: I cannot
punish these drunken
rascals: but I will take
precautions (in the Report)
that this shall not happen
again.

He had *not* received Genl
Leicester Smyth's Report.
Mr. Childers says it is
not come.

Sir R. L. Lindsay said he
would 'move' for it again.
Will he?

Sir E. Wood does not appear
to be gone to Egypt.

f164

-2-

When I read in the newspaper
of "detachment of A.H. Corps
from Chatham" ditto
"from Aldershot" going
to Egypt, my heart sinks
within me for the sick.
It is heart-wringing.

2. Have you heard anything
of what is settled relating
to Miss Stewart taking the
nursing of the Guards
Hospitals in London,
(re Sir R.L. Lindsay's scheme)?
If you are so good as to
write, write to *10 SOUTH ST.*
(I am coming back) -
& with tenderest fellow feeling

f164v

for Marianne in this
great sorrow - the greater
because I seem to know
them all so well - & the
kindness of Cammillo Fenzi
to me - he had
Savonarola's Prison Meditations
copied for me - a most
rare book - & sent me -
but I hope you have no
anxiety about him or
Evelyne *now* -
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f165

I think I told you that
I saw Dr. Crawford, the new
Director Genl, & liked him
exceedingly as a probable
reformer - & much more
able man than my friend,
his predecessor -

What comes of it must
be known before I call
our acquaintance successful

[end 15:877]

F.N.

ff166-67v, July 14, 1882, re the nursing at the Guards' Hospitals, and the
infection of the air at the Fenzi's house [6:566-67]

signed letter, ff168-71v, pencil

f168*Private*

10 South St
Park Lane w.
Nov 8/82

My dear Capt Galton

I have seen Sir R. Loyd
Lindsay - many thanks -
& also the Director=Genl.

You have, I hope, seen
Loyd Lindsay too -

Much information has
of course reached me as
to Egyptian Hospl matters -
sought & unsought - ~~And I~~
~~am~~ - exact & inexact -
And I am more glad than
I can say that the Commee

f168v

of Enquiry appears to
 be conscientiously taking
 evidence (as they
 certainly did *not* in the
 Natal enquiry) - with a
 view to know all the
 failures - as well as the
 successes - *what* failed
 why it failed
 what they is wanted
 to make the success
 of efficient Officers
 possible -

f169

If only the Medical
 Officers may be allowed
 & encouraged to speak out,
 without its being visited
 upon them by non-promotion
 - that is the thing.

I *think* the Pope is
 a fair & able man -

If he is they have
 the ball at their feet,
 & have only to kick it.

The wave is coming in -
 & they have only to come in
 on the top of the wave -

f169v

I had very much
 wished to have seen
 you & laid my gatherings
 before you *before* I
 saw Sir R. L. Lindsay &
 the D.G. But it has
 been impossible - & after
 all perhaps it was
 best that they should
 see me in ~~my~~ /the rough
 state -

But I hope to see you
 soon -

f170

-2-

Strictly Private

Miss Stewart has not done well - I am deeply sorry to say - She has been lazy, doing nothing herself, & interfering with 'Sisters' much more highly trained than herself - who were working double tides -

I have not breathed a word of this to Sir R.L.L. or to the D g - or to any one.

f170v

All our Sisters are still 'out' - one, Miss Airy, had an Enteric Fever Hospl all to herself at Ramleh - The others are at Alexandria, Cairo, & on board the Carthage lying off Alexa -

a great deal of very bad Enteric - & Patients arriving in an exhausted, even dying state from Cairo in *Luggage Trains!!*

f171

This ~~too~~, as I have
 heard it only from our
 Sisters, I do not speak
 of at present - They must
 not be taught 'reporters'.

Those of our Sisters
 (not on board the Carthage)
 have really *roughed* it -
 at Ramleh -

I have been in a
 white heat with anxiety
 about these who were
 lodged in a *vacated*
foul Enteric Hospl: too
 bad to keep the *Patients* in.

f171v

All our Sisters have done
 well -
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 Love to Marianne
 & Gwendolyne
 I hope Evelyne is well -

signed letter, ff172-73, pen, pale blue paper

f172

Private November 12 1882
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton [16:874]

Thank you very much
 for a copy of your admirable
 address at Newcastle -
 Whom do you think ~~as~~ a
 rising *Hospital Architect*?
 They want to rebuild the
 Royal Infirmary at Liverpool
 - they *don't* want "a great
 "Architect who would want
 "his own way & aim at
 "making a handsome building
 "instead of a commodious one":
 they want "to know what
 "has been done lately, & who
 "are the best men to choose from."

f172v

they want "a young man
 "of ability who would visit
 "any Hospitals worth
 "seeing, & try to make
 the Liverpool one which
 is now a beast
 "the best thing done yet
 "without unnecessary expenditure."

I think Saxon Snell
 did the new Marylebone Infy
 at Notting Hill very well.
 Is he an expensive man?
 But I don't know the
 rising men -

Please tell me: & please
 give me any general hints

f173

about Hospitals & sites
 to give them (Liverpool) when
 you tell me *whom you*
would recommend -
 I have to see them this
 week

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

Graham whom we used
 to recommend did not
 do very well at Lincoln **[end]**

signed letter, ff174-75, pen & pencil, pale blue paper

f174

Re building Liverpool R. Infirmary
 PRIVATE Nov 28 1882
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W

My dear Capt Galton
 I took immediate advantage
 of your kindness in mentioning
 Hospital Architects for Lpool
 R. Infirmary -(rebuilding) And I
 now enclose a letter of further enquiry
Saxon Snell - I sent them a
 splendid book he gave me
 but told them he was not
 considered "amenable".
 The first name you gave me I
 gave in.

James Osborn Smith - I said
 what you had said of him
 & said (privately) that you
 would be so good as to
 overhaul his plans, if he
 were chosen. I did not
 "back" him:
 for I never heard of him: but said that

f174v

I should be most happy to do
my "petit possible" working
under you, upon Mr. I.O.

Smith's plans, if desired.

Rogers Dr. Sutherland gave
this name, which of course
you know, & said that the
Army San: Comm: would
criticize any plans he proposed,
if desired.

I thought it best to give
in this name, as they wished
for names "to choose amongst" -

Upon my being asked
whom I should choose,
I replied that I should
choose *Capt Galton* as the

f175

best Hospital Architect
in existence.
leaving it to be implied that
the ~~man~~ next best was the
man whom *he* would supervise.

I am interrupted; but
I hope that you will kindly
enable me to answer the
questions I enclose -

[15:901]

PRIVATE

W.O. Committee of Enquiry

I have seen several of
the Committee & several of
the witnesses - & am to see
Col Loyd Lindsay again on
Thursday.

f175v

Are they not ignoring the

SANITARY question very
much - perhaps the most
important of all? and do
you think the work of
the Sanitary Comm: (yours,)
has told here?

Commandg Officers seem
to have been their own
Sanitary Officers - And I
have heard (from these)
truly frightful accounts
of Cairo Barracks & Hospl
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

What have you said to
Col. L. L. about this?

[end]

signed letter, ff176-77, pen

f176

Liverpool R. Infirmary
Dec 1 1882

[16:875]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W

My dear Capt Galton

Were you serious in
saying that you might be
willing to offer yourself as
Architect to the Lpool R.
Infirmary?

I cannot say whether
they *would* "select" you:
for people are queer, queerer
& queerest.

But I do say it would
be the most magnificent
offer ever made.

[end]

f176v

Sanitary (Egyptian) matters -

I am very anxious to pursue this subject with you, & I should be glad, by way of an 'entrée en matière', to send you a letter I have had from Dr. Sutherland. But for this purpose I must also send you a letter from me to him which elicited it. I want your judgment by Monday next. [Both these letters are *private*.]

Should you have time

f177

to read them & give me your criticism before you go to Cannes?

I am very glad you are going to 'do' the Conseil Municipal, & that these people have the sense to consult you.

But it is extremely important that you should be in London for the next two months, in order that, however much we have to pocket our pride, we may put our Sanitary oar into the W. O. Committee of Enquiry -

f177v

I hope you will not be at Cannes long.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff178-79v, pencil & pen, pale blue paper

f178

PRIVATE

Dec 2/82

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W

My dear Capt Galton

The enclosed letters which
you are go good as to read
are *strictly private*, as
you will see: & my object
in sending them is to ask
you to advise on all points.

[15:947-48]

You have great influence
with Sir R. L. Lindsay -

And ~~between you & me,~~ / by you (& perhaps by me)
I do believe the Sanitary
question might be worked
thro' him in the Enquiry Committee.

f178v

as,

Without ~~it~~/you, I am certain
the Sanitary question would
be utterly ignored.

We will not let it drop,
will we?

I have broached it with him.

[The only use I am of is
that. these men returning
from Egypt do come
& see me - & trust me.
And I don't 'peach'.]

[end 15:948]

What do you think of

Genl Andrew Clark?

I thought he was the man
~~in India~~ who was in India

f179

Sir R. L. L. says he is quite inexperienced.
 Dr. S. says he has experience in buildings:
 Who is he?

It is very good of you to be willing to come & see me. I am so bothered with people "just going to leave London" - or "just wanting to see" me "before" somebody "leaves London" - And - with Mrs. Deeble who is here - that I cannot fix an hour this moment.

f179v

If you will allow me I will write to night. (I hope to get Monday afternoon free.) & make an appointment for tomorrow or Monday.

When do you go to Cannes?

ever yrs most truly
 F. Nightingale
 Sir R. L. L. pronounces it quite impossible to restore the Regimental System at present.

ff180-85v, December 5, 1882, in answer to questions put by FN regarding the old Regimental organization, explaining the difficulties with the new system, and possible remedies, clean version (neat copy)

ff186-194 appear to be duplicates of ff180-85v

signed note, f195, pencil

f195

{in another hand 5 p. m. 15 Dec} 10 South St
Dec 14/82

My dear Capt. Galton
Do not forget your
kind promise of giving
me an hour before you go -
- Would 5 on Friday
(tomorrow) or Saturday
suit you?

I have heard a good
deal since I saw you
for your advice to act
upon

yrs ever truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff196-97v, pencil

f196

Enquiry Commee PRIVATE 10 South St
Jan 21/83

My dear Capt Galton I look forward
to the fulfilment of your kind promise -
"To-day is the appointed time" for this
terrible but *not* "hopeless" work -
1. Would you be so very good as to
glance over the two sheets enclosed,
and if you see Dr. Sutherland to-morrow,
ask him what I have marked in
red (which are his suggestions) - viz -
to explain ~~them~~ more fully what he wants.

[I had rather he did not see these
sheets, which are quite confidential,
tho' I have *said* the greater part of it to
Sir R. Loyd Lindsay - And he asked me
to write it down & send it him]

Please return me the 2 sheets.

{f197 is blank}

f197v

2. I entirely concur with what you say about attaching the young Surgeon{s} to Regiments for 5 years - for the sake of teaching them discipline &c -

And I think something of the sort will be carried -

But this will not teach them Hospital administration, either 1. Field or 2. Station -

And these can only be learnt at 2. Netley and ~~2~~/1. Aldershot -

It behoves us therefore to bring forward some feasible plan -

Our chances of success are certainly much improved by having Ld Hartington instead of Mr. Childers

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

initialed letter, ff198-99, pen & pencil, pale blue paper

f198

PRIVATE Enquiry

Committee } Jan 24/83

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

The Enquiry Commee
is to close its evidence *this* week.
- Proofs of the Report are
in hand -

I believe some sort of
recommendation of this nature
is to be made:

at home
Med. Officer to be place in
command of each Garrison Hospl
for given period:
each Regt to have a M.O.
attached to it for not less
than 3 years, these Regt

{ff198v-199 are written over in every direction; I will sort it out as best I can}

f198v

M.O. s to do duty in Garrison
 Hospl where Regt stationed
 - turn of foreign service can
 be readily combined with
 this arrangement.

Though there is to be some
 recommendn of courses of
 administration at Netley,
 there is not the remotest
 idea that Netley itself
 requires to be reformed.

On the contrary, there is
 a recommendn for Lady
 Nurses to be trained
 "usually at Netley
 shd be very chary of recommends

f199

There is to be a recommendn
 that the Bearer companies
 should be amalgamated with
 the A. Hospl. Corps

[Bearer companies will always be
 no where Regimental stretcher
 - bearers can alone do the business

Then their whole training
 & organization must be very
 different from what it is
 now.

There is but little indication
 that the Commee apprehends
 the vast importance of their
 subject, especially as
 to Sanitary things.

{the following sections are written in the margins & across both pages}

- abolish the Bearer

companies - & draft

the new into A.H.C. must be attached to the Regts to be

of any use - ought to be broken up

altogether

the employment of Female Nurses

& placing of a F.N. in the Hospl wards

cannot

remedy

the defects of the A.H.C.

& that if they are not efficient & well conducted Nurses

it wd lead to many scandals -

but before recommends

extending

of the

training

of Netley

they ought to take

very full evidence

from the M.O. s

themselves who

had the opportunity

of seeing

them

as to what were the qualifications

of each of the

Nurses in Egypt

& not to take the mere

general report from the A. M. D. but to

ask questions

of the individual

M.O.s who had the

Nurses

under

them

f199v

Could you come to me

to-day at 5.30?

it would be very kind

[I have an appointment

at 4]

ever yours most truly

F.N.

initialed letter, ff200-01v, pen & pencil

f200

Private

Jan 25 1883

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

We agreed that Sir R. L. L. must be *insensed* before to morrow (~~Thursday~~), Friday, when Dr. Longmore is examined.

I shall not see him (Sir R. Loyd Lindsay) before tomorrow: but should have written to him anyhow - He sent to me -

Do you think it better to *put our case to him* as to the Netley Professors not being up to the mark

in the questions enclosed
(or something like them)

f200v

- but he can hardly ask a man such questions -

or for me to communicate it privately to Sir R. L. L. today.

[We have not a very great opinion of his dexterity in cross examination: or for eliciting things -]

The four points on which we want to insense him are

1. Netley Professors not up to the mark
2. Men who are *well*, are kept in Hospital "to make a
Hospital

f201

3. necessity of discipline
by a Medical Director

4. Netley trained Nurses
not really trained.

On the 4th point & on some
of the others we both agree
that L.L. does not
wish to be convinced.

It seems dangerous therefore
to ask him to examine
Medical Officers upon them.

Please say if only in
one word.

*Shall I send him in
questions enclosed?*

*Or shall I give him it
as private information?*

f201v

Please *return me*
this *whole* boutique
& believe me
ever truly yrs
F.N.

signed letter, f202, pencil

f202

10 South St

Jan 27 1883

My dear Capt Galton

I have nothing particularly
new about Committee of
Enquiry -

But I am so particularly
unwilling to lose the
opportunity of consulting
you that I will take
advantage of your kind
offer to come to-morrow
(Sunday) at 5, if I
may still do so -

Yrs very truly

F. Nightingale

initialed letter, ff203-04, pen, blue paper

f203

St. Marylebone Infy

[16:849]

Feb 8 1883

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

I should be extremely obliged to you if you would kindly give your verdict upon the enclosed plans, by Saxon Snell - ~~upon~~ a supplementary Nurses' Home, for the new St. Marylebone Infy at Notting Hill which, as you perhaps know, we nurse.

They seem to me so formidably bad that I hesitate without your

f203v

verdict to give such a sweeping condemnation - We have a voice in them, because we are to contribute (money) to their proposed Training School, for which this additional accomodn is necessary. And therefore they are obliged to ask for our approval.

The plans were sent to me a year ago; & I enclose a copy of the criticism I then made & a copy of the letter which I made our Matron, Miss Vincent, then write.

f204

It dropped for a year,
because the Local Govt Board
would not give its consent
to the rates being employed
for a Training School.

It has now revived:
but the plans have "revived"
in a "deadlier" state than
ever, in my opinion.

The four Sheets in pencil
which I enclose are my
this year's criticism:
Last year's - being almost
as applicable ~~then~~ now
as then.

I hope I shall not be
giving you much trouble

f204v

in saying whether *my*
alteration could make
this form of building healthy.

Supposing a Nurse in
were attacked with
Scarlet Fever or Erysipelas,
what would be the consequence

[In our St. Thomas' Home,
we have not had one
case of *spreading* in what
are called "infectious" diseases
But we are built round
a Well (tho' I am by
no means satisfied with it,
& have a most energetic
'Home' Sister.

[end]

Have you seen Sir R. Loyd Lindsay
ever yrs most truly
F.N.

initialed letter, f205, pencil

f205

Strictly }
Confidential} 10 S. St.
 Feb 27/83

Burn

My dear Capt Galton

Do you think, - the
Evidence before the
Committee is simply
appalling in its
stupid ignoring of
any necessity for progress

- do you think that
anything of this kind
would do for Col. L. L.?
or would it irritate him?

ever yours most truly

F.N.

45765 signed letter, ff206-11v, pen & pencil, blue paper

f206

May 29/83

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt Galton

It is not only "worth while"
but it is absolutely essential
that some demonstration on
your part should be made
(& continuous demonstration
both in Times & Ho. of C.)
about this unfortunate Army
Medical enquiry Report.

[15:551-53]

But I would carefully
keep my way open with
Mr. Chenery for a second
letter, if not a third. And
I think this letter should
indicate there is more to come.
Or something more must
be inserted in this.

f206v

I. You will see that the newspapers which have commented on the Report, tho' not perhaps too severe, have done us much more harm than good, because they are entirely wrong in their deductions. The "mischiefs" "seem rather due to the fact" - they say; & these follow "facts" which have little or nothing to do with the "mischiefs"

"Rather" are they "due to" two primary "facts": 1. that the Medical Officers have undertaken all the administration, including Nursing, feeding, cooking, Ward management &c &c

f207

without having been trained for it in any one respect:
2. that the Army Hospl Corps men have neither been trained nor organized at all - nor even supervised: that neither their recruiting, training, promotion or organization have been directed at all to the purposes of their being.

3. The Sanitary question, upon which of course I feel as strongly as you do, I leave aside, because you have so wisely enlarged upon it.

II. I would avoid dwelling upon the Regimental system as if it were perfect as far as it
went

f207v

p. 12

& upon the habit of 'comman{d}
 as if it were all that is wante{d}
 for a Medical Officer - as
 if we wanted him to be chiefly a
 "Soldier" - p. 12 (because they have
 their answer ready)

It is the "habit" of ADMINISTRATI{ON}
 they ~~want~~ need.

It is to be Officers of
 their men *in all details*
of those men's work, that
 they need to be. And for
 this they need to be trained
 & are not.

I would carefully pave
 my way to saying what you
 wish to say about this
 in a second letter - which

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would probably include
 something of the great
 School of administration we
 have talked over for
 Officers & men say at
 Woolwich -

&c &c &c

Or I would modify some
 things in the present letter.

f208v

III

p. 5 a I think the Regulations left it open whether the Governor was to be *Military or Medical*: I don't think it was laid down that he was to be a "Military Officer of high rank". He was to be specially selected by S. of S. for War } & specially (not C. in C.) } commissioned
 And I well remember a Medical Officer's name being recommended & discussed by S. Herbert.

p. 6 Altho' the part marked in pencil is in the Prefatory letter to the Regns it looks here rather as if the Medical Officers were completely under the Governor. Remember that the Officers who were to be under the Governor have so disappeared that people think *Medical Officers are all the Hospital Officers.*

f209

In *p. 9 & p. 11* there is rather a repetition: but it can't be said too often.

p. 9, last Para:
 do you mean that the *female "nurses"* were "drunk"? We must guard against this being thought -

f209v

IV

p. 12 Here is where
 I would carefully pave
 the way for a 2nd letter
 so as to bring in their
 want of habits of *administration*
 as well as of "habits of discipline
 And the remedy for it:
 the remedy is *not* to be
 sought in "Regimental" service
 but in an efficient *School*
 like the R.E. s.

V. The fact is; the word
 "Medical *OFFICER*" is altogether
 a misnomer. He is not
 an Officer in any sense
 of our word - at present except in pretension. He is a Medical man

And they may make up
 {printed address, upside down} 10, South Street,
 Park Lane. W.

a new "Royal Corps"
 as much as they please
 Unless they train the Medical

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Officers to take the ~~Medical~~

Officers' duties they lay claim to over the orderlies, they will always remain only Medical Men except in pretension. He, the Medical Officer, ~~He~~ is a Medical man affecting to be a soldier - And I rather deprecate your word "soldier", p. 12, without explanation.

They want to take the Officer's duties without the Officer's training.

But yet more different that the R. E. Officer's training is, from the Military Officer's - must be the MEDICAL Officer's.

He must learn to train & command Nursesmen, not sappers, gunners or soldiers. *And he does not.*

f211

VI

Return to the *old* Regimental system is, I am sure, impossible. Guard, if I may say so, yourself from people saying (they are so superficial) 'Oh! he wants just the old Regtl system back'. You *could* devise something which would combine as much as possible the advantages of both systems & let us not run our heads against a dead wall.

f211v

You have left me so little time
 (your packet did not come till this
 morning - & I had been writing 2 hours
 before) & I am so pressed every
 moment to-day & indeed all this
 week - that I must send this as it
 is.

Consult Dr. Sutherland as
 you say: that is most desirable.

I had wished to ask to see
 you about this very thing - but
 not a moment this week -
*Could you kindly fix a day next
 week, & bring this letter with
 you, if not too presumptuous in
 me?* in haste

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

Is Sir R. L. Lindsay come back?

Could you kindly get me a copy
 of the Report & Evidence?

[end 15:553]

F.N.

{printed address, upside down:} 10, South Street,
 Park Lane. W.

signed letter, f212, pen

f212

June 9/83

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt Galton

How could what Mr.
Chadwick asks for be
had?

Would you be so very
good as to tell me as
soon as you can what
afternoon you will come
& see me that I
may not be hampered
with another appointment?

I wrote to Sir R. L. Lindsay
for my notes on the Army
Hospl service enquiry: but
they have not come
ever yrs most truly

F. Nightingale

initialed letter, f213, pencil

f213

June 9/83

Capt Galton

Reductio ad adsurdum
School for Army Medl Dept must be before the
Civil Hospl students have taken their Civil
diploma. They will not go to school (like a
R. E. School - at Woolwich) afterwards -
[Indeed, F.N., they despise ~~Woolwich~~/Netley]
The only thing that could be done would be
to have Barracks in London from which
they should attend Civil Hospital course in London
& Military Hospls. And then the reductio ad
absurdum is that they would have not so
good a course as the Civil Hospitals provide
by themselves -

Volunteer Aid - what do you understand
by this?

F.N.

signed letter, f214, pencil, blue paper

f214 10 South St {in another hand: Acted 15 June 4 p.m.}

June 14/83

My dear Capt Galton

Would you be so good
as to pay the £5.5 - I do
wish I could give 10 times
as much - into any branch
of the Parkes Museum business
you like -

2. I have not had your
draft article on Army
Hospl enquiry

mine must go in
next Wednesday !!!

3. I suppose you could not
see me for half an hour
on Friday (tomorrow) *before* you
go to your Meeting at 5.

ever yrs truly F. Nightingale

unsigned letter, ff215-16v, pencil, red underlining

f215

10 South St

July 29/83

My dear Capt Galton

Tho' I sent my note to
the New York Herald man
(Meltzer) by hand, giving
him your kind appointment
for 12, he says he did
not receive it till too
late.

I told him you were
going out of London: & he
asks whether he may go
after you in the country.

If you *could* see *him*
to-day, I would send to

f215v

him - if you would name an
hour.

But do not trouble -

He appears to be out
all day - *A verbal answer, please.*

If it were not for the
consummate importance
of the Cholera question,
I should not vex myself.

2. *Dr. Sutherland is come*
home - Perhaps you
have seen him - [I heard
from him only on
sending to the H. G. Officer]

He appears quite innocent
of the terrible Cholera

f216

failure - I mean the

Buchanan Anti-Cunningham stupidities -
I shall tell the Meltzer to

see him

Is it possible now to
stir up any thing about
sending out a Scavenging
Staff? to Cairo?

You see that ~~we~~ out
of 37 attacks of Cholera
among our Officers & men,
25 have died !!!! and
9 more since!! out of
how many attacks?

I had another Telegram

f216v

that our sisters were
safe.

— The New York Herald
man asks me to let him
publish *my letter* to him
not only in the *N. Y. Herald*
but in a "*London paper*"

What do you say?

I have told him to send
my letter back to me
to see -

signed letter, f217, pencil

f217 {in another hand, 5 Friday}

10 South St

July 26/83

My dear Capt. Galton

Could you possibly give
me half an hour upon
a rather pressing subject?

I am engaged all day
to-day but would
thankfully see you at
any hour to-morrow
afternoon you would
please to name.

If not, I will write.

ever yrs most truly

F. Nightingale

{f217v a calculation not in FN's hand}

initialed letter, ff218-81v, pencil

f218

Aug 1/83

[15:962]

In answer to my question,

Mr. Chadwick sends me
a Draft letter of his
which is to go to Sir Louis
(~~?~~~~Sir E.~~) Malet, asking for
an enquiry into the Sanitary
Service in Egypt, on the
ground that nothing
prompt was done, on
the outbreak of Cholera,
to save the troops.

- & no immediate Sanitary
reconnaissance of the cities was
made - But I don't see that anything
real is being done by any body

‡ T.O. ~~F.N.~~

f218v

And I have seen a letter
from Paris, a howl against
us & *for Quarantine*
which beats everything.

[end]

Work Dr. Cuninghams
lecture (in Medical Times)
at Liverpool, if you can.

F.N.

I have no means of
communicating with

Dr. Hunter

or asking whether he
wants Nurses -

unsigned note, f219, pencil

f219

10 South St
Aug 5/83

My dear Capt Galton

I trust you have had
a successful Liverpool
expedition -

I return with many thanks
Lord Wolseley's & Dr. Evatt's
letters. *Did you ever,*
as Dr. Evatt asks, prepare
a Memo ~~of~~ for the War Office
~~of~~ on re-constructing the Army
Medl Dept. after the model
of the R. E. s? I don't
think I ever heard of it.

signed note, ff220-20v, pencil

f220

*Please return
to F.N.*

PRIVATE

If you wish me, as you
suggest, to write to "her"
on the break-down of
the Sanitary Service in
Egypt shown by the
very large Mortality among
~~the~~/our own troops from Cholera,
WOULD YOU KINDLY TELL
ME HOW TO PUT IT?

[15:963]

I *could* see you TOMORROW
(MONDAY) AFTERNOON if
you were so good -

[end]

I hope you made Cuninghams

f220v

Lecture on "Indian Epidemics"

(Medical Times) do good
service at Liverpool -

It is a terrible thing this
retrograde step about
Quarantine.

I have seen the protest
in its favour of the

"Académie Nationale de

"Médecine" at Paris!!!

It might have been written

200 years ago.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

unsigned, incomplete letter, ff221-28v, pen & pencil, blue paper, red
underlining at top

f221

Private Please return to F.N.

Aug 9/83

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt Galton

I had a very long &
very intimate conversation
with Dr. Crawford, the D.G.,
yesterday.

[15:553-55]

And we went thoroughly
into some of the questions:

1. the Purveyors' Dept. (extinct)
& the 'reductio ad absurdum'.

He proposes to create a
Purveyor's Dept - *not* to be
called by that name - ~~but~~
to relieve the Medical Officer,
strictly supervised by him,
of all that we call Hospital
administration, (except
Nursing, which *ought* to be
under the chief Wardmasters
of Nursing under the M.O. s)

f221v

out of what is to be now
 the Steward's Section of
 the A. Hospl Corps - with the
 Quartermasters (Captns & Lieutts
 of Orderlies) at its head
under the M.O.s -

This Dept to be called perhaps
 the Hospl Staff proper:
 Or what you please -
 to do all that the Purveyor's
 Dept ~~would do~~/did - except
 the Commissariat work -
 He wishes them to draw
 their supplies from the
 Commissariat - or the
 Ordnance Stores as the case

f222

may be: ~~but~~ to provide
 tea, sugar - &c &c themselves.
 He gives as his reason ~~for~~ about
 the Commissariat, that the
 W. O. would not maintain
 in time of peace a sufficient
 (Purveyor's) establishment to
 make itself respected, to
 cope with the great Commisst
 in getting supplies in
 time of war.

He gives as his reason why
 the Quartermasters (Captns of Ordies.)
 failed so much was: that
 they were appointed over
 Districts, travelling about
 inspecting - & not ~~under~~
in Hospitals under Medical
 Officers

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He would fain have Netley School
 at Woolwich - or better
 still, he says, in London.
 ("if we had but a Military
 Hospl in London" -
 where *M.O.s* could take also
 their turn of duty, & come
 into contact with the great
 Civil profession:†& Civil Hospls)
 He would like to have a
 great Civil Hospl as
 Army Medical School with
 students as Cadets.

but thinks that ~~they~~/he might
 manage to improve matters
 as above said.

He is not at all satisfied
 with Netley - but at present
 can only give training in Hospl

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administration &c at
 Netley for 4 months & at Aldershot
 for 2 -

He says Sandford Moore
 now at Netley would make a
 good Professor of Hospl admn,
 all but Cooking.

He is going to have a
 Cooking School at Aldershot
 for both Medl Offrs ~~as~~ /and men -

He says: Life Professorship
 STRICTLY will never be again.
 Private Aitken is hors de combat.

Maclean has resigned.
 Longmore will not last long.

- De Chaumont he complains
 of, & says he is only kept energetic &
 straight by his Civil work
 (thanks to you!)

f224

They, De Chaumont & others, ought not to leave the Army, but to return to the Army after say 7 years, to be re-appointed if energetic & *progressive* -

[It tallies with what I hear from every one as to the sleepy, stagnant state of the Medl School.]

He says that 'we' (Sidney Herbert) did make the Professorships for a *term* - but that *they* never rested till they got them for *life*.

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3. He would (& *did* try 15 years ago) ~~to~~ organize *District* Field Hospitals to be mobilized in time of war.

This *must* be done now. He quite agrees that M.O.s knew neither their matériel nor personnel in the Egypt War, - & that all was confusion.

f225v

4. He *will* issue those orders to Medl. Officers we spoke of - *has* issued some - will see that his orders are obeyed & promotion to depend upon them. But this is the grand difficulty - *Strictly* It is almost a Regulation PRIVATE that no ~~one~~ man is to be passed over unless a written charge can be made against him - The charge might be made in 5 words: 'he has not brains enough'

f226

But how can you put this on record for the C. in C.'s information?

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4./5 The Regulations of 1879 are out of print & going to be revised. And he proposes to put a good deal of those of 1858 (Sidney Herbert's) back into them - *Could we advise him?*

He says that the Queen's Regulations & the *Regulations* about *Regulations* are so different now from S. Herbert's time that it is impossible to put the Regns about one Dept. into those for another: e.g. the Q.M.G.'s Sanitary Regns into the Medical Regns.
{printed address, upside down} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

He alluded, quite meekly, to your Article - especially about

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his not having given Sanitary instructions to Marston - He says: those are included in the *Intelligence Dept* book - which was issued - & in a little paper, which he sent me at ~~that~~/the time.

He says that attaching a Sanitary Officer to Q.M.G. is now no use. Q.M.G. gives him no sanitary staff. He has not even a Clerk.

Sir John Adye says it is impossible to organize a Q.M.G. Sanitary Staff: Civilians no use - Soldiers can't be spared.

f228

6.{the rest is blank}

f228v

We spoke on many other subjects. But it is impossible to put them in a letter - tho' I have made notes.

COULD you send me your *remarks* on these, returning me ~~you~~ *this* letter?

Or - it appears to me so important that *besides* having your *written views*, I should hear what you have to say in the way of
OBJECTION - strike

while the iron is hot -
{printed address, upside down:} 10, South Street,
Park Lane. W.

[end 15:555]

that, if you could come *tomorrow* (Friday) *Saturday, Sunday* or *Monday*

signed letter, ff229-31, pencil

f229

Private 10 South St
Nov 25/83

My dear Capt Galton
The Sub-Committee
at the War Office, as
doubtless you know,
consisting of Lord Morley,
the Director Genl, Sir A.
Thompson & others,
began ~~his~~/their sittings yesterday
on the "scheme" to carry
out the recommendations
qua Army Hospital Corps,
Nursing Sisters &c &c &c
of Lord Morley's Committee

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- & are to hurry forward,
continuing their sittings
every day for 3 weeks.

[And these men are to
decide on "Regulations" for
woman=Nursing, !!! *inter alia*.

And Regulations for
Nurses are to be sent in
in type directly].

The Head of the Medical
branch, Dr. MacKinnon, has [~~illeg~~]
begged me to draw up
& send in at once -

1. a letter (which could
be shown) indicating the

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conditions essential to the
 success of an extension &
 the risks of a too rapid
 extension of Female Nursing,
 which my Lords Morley
 & Wolseley & Sir Thompson
 are understood to be
 pressing forward (rapturously)
 as the reform! of Army
 Hospital Corps - !!

2. the conditions which
 we would advise as the
 answer to all applications
 of women to be Military
 Nurses (of which they & I
 have already a great many)

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without which no application
 to be entertained -
 & the questions to be asked
 of them -

Might I see you *tomorrow*
 (Monday) or preferably
 for me - *Tuesday* at
 5 or at 6 ? not
 on this point particularly
 but on the whole subject

I have promised my
 Article to the Contemporary
 - but have no time to get
 on with it.

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I say nothing about the
 terrible loss - but you
 know how it is
 uppermost in my heart -
 How is poor Evelyne?
 I hope you are pretty well.
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed note, f232, pencil

f232

25/11/83

My dear Capt Galton

I am so very sorry - I have two appointments for this afternoon, neither of which I can put off.

When you *can* see me, please let me know -

Did you know of the Sub - Committee sitting?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

I am so glad you are lecturing -

Thanks for your hints about the Nursing-scheme - I am very despondent.

signed letter, ff233-34, pen

f233

PRIVATE Nov 28/83 {in another hand, 7 Dec 5 p.m. }
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

Dear Capt. Galton

Thanks for your kind note. Tho' very sorry that I cannot see you before Dec 7, I will "retain" you for that day at 5, please.

The W. O. Sub-Committee is *not* a "Committee on "Nursing" at all. It is preparing a scheme embodying *all* the recommendations which, you will remember, occupy the last 4 pages of Lord Morley's report, embracing the Army Med: Dep: & the Army Hospital Corps - &c &c -

I think there are but

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two recommendations about
 female Nursing - And I
 merely gave you those two,
 because Dr. MacKinnon
 asked me specially to do
 those two things. But this
 did not occupy ten minutes
 of our ~~old~~ long conversation
 which embraced the whole.

Before I saw Dr. MacKinnon
 I knew that the Director
 Genl, with unflagging
 energy, [we have not had
 such a man since Alexander]
 was carrying out all that
 depended on himself
 alone that he *could* do
 of the suggestions that we made

f234

I do not desert my old colours,
 but I think that much may
 be done with these people
 of the new colours in a
 certain way - Loyd Lindsay's
 way - Loyd Lindsay to whom
 you introduced me - *less*
 perhaps in wise female Nursing
 than in other ways.

And I know that they
 are well open to our
 suggestions.

This is what I wanted
 your advice about, in the first

~~And~~ place -

2. And, in the next, about the very things you write about
 - Dr. Sutherland's resignation
 of which I had a private
 hint. This is almost the

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more important of the two -

I wanted your advice
as to the line we should take

Eighteen months hence, Dr.
Cunningham would take
his place, *if, if, if*, the
place be there.

Do you think Dr. Sutherland
will resign before we two can
talk it over?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

Lord Hartington appears as
if he would be a valuable
man at the W. O.

signed letter, ff235-36, pencil

f235

St. Marylebone 10 South St

Infy; new } Dec 18/9/83

Nurses' Home }

My dear Capt Galton

~~My/Plans [dear/with Capt/Dr. Galton/Sutherland's~~
criticism]

Do you remember
being so good as to look
over these plans - very
early this year -

They were then 2 stories
of *streets* of rooms on each
side a very narrow
Corridor - & W. C. s
very badly placed -

We condemned them -
& the present 3 stories'
plans were substituted -
- rooms only on one side corridor

f235v

I am afraid the building
is *too far advanced* for
any but questions of
internal building arrangements
to be yet *open*.

Could you be so very
kind as to glance at
them/plans? Do you approve them?

The criticism which
stares one in the face
is that there must
be *Bath - rooms* ~~filled~~/on
the *ground floor* - & not

f236

2 Nurses' rooms instead (at
each end) opening out
of *W. C.* -

Could you kindly
criticize the internal
arrangements?

I enclose old papers
for reference -

May I ~~filled~~/hope for answer
to ~~morrow/day~~ (~~Wednesday~~/Tuesday) *to-day?*
~~morning?~~ *Tuesday?*

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff237-38, pen, pale blue paper

f237

Private Dr. Cunningham's 10 South St.
 & Dr. Sutherland's } June 29/84
 case }

My dear Capt. Galton

May I ask your advice
 about this, viz. about getting Dr.
Cunningham nominated as
Dr. Sutherland's successor?

You & I have often talked
 about it.

I don't see my way an inch
 before my nose - I have done
 nothing - I see no use in *my*
 asking to "see Sir Jos. Fayrer",
 - not any in my "writing to Lord
 Ripon".

Can you suggest anything?
 I send you 3 out of the many
 letters I have had. But as

f237v

above said I have done
 nothing.

For two months I was in almost
 constant attendance on Sir
 Harry. After he began to
 ¶/be better, Parthe was worse.

And now I am hardly able
 to do anything.

My love, please, to Marianne
 & Gwendolen. I have so
 often wished to hear news
 of you all - & of Evelyne
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

f238

Could I see you some day if it would save you the trouble of writing a long answer to this?

I am afraid all *this* week of mine is taken up.

Your Health Exhn I hope has been successful.

F.N.

signed letter, ff239-39v, pen & pencil

f239

Successor to }
Dr. Sutherland } 22/7/84
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt Galton

Thanks for your letter - I think I had better send you *Dr. Sutherland's* reply. It puts it much better than I could. Is it possible that we might get *you*?

I concur with him in what he says about the Q.M.G.'s Dept not covering the ground.

And who is to create an Executive or quasi-executive Dept. again?

I am still in my bed with Bronchitis, but still

f239v

hoping to see you before you leave London, if only to hear about Evelyne & you all.

At present it only provokes a string of coughs.

Pray let me know what you say about *Dr. Sutherland's* letter.

& believe me

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff240-41, pencil

f240

10 South St W
Jan 16/85

My dear Capt Galton

Thank you very much
for your kind note -

I am so glad that you
have spoken about the
Army San: Comm: tho'

I will not admit that it
is putting it "*under* the
Army Med: Dept"

by making the Director Genl
its President - any more
than it ~~is~~/was putting it under

f240v

the Q.M.G. - when we
made the Q.M.G. its
President -

~~I hope~~ Have you spoken
to Dr. Crawford about it?
& will you speak to Dr.
Sutherland?

If you are in London
for this Sunday, I would
gladly see you, if you
could come, at 5 or at
6 tomorrow (Saturday)

f241

or Sunday or Monday -
ever most truly yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff242-43, pencil

f242

10 South St
Jan 21/85

My dear Capt Galton
1000 thanks for your
letter - Am I too late
to claim your kind
offer to come to me
on FRIDAY at 5?
if not, on Thursday - tomorrow -
please -

Do you remember how
very kindly you inspected
& advised about the
proposed new Liverpool
R. Infirmary - Would

f242v

you read Mr. Rathbone's
letter enclosed?

*What should you
advise?*

[I did not know that
Sir W. Thomson at
Glasgow was any
authority on Hospitals -]

f243

Do you know we have
had an Epidemic at
St. Thomas', 16 of our
own Probationer Nurses
"down" with something
closely resembling Typhoid,
tho' slight, owing to
sewer gas from a
sink !!! [St. Thomas
~~It~~ is so ill-constructed]
The sewer air is also supposed
to have affected their drinking water.

ever yrs most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff244-46, pencil, red underlining

f244

10 South St. Park Lane W
Jan 31/85

My dear Capt Galton

The newspaper Extract
sent me by my Military
friend about "afternoon
"Tea in the nurses' tent
"having become an Institution"
is from the "*Daily News*"
of *Friday, DEC 12, 1884*

In the Extract the
names of the two sisters
are unfortunately given -
They are those of the
two most notorious (something

f244v

worse than) flirts in the Service -

My Military friend
who has been the
most steady & earnest
advocate of Trained
Nurses with our troops in
war, wherever women
can go, - for very many
years, adds these brief
words:

"If this is all true, I fear
"Nurses will *not* form
"part of the Staff of the
"Field Hospitals in the
"next campaign."

f245

Provided my name is not mentioned, you are at perfect liberty to quote this, if you think it will do any good.

I cannot describe how it distresses me -

Another very earnest advocate of Trained Female Nursing for ~~with~~ our troops, in the Army Med Dep. itself, said:

"there is the greatest danger of the Female Service

f245v

"falling into discredit.

"If they are not efficient & well-conducted Nurses, it will lead to grave scandals.

"And all will come to grief -

"Nursing is a profession - & it must not be treated in this way" -

I fear this very serious warning is on the point of being fulfilled the wrong way.

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Pray remember "a poor debtor" -

And let me kindly know

"what is the present state of the question

in Sanitary things

& what remains to be done

in Bombay?

I will ask Sir R. Rawlinson to come about Bombay city -

f246v

3. The paper in/ read at the
Socy of Arts which I
wanted to see was by
Mr. Buck, head of the
new Agricultural Dept
in ~~Bom~~ India
who is now in England

Sir Jas Caird in Chair
But unless you have it to
your hand, do not
trouble - I shall
write to upbraid Sir J.
Caird who ~~at~~ does send

f247

me these papers on Indian
Agriculture & Land Tenure
generally.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff248-49, pencil

f248

10 South St. Feb 4/85
My dear Capt Galton

Have you seen Dr.
Cunningham's small Book:
"Cholera, what can the State
do to prevent it?"
intended as the introduction
to his *last* Annual Report
but instead published separate.

It seems to me very good.
He wants to get the book
reviewed "by suitable hands"
"If it falls into the hands
of the ordinary theoretical
reviewer," "the experience of

[9:922-23]

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"India may be lost."
 "the public remain blinded
 to the real facts regarding
 Cholera & the real
 nature of the protection
 required" -

He sends home (purposely
 not till next mail) copies
 to Times

Standard
 Daily News
 Morning Post
 Spectator
 Saturday R.
 Pall Mall G.
 St. James G.
 Medical papers.

f249

*Could you be so very good
 as to help in getting it
 properly reviewed?*

The aim is a good one.

[end 9:923]

Thank you very much for
 sending me the Socy of Arts
 with Mr. Buck's Lecture on
 Indian Agriculture -
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 Mr. Cunningham leaves India
 not to return on April 3 -

signed letter, f250-50v, pen & pencil on green notepaper

f250

10, South Street, {printed address:}
My dear Capt Galton Park Lane, W.

Dr. Cuningham sent a [9:923]
copy of his book to "Sir Joseph
Fayrer", with, I have no doubt,
the same request as he did to me.
Also to Dr. Sutherland -
I do not know about "Klein"
Could you be so very kind as
to look up somebody to review

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it properly in some of the
papers he Dr. C. mentions?
I wish I had more copies I
would give one to Lord Reay.
& to some others.

[end 9:923]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale
Feb. 5/85 Did Dr. Sutherland
mention it to you?
Have you kindly got me some *Bombay*
information for Lord Reay?

initialed letter, ff251-52v, pencil

f251

10 South St
Dr. Cunningham Feb 7/85
My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for Klein's
paper, which I was very
anxious to see, & which
is very satisfactory as
far as it goes - i.e. as
far as insects & all that
nonsense goes -

You know *Klein*; & I
do not.

If he is capable of
reviewing properly the
larger matters Dr.

f251v

Cunningham's book
 treats of - that is,
 the *real preventive*
measures the State
 should take against
Cholera, you will
 have done a great
 public service by
 enlisting him to do so -
 May I keep his Proof
 a little longer?

f252

Bombay city

You see good Rawlinson
 is 15 years behind
 the day.
 I think it must be 15
 years since I saw
 Major Tulloch & pressed
 his reports which
 I have upon the Govt.
 They have moved on
 Since that, whether
 for the better or the
 worse - perhaps for
 the worse -

f252v

But I don't think
 it worth while for me
 to see good Rawlinson
 (I will see him afterwards
 or Major Tulloch *now*,
unless you think Tulloch
has been primed up
to this day & knows all that
 is doing.
What do you say?
 I understood from you
 that Rawlinson had been
lately consulted.
 I think I will depend on
 what you kindly get out of the
 F.N. *Bombay Municipality Reports.*

signed letter, ff253-54v, pencil

f253

10 South St Feb 14/85

My dear Capt. Galton

[10:308]

Thanks for the two
Bombay Muny Reports..
But I understood you that
you would be so very good
as to look them over yourself
& tell me

1.

What is the *present state*
of the Sanitary problem
in Bombay city and

2.

What *remains* to be done
[I am afraid that my
eyes & time are quite unequal

f253v

to doing this]

I have had a long interview
with Major Tulloch,
according to your instructions.
He left with me his Reports
He does not know the 1.
present state of the *Sewerage*
problem - but
showed
me what he had planned.

2. As to the *Water - supply*,
it appears that the
Municy. has actually now
voted the money for his
Water - supply plans ~~of~~
for bringing the water from 60 miles
off.

f254

(the plans of many years ago - which
 he showed me) - & they are
 going to begin them -

but it is already too
 late to begin them this
 year, as necessary
 machinery is not yet
 ordered from England -
 & when the monsoon breaks
 it is too late for work.
 3. Major Tulloch says that
 Mr. *Ollivant*, the present
 Municipal Commissioner,
 (Chairman) is a person

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entirely to be trusted for
 sound principles &
 correct information, if
 Lord Reay requires them.
 Do you happen to know
 Mr. Ollivant's Sanitary
 principles, as we do
 Dr. Hewlett's?

[end 10:308]

I return the two Vols.,
 hoping in your mercy to
 instruct me, & also to see
 them again.

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff255-56, pencil

f255

PRIVATE 10 South St
& Confidential Feb 21/85

My dear Capt Galton

Lady Rosebery came here yesterday (unexpected). She is forming with Mrs. Gladstone a Socy for Sick & Wounded for this War - [A letter from her was to be in the Times this morning - but I do not see it.] She proposes to be a "branch" of the Natl Aid Socy - but not to hand over their money to you - but to utilize your machinery - She is paying for it

f255v

in the vaguest possible state - appeared to think I had the means of conjuring up an organization in 1/4 of an hour - but very nice withal - wished to know whether
Linen
Bandages
Nurses
Carbolic
Extras to eat for the Sick
were wanted?

f256

Could you give me any idea of how to help her? She is coming again on Monday -
They ought to have a Commissary Young -
Could you see me to-day or tomorrow, if you are in London?
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

ff257-58v, 2, Carlton Gardens, February 23, 1885, from Sir R. Loyd Lindsay to Capt Galton re Lady Rosebery's wish to start a Society

signed letter, ff259-61v, pencil

f259

10 South St

[16:872-73]

Feb 25/85

My dear Capt Galton

Could you be so very good as to look over the Report & recommendations of the "Sanitary Protection" Inspector on the drainage, water - pipes &c &c of our Probationers' "Home" at St. Thomas' - the defects in which occasioned the epidemic

f259v

outbreak among our Nurses, of which I told you - & you were so good as to dictate to me certain general recommendations which ~~were~~/are all adopted. Also; the proposals of the Architect, Mr. H. Currey, upon the report of the Sanitary man - If I may send you these papers, for criticism, where may I send them?

f260

The same defect will have to be dealt with all over the Hospital which makes it the more important -

N.B. In minor matters, we asked for the "slop - sinks" - But it would be very inconvenient to have them in the "Bath - room", as proposed by Mr. Currey - The only convenient place would be where we put them in the "Home" of St.

f260v

Marylebone Infirmary - viz. in the lobby to the W. C. but there the lobby had an outside window - This I am afraid, is not the case at our "Home" at St. Thomas'

2. One of the W. C. s in the basement *must* be abolished. The other Dr. Smith Resident Physician says cannot be either properly ventilated - Foreman says it *can*

3. We modestly ask: could there be any warming by hot ~~air~~/water of the *North*

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rooms of our Probationers
which are very cold?

All this however is but as
the 'mote in the eye' -
compared with the great
defects & recommendations
you will see in the Report -
~~to~~/on which I hope for your
criticism.

The Treasurer has already
sanctioned the necessary
expenditure. And our 'Fund'
will do the rest -

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He is quite aware
that the remedial works
will have to be extended
to the *whole* Hospital -
[The Pyaemia, Erysipelas &c,
& outbreaks in the
Children's Ward *may*
now be accounted for]
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff262-62v, pencil

f262

10 South St W
Feb 26/85

My dear Capt Galton

There would be no opinion
equal to yours if you would
be so very kind as to give
it upon the two Reports
concerning the drainage &c
of the Nightingale "Home"
at St. Thomas' Hospital,
concerning which I wrote to
you yesterday - & which I
now venture to enclose -

But do not do it if it
bores you too much, from
your time being over-pressed

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Let me then show them
to Dr. Sutherland whose
practical opinion is
however very inferior to
yours -

And in that case please
return them to me -

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed note, f263, pencil

f263

10 South St.
Feb 28/85

My dear Capt Galton

Could you be so very
good as to let me have
your invaluable comments
upon the Reports of the
drainage defects &c of the
Nightingale "Home", St. Thomas',
now this morning -

with the two Reports -

& very much oblige
yours ever most truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff264-65v, pen

f264

March 20/85

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt Galton

We were exceedingly obliged to you for so kindly helping us with your valued criticism on the two Sanitary Reports upon the defects of drainage &c in the Home for Probationers at St. Thomas' Hospital.

They are now at work there; but I fear they will not reconstruct the drainage of the whole Hospital as they ought.

[end 16:873]

~~Mansion House~~ "Gordon Memorial"
Hospital, Port Said -
You will not object, I hope, to

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being placed on the Executive Committee for this -
But, further, the Lord Mayor has asked me to offer "suggestions". I answered that I could not do so without seeing the plans. He replied that he would send me the plans.

I do not wish to be concerned in these: but if I must, will you be so very kind as to help me? I would not undertake it without you - *Shall you*

f265*be in London now?*

I see you have returned the
Bombay Municipal Reports
And I was very glad to
recognize your Secretary's
hand writing. I ~~can~~ will
return them to Mr. Frederick.
I could not expect you to
tell me what was to be
done - Lord Reay is gone.
I gave him some of the
information I had extracted
from Col. Tulloch about
Water - supply &c - and a
good deal of Sanitary, not
doctrinary, practice, connected

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with Dr. Hewlett. I hope
he will succeed.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff266-66v, pencil, on printed card

f266

June 6/85 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Could you be so very kind
as to tell me what advice to
give about her Hospital
building to this old "Hospital"
Sister of ours?
And also whether Burdett's
Cottage Hospital book is worth

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her having? They are quite
 sure to choose the worst plan
 in it, if there are bad plans,
 you know. I have not seen the book.

What is the best planned Cottage
 Hospital you know?

Please forgive my troubling you
 ever yours most truly
 So Port Said & the F. Nightingale
 proposed Gordon Hospl
 are condemned

signed letter, ff267-68, pencil

f267 {in another hand: 5 o'clock Tuesday 29 June/85} 10 South St
 June 21/85

My dear Capt Galton

I have - not yet put down
 but got up for your consideration
 what might be some of the
 items, as you desired, for ~~the~~
 a Memo to the S. of S. on
 a (reconstituted) Army San.
 Comm.

also: I have cross -
 questioned Officers just returned
 from Souakim in order to
 know what to think of Dr.
 Sutherland's last clause
 as to what it ought to do in

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the field.
 You kindly said you would
 give me an afternoon
 to talk over all this:
 after Monday I could
 make any afternoon free
 that you could kindly
 fix at once if I knew
 at once: 5 o'clock please.

My love to all yours
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

f268

Did you see Dr. Sutherland?

signed letter, ff269-69v, pencil

f269

10 South St

[16:868]

July 12/85

My dear Capt. Galton

I have not heard anything
of you or what you are doing
about the Army San: Comm:
& the S. of S. for War.

You remember a small
Hospital to be built at Haydock
in Lancashire about which
you were good enough to
advise me. The sketch plan
has now been sent me -
Would you kindly criticize it?
May I send it you?

f269v

Shall you be in London
this week?

Might I hope for some
afternoon?

[end]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff270-71, pen

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10 South St Park Lane W.

Oct 17/85

My dear Capt. Galton

Where are you? And how
are you?

You never wrote to me,
as you kindly promised,
to tell me how it went
with your Candidature _
or how with your Memo _
to Mr. W. H. Smith about
the Army Sanitary Comm:
& Army Medl Dept

I have been back some
few weeks but have been,
without joking, so built up

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to the chin with Matrons,
with Nurses returning from
Egypt, & with Indians
that I have hardly been able
to breathe.

Now I want to know about
you -

I suppose Evelyne has returned
to Italy; but she did not
let me know, as she said
she would, of her being
again in London.

How & where are Marianne
& Gwendolyne?

f271

Dr. Hewlett is in England
 for a very short time -
 the tremendously active
 Bombay Sanitary Commissioner
 have you seen him? if not,
 his address is (but he comes up
 to London)

Failand
 Dynevor Road
 Bedford

he wants pressure put upon the Bombay Govt.

signed letter, ff272-73v, pencil

f272

10 South St

Dr. Hewlett Nov 5/85

My dear Capt Galton

I cannot thank you
 enough for your exceedingly
 kind note about Sir R.
 Temple - It is an unexpectedly
 good opening for reaching
 Ld Randolph Churchill

[I would write to ask
 Sir R. Temple to "call & see"
 me, as you suggest. But I
 think there is small chance
 of his being in London before

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the Election. And we can't
 wait till after the Election]
 Undoubtedly the best way
 would be if you e/would
 kindly persuade him when
 he "sleeps" at your own house
 "at Himbleton" - as you say -

I will send you a
 "statement of the case,
 "dates &c &c" & all the
 "information", as you
 kindly allow, addressed
 to Sir R. Temple - If you

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would make use of it
as from yesterday, suppress
 the covering note - *that*
 would be best. If you
 are not there at Himbleton, then
 please forward it to
 Sir R. Temple; but I
 had rather, of course,
 and it would be better,
 if he were to urge it as
 from himself on Ld R.
 Churchill - he being an
 old Bombay Governor -
 than merely "send it on"

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as
 from me to Ld Randolph
 who does not know my
 long connection with
 Bombay Presidency health
matters.

Please see Sir T. Crawford
 (& Dr. Sutherland, if possible)
 to-day - as you say.
 Ever with many thanks
 yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

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speak to him - ~~If I am~~
as from himself -

If I am traced as
pressing Lord R. Churchill
in the same way, it
altogether negatives the
effect - It all comes from *me* then.

And if Ld R. Churchill
should be in possession
of my Memo, & should
forward it to Lord Reay,
of course that would be
ridiculous & fatal -

Please save me from this

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E.g - I wrote a ~~Mem~~ letter
about Souakim wants,
marked Private, to the
Pss of Wales, N.A.S., by
their own desire! Lady
Salisbury took it, & showed
it to Mr. W. H. Smith,!!
who sent out a copy of it
with request for information
to Genl Commanding in
Egypt!!!

Can you conceive such
an action?

I am

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anxious never to fall
into a like trap again
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff277-78v, pen

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Dr. Hewlett

Nov 7/85

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for your kind note. If, as you "fear", "Sir R. Temple will be far too busy "to be able to do anything else "than SEND on statement" to Lord R. Churchill, - would it be possible for you kindly to condense it in your own words - which would be far better -[it is besides far too long] ~~pe~~ and give it to Sir Richard Temple to "send it on", as from himself. This would be very good

f277v

indeed of you - [perhaps your little Secretary - I hope she is quite well again - would do the *writing* -]
I enclose a note with two P. S. S.!!! to Sir Richard Temple in case you think that necessary - & in case you feel sure that he will not forward *that* to Sir R. Temple - but only your "statement" with a little note from himself, in which if he *must* mention me, he may.

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ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff279-80, pencil

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Private 10 South St
 Nov 18/85
 7 a.m.

My dear Capt. Galton

Many thanks for your
 efficacious advocacy of
 Dr. Hewlett with Sir
 R. Temple.

2. The Private Secy of
 S. of S. for War told me
 that *Sir R. Thompson*
 would be back in the
 War Office to-morrow.
 Will you not try to see
 him at once? about
 Army San: Comm:

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Dr. Sutherland is
 unhappily laid up with
 severe Bronchitis at
 home -

It *may* be expected that
 he will resign any day
 - possibly without
 telling us. [Or he may
 hold on for months]
~~And~~ Dr. Crawford &
 Mr. W. H. Smith might shut
 up the Army San: Comm:
 altogether, as a pre -
 arranged matter; without

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our having any 'say' in
 the matter, when it
 would be almost impossible
 to revive it. (?)
 Were you able to see Dr.
 Crawford the other day?

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

Please see them both,
~~Dr.~~ Sir R. Thompson &
 Dr. Crawford
 F.N.

signed letter, ff281-83, pencil, see with 45820 f87

f281

10 South St Dec 16/85
 PRIVATE 7 a. m.

My dear Capt. Galton
 I am most anxious to know **[16:880]**
 that you are seeing Mr.
 Waterhouse's plans for the
 proposed new Liverpool R.
 Infirmary - I did not dare to ask him.
 Is it *to-day* or *to-morrow*
 that you are to see them?
 I have seen him & the
 plans; & I want to be in
 the same voice as you -
 May I send you my
 criticisms that you may
 bring them into accord with
 yours?

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He is a very alarming man,
 because he is so good natured.
 He proposes to embody my
 suggestions & then to
 discuss them AS MINE
 with the Lpool Committee.
 Now this it is needless to
 say will *not do at all*
 Except with Mr. Rathbone:
 he must only discuss them
 as *his*.

I did not mean to discuss
 them with him, (Mr. Waterhouse)
 at all till I had seen
 yours. But he came last

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night for 2 hours & it all came out.
 The main faults are:
 1 want of superficial area
 especially in the Circular Wards
 2 want of the commonest
 principles of supervision &
 Nursing. (the pavilion
 wards cut up into lengths
 & small Wards - & the
 Circular Wards completely
 isolated & divided by a
 100 feet from the Pavilion
 Wards, tho' one sister is to
 have charge of both -
 [But I think one or two of his

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proposed remedies are worse than the disease]. The Doctors have given him instructions - thinking only of themselves, & neither of Patients nor of Nursing.

May I send you my notes? I should not like them to arrive while Mr. Waterhouse is with you. But I should like you to see them before he comes to you - I want to be in accordance with you -
ever yours most truly F. Nightingale

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Private -2- Burn

Please not to let him know that I am in consultation with you - We should be like 'pickpockets in a crowd'
F.N.

[end]

signed letter, ff284-85v, pencil

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10 South St *Liverpool*
Dec 16/85 *Proposed Infirmary*
 Private

[16:880-81]

My dear Capt. Galton
Many thanks - I send you my notes which I am afraid you will hardly be able to read.
1. I have not meddled with *Drainage* at all, with Mr. Waterhouse; tho', after our terrible experience at St. Thomas', I am doubly anxious that you should - But my opinion, second-hand ~~to yours~~ from you, would add no weight to yours.

f284v

2. *Circular Wards* - I have not withdrawn from my notes what I had said generally against these - ~~Beca~~ But you have seen them *at work*; & may perhaps have modified a hostile opinion -

And it seems impossible to substitute any better form of Ward on one side the Corridor in that pernicious bit of ground.

f285

3. The Doctors each want (the Surgeons, as I understand, each 32 Male Surgical & 18 Female " all to be under one Sister - the Physicians each 18 Male ~~Surgical~~/Medical & 14 Female " all to be under one Sister) This is pure Dr's whim. And to prevent the Doctors fighting in the Wards, he has ruined his Female Pavilion Wards by cutting them into 3 compartments - 2 Wards of 14 beds each thus making them into passage rooms

f286v

The A. S. Comm: to report on &
 criticize the Annual Reports
 of the A. M. D. -
 if any observations were made
 on the proceedings of any
 particular Station,
 S. of S. would send them
 down to the Genl Off. Commandg
 for explanation
 He would have to refer it to
 his M.O.
 & that wd cause a greater
 interest to be taken in the
 Report - & educate the
 Medl Officers to be Sanitary

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The Army was before the
 Civil community in Sanitary
 things
 The Civil Community has
 in the last 10 or 15 years
 outstripped the Army in
 Sanitary things
 Yet the Army can prevent
 disease
 And we cannot
 Army Drs shd be above
 all a preventive body

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He would keep the A. S. C.
 detached from the A. M. D. -
 - himself to be President

What about the weekly Reports
 & pressing S. of S. to act
 at once?

unsigned notes, ff288-89v, pencil

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A.S.C. Capt. Galton Dec 28/85

criticize & report on the Annual Reports
of the A. M. D.

if any observations were
made on the proceedings of
any particular Station
S. of S. wd send them down
to the Gen. O. Commg
for explanation

He wd have to refer it to
his M.O.

& that wd cause a greater
interest to be taken in the
Report

& educate the Sanitary
Medl Officers

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community has outstripped
Army in Sanitary things
in the last 10 or 15 years

Yet the Army can prevent
disease

signed letter, ff290-95, pencil

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10 South St Aug 22/86
 Dufferin }
 Sanitary }

My dear Capt. Galton

Thank you very much for
 your letter of yesterday on the
 Murdoch proof.

The issue of the whole thing
 is rather changed by a letter
 from Lady Dufferin last night.
 And I need to consult you
 again how it affects our
 criticisms on the plan of
 Commissions &c with, as you
 say, the object of "introducing"
 the "teaching" "systematically" by

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the "assistance" of the "high
 "authorities in the Provinces"
 1. She has referred her
 scheme to the "Home Office" -
 [I presume the H. O. in *India*]
 & has now what she calls
 her "definite answer from the
 "Home Office". And the "Home
 Office's" ~~suggestion~~/answer "is that I,
 (Lady D.) "should get the best
 "books on these subjects, & that
 "a prize should then be
 "offered for the best Primer - the
 "compilers being provided with
 "a list of the books we wish to

f291

"recommend to them"

[I regret this more than I can say: the "Prize" plan has never answered: & she has the names of those who are capable of writing Sanitary Primers &c to her hand]

2 Farther, she says:

"as the Inspectors of Schools
 'have taken it up it is
 "now a Government matter,
 "but I am helping to push
 "it on"

That it is a "Government matter"
 "now", I suppose we must all
 rejoice at in a country like
 India. But, if it is to become

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a mere Clerk & Bureau &
 Aide de Camp "matter:, it
 will utterly fail.

[She does not know, as we
 do, that the Clerks & Under
 Secretaries know absolutely
 nothing of India - have
 never seen anything of India
 outside their own desks -
 &, by these, "matters" are managed]

But how does this affect
 the Commissions? does its
 being "now a Government
 matter" do away with the
 necessity of the Commissions?
 to which Commns Dr. Sutherland
 direfully objects -

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2/3. I never can quite make out from her letters whether she is speaking of the "European Girls' Schools in Bengal" - or whether she is speaking of her former larger plan of Sanitary Primers & Tracts for Primary Native Schools but especially *native girls' & women's* schools all over India.

4. She further says that we "in England exaggerate the difference between a book

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"for England & one for India"

I wonder whether the "Home Office" tells her this; or whether she has ever once been in an Indian village or in a ryot's house.

5. Farther, she says that I am to send her all the x books that will be useful for her plan -

that she has written to "Mr. Hart, of the National Health Socy" to do the same.

x I have sent her all the books that you & I talked over -

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And she sends me a printed
List of subjects, drawn up
by herself, very numerous,
&(Irish - not Indian -)
upon all of which I am to send
her books.

This, she tells me, is for the
"European Girls' Schools"

She says: "I have now
"received permission to get
"the books from which
"our Primer is to be compiled
"The Govt wish to offer a
"prize for the best compilation"
&c &c

f293v

5. Farther, she says: "The
"health Society of Calcutta
"is trying to get the subject
"taken up in boys' Schools
"& Universities" -

So it seems there is a
general stir - And this
makes it important -

But oh keep it out of
the hands of Clerks &
Aide de Camps.

f294

-3-

6 Farther, she says that she
"hopes it (the Primer) can be
"~~added to & altered~~/"adapted" to suit
"native girls" - ~~altered~~"adapted"
"for India & for natives"
Yet/And she ends with a sentence
that "the grand principles
"for health are the same
"everywhere".

7. Farther, she says that
"we also wish to have one
"book, & not many, so that
"our Primer must be a

f294v

"compilation" !!!

So much the greater
risk of failure!

Dr. Murdoch's "List of
subjects" in the Proof
is much better than hers -

f295

I have small hope of
catching you at such short
notice. But if you
could look in upon me *this*
afternoon (Sunday) at
5 or at 6, we might
in half an hour do
more than by pages
of writing - to settle
our course

A verbal
answer, please
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff296-97v, pen & pencil, blue paper, red underlining

f296

Aug 28/86 [16:881]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

In pursuance of your advice
that we should urge the union
of the local Military Sanitary Officer's
duties with those of the local
Military Statistical Officer, so as to make
every district a miniature
of the Central Officer, based
this on your statement &
advice that I should quote
the Civil "Medical Officer of
"Health" of the Civil District
"who gets all the Disease
"Statistics of the District"

f296v

I was asked at once *where*
does he get them from?
 & was very anxiously told that
Infectious Statistics &
Death Statistics
 are reported to him:
 but who reports to him
Disease Statistics?
 It would be of the utmost
 importance if you by
return of post would
 kindly *enable me to*
answer this.

f297

[I am going to see an important
 Officer once more before
 he leaves England]
 Your gist of course was that
 the Sanitary Officer ought
 to have the same functions
 as the Civil Officer of
 Health, in order to be useful
 in collecting Statistics -
 & that I might urge the
 Civilian as a model
 But they ask: where
 are these Civil *Disease*
Statistics?

f297v

Thanks for returning my letter
 But I wanted them to go
 thro' with you

[end]

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff298-300, pencil

f298

Claydon Ho: *Winslow*: Bucks

Sept 14/86

My dear Capt. Galton

Your discouraging letter discouraged me; but I think you & I must go ahead all the same -

I hope that you will see Sir T. Crawford & Col: Yule, (please make appointments with them), as you are happily in town -

Above all, I am anxious to say nothing different from you. As I *must* write, it seems, to both of them, I enclose my letters to you. Would you be so very

f298v

good as to look them over, & post them *only* if you see nothing objectionable? or return them to me to have anything added you wish?

'Pickpockets should never know one another in a crowd' - therefore let us say nothing of one another.

If after seeing Sir T. Crawford & Col. Yule, anything occurs to you that I could do, I am sure you will tell me -

or how to frame a letter {the next 2 paragraphs are from f299}

If you could & would be so very good as to write from my enclosure p. 2 in Col: Yule's letter such a letter, that would be a good thing.

Perhaps the first Para in my enclosure p. 2 is rather *against* a successor to Dr. S. {f298v continues} to Col. Yule to help him about the future sutherland's

f299

pay

I have not time to re-write
my two stupid letters -

f300

-2-

I have been so interrupted
I can scarcely write sense
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

Lady Dufferin

I have written to your Mr.

Twining - many thanks -
& to Revd Faunthorpe of
Whitelands - & from both
have received the kindest
- indeed enthusiastic help
- information & 'presents' -
of books. F.N.

signed letter, ff301-02, pencil

f301

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks

Sept 15/86

My dear Capt. Galton

You have kindly said
always that you would see
Lord Wolseley about this
'fashious' Sutherland ~~business~~/succession
- I believe it was in view of
making the Sanitary business
a Q.M.G.'s business - but
at all events of interesting
him in it.

Could you not have the
kindness to see him now?

f301v

Dr. Sutherland told his
 wife yesterday or Monday
 that they were to go to
 Dieppe "the next morning" -
 And - they went.

Did you ever tell him what
 you thought of the way
 he had made his successor
 'impossible'?

f302

I was grieved at *my*
 impossibility of sending
 you better letters yesterday -

Please tell me what
 you have done
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff303-03v, pen, on green card

f303

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks
 Sept 16/86 ~~10, South Street~~ {printed address:}
~~Park Lane. W.~~

My dear Capt. Galton

I was in hopes that you
 would have *called* on Col: Yule
 at the I.O. [I know he is very
 'crotchety'.] It seems so cruel to
 ourselves to let ourselves be
 massacred without a struggle.
 Is it not doing this to let him
 think that a Sanitarian at the
 I.O. will do without a Commission?

f303v

Will you not put this to him strongly? *I* would if I could. If you cannot see him, *will you not tell me how to do it?* And will you not also tell me the heads of what I should say ~~to~~ in the letter he asks for to get the successor's (to Sutherland) *pay out of the I.O.*? THAT is what Col. Yule doubts
Where can I write to you after this?
 Pray help me. No one else does -
 ever yours most truly F. Nightingale

unsigned, incomplete letter, ff304-05, pencil

f304

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks

Oct 8/86

My dear Capt. Galton

I do trust that your York Meeting has been satisfactory to you. And I want very much to see your Address with the allusions to Dr. Farr's Vital Statistics.

I know you have subsequently been visiting & I hope happily - & that Gwendolen has been with you.

Sir Crawford tell me that he saw you at York. Perhaps you came to some conclusion

f304v

about Army San: Comm:

I have had letters from him & Col. Yule about it - as unsatisfactory as possible - I would send them to you, but one never knows where you are to be found - busy man! And you have never told me yourself what passed - (before you went to York)

Everything with regard to Sanitary Commissioners' work seems going 'by the board'.

f305

And we must make a "vigorous attempt" to save it - or it will be past hope -

You probably know that the Finance Committee in India (Henry Cunningham is on it) are vigorously at work reducing & doubling up those offices which are of most value - They condemned the new Agricultural Dept. But a despatch was received at the I. O. (from, I presume, Lord Dufferin himself) ordering them "not to interfere" with the Agricultural Dept, which is doing vast good".

f305v

This is what ought to be done
 as regards the *Sanitary
 Commissioners in India* -
 (if possible as regards the Army
 San: Comm: here) must it not?
 And *Lord Dufferin* must
 be got to do it - must he not?
 Only it ought to have been done
 a month ago.

This is what I hear from
 Bombay: doubtless you
 have heard also -

signed letter, ff306-07, pencil

f306

10 South St Nov 16/86

My dear Capt. Galton

~~I send~~/Mend Col: Yule's Minute,
 Dr. Sutherland's two papers,
 & 2 notes of Col: Yule's to me.

Had there been time
 yesterday, but I hope on
 Thursday there will be, I
 wish to tell you the points
 on which Dr. Sutherland x is
 mistaken, from ~~wh~~ his not
 keeping himself up to the
 current of the day in India
 - the great stir there is now

x & Col: Yule too

f308v

entirely engaged all next
 week, that is, including a
 day when I *must* see you,
 please.

And, besides, I *must* see
 you first *in order to know*
what I am to say to him -

I propose to write to him
 at the I. O. to-day, telling
 him thankfully I *will* see
 him but must settle
 the day later

?

Please return his little letter,
 at least.

f309

Mr. W.H. Smith

To my extreme surprise
 he has offered to come & see
 me Thursday or Friday
 next - & has asked - a
 business - like proceeding I
 exceedingly rejoice in - that
 I will "write" him a "short
note of what subjects I wish
"to speak to him about" -
I have accepted.

You must tell me, please,
what to ~~say~~"write" - & soon

I must also see you,
 pray, before I see him -

f309v

WHAT DAY CAN YOU APPOINT
TO SEE ME?

*Write me the "note" by & bye
but soon, please. You see I
do not know how you mean to put
it to Lord Wolseley
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale*

I would rather that Mr. W. H.
Smith's visit had been later
*after yours, as you said, to
Lord Wolseley - But of
course I was obliged to snatch
at it. The thing is now, of
course, to make use of this
unexpected uprising. F.N.*

signed letter, ff310-12v, pencil, red underlining

f310

Private Nov 23/86
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton
I accept with greediness
your coming *tomorrow*
(Wednesday) about 5.

But as you promise me only
such a curtailed visit,
& there is so much to talk
about, you must, PLEASE,
give me *Thursday* as well.
[I have put off Mr. W. H.
Smith till *Friday* on
purpose]

2. I return your ~~paper~~/Memo on the

f310v

remodelling of the Army
 Sanitary Committee
this (Tuesday) evening,
 because you desire it -
 Will you be *sure* TO BRING
 IT WITH YOU TOMORROW,
 when you come?
 Will you then *leave it with*
me till Friday -
 & will you allow me to
 have it copied on
 Thursday? You could
 not send a Clerk here
 for me to employ in
 copying it - could you?

f311

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10, South Street, {printed address:}
 3 Park Lane. W.
 I have written & sent to-day
 my "short note" "in advance"
 which *Mr. W.H. Smith*
 asked me for? I would
 have given anything to
 have submitted it to
 you first, but did not
 know where you were -
 & you did not write again
 4. I have heard from *Col* -
Yule - He says *his* Minute
must go in to the I. O.
 "next week" - & presses to

f311v

see me - But I *must*
 see you, please, first to know
 what you advise me to
 say to *Col. Yule*, after
 I have seen *Mr. W. H. Smith*
 shall you be in London
 on *Saturday*? I do not
 quite see what *Col. Yule*
 is at -

5.

Finally, I have had another
 letter from *Dr. Hewlett* -
 which I must show you -
 [I have been able to read
 it, but not get to copy it
 from/for you]

f312

Dr. Crawford was quite
 mistaken in the information
 he gave you - The C. in C.s
 are trying to take Barracks
 & troops *out of the Sanitary*
Commissioners' hands !!!
 altogether.

6.

I am urged to see Lord
 Cross - And I have just
 been told that he would
 "be glad to come & see" me.
 This too I must consult
 you about.

The Sanitary Commissions
 are drowning, unless a

f312v

great effort is made to
save them -

[Please not to say to
any one that Mr. smith
is coming here]

I expect you tomorrow,
with the ~~paper~~/memo, herewith
returned - Please give
me as much time as you
can

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

Favourable account of Leone in
a letter I have had from Evelyne.

signed letter, ff313-14v, pencil, red underlining

f313

Nov 25/86

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Please give me from 5
to 7.30 *this* afternoon -
I have put off MR. SMITH
till to-morrow (Friday) on
purpose - I cannot know
what to say to him till I
have seen you.

This is the crisis of the
A. S. C. 's fortunes -
2. I am to see COL. YULE
next week; & probably
next week too LORD CROSS

f313v

Of course very much
 depends upon what is
 said by each what is
 to be said to the next.

This cannot possibly be
 settled without seeing you
 to-say & seeing you
between each interview -

Can you manage this ?
 Certainly *I* shall never
 have such another opportunity
 - tho' you might manage it
 with Lord Wolseley, as far

f314

as the W. O. goes - not, I
 suppose, the I. O -
 3. I was obliged to send in
 my "short note" to *Mr. Smith*,
 tho' I wished above all things
 to show it to you first -

4. And I sent back your
Memo as you desired,
 tho' I might have been
 copying it all yesterday -
Can you return it to me at
once? & can you send
 me a Clerk to copy it?

5
 I have had an important
 letter from MR. HEWLETT- The

f314v

Bombay C. in C. is trying
to take away Barracks &
troops from the Sany Commis
=sioners!!

[Most of this I told you in
my Tuesday note]

Answer me favourably

It was a great relief to get
your Telegram last-night
(at 6.30) There was such
a screaming & shouting in
Park Lane, as if all the cabs
were smashed together in a
heap & all the cabmen were
beating their wives!

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

unsigned notes, f315, pencil, on back of a printed report

f315 {archivist:[Draft of 7 Dec 1886]}

Midwife

Mrs. Martin age 38

Midway St

close to Buckingham Gate

{upside down]

Shall I write S. of S. to Govt of
Bombay to get report of ~~1885~~
night soil & cultivation

Poona

& why not

Capt G

Ahmedabad?

done

Dr. Sutherland has not noticed
condition of Ahmedabad p. 118
Ahd is a particular friend of mine
& its Prest Rumchodlal Chotalal
who gets your annual Report for
himself before we do

done

to Capt G.

{other side of f}

"The Epidemic itself (Cholera) is the real Sanitary inspector, & the latest result of its oversight has been the deaths of 37287 people from Cholera or more properly from the existence of local insanitary conditions which ought long since to have disappeared under efficient sanitary rules. [6:570]

Bombs of Report

Sutherland

{FN's address, written on an envelope in another hand}

"Something besides vaccination is required to cope with small pox"
 the abatement or removal of the epidemic
 local conditions without which no
 epidemic could exist
 ditto Sutherland

ff315v-16, Suffolk House, Laurence Pountney Hill, London, E. O., November 1, 1886 S. Shorter & Co., printed letters giving prices for sherry and port

unsigned notes, f316v, pencil, on back of printed report

f316v

? write to W.H. Smith about Dublin
Barracks & A.S.C.

Capt. G.

done

Bombay Draft Bill prepared to ensure
the adoption of more efficient measures
of village Sanitation

{1889}

Poona

rise in subsoil water lever from
irrigation *without* drainage
destroys at once sugar cane
& health of popn

City Death rate
1879-1884) 23 ½ to 37 pr 1000 in 1885

I am my own foolometer S. H.
Para 32 Dr. S.

Hewlett Cholera in Bombay
Harbour

done
to Capt G.

signed letter, ff317-19, pencil, red and blue underlining

f317

10 South St

Dec 7/86

My dear Capt. Galton

I have again this morning read over Dr. Sutherland's memo (which I return) very carefully with Mr. Hewlett's Bombay Report for 1885

& have only two remarks to make:

1. Ahmedabad: p. 12 of Dr. S.'s Memo, last Para
p. 118 of Bombay (Hewlett's) Report

I asked Dr. S to put in this on hearing from

Hewlett *this* year of Ahmedabad's increasing sins against Sanitation & increasing punishment Dr. S. said he had: but I am not satisfied.

Would you not ~~add~~/notice, see p. 118 of Hewlett "the enormously high rate for deaths from fevers &c but especially

"the principal causes: 1. an impure water-supply
"2. air breathed by day & night tainted with their own excrement, effect of the khalkoo was throughout the city"

Then notice the excessive infant Death rate under one year (*true test*) 3331/2 per 1000

f318

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Please have something of this sort put in -
 Ahmedabad is a particular friend of mine,
 & the native Prest of the Muny Runchodlal Chotalal,
 gets your annual Report with Dr. S's Mema
 before we do - We ought to help him.

II p 11 - Para 32. Dr S's Mema

'I am my own foolometer, as Sidney Herbert
 used to say" & I had not an idea what
 this meant till I read it in Hewlett's Report
 p.115

He says that the very high proportion of [9:929]
 Death to attacks of Cholera in Bombay harbour
 is owing to the long distances they have to be
 carried to Hospital -

Govt contradicts him
 & he persists, saying what we all of us
 know to be true, that a Cholera Patient
 had better be ~~treated~~/let alone at home than moved
 a long distance to the best Hospital.

Surely this should be noticed so as to be understood [end 9:929]
 I ~~have~~/had made Sunday little ? besides, on Dr. S's Memo to
 ask you last night But there was no time. And now there is none

f319

-3-

Private & }
 Confidential } Burn

DUBLIN BARRACKS & ARMY SANY COMM.

The S. of S. for WAR asked, indeed *desired* me
 to write to him as soon as anything occurred
 & as often

The Dublin Barracks lie like a night mare on
 me & always have -

If I do write to the S. of S., it had better be
 done at once. Or he will forget what he said
 Do not be afraid

"I will roar as gently as any sucking-dove"
 But say what is to be done -
 {notes in another hand follow}

unsigned letter, ff320-21, pencil

f320

10 South St

Dec 23/86

Destroy

My dear Capt. Galton

We are unlucky - As soon as we seem to have got hold of two S. of S.'s, this Randolph goes out, the Cabinet will have to be re modelled, & perhaps we shall lose our men.

All the more reason for doing something -

Would that we could have had the Army: San: Comm: settled while Mr. Smith was in Office.

f320v

But what I want to ask you is about the Chap: Genl's business Do you think that he can possibly say if I recite his conversation by letter to Mr. Smith that I have been retailing a private conversation to a great official without ~~his~~ leave? It was *not* private. [And any little thing that was private I should not repeat]

I shall not see you again; so I ask this

f321

question before you leave
London

I await your answer about
the writing to Mr. Smith
anent the Army San: Comm:
with anxiety -

A happy Xmas to you

ever yours most truly

signed, incomplete letter, ff322-23v, pencil

f322

2 {archivist: [?Oct - Dec 1886]}

tell me the *special points*

I should ~~say~~ give him

And shall I tell him how

the *native* Presidents of

Municipalities get the

Reports before we do,

& *use them* literally & with
effect?

Shall I propose *Dr. Hewlett*

in Dr. Sutherland's place

or let that alone?

Please advise

f322v

3. Will you, -doubtless
you have seen him already

- see Sir Crawford again

& come to *some* course

with him for us to pursue?

The thing seems *Immediate*

4. Here has come the *crisis*

which you & I have long

been expecting -

And have we properly
prepared for it?

Did you know that the
W.O. had definitely refused
to give Dr. Sutherland a
successor?

f323

5. What course did you
& *Dr. Sutherland* propose
when you met?

Pardon these questions
& advise me what to do
Advise me how Col. Yule's
 'minor question', as you
 justly called it, about
 Dr. Sutherland's successor
 & his pay affects what
 you justly called the 'major
 'question' of *what is the*
 A.S. Comm: to do? is it to do
Anything for *English Army Sanitary*
 questions?

f323v

- *how is it to be* re-organised?

Please kindly enclose this
letter with your answer,
which saves both ~~me~~/you & me
trouble -

[I was rather appalled
when last you kindly came to me
at your not bringing my
troublesome questions, & then
kindly sending them to me
AFTERWARDS!!]

Please let us pull together
now -
We cannot exaggerate the
importance of this -
ever believe me
yours most truly F. Nightingale

Add Mss 45766, 307 folios, 215 pages, microfilm, Adam Matthew reel 14
signed letter, ff1-2v, pencil

f1

10 South St. Jan 19/87

My dear Capt Galton

Are you there?

[9:929-30]

We want an example- it is for
a Presidency in India-
of the working of the Local
Govt- Act Office & the
country Board or authority here
when, e.g. Typhoid Fever
has broken out, & defect
in the drinking-water is
suspected- I have been
asked for a real case here: it is for
the Bombay Presidency- This

f1v

*is, if a real case, what
would be useful- viz. that, (as at
Bangor), on the breaking
out of Typhoid Fever, the
inhabitants, acting thro'
their own Board or represen=
=tatives (or individuals can apply direct) should write up
to the Local Govt- Act Off: to
send down an Inspector
who comes down, inspects &
reports. The country Board
sits upon the report:
adopts the suggestions:
the cause being discovered to
be: fouled drinking water:*

f2

the works are sanctioned-
 carried out, inspected -
 [the inhabitants taxing themselves]
 [by direct rate or raising money from Govt inst, sample of LGB
 the cause is removed - the
 disease ceases- [but the dead
 cannot be recalled to life]

Could you farther tell us
 what happens in an *entirely*
rural place whether
they will report themselves
 to the Local Govt= Act Office
 & get themselves put to
 rights? {The same Nooredun takes
 {place {lines around 3 sides of sentence}
 Please: I ought, if possible, to have
 this information ready to-day.

f2v

I could see you this
 afternoon if you would
 be so good. [end 9:930]
 ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

{Galton's response re: informing that her procedure is correct, unable to
 meet, Buchanan would send her examples}

initialled letter, ff3-7, pencil

f3

Private 10 South St.
Confidential {up diag} Feb 5/87
 My dear Capt. Galton

Hearing nothing of you, [9:663-64]
 I thought you were gone to
 Florence-

Have you heard of any
 further proceedings or resolutions
 of the W.O. or other authorities
 in referring to the Army
 Sanitary Commission &
 connected matters?

Col Yule writes to me
 that he "can learn nothing
 "certain, but his *impression*

f3v

"is that the intentions
"regarding the maintenance
"of the A.S.C. are *not*
"favourable; nor can I
"ascertain what is likely
"to be the course in regard
"to the supervision or review
"of Indian Sanitary matters
"should the A.S.C. cease
"to exist. But I doubt
"greatly its being in
"accordance with your
"views- or with my own".

f4

I cannot sum up in a
note what has passed on
my side since I last saw
you.

Suffice it to say my
letter to W.H.S. was written
& sent; but, by the fatality
which attends ~~it~~ all they do,
arrived an hour before
Ld Iddeleigh's death-
It received a beautiful
answer, promising to do
all he W.H.S. could -

[end 9:663]

India - I hear from the
Indian, i.e. the Bombay end

f4v

that Ld Reay issued instant
 orders as soon as Ld- C.'s
 letter arrived- I have
 not heard since from,
 nor have I written this to
 Ld- C- or at all -
 All this is of course *most* private
 between you & me -
 The question is now: what
 steps shd= be taken with
 Ld= C- with regard to A.S.C.
 &c- or with W.H.S. to see
 if he *has* "influenced his
 "successor".
 With regard to another subject, I
 have seen C. Acland. And he is
 at work. S. of S. for War favourable
 {illeg} F.N.

f5

{2}

question to be asked in House
 on Tuesday of *W.H.S.* by his
 own consent by C. Acland x
 [This was done without my
 being mentioned at all-]
 ever yours most truly
 F.N.

x

But C. Acland & we are
 rather stumped by finding
 no local authorities willing
 to help (as in Glasgow)- in our
 Garrison towns-

f6

{text vert. on page} [2]
 //- new *Bill - village Conservancy - Bombay Presy=-*
 [Chief Secy- has printed letters of mine to
 Sarvajanic Sabha & Bombay Presy= Assocn= --]
 // Dr Sutherland's resignation -
 &c &c &c

These are but a few - but still I must
 ask you to bring this List with you, when you
 come- as I could not possibly make out
 another.

f6v

{note: f6v & f7 shown in dupl./arch. note overtop of folios}

In England ----

//Aldershot - Chatham x - Chaplain Genl- Mr. C. Acland M.P.

are waiting for further hints & advice from you & me

about that terrible subject you & I have

discussed - I have seen many ~~illeg~~ people about

it- public houses- adulteration of beer-

bad women &c &c &c

x increase of disease among the men-

//Gordon Boys' Home - Genl= Higginson - Matron -

f7

//Woolwich {archivist text here seen at end of folio}

I could not see you this week even if you
could come

But if you could kindly make an
appointment for some afternoon next week,
or give me the choice of *two* afternoons, I should
be infinitely obliged -

//IMPERIAL *Institute objects*- another -

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

{archivist text:} early 1887

Sir C. Acland

work & F.N.

mentioned in

letter of Feb

5th/87

Sir C. Acland

question in House

8th Feb 87

letter to Bombay Presy

Association dated

Feb 22 1887

signed letter, ff8-9v, pencil

f8

10 South St June 9/87

My dear Capt Galton

[10:188]

You see in to-day's Times
Mr. Henry Cunningham's letter
& the leading Article

You see the great impetus
he might give to our cause,
because he believes in it
& is energetic & writes well.

We must reckon with him
& act with him. Or he will
reckon against us, & it will
tell against us -

I hope he has seen you-
I sent him ~~all~~ what you said the
day after I saw you- tho' he

[8:507]

f8v

had not then returned to
London (142 Sloane St)

And he answered: hoping to
see you-

& sending me his terrible

Memo= on Contagious Diseases
of the Army. *Shall I send you this?* {flows into next folio}

& the first part of the Report
of the Calcutta Public Health
Soc^y=, of which Mr. Cunningham
is President, has been sent
me by some one -

Will you have it?
He is active, while we
are doing nothing-
I am afraid he will steal

f9

a march upon us -

[end 8:507]

He has not answered

my question about Col.

Brownlow, whether he

had been to Ahmedabad -

*Shall I send you [your?]**criticism to R.**Chotalal of**Ahmedabad by*

to- morrow's mail

without waiting for Mr-

Cunningham?

[end 10:188]

I hope Gwendolyn is flourishing-

Did you tell her I would not

have taken you from her

the first evening?

f9v

My love to her & Marianne.

I have had another letter from

[10:188]Dr. Hewlett. The Army Doctors
are fighting him- He says

the influence of the Duke of

Connaught must be sought

to save the *Sanitary Commission*

-er of Bombay But I have

no means of reaching H.R.H.

Grant Duff tells me that the

Sanitary Commr= of Madras is

not threatened -

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

so pressed by seeing people from

India - quite laid up-

about Ly Dufferin's Fund

[end 10:188]

&c &c &c

initialled letter, ff10-11, pencil

f10 {up diag}

PRIVATE 10 South St.

June 24/87

You were so good as to offer & I believe to get for use by Genl- P. Smith at Aldershot - at his request to me-- the detail of the procedure necessary where public-houses are suspected of 1. harbouring prostitutes

2. drugging beer:

how the machinery is to be started 1. to discover

2. to prosecute

But *it has never reached* me.

f10v

Sir Harry went down to Aldershot yesterday- And I was obliged to send an excuse at once & a reminder by him to Genl= Smith -

And he, Genl- P.S.

actually came up in the evening after his Field Day to interview the Chaplain Genl=

When a live Genl= actually asks how to proceed in these terrible matters, one is most anxious to meet his willingness.

f11

PRIVATE {up diag}

Please do something
in that matter of Dr.
Payne's letter - in getting
him to alter its tone -

If published in its
present tone, it will
put us back 20 years -
believe me.

I want much to talk over
with you many things - &
especially if you have won
over Mr. Cunningham, as
you proposed

F.N.

initialled letter, ff12-15, pencil & pen

f12

Private {up diag}

{Mr. H. Cunningham 6/7/87

{Army San: Comm:

{Local Govt= Board: India

Col: Yule

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I wrote to Col. Yule- & he **[9:664-65]**
appoints to-morrow- (Thursday)
to see me.

He says he has "no information"
of the "plans or prospects" of the
"A.S. Commn:" & "looks to" us "for it"

What am I to say to him
about Dr. Sutherland?

//II. This is however the less tangible
~~important~~ thing- I drew from
Mr Henry Cunningham with
some difficulty - & even now

f12v

[IV]

what he says is far from precise
that

what he wants is:

wrote

to Hewlett

July 8/87 x

1. *an official with the Local*

Govts= in India who has

time, knowledge independence

of character, appointed

to make a *searching critique*

of the Sanitary Reports of each

of the Municipal & public bodies-

He says as we know that

now *any* Secretary or Clerk out there {prev. 2 words up diag}

makes these "critiques" for the

Local Govts=, entirely without

knowledge- to this x -

He recurred strongly to the

vague character & disregard {diag line thru these 2 lines}

f13

recent

{diag line down thru 5 lines}

of facts in Dr. Sutherland's

"Mema=" -- & general carelessness

-which, you know, has often

painfully struck me.

2. *An independent body*

-independent of the Govt=

of India which does not

wish to be brought into

hot water-- whose function

shall be *to have the*

control of Municipal bodies

- consisting of experts,

Engineers, Doctors &c

(*Local Govt- Board*)

f13v

that is to say *an authority*
under the law *in India*
 for this purpose-
 without embroiling the local
 administrations

x

He very wisely wished to leave
 such questions open as
 the *numbers* of such a Board
 & whether *one* or *more* Boards
 He was less sweeping, & tho' {this & following lines have diag line thru}
 not very practical- still more
 so- than the first time I saw
 him- less vituperative- less
 Payn= ified - ~~which~~ less "scientific
 - which I attributed to your
 influence

f14

III. {2}
 About the Army Sanitary Comm:
 he wishes as we all do
 that it should be entirely
 re-constituted-
 He says that Dr. Sutherland's
 Memos are so little searching
 as to be entirely useless-
 besides being so long after
 date-- that they actually
 do harm- that they take
 no notice of the most
 terrible evils- & he pointed
 out several gross errors
 or omissions- as he did to you
 It is not 'the thing' for me
 to go over this.

f14v

He wishes that "we", i.e.
 (himself & I suppose the
 other is Dr. Payne)
 "should be called before
 "some one here"
 who?
 to slate what is wanted
 "in the body" (A.S.C.)
 "here" -
 & what changes are
 wanted in India-
 But how is he to be "called?
 They don't want to hear. F.N. [end 9:665]

f15

W
 I shall have -to guide [9:665]
 me with Col Yule--
 the notes I took from you on
 Saturday-
 Would you be so good
 as to read & give me
your opinions of (these from Mr. Hy
Cunningham:s especially
his 1. and 2- sheet 1. II.
 & let me have them
 (with these 2 note sheets)
~~ba~~ by 10 to-morrow
 morning (Thursday) please- [end 9:665]
 ever yours truly F.N.

signed letter, ff16-17, pencil

f16

10 South St July 9/87

Private {up diag}

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I should be very thankful [9:665-66]

if you would kindly give
me a line telling me
the impression Dr. Sutherland's
& Mr. Henry Cunningham's
interview yesterday (Saturday)
made on you -

Col: Yule came to me on Thursday
according to appointment-
He was, as usual, most
anxious to be helpful -
He took down all my
principal questions, called
from you & Mr. Cunningham,

f16v

& will send me answers.

And I lent him Mr. H.C.'s
Report on Calcutta Health-
His general remarks were:
- that no impulse for a Local
Govt= Board in India would come
from ~~Ind~~ here
--that the India Council ----
here would oppose any
plan involving the taxation
of the *people* for Sanitary
works - & this wd- be a reason ~~for~~
against the loans, he says
Tho' Dr. Sutherland might not
resign at once, yet Col Yule
was decidedly of opinion
that *we should be ready*

f17

*with a plan for re-organizing
the Army San: Comm:*

[end 9:666]

At first he did not see how
their Reports could be less
than two years old, but
afterwards he gave in about
this-

We had a very long interview-
& I went thro' ever thing -
He expressed a strong desire
to see Mr. Cunningham - I
gave this address - & Col Yule
was to write to him -

ever sincerely yrs
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff18-19v, pencil

f18

10 South St. July 15/87

Private

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I am very glad that you &
Mr. Cunningham are to discuss
the proposal Despatch tomorrow:
exceedingly glad -

& most truly sorry that I
cannot see his views & himself.

[Had I known, I could have
put off my going till Monday-
But now I fear I cannot-
Still less see him before I
go, as you kindly propose -
For I have had & have a
great deal more than I can
do these last days -
you know about St Thomas' Matronship]

f18v

But I depend upon you to
inculcate our views upon him
better than I could. And it
is more important that you
should see him than I.

"In any case", you kindly say,
you "could get his proposal
"note sent to "me" before
"he sends it in" -

And this I thankfully accept-
It had better be sent to me
at Claydon Ho:
Winslow

Bucks

I hope you will kindly keep me
informed of the progress of the

f19

proposed Despatch -

And will you ask Mr.
Cunningham to write to me too?
- I mean *besides* my seeing
the proposed Note-

& ask him to send me
another Calcutta Health Report,
for I gave mine to Col. Yule -

The Despatch must be
done, if at all, I presume,
before the Session breaks up-

I confide our interests
to you with an anxious
but trusting heart-

f19v

Also: you say that in the
A.S.C. remarks on the
Report of San Commr: with
Govt- of India - something
may be put in-

This is far less momentous
but important- The "Despatch
is truly a momentous proposal
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff20-21v, pencil

f20

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks

Most July 17/87

Private {up diag}

Please

Return

to F.N.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I am more than ever
distressed that I left London
yesterday, i.e. had to leave it,
when I might have stayed
longer, had I known-

[9:666]

I enclose you Mr. Cunningham's
letter which followed me here
--I cannot make out whether it
was written after his 'breakfast'
with you or not. This
makes an important difference

~~Part~~ Please return to me
& say nothing about it

f20v

II

Particularly I deplore being
away, because you see he
asks me to write to Lord
Cross- I think I could have
seen Lord Cross & usefully -
To write to him would only
be to add another 'minute'
to put into the hands of another
Private Secretary -

Still I will write if you
approve, & if you will tell me
the gist of what I shall say.

[But I do regret, not having
seen Ld Cross all this time.
It was neglecting an opportunity].

I shall *not* touch on the "note
"on the "(Contagious Disease)" condition of
"the Army," as Mr. Cunningham wishes,

f21

[4]

IV. You see that Mr. Cunningham entertains a very different idea of the "Memo-" he is called upon to write from what Col. Yule (whose letter I sent you) does- x

[I have simply answered Mr. Cunningham, accepting his offer to send me the "Memo" "to see before it is sent in "to Col. Yule"-

But I *must* have *your* views, please, upon it too.-]

x You see that Mr. Cunningham says "a Memo= on the general "question of improved Sanitary administratn-" Col. Yule, much more wisely, says - on the *evils* of Sanitary things & these of Sanitary admn=

f21v

You will then have seen it
Tell me what to think
& what to say of it

[end 9:666]

Please return me this
with Mr. Cunningham's letter
- *and your* remarks
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

Excuse pencil
& rambling

incomplete letter, ff22-23v

f22

[2] {archivist:} [July 1887]
if I write to Lord Cross- [9:966]

Rather, I think, I ought to follow up what passed between Lord Cross & me in the winter, when he did all we asked & all bore fruit- [It was chiefly tho' not altogether about Bombay. And much of it was in direct opposition to some of Mr. Cunningham's views, such as I took down in pencil & sent to you. to wit that there should be a "scientific" person at each Provincial Govt- to criticize the Municipal Report & c - - that the Local Govt= Boards

[end 9:966]

[10:189]

f22v

should be independent of Govt=.

But probably you have corrected much of this in him. III His statement of "our case", (end of his letter), is not to the point: because what the Govt= of India & the I.O. deprecate is *not* "the expenditure of Imperial funds" but the *local* taxation of ~~the~~ natives. And this, Mr. Cunningham never offers any thing to meet- The way to meet it, is, as in Bombay, to take the natives into your confidence - not because

f23 {note: f23 shown in dupl./arch. note overtop folio, & seen at end of folio}

[3]

you are afraid of them but
 from a hearty sympathy
 & desire for their co-operation
 without which indeed all
 your 'Acts' fall useless
 No one (in Bombay at least) is
 more willing to be taxed
 than a native, especially
 for *water-supply* & education,
 when he has been made
 to understand them-

But of this Mr. Cunningham
 does not appear to think -
 tho' Bengal is far more easily
 led than Bombay -

What he says about (see end)
 "unpopularity" is the same -

[archivist text: ? July 1887 see letter of July 17 re writing to Lord X
 Lord X & FN in the [illeg] see letter of Dec 2 1886]

f23v

It is not from the "worst
 Press," but from all educated
 natives that we incur
 "unpopularity", & inevitably
 so, if we will never take the
 trouble to explain ourselves.
 But a native will come half
 way to meet you, far more
 than *any* Englishman, if you
 do- And then you
 gain *popularity*, instead
 of "unpopularity", for your
 measures & your rule.

[end 10:189]

signed letter, ff24-25v, pencil

f24

Telegraph,

"Steeple" Claydon, Bucks. {printed text up diag.}

PRIVATE {und 4X} Aug 7/87

{printed address:} Claydon House,
Winslow,
Bucks.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

To-day I am almost sorry to tell you [9:667]

that Mr. Henry Cunningham's short
"Note" has come,- about 50-60 folio pages-
which I read through without
changing ~~my~~ position or stopping -

It is very ably done, like
every thing he writes -

But I am almost glad to tell
you that I think there is no
chance of its being moulded into
any form that can be of practical
use so as to be the substance of
a Despatch till it has been
very fundamentally revised by
all of us- which can hardly be
before ? October-

f24v

[He says in his letter that he
is going "to give a Lecture on
the subject to the Sanitary Institute
in London in October in which"
he will "be able to deal with the subject
"more fully."

I do not think we shall "be able
"to deal with his 'Note' "fully" before
that]

~~The~~ A few of the things in
which I think he is *raw* are
as follows:

1. He starts on the assumption
that the Mortality of the Army in
India had an average of 69 per
1000 *up to the time of the R. Commn=* [end 9:667]
comma bacilli

f25

I am interrupted & have not time
to finish this- but will to-morrow

But I think I will send his.

I must go very carefully over
the paper again-
especially its recommendations
which are not quite what we should
wish

I have never answered
Col Yule's letter, which I showed
you rather more than 3 weeks ago
And I scarcely know how to
answer it, for I suppose he
does not know that I am to
see Mr. H. Cunningham's Memo=?

[9:667]

I want you to advise me
about this:

f25v

also: whether the sending in
of Mr. H.C.'s paper may
properly be deferred till say
October-

also whether you have seen
this paper -

I will finish this letter tomorrow.

Nothing more opportune or
important has happened
to us these many years than
Mr. H. Cunningham's arrival
or than this paper as a
beginning of operations. It is
providential as an *impulse*
to us. Let us make use of it
& of him!

[end 9:967]

ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff26-29, pen & pencil

f26

Telegraph Aug 26/87

"Steeple" Claydon. Bucks. {2 lines printed text up diag}

Private

{printed address} Claydon House,

Winslow,

Bucks.

Mr. Cunningham's M.S.

Sanitary: India

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I have not followed up this subject with you, since I asked you some question after I had read ~~it~~ his paper thro' (about 60 folio p.p.)

Mr. Cunningham then came here (on the Tuesday after the Sunday I had received the M.S.) And we were at it, hammer & tongs, for 3 ~~whole~~ days -

f26v

I wished to see before writing to you again the Memo with which Mr. Cunningham supplied Dr. Sutherland a copy of which you had kindly promised - And Mr Cunnm- wished me to see it & said he was writing to you to send it me But it has not come- I suppose Dr Sutherland did not take it into Scotland -

I would have sent you Mr. C.'s (60 page) paper which he left with me, & which I was very anxious you should see- I will

f27

send it you still if you consent. But it appears he sent a copy to Col. Yule at the same time that he sent his M.S. to me: therefore we could not alter any thing.

Col. Yule as far as we know has done nothing with it yet.

Mr. Cunningham is still very eager, as I am, about the Despatch from the S. of S. here to the Govt= of India, of which he was to write a Draft when he heard from Col. Yule. And this Draft he promised to send me

[9:667-68]**f27v**

before sending it to Col. Yule.

But nothing apparently is being done-

I now send you such of my notes, as I have had time to write out, on Mr. C.'s paper, with which he concurred [The scratches on the backs are mema- of our conversations which I have *not* had time to write out]

Please *read & return-* Mr. Cunningham being one of the re-constituted Army Sanitary Commission is an essential- just as it

f28

†2†

is an essential to have a
re-constituted Army Sany-
Commn=

Mr. C. was very eager that
I should write to Ld Cross-
That is useless-

But I shall be back in London
on Sept 7 - And as it seems
the House will not be up
till the 15th=, I could see
Lord Cross if any one else
has 'steam up'- viz. you
& Col. Yule - Mr. Cunningham
has 'steam up' -

[end 9:668]

ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

I think Mr. Cunningham's

[9:668]**f28v**

information very
important as to the
useless character (from
want of knowledge of
present evils) of Dr.
Sutherland's Mema= -
F.N.

The reason why I want you,
if you possibly can, to read
the enclosed ~~tiresome~~ (*imperfect*) Notes
in which Mr. Cunnm- concurs-[I did not *show* him the Notes] {flows into f29}
is that they will avail to
modify the "Despatch", of
which you must *modify*
the Draft-

F.N.

[end 9:668]

f29 {line of text seen in f28v}

signed letter, ff30-31, pen

f30

Claydon Aug 26/87

My dear Capt. Galton

I send you some Extracts **[9:668]**
from the Bombay Sanitary
Commissioner's recent illegible letters,
(private) which are
important as answering
your questions that I
sent him, & as bearing
on Mr. Cunningham's paper.

A.

see our query answered
which Col. Yule could not
answer-

see also the necessity borne
out described by Mr.

Cunningham (& also by Dr.
Sutherland) of a Sanitary

f30v

Executive Board in India

But see also the absolute
necessity of Sanitary Orders
from the *S. of S.* here --

& there must be a
(re-constituted) Army Sanitary
Commn= here to direct the
S. of S., ~~unless I am to do it.~~

see also Mr. Cunnam- borne out about a young
Under Secy= doing the B {a large B} Govt- Resolution on the Sanitary
Reports

See also that the Army
Sanitary Commn= here
must have power to

CALL FOR papers & plans

[N.B. I think *Dr. Hewlett*
must be Dr. Sutherland's
successor on A.S.C.
next May- He is coming
home.

f31

C

I wrote to Mr. Hewlett, as
you desired, urging him to
make this, his last Annual
Report, as full as possible.
He could not do it.

But the next Annual
Report will contain remarks
of his.

And he *asks* us to *tell*
him "*the points*" we want
his "*opinion*" upon-

PRAY GIVE THEM ME

ever yours

F. Nightingale

[end 9:668]

copy of notes to FN {in FN hand}, ff32-35, pencil

f32

[A]

[Bombay Sany- Commr. to F.N.]

"Poona July 31 1887

"Regarding your query whether the *Sany= Commr=* deals with the "Sanitary Reports" of the *various Municipal & public bodies:*

"he does not, & I think the ? Commissioners would object to any such proposal - Of course he should do so -

"The Municipal reports are sent in thro' the Collectors to the Commissioners of Division who forward them to Govt=, & the critique on them, or the

f33 {text vert. on page}

"Govt- Resolution as we call it of them as well as the Sany- Commissioner's Annual Report is written in the first instance by a young Under Secretary to Govt= who submits a Draft Resolution to the member of Govt- in charge -in this instance Sir M. Melvill" (who has been only a Judge all his life). "His draft is generally accepted as it stands, though a fresh sentence or two may be added.

"The reports of Local bodies after they are printed are sent to me but not for any official opinion.

"Of course all this is very wrong. But so it is that the Officers of the Sanitary Dept- should be only consultative & not executive We give advice which is never taken- And then when Cholera e.g breaks out the Executive get in a fright & want the Sany= Officers to prevent it xxx The time for action is when there is no Cholera. When Cholera is a resident unless the house has been put in order it will be attacked, & the good man & his wife & his family

f33v

"will succumb All that can
 be done *then* is to give
 medicine. But Sanitary actions
 ought to have been taken before

x x x

"The ignorance in high places
 can only be broken through by
Orders from the *Secretary of State* {vert. line down left marg. to Sanitary}
 These *must* be obeyed, but
 until the S. of S. will issue
 stringent orders, Indian high
 officials will shelve the
 Sanitary question"

T.G. Hewlett

{up diag} Please
 Return to
 F.N.

f34

[B]

Poona July 1887

"I have urged in my annual
 report that the Sanitary
 authorities at home *call for*
 the standard plans of Barracks
 & they will I am sure concur
 with me that they are full
 of Sanitary errors

"I have lately recommended
 that a barrack which is to
 be erected on Kirkee should be
 built according to the designs
 in the "Revised Suggestions", but
 I very much doubt this Govt= or the
 Govt= of India ~~doing so~~ allowing
 it to be done" T.G. Hewlett

f35

[C]
July 1887

"Altho' I shall not be Sanitary
Commissioner when the next
Annual Report is published
(1st July) yet I hope it will
contain some remarks of
mine which I will leave
as a legacy to my successor
"If you will let me know
exactly the points on
which you think my opinion
may be of use, I will endeavour
to give effect to your wishes
T.G. Hewlett

signed note, ff36-v, pencil

f36

Telegraph,
"Steeple" Claydon, Bucks. {printed text up diag}
Aug 26/87
{printed address:} Claydon House,
Winslow,
Bucks.

P.S. to letter A

[10:189]

It is such an enormous thing to
ask for, Executive Sanitary
Boards in India, that I
do not like to ask to see
Lord Cross till you *Magnates*
have distinctly decided *what*
you mean to ask for
For if this Despatch (proposed)
misses fire, it will be
very difficult to resume the
subject

E.g. it will not do to ask,
as Mr. Cunningham does, for
the "recommendation of the R

f36v

"Commn" to be carried out"
until we know why it failed
after sufficient trial in
Ld Lawrence's time

*Please therefore advise
as to course of conduct,
including my seeing Ld Cross-*
[I shall be back in London
about Sept 7-]

[end 10:189]

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff37-41, pen & pencil

f37

Private {up diag} Claydon
Sept 4/87
Address

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thank you very much for Dr. [10:189-90]
Sutherland's letter in answer to
my "question" as to the plan of
"the Royal Commission having
"been tried in India."

It is hopeful, inasmuch as we
are not asking for a repetition
of an experiment that has failed

[I have sent it to Mr. Cunningham
& asked him to return it]

But the "breath" was rather a
long one which extended over
a great many mouths between
the "people being appointed"
& "given up"- which, he says,
was "in the same breath".

f37v

And then, his hopeless "IF we
"could get the men here".
Will you not- perhaps you have -
define exactly what you
want in the "Note" "to be
"signed by" you?

I have *seen nothing* yet- neither
the *M.S. Memo*= which Mr.
Cunningham furnished to
Dr. Sutherland- & which you
kindly promised me - & which
I ought to see AT THE SAME TIME
as the *Proof with his (& your)*
emendations- which you
promise me.

f38

Dr. Sutherland is returned, as you
know, & is ~~working up the~~ "busy with this last Proof:"
~~prema-~~ to finish the Annual
Report, when he "means to
"rest".

When did you & he do these
emendations? Before
he went to Scotland?
Sir John Strachey was, if I remember,
the first Chairman of the
"people", as Dr. Sutherland calls
them, of the first Bengal
Sanitary Executive (or non-executive)
Board. *He* would be the
person to get hold of to tell
us all about it & why it failed.
I used to know him rather well;
but the Lytton mania carried him off.

f39

Private {up diag}{2}

I have just received from Mr. Cunningham the Health Officer of Calcutta's Report for the second quarter of the year, in which he describes his view of the dismissal of the Special Establishment which had been appointed to deal with the Cholera Epidemic of the winter [But oh! so different from Dr. Hewlett of Bombay, when Health Officer. The Calcutta Health Off- wants *not* to be the head of the "conservancy Establishment". Dr. Hewlett was the "Conservancy Estt-" in himself. He was a Sanitarily engineered town in himself. And then comes the usual pesting

f39v

against the "natives" & their "incapacity for Local Self Govt="- whereas it appears from an (otherwise) excellent letter to himself which Mr. Cunningham sends me "from the best of the European Commissioners", on the subject of the Health Officer's" advise "as to disallowing a dangerous "nuisance being set aside" & from a newspaper report of the meeting held on this- that 'the head & front of the offending' was the *late* Health Officer himself, Dr. Sanders, (acting in the teeth of *his own* reports) -

f40

who led & stimulated the natives.
If 'the Sun of heaven were to turn
micher & eat blackberries', if
you were to instigate & head the
Town Council "natives" of Manchester
in an insurrection of this sort,
could we rightfully pest
against the "natives" of
Manchester?

Most

Private {up diag}

Lastly; Mr. Cunningham
sends me a note of Col. Yule,
reporting progress, or no progress,
- Mr. C.'s "Memo=" has been long
"in Lord Cross' hands", who says
he is "making enquiries".
And this is all.

f40v

I return to 10 South St. on
Tuesday, mainly on this account
tho' I have not the shadow of an
idea what to say to Lord Cross.

[Sir Harry Verney says he is at
Manchester]

*Could you kindly tell me whether
you will be in London
after Manchester?*

I should think Ld Cross safe to
come up for the Indian Budget
& those things they call "Cabinets
- & then to go away again North
So we shall only just catch him
if at all.

~~And~~ Write to *South St*, please

f43

"these Officers should be guided by TECHNICAL
 SANITARY advisers at the Government quarters
 I should begin with one set for Bengal (or Bombay
 "And this brings me to a very important point, viz.
 where these men are to be found?

"Now IN INDIA, or retired from service we
 could find a very few practised Medical men who
 would be quite able to do *Sanitary* work- I could
 name them all: and I would retain them at
 any cost. Please NAME {u-1 5x}\\\

"But in India I have not as yet met with
 a soupcon of a *Sanitary Engineer*. India is
 overrun with expensive sciolists- But *at home*
 I think we could find TWO OR THREE to begin
 with if they would go out, at any cost. And
 they could train others - NAME {line drawn up to TWO OR THREE}
 not on the Board

Col Yule
 says there are
 no Sanitary
 Engineers -
 how can there be?

"But suppose we have the men, our work
 would only be initiated- We should still have to
 decide the *attributions* of each member, their
relations to the P.W.D., & their Executive powers]\\
 and *where the funds* were to come from -

"Of course this would be mainly Indian
 business- But it would concern us to be assured
 that the Commission had a firm position & powers

f43v

not to be interfered with on Sanitary questions
 These powers would include *those of the first*
 GENERAL BOARD OF HEALTH FOR TOWNS & Villages - But
 for VILLAGES we fortunately know that what is
 mainly needed is simply work. Long ago we
 showed that for these money was not so much
 wanted as simple doing This the Commission
 would see to, while it rendered help in local
 Engineering questions- {up diag.} Bombay

the only one
 who has a
 Bill for
 Villages,
 But this
 Bill
 hanging
 fire?

These are the *heads for discussion and*
arrangement

f44

Sept 7/87 [2] {up diag:} Sept 12/87
 Dr. S. to D.G. Can't

see
 Cunningham's
 Paper?
 where
 were your
 "very little"
 emendating
 what your
 note on
 Executive
 Boards?

"I.O. so pressed for time with Blue Book they sent
 uncorrected proof of the two Memos- to printer -
 But I sent in officially our own corrected copies
 with your additions -

"Statement of case now complete - The addition
 as to the kind of men needed is really in the Memo-,
 where they are styled as technical men.

"But if we can only manage to get the
 Supreme Govt- to take up the case & refer to the
 I.O for help we could assist them very materially

f45

II

If the Scheme was devised of having a body say a Local Gov. Board, with the function of advising as to the advance of loans for Sanitary purposes (like our Local Govt- Board) at a rate of interest say $\frac{1}{2}$ to 1 p.c. above that at which the Indian Govt- could borrow- then not expences alone but even a profit might be made for Govt- out of the affair. Indeed all expences of inspections &c might be collected from the loan advanced to a Municipy- before paying it over, so that no additions wd- be made by a properly devised scheme of this sort to the general expences of the administration of India- but possibly a profit might be realized

Sutherland's Minutes III

First thing that took place in England in the matter of

Public Health, a Board was created whose duty it was whenever the Death-rate exceeded a certain percentage in any town or district to institute an enquiry - Then they recommended what ought to be done in Sanitary matters to diminish it & the Treasury advance money on loan for a certain number of years at a higher rate of interest than they, the Treasury, could borrow at themselves. Now it is a source of revenue.

f45v

What would be the objective. now we have so much knowledge of India, to creating a Local Govt= Board for the whole of India? could one Board at Simla or Calcutta work the whole of India? Or must you have a Board for each Province? ask Col. Yule about constitution & arrangement small board to begin with - extend in time

signed letter, ff46-47, pen

f46

10 South St. Park Lane W
Private Sept 10/87

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Many thanks for your
letter & packet, & for Dr.
Sutherland's letter - which
I will return to you-

I telegraphed to you
to-day to 'retain' you for
"Monday at 6," according
to your kind letter- *at all*
events.

Lord Cross is out of
London till Tuesday, but
may possibly come to me
on Tuesday afternoon- If

f46v

not, & I almost hope he

may not till a later day,
please *also* see me on

"Tuesday at 5". (till Mrs.
"Schwabe" calls you to dine).

I have had a long talk with

Col. Yule fresh from Lord
Cross- [Mr. Cunningham's
papers are now with Sir
John Gorst] But Col. Y. does not
know much-

ever yours sincerely
(in haste)

F. Nightingale

f47

My love to Marianne &

Gwendolyne, please -

I hope you thought Brit. Assn=
successful.

signed letter, ff48-50v, pencil {vert. lines throughout letter in left & right margins}

f48

Private Sept 15/87 [10:191]

& *Confidential* {2 lines up diag}

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}

PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Progress is being made,-

and I think I *must* see
you, if I possibly can
bring you here, tomorrow
(Friday) or Saturday
afternoon

I will send & inquire
at Chester St. tomorrow
about 2 to know
what you can do for me.

Ld X, if I understood
him aright, has given

f48v

orders for the preparation
of a kind of draft
Despatch, to be forwarded
to him in a week or two.

(he leaves London tomorrow
Friday night) but has
not yet quite made up
his mind what is to be
put in it.

He asked me to write
anything we had to say
for his consideration
within the next week or
so. particularly, I believe,
anent

f49

the personnel
powers
& where the funds
were to come from
of the proposed Executive
Sanitary Boards
But here comes the rub;
tho' he was more than
well disposed to all we
urge.
He says that the Govt=
cannot borrow *in India*
except at enormous
rates of interest -
if they borrow *in England*
for India

f49v

there is the unlucky
rupee's depreciation to
reckon with-
he does not support (no
a grim joke) that the
Municipalities who are
to enjoy the loans will
be willing to pay the
difference of the Exchange
This is so very different
from what the Anglo-Indian
world suppose- & especially
from what Mr. Cunningham's
& your papers are based
upon that I must alter

f50

†2†

what I was ~~going~~ thinking
of writing to him -

[One can't Gainsay a
S. of S.]

What are we to say?

Upon all other things
connected with our wishes
he was most favourable

Kindly tell me who
are the men recommended
by Dr. Sutherland

1. for Sanitary Members
in India (or retired)
2. for Sanitary Engineers:
from England for India

f50v

[You will understand,
I am sure, that all this is
strictly between you & me
= & indeed the fact of
Ld x having been here
at all.

[end 10:191]

Please when I see you
bring this note with you]
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f51, response at end of letter above, to FN re: list of names Sutherland
had stated would be suitable for Sanitary members

signed letter, f52-v, pen

f52

10 South St. Sept 16/87

No= 2

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I wrote to you both last night,
begging for an interview to-day
or Saturday-

Two appointments which
I cannot put off have come in
for this afternoon- [I hope
you could not have come to day]

But *please* give me at
least an hour *to-morrow*
Saturday afternoon at
any hour you will name.

There is about this
Despatch &c to settle
(which will be done before
you return)

f52v

[Who is to write the Despatch
to our satisfaction I
cannot think]

And two or three other
important things which
'will not brook delay'.

Could you kindly tell
Messenger *what time* you
can come *tomorrow*
afternoon?

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff53-54v, pencil

f53

10 South St Sept 17/87

/Private

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Do you mean by

"unavoidably prevented" that
I am not to see you before
you go abroad?

The matter of Lord Cross's proposed [10:192]
despatch is one of very
great importance- And its
fate will be settled, as he
told me himself, "in a
"week or two". Ld Cross is
gone to Balmoral- But I
hear from the Ind. Off. to-day
that he put Hy Cunningham's

f53v

papers into the hands of
Sir John *Strachey*. And Sir
J. St. who has not been in
India since all the great
Local Govt= changes have been
made, i.e nor for 8 years,
says that, *because* when
he was Lt Gov. N.W.P., (which
must be 10 years ago,) he
could not "see his way" to
such an Executive Sanitary
Board as we ask for,
therefore it *can't be now*-
And he is going to write to
Ld Cross to this effect-

[end 10:192]

f54

Col. Yule has not been directly spoken to at all. [You know we were told that Col. Yule was to have the drafting of the Despatch- & that Hy Cunningham would draft it for him- And I was to see it first-] And Ld Cross told me himself all about Col- Yule sending him Cunningham's ~~the~~ papers.

To be brief: here the matter **[10:192]** hangs- And if it were to hang till November, small harm would there be- But if it is to be settled by Sir John Strachey (who goes on

f54v

leave to-day- Else I really should try to see him), the whole thing to see him), the whole thing is lost for no one knows how long- And yet Ld Cross is so willing He asked me to write to him at Balmoral- And so I must But he has cut, as I told you all the ground of "Loans" & "Powers" from under our feet- And I have no one to advise me *how* to write-

[end 10:192]

Are you really going abroad tomorrow morning
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff55-56v, pencil

f55

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

10 South St

Nov 28/87

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I would have congratulated you on the Vienna Congress, & yet more on your Address to the Socy- of Arts but that I never knew when you returned to England Nor do I know where you are now.

I do not know where to begin, for I do not know where we left off- it is so long ago-

[10:192]

The letter I had them to write to the S. of S. for India (when you left) was written - his objections answered-

The Despatch is now being written

[9:670]

f55v

Dr Sutherland has, as you possibly may not know, been in *extremis*- He is now slightly better but I believe it is impossible that he will ever do another day's work-

[end 9:670]

The G.G. if India has sent me the "Resolution" he has issued to Local Governments- & a Memorandum-

Neither have yet reached the I.O.

He has written to me twice- And I have answered pointing out that the "Resolution" will not do without a Sanitary Executive administration in India

f56

All things are now ripe-
 except ~~indeed~~ men's minds-
 Indeed things are pressing for ~~action~~ action

Something must be done about [9:670]
 the Army Sany= Commn= at this end
 -as you said yourself, in
 consequence of the changes of the
 W.O - even if it were not for
 the 'great change' preparing for [end 10:12
 Dr. Sutherland- [end 9:670]

I understood you to say that
 we should all act in the
 beginning of November, when
 Minister returned to London-
 That is nearly a month ago-
 They are here now- but it 2
 or 3 weeks', is Xmas holidays- then

f56v

preparation for Parliament -

And where are we?

If you could kindly fix a day,

I could see you to-morrow,
 (Tuesday), Wednesday or
 Friday - indeed any day but
 Thursday that you could now
 fix

But as I say I do not know
 where to begin, for I do not
 know where we left off-

Could you kindly bring this [10:192

note with you if (when) you
 come?

[end 10:192]

ever yours faithfully
 F. Nightingale

initialled note, f57, pencil

f57

~~f2~~ {archivist:} [Nov-Dec 1887]

I may tell you confidentially
that as far back as October I
did write the material for a
"Despatch" *by the S. of S.'s desire*
& give it him

F.N. {archivist(?):} ~~f1892~~

~~I will~~ Would you also suggest
anything in answer to Col. Yule's
letter that I could write to him
especially "suggestions about
legislature"?

I will if I may write to you
afterwards about your very powerful
"Arts" paper-

note, f58-v, pencil

f58 {on strip of paper archivist: Nov-Dec 1887

Paper to
Royal Society
of Arts
by Galton
Nov 18 1887

Oct - FN notes
for Despatch

[on back of strip all crossed out illeges]

f58v

The horrible, soul & body
destroying *ennui* of a young
soldier's life in India,
shut up during the hot hours
in his Barracks, would
be enough to degrade an
Archangel & make him
drink & be vicious-

signed letter, f59, pencil

f59

Jan 3/88

{printed address:} PINE-ACRE,
SUNNINGDALE,
BERKS.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Dr. Hewlett of Bombay Presy=
reminds me that he is
"waiting for" us "to tell" him
"the points" we "wish" him "to
"notice in" his "posthumous report"
[I think I promised them him
in September last] He "wants
"to have them so that he may
"write as soon as possible on
"them"-

Would you be so very good
as to let me have them, of not *here*
by Thursday, at *10 South St.*
as soon as possible?

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

draft, ff60-61v, pencil & pen

f60

Private {up diag} May 5/88

Dear Sir D.G.

I have scarcely heard of you,
much less see you since
before Xmas-

[9:670]

But all this time this affair
of the Despatch has been put off
by poor Col. Yule's inability- & has
only now reached the S. of S.'s table
And the re-organization of the
Army San: Comm: yet more
important has hung fire-
From the best source I know that
poor Dr. S. will never do
another day's work, tho' I believe
he is not thinking at all of
returning

I received a private hint from
the W.O. ~~no~~ this was before the

f60v

Army Estimates- not to press it
because such a push was
being made for economy that
if Dr. S. resigned then, they
wd be only too delighted to
cut his salary off the Estimates-

N.B. You see Col. Yule
does not speak of any possibility
of I.O- taking part of expence.

*Can you tell me- I am too
blind to read the newspapers-
how it stands now. With the
Army Estimates? Is the vote for his
salary passed?*

[9:670]

The same 'hint' told me
that Ld R Churchill's Committee
was pressing hard-

f61

2 You see that Col. Yule only
speaks of "maintaining the
duties here" (i.e. I.O.) & nothing
at all of the W.O- yet the
duties at the W.O- were a very
large part of the re-organization
scheme.

[9:670]

I shall greatly deprecate the
plan he proposed, as far as Sir
J. Fayrer is concerned- & indeed
as far as he himself is concerned {interlinear text:}
who does not at all recognize that the A.S.C.
must be re-organized or fall &c besides
he seems poor man, hors de combat **[end 9:670-71]**
illeg

3. Mr. Hewlett is coming home
(retired,) this month- in the full
vigour, mind & body, of his long
experience & enthusiasm- We

like {vert. r. marg}

I must answer his letter, please, Or
he will be doing something we don't

f61v

have no one at all to compare with him- whether we want him at home or the A. S.C. or in India for the proposed Sanitary Executive (which by the way is being stoutly opposed by the I.O. Council.

It would be a sin to let him fall out of our ranks.

Sir R Rawlinson has resigned at the L.G. Board- & been succeeded by Col Tulloch, has he not?

For the last 2 months & more, beginning with Pleurisy &c- I have but once ~~left my~~ been able to leave my bed ~~even~~ to have my room 'done' - as the housemaids say - & have been able to see no one- **[end 9:671]**

signed letter, ff62-64, pen

f62

PRIVATE {up diag}

Re-organization of Army San= Comm
Impending resignation of Dr. Suthd=

{Col. Yule enclosed}

{Please return }

10 South St.

Park Lane W.

May 5/88

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I have scarcely heard of you, much less seen you, since before Xmas. But all this time this affair of the Sanitary *Despatch* from S. of S. for India to Govt= of India has been hanging fire owing to poor Col. Yule's invincibility, and it has only now reached the S. of S.'s table -

And the re-organization of the Army San= Comm=, far more important, seems to have dropped altogether.

From the direct source we know that poor Dr. Sutherland

f62v

will never do another day's work,
 tho' apparently he is not
 thinking at all of resigning-

N.B. A private hint was given
 me from the W.O.- this was
before the Army Estimator- not
 to press it, because such a
 push was being made for
 economy that, if Dr. Sutherland
 then resigned, they would be
 only too delighted to cut his
 salary off the Estimates -

[You see: Col Yule says
 nothing of any possibility of
 I.O. taking part of expence]

Could you kindly tell me - I
 am too blind to read newspapers-
how it stands now with Army Estimates
Is vote for Dr. S.'s salary &c passed?

[Same "hint" told me that Ld=
 R. Churchill's ? Committee was pressing

f63

2. You see that Col. Yule
 speaks only of "maintaining the
 "duties here" (i.e. I.O.) & nothing
 at all of the W.O. Yet the
 "duties" *at the W.O.* were a
 very large part of the re-organization
 scheme-

I should greatly deprecate
 what he Col Yule proposes, as far as
 Sir J. Fayrer is concerned; &
 indeed as far as he himself
 is concerned- He does not
 at all recognize that the *Army*
San: Comm: must be re-organized
 or fall- & is besides, poor man,
 'hors de combat'-

I must ~~be~~ answer his letter,
 please. Or he will be doing
 something we don't like, viz.
 "writing to Sir J. Fayrer on this"
 prior to Dr. S.'s resignation

f63v

3. *Mr. Hewlett* is coming home from Bombay (retired) *this month* - in the full vigour, mind & body, of his long experience & enthusiasm - We have no one at all to compare with him in practical knowledge & keen interest, whether we want him at home on the *Army San: Comm:;* or in India for the proposed *Sanitary Executive* (which by the way is being stoutly opposed by the I.O Council)

It would be a sin to let *Mr. Hewlett* fall out of our ranks We have no one like him.

[*Col. Tulloch* has succeeded - Sir R. Rawlinson at the L.G. Board, HAS HE NOT? - a very good man]

f64

†2†

For the last 2 months & more,
I have been quite laid aside,
beginning with Pleurisy &c -
I have but once been able to
leave my bed to have my room
'done', as the housemaid's say
but am ever your most truly
F Nightingale

draft, ff65-66, pencil

f65

{archivist:} [6 May 1888]

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

~~The~~ A Platform Card of Invitation for the
distribution of Certificates to Ladies who
have passed the Exam on Dom Hyg
by H.R.H. to-day
has been kindly sent me for ~~to-day~~ & I

regret more than I can say
that owing to my being now
entirely prisoner to my own
room from serious illness I am
quite unable to be present

You know how deeply ~~I~~ is my
~~sympathize~~ with the objects
of the Parkes Museum - &
more especially with that
of to-day.

~~of illeg women~~ without

f65v

women

~~whom~~ there can be no
domestic Hygiene - The finest
principles & words of house sewerage &
ventilation without her almost/must remain a
dead letter - But let the
woman be practically incensed
with how to keep air, earth
& water pure & light & sun light in her house-
And the work is done -

We are truly grateful to H R H
of Albany for giving us this proof of/invaluable
her

support - & ~~not the least~~ because {flows into next folio} we also see in it
her desire to
continue

her desire thus shown
she shows us this desire to
continue the interest, the help
the ~~invaluable~~ patronage of
so graciously given by our own
Duke of Albany it is invaluable

Add Mss 45766

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draft, ff65-66, pencil

[8:821]

f65

{archivist:} [6 May 1888]

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f66 {note: f66 shown in dup/arch. note overtop of folio}

{archivist:}
6th may 1888
Parkes Mus.
distribution
of Cats
{FN text seen in f54v}

signed letter, ff67-68, pen

f67

Private {up diag}
Re-organization: Army San= Comm=
May 8/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thanks very many for your
letter & enclosures- Nothing
better could have happened
to us than that you
should undertake the "last
"year's Reports"- And we
may feel truly thankful &
hopeful. Also: the way seems
opened for a real re-organizn=

[9:671]

As you say, if the Army
San= Comm= is to exist, it
must be re-organized -
It does *not* exist now-
It has no real authority

f67v

with the Departments -

We have now a Director=
Genl-, A.M.D. [we might
not have again] who is
cordially anxious not only
to refer "all his own Dept-`s
reports to the re-organized
A.S.C. but that it
should have real
"functions" as you say
& authority.

Your interview with
Mr. Stanhope will be
most important -

Good speed'- I am very glad
Sir R. Thompson has been forwarding
your "paper" with S.S.W. Do you know

f68

what is the gist of Lord Wolseley's
"paper" on the same subject?

And, thanking you again
& again for undertaking
us in our need,

pray believe me

Yours most truly

F Nightingale

It is a great plunge, after
Dr. Sutherland has been in
it for 30 years & more -

[end 9:671]

I will return your kind enclosures
to morrow- No one shall
see them-

F.N.

I thank you very much for your
capital Lectures which you
were so good as to send me -

F.N.

ff69-70, letter to Galton from Fayrer, May 12 1888, 53 Wimpole St., re:
successor to Dr. Sutherland

draft, ff71-74v, pen

f71

Private {up diag}
 Re-organization }
 of Army Sanitary }
 Comm: } May 13/88
 {printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
 PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton
 Many thanks for your letter
 & its enclosures -

In answer to your question,
 it is as certain as any thing
 can be in the worlds of
 India & England, so far off
 each other, that *Mr. Hewlett*
 will be home *next month-*
 that he is now starting, if
 not started, from India-
 [but I will write to his
 wife, who is at Bedford,
 & to whom he has probably
 telegraphed, to know if he has
 started]
 The post, for which alone he

f71v

could have staid at Bombay
 has been given to another
 man- We may
 speak of Mr. Hewlett's
 being 'on the spot' here
 as all but certain in a
 few weeks at latest-

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You know of course what
 I heard yesterday that
 poor Dr. Cunningham, the
 ex. Sanitary Commr= with
 Govt= of India, arrived
 in England from Australia
 2 or 3 days ago to have the

[9:671-72]

f72

Surgical

operation of Lithotomy
performed on himself-
Probably he will never be
the same man again -
Dr. Sutherland has always
looked on *him* as his
successor.

While acknowledging his (Cunningham's)
superiority in the literary
line, i.e. in drawing up
reports, to the other two
men, Hewlett & Cornish,
[these 3, Cunningham, Hewlett,
Cornish, † were the 3 mentioned
to me by Sir T. Crawford as
being those among whom he
would wish that Dr. Sutherland's

f72v

successor should be nominated
& that *you* should be *Chairman*]
I think Cunningham immeasurably
inferior to Hewlett in
every thing else- (& *now*
certainly, poor fellow.) And
Cun{n}ingham is so unpopular-
Hewlett has a *practical*
'*go*' in him - which
none of the others have- &
such experience *practical*
You were quite right to
say what you did about
Cornish. He has done it is true,
a good work in Madras-
[It was he who gave me
the Famine Statistics which
I published in the 19th Century-

f73

†2†

& was scolded for my
 "exaggeration" as never
 man was scolded by the
 I.O. And it turned out
 that the Statistics were *under*
 the mark]

But Dr. Cornish is not so
sound as Hewlett - &
 is inferior to him. He is "not",
 as you say, the 'right man' -
 2. But is the "Home Army"
 to be vested in the same
 man as the "Indian Army",
 if home reports are to go
 in to the A- San. Comm,
 as Sir T. Crawford proposes,
 & *as they ought*, in the
 same way as Indian reports?

f73v

Can they be?
 In that case, I should
 unhesitatingly say: of the
 three, Hewlett would be
 the best best ~~illeg~~ for the 'Home'
 purpose. But none of them have
 good experience for it-
 But did you not think
 of having *two* men -
 one for each Army?
 3. Is Dr. Sutherland to have
 a retirement pension?
 at least a 'consideration'?

f74

4 His 'statement' is finished & would have [end 9:671]
 gone in yesterday to S.S.W. but it had to be copied- It will go in in a day or two. He had been advised, I [9:671]
 don't know by whom, to draw up a sketch of his services for the last 40 years, & has done so, - on a [end 9:671]
 separate sheet- to go in with the other -
 But you probably know more than I-

f74v

5. Now is the 'tug of war'. Our fate will be settled now- I am most anxious that your interview with Mr. Stanhope shall have come off- Now for the re-organization of the Army Sanitary Commission! Sir T. Crawford did not seem to think that the changes in W.O. administratn business would make any change in what we have to ask for the A.S. Comm- - is it so?
 {printed address 10, SOUTH STREET, Have you seen his upside down:} PARK LANE. W. 'paper', & Lord Wolseley's 'paper' on the same subject as yours to Sir R Thompson?

initialled letter, ff75-78, pen & pencil

f75

Private {up diag} May 19/88
10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I return with many thanks
Sir J. Fayrer's letter.

1. From Dr. Sutherland I have **[9:673]**
received to my joy (unasked for) a letter
to show to the authorities,
recommending *Dr. Hewlett*
in the most unqualified
manner as his successor- **[end 9:673]**

I would send it to you,
but you know it all. If
you have occasion, will you
let me send it you, *to show?*

Col. Yule has written to Sir
J. Fayrer, saying that he
agrees with you as to

f75v

Hewlett being "the best of the
"Indians" "available".
All this is satisfactory -
[As for poor Dr. Cunningham,
he writes that the Doctors
have failed to find the
Calculus- that he is going
into a private Hospital-
- that he will never be
able to work again.

It is a sad prospect-]
As for the work, there is
no doubt that vigorous
Hewlett is the best-
But it is not strange that,
after 30 years, we
should not have an
'embarras de richesses' of
good Sanitary Indians?

f76

2. Col. Yule is anxious about the "joint Memo=" in "combination with" you - because you are "not disposed "to more *until* the W.O. has "come to a decision as to the "future position of the A.S.C. "in reference to the Depts=" "of the Army in general."

He would "like that some "sketch or scheme from us" (of the I.O.) "should have "been put forward *before* "the W.O. has spoken".

"It might more or less "have helped to shape their "utterance, but *after* the "Office has spoken they "are not likely to modify "seriously"-

f76v

He is evidently afraid that the I.O. may make any excuse to do nothing- ~~He says~~ tho' he "understands your "view", "of course" "Still, if we get a thoroughly "good man in Sutherland's "place", (& he then mentions Hewlett as "agreeing" with you) "both his (Sir D. Galtons) "object & ours would be "served" He is also evidently afraid that his health will not hold out much longer either on the I.O. Council or A.S.C. But he wishes to see this "affair once set on a good "footing" before he "retires "altogether".

f77

Private {up diag} †2†

[9:673]

He adds: "without the
concurrence of Galton, I
doubt if we can do
anything to the purpose".
Except as concurring in this
last, I have really no
opinion, further than that
I want *both*: the home Army
& India both to be "served"
by the A.S.C.

[end 9:673]

I merely tell you what
Col. Yule says, which I
dare say you know already
You are the only judge
as to ways & means -
I suppose nothing can

f77v

be done now with
S.S.W or S.S. India
by word of mouth till
after the Whitsuntide
holidays - tho' some say
it is the best time for
papers

I conclude Dr. Sutherland's
resignation is completed-

f78

Sanitary Executive in India

3. *Despatch* to Ld Dufferin
Nothing can be less hopeful
than the prospect- The
Draft *Despatch* is still, I
believe, with Sir John Gorst,
to whom Lord Cross sent the
papers-

[9:673]

I am asked both to see the
latter & write to Ld Dufferin.
- But Ld C. is out of town here,
& Ld D. is 'out of town' in
India-

Procrastination has been
fatal to us -

[end 9:673]

ever yours most truly
F.N.

The Nursing Sisters gone out
to Military Hospital, Rawul Pindi,
~~are~~ write to me, in the most
visorous state in *all* senses

initialled letter, ff79-80, pencil [13:560-61]

f79

10 South St. Park Lane W.

May 21/88

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

We have unwillingly consented
to let one of our most promising
Lady Nurses - (I having further
put my principles in my pocket
& got her a 3 months' Midwifery
training) - go out, with a high
salary, in woman's charge of
Lady Ossington's little new
agricultural colony in S. Africa,
140 miles W. of East London,
under Mr. Arnold White
(25 Hampshire agricultural
families, each of whom is to
have a cottage & land)- & 4 Gordon

Boys

She is to make a weekly

f79v

Sanitary inspection of each
cottage- &c &c &c &c -

I want a book for her on
the HEALTH of COTTAGES - of
School-room, &c - a book for
a woman, not a Sanitary
Engineer - a book on Ventilation,
Cleanliness, (Privies, I presume),
purity of water & of milk,
& all that, children &c- but very simple.

Which of your books would do?

- of Mrs. Buckton's?
- of Ladies' Sanitary Assocn=
- of Edinburgh or
Birmingham
Health Lectures?
- of what else?
- Dr. Combe?

f80

She is a very clever young
lady- but her training is thus
cut short- very helpful,
vigorous, sensible & devoted-
- a little too much of a talker-
but that will keep her spirits
up- quite above all nonsense.
But I wonder how she will like
a dull little labourers' colony
after the stir & 'Greek meets
Greek' of St. Thomas'- the
clash of wits- the life=&=
=death career- the change &
stimulus -

She is engaged for one or
two years- at Tennyson {name of
Sister Enid - hers {colony

Please help me to a book - **[end]**
ever yrs F.N.

signed letter, f81, pen

f81

May 21/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Mr. Hewlett (ex Sany= Comm:)
is due in England on *June 10*
or 11. He left Bombay 3
days ago on the 18th=
& comes home by Plymouth

I hear this from his wife
who, with his sons, is in
England. I presume he
telegraphed to her: to whom
I wrote:

yours very truly
F. Nightingale

Best love to Marianne, please

signed letter, ff82-87, pen & pencil {Galton's response in bold}

f82

Gordon Boys' Hospital plan

May 30/88

[16:481-83]

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

This plan (rough) has been just
sent me, tho' I understand the
Hospl= is all but quite finished

I think - I hope the *wish* is
not father to the thought - it
must have been submitted to
you- Can you explain in to
me (?Butterfield's)? [It is not
as Genl- Higginson, with whom
---I had a long interview, told me
-You know perhaps that I am
commissioned to find them a
Matron]

Ground Floor

KITCHEN & SCULLERY

[blue pencil] It was not originally
contemplated that room
would be wanted for
Outpatients

Is room to right *Surgery*? [blue pencil] yes, whether
Intended as illeg for/illeg

It has no fire-place

Add Mss 45766

763

Matron is to patch up *out* Patient boys
in Surgery & attend to their little ailments
Ablution room opposite. Is that for *Out-*
Patient boys? Surely not for *sick boys up stairs?*

f82v

ablution room is for boys not in bed

Stair case Is there a big window

over *Stair case*? **Yes**

Otherwise a long cross vestibule

with 4 doors & no window -

& *Cupboards* left of *Entrance*

prevent cross ventilation from

E to W. right through **I did**

not know of cupboards

Large Room to South. 19.6 x 12

said to be *Matron's Bed-room*

She does not want so large a

Bed-room- & she does want

a *Sitting-room*. And she,

the trained Nurse, ought to

sleep on *Ward-floor up-stairs* **yes**

Bed-room a very nice room

x two Windows to South. But

what does she want with a

Bed-room near 20 ft long?

Matron must have a W.C. **None**

And I should have thought one

for Surgery-

x She ought to have

sitting & bedroom - but that

idea was scouted

f83

Upper Floor or Ward Floor

WARD to left 20 x 24.8 x 11

very awkward so nearly square-
3 Windows, unless I am blundering,
to N., E., & W. - will get
none but E. sun (see projection S. of W.)
said to be for 10 boys- [Genl= Hign= said for 6.
Where are *sick* boys to wash? **In the ward**

Small room at right angles, to W.

12.9 x 8.8 x 12 opposite W.C.s
which have all the southern sun.

This, I was told, was to be the
"Infectious" Room- & when not
occupied by an infectious case, was
to be occupied by the "Slavey"
a girl at "£10 or £12 a year" -

If the sick boys are *not*
bed ridden, *she* cannot control
their tricks. If they are, the
Matron who is their trained Nurse,
ought to sleep on their floor. [But
this is not a nice bed-room for a *Matron*]
There ought to be an *Inspection*

Window on to the large square Ward
[*Night & Day Inspection* altogether deficient]

f83v

But if an "Infectious" case is to be there, an Inspection - window is of all things to be *avoided*.

[Genl= Higg= was not quite sure whether this room was to have more than a 'borrowed' light. Any how the window can be only N. or W. (unless I am blundering
Stair Case

I take for granted by window over stair-case & another at the other end- sweeping ventilation from end to end of passage- [response: Yes so I under [illeg faint blue pencil] Perhaps it is intended to shut off

"Infectious" Room & W.C. (one) opposite & Slop Sink with passage window when there is an "Infectious" case?
{printed address 10, South Street, upside down:} Grosvenor Square. W.
But *is* it a *fit* room for "Infectious" case? & ought not the door to be nearer the big window, if for Infectious case?

f84

Matron [blue pencil response:] I told them it was Indians
 is to be a *trained Nurse*
 to take entire charge of Hospital
 with a "Slavey"x to cook & c -
 to take charge of *general* health
 of all boys- & prevent illness
 & treat little ailment without
 Doctor
 to take charge of *new arrivals*
 (who are generally ill)
 & of their Dormitory
 to supervise *General Kitchen* &
 soldier cook & introduce
 healthy variety, broths,
 economy, & good dishes, & fruit
 to supervise *Laundry* where
 boys are taught to wash
 but without a Laundress!!
 This is in brief what she is
 to do.
 She cannot therefore be
 always in Hospital

f84v

"After much search, I have
 submitted a Matron (who
 has been with us 10 years)
 to Genl= Higg=, she would
 take it under *conditions*.

She must have a *competent*
woman servant who is to cook for Hospital- not under 30,-
 who can be trusted with boys
 of from 14 to 18, especially
 if she is to sleep on that floor
 at night & when Matron is
 about on her duties. And this
 woman must have a bed-room
 Matron ought to have a
Sitting-room.

Could *room up-stairs* be
 made *fit for Matron's bed-room* for
maid be taken off the
 South room down stairs; this to
 be the Matron's *sitting-room*?

It would be far better if the
 Matron & maid could sleep in

f85

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Upper or Ward Floor (continued)

Ward to S. beautiful Ward
 19.9 x 12 by 11.
 best room in the place
 2 windows to S. one to E
 (unless I am blundering)
 [Genl- Higggn= says for 4 boys]
 But- difficulty of Inspection or
 Supervision?

W.C.s good over Entrance -
 window I presume between them-
~~illeg~~ & windows *in* each to S-
 good broad passage, swept by air,
 I presume, from end to end
 Slop sink window ditto I presume
 S. or W.

But I do grudge their position
 with all the S. & W. sun

And it would make such a
 beautiful bed room for Matron.
 [All on the N. side the passage
 I don't like- do you? Square Ward
 Infectious room= &c

f85v

*Where is the "Slavey" to sleep
 when "Infectious" room occupied*

GROUND FLOOR: BACK DOOR

under stair case
 back door quite necessary
 to admit *Out-Patient boys* x {response: **x they would come
 in at front door**
 I imagine
 to Surgery & Ablution Room
 & to admit boys who are taught
 to assist in the Hospital-
 & the delivery of supplies-

But for discipline it will
 be a very easy descent for the
 sick boys on upper floor
 down the stair-case & out
 by the Back-door-

This makes it the more
 imperative to have a trustworthy
 maid to Matron

Matron may have boys to tea. She
must have a Sitting-room-

f86

†3†

adjoining rooms up-stairs.
 But it does not seem possible.
 And after all *where is the*
woman who sleeps in
 the empty Infectious room
to sleep when that is occupied
by an Infectious case - the
 time of all others when the
trained Nurse is most
 wanted up-stairs- at night?

These are the difficulties
 about which I must ask
 you -

[There *must* be a Laundress
 under the Matron- But as
 she would not sleep in
 Hospital, I need not
 trouble you about that.

f86v

If you would kindly return
 me these sheets WITH YOUR
 KIND REMARKS, it might
 save you trouble

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

Excuse

repetition & haste

[end 16:483]

f87

Many thanks for names of
 books for S. Africa -
 Sir J. Fayrer is, I understand,
 ordered to Carlsbad -
 Col. Yule seems very anxious
 that something should be
 done about I.O. Memo=
 (re Sutherland)
 says truly, a second time,
 nothing can be done
 without you -
 No doubt you know all
 about it -

signed letter, ff88-92v, pencil

f88

10 South St. June 17/88 [10:194]

Private {up diag}

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Mr. Hewlett returned
last Monday - & is eager
for employment

His address is

T. Gillham Hewlett

Failand

Dynevor Road

Bedford -

He has sent me the Proof
of his contribution, done
in accordance with our wishes,
to his successor's Annual
Report to the Bombay Govt= [end 10:194]

I have not told him that
Dr. Sutherland's retirement is

f88v

completed, for fear that he
should apply at once to
succeed him- which would
probably not expedite, if it
did not prevent, the re-orga-
-nization- *What do you recommend*
to be said to him?

Have you done anything [10:194]

in the matter of {of overtop '?'} the *re-organization*
of the *Army Sanitary Commn-?* so
important. [end]

2. Col. Yule is come back to
London, but not to Office
-no better - He has heard
nothing about the progress
or no-progress of "the Despatch"
Nothing seems doing -

f89

I have no doubt you are
hard-worked by your kind
& most valuable undertaking
of Dr. Sutherland's reports.
=====

3.

Might I send you the plan [16:885]
of *Gordon Boys' Home Hospl=*,
which Col. Hamilton has sent
me, & which I actually
worse than the rough
sketch (which I sent you)
by Genl- Tyndall shows?
4 And might I send you
the sketch plans of this new

f89v

(proposed) *Woman's Hospital* in Euston Road
-not finished, like the Gordon,
nor yet begun - which I
have been asked to criticize
- a criticism nearly completed
which I should scarcely have
undertaken without hope
of your help-

Are you in London? [end]
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

5

I have had some valuable
papers on the *Utilization of*
Town Refuse - sent me from India

f90

Private {up diag}[2]

by Sir E.C. Buck - Would
you care to see them? - It is
a question which, if it could
be determined sanitarily,

- - - - -

would almost in itself
give fertility to India-
And that reminds me: could
you devise a plan for
utilizing the same at the
Gordon Boys' Home, giving
health to them, & valuable
manure to their garden?

F.N.

f91

Sanitary Executive [3] *Board in India*
6 I am very sorry about poor
Col. Yule. But his delay
in the Despatch, which was
drawn up for him- & which
ought to have reached Id=
Dufferin in January last,
was maddening- I am
afraid his last day's work
is done - But then, if he
resigned, his successor, at the I.O. might
be altogether against us - **[end 10:194]**
I mean the Despatch about a
Sanitary Executive in India
Now for that Indian
Sanitary Executive! But Lord
Cross has not passed the Despatch
yet-
7 I do not quite understand Sir

f91v

J. Fayrer's note- He probably knows nothing of our good luck in having you to do Dr-Sutherland's work for the last year's Indian reports- *at least* -

I hope that nothing will occur in the way of appointment of successor to Dr. Sutherland to prevent this - Indeed it cannot be.

But we stick to Hewlett -
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f92

[2] June 18 1888

Sany- Engineer

Mr. Hewlett writes to me:

"Ahmedabad has at last
"definitely committed itself to a
"sewerage scheme, & I am trying
"to find out for what sum I
"could get a good *Sanitary*
"Engineer to go out to them-
"Some young man who has learnt
"under good masters. This is
"important so that there may
"be no mistake made; & I
"must see about it".

*Could you recommend
not a "sum" but a "man"?*

Might I refer Mr. Hewlett
to you? Might I, about

f92v

other things too, tell him
that he may ask to see
you?

F.N.

initialled letter, ff93-95, pencil

f93

10 South St June 19/88

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I am so very sorry that you miss your "copy of the Memo=" "which" you "drew up for Sir "Ralph Thompson, on the "Army Sanitary Committee"-

I will instantly make a search for it & hope to let you have it back in the course of the day.

[Since March 1 I have scarcely left my bed- & have only been 5 times into the Drawing-room & for nearly 4 months- When F. Verney

f93v

had ~~Typhoid Fever~~ his illness here, all my papers were moved into the little Drawing-room - & I have not been able to look at them since- But I will immediately do this. [your valuable papers, if here, is perfectly safe.] & I hope to let you have it in the course of the day.

Forgive me.

f94

2. Could you kindly look at this letter of F. Verney's to Genl= Higginson, which he has sent to me to look at & post? It is the *second* subject in the letter, to which the *little sketch* refers.

[16:486]

I had called his F.V.'s attention to it- But I must have your 'imprimatur', please, before it goes -

Could you return it to me by Bearer - with your verdict? if you will be so good

f94v

I am going to send
 you the Hospital Plans
 as you kindly allow-
 ever yours most truly
 F.N.

f95

[3]

Gordon Boys' Home

Very many thanks for your
 criticism, which I have
 forwarded to F. Verney.
 I am so thankful I sent to
 you -
 I did not mean to do
 dishonour to my "education"
 by supposing *this* was the
 proper thing - But the
 boys are behaving badly -
 Their habits are not decent-
 And it would be desirable
 that something should be
 done, if it could be
 Sanitarily done. [end]

initialled letter, ff96-97, pencil

f96

10 South St June 19/88

Your M.S.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton
 I have been, thank God, able to
 be as good as my word - And here
 comes your most valuable paper
 -[It was carefully done up, with
 other papers of its relations,
 in packet, & laid ~~by myself~~
 on the book-case shelves in the
 little Drawing-room]
 I must have gone carefully thro'
 a great part of the matter, (for I
 find the extracts in my pencil
 hand-chiefly those which you or
 I had marked in red, but
 some more too-) with W.H. Smith,
 whose removal from the W.O -
 -for he so entered into the whole-
 is almost as bad for us as the

f96v

death of the Emperor for Germany

p.p. 17-19. We must have
known already that the D.G-
would not choose to be
President. For this is altered
in my notes & extracts -

I find, written from your
dictation, I suppose ~~p. 8a~~ p. 10 & following

"Tell Mr. Smith that

&c &c

p. 14 Poor Dr. Cunningham
mentioned -

but it is expressly stated

that some one *besides* is
wanted for *non-Indian Questions-*

or some arrangement - How is this to be? {flows into f96v:} Is it true?

Hewlett not mentioned. He is now at home, craving for employment

f97

I keep my pencil *Extracts*
& *notes*

{rest of folio text vert. on page, & vert. line down l. marg to end}

The subject, cautiously mentioned, p 8 & 8a,
of the necessity of a Sanitary
Executive IN INDIA, is now
thoroughly thrashed out- The
draft Despatch is printed,
& on the India S. of S.'s table -

But nothing is done -

The S. of S. was so well inclined-
It is most unfortunate, the delay-

Can anything be done? This is a critical
time

This does not depend in the W.O.

F.N.

signed letter, ff98-101, pencil

f98

New proposal }
Women's Hospital } June 20/88 [16:885-87]
Euston Road }
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton
I send you the plans (3)
according to} with 1 Elevation
your kind } & 1 Site plan
leave } of this "valuable Estate"
& 11 pages of mine which
"do make that darker
"which was dark enough before"-
& 1 page of Building Committee.
//Do you approve of "Mr. Yuill"
as Sanitary Engineer for "Drainage"?
2. Do you think the great
Stair-case with single
window sufficient to air &
light this most intricate

f98v

Hospital - which requires
Fortunio's ~~illeg~~ telescope
which could see round angles?
O that it could be swept
from end to end with air!
You see it is to be filled
with the cases which of all
others require Sanitary precautions
And it is to be a Women Doctors'
Medical School!
3. The Estimate is for £10,000.
Brydon the Architect- who
built small Hospital for Stone
in Henrietta St- said to be
a minor Butterfield for temper.
Do you know him & it?

f99

"Large Air-shaft or well for
"ventilating W.C.s & Bath-room
"at end" said to be
successful at Stone Hospital

"Varying lines of foundation
& walls & roofs" said to
make the "elevation expensive"

4. My chief anxiety is, as you
see, that the Ward floors
are like a rabbit - Warren.

-one bedded Wards without
direct inspection- hardly
any where for any one to sit
down- nowhere for any one
to sleep- besides the poor
Patients who may all be
bad cases.

f99v

-3rd or Nurses' & Servants'
floor- still more like a
rabbit warren- & so unhealthy

Must have better accommodation
for Head Nurses- or they won't
get proper women. And how
can they nurse that labyrinth
with 6 Nurses? They could
hardly nurse it with 12.

The "Private" Wards, I
understand are for ladies -
5. The "Shops" in the white
space to the right may be
built up to any height - they
cannot prevent it-

I was told that the tall
(pink) houses 144 to 136 cannot
be pulled down, because they

f100

{2}

cannot afford to lose the rents-

But 144 to 136 must be pulled down, because you see the Hospital fronts on Euston Road. I was told the *height* of houses would be given me- but it has not come

Now, we await your criticisms with the utmost anxiety- I am told to "aim high", in order to get *something*-

The Ladies' Committee beg us to send our alterations as soon as *possible*, because they

f100v

want the plans to be remodelled accordingly, in time for a Lord Mayor's Meeting- when funds are to be collected-

When may I send for your kind criticisms?

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f101

I am afraid the air will be always losing its way thro' these intricate rooms & corridors

F.N. [end 16:886]

signed letter, ff102-04, pencil

f102

10 South St July 8/88 [16:886-87]

New Women's Hospital

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thank you exceedingly for
your most able letter on
the plans of the (Euston Road)
new Women's Hospital,
which determined their
'Building Committee' to
have the plans entirely
remodelled, according to
your advice. They ask:

do you know the new
Great Northern Hospital
or the

Miller Memorial Hospital

built by *Young & (Hall?)*

Architects? The Committee

f102v

(on which is Alice Bonham
Carter) would be glad to
know whether you would
recommend them? the Architects?
Or what small/small Hospital
you would recommend
as a *safe model* as to
ventilation & sanitary
condition?

I would remind you of
Lincoln | Aylesbury | Blackburn
Swansea | Oldham | - -
all which plans & a
great many others passed
thro' your (& my prentice) hands-
merely as to whether you would recommend
any-

f103

And there was a *man*,
Graham, I think, & one or
two others whom you
used to recommend as
having built *good small*
Hospitals -

But, do you think that that
site can ever come to good?
Can 'any good thing come out
'of Nazareth'?

[end 16:887]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f104

Private {up diag} {2}
Can you, O can you tell
me anything about

[9:672]

Mr. Stanhope & the
re-organizing the Army
Sanitary Commission?

[Both Mr. Cunningham &
Dr. Hewlett have seen
Lord Cross - & are
well satisfied with him.]

But I cannot find out that
anything is done! And here
is July!! And Lord Lansdowne
is in London!!! And he
must be enlisted in the cause!

[end 9:672]

F.

initialled letter, ff105-08, pencil

f105

Most 10 South St
Private {2 words up diag} July 9/88

Mr. Hewlett

My dear Sir Douglas Galton
We are now in the 'fix' that
was certain to come as to
whether we should keep Mr.
Hewlett for our India
Sanitary Executive- (for
which we certainly have not
his equal) but which, the India
Sanitary Executive, is not sure
to be at all.

Or whether we shall let
him take other employment-
(in which his unique Indian
value would be quite wasted)

f105v

[This was the case with Major
Tulloch - & he *felt* it- at the
Local Govt- Board- He was
the *only* Indian Sanitary Engineer,
I believe you say- except perhaps Col. Ducat. And he was
wasted on determining Electoral
District boundaries]

&c

I was so very glad that you saw
Mr. Hewlett by appointment
on Saturday- I hope he was
satisfactory. *He* was delighted with]
his interview _____]
Perhaps he talked to you about
the following question: but I
rather think it only came up
after he had seen you.

f106

This question is:
Dr. Buchanan, (Med: Off- Privy Council)
told him on Saturday afternoon
that there was no vacancy in
his Dept-, but there was a
vacancy caused by Dr. Mouat's
retirement, & that this was
in the gift of the President
Mr. Ritchie, & he advised Mr.
Hewlett to apply for it. He Mr. H.
at once went to Major Tulloch
- & by his advice called on Sir
Hugh Owen who said the
appointment had not been made,
but that if Mr. Hewlett wanted
it, he ought *at once* to apply
for it.

f106v

*Mr. Hewlett will not do so,
until he hears from us that
we do not advise him to
wait for the chance of ~~an~~
work connected with India
for which I know you
think with me we have
not his like x -*
1. This is the position:
You see the man has nothing
but his pension: he has a
family of sons growing up,
of whom the eldest is at
Sandhurst- 2. *We want him*
x As for Dr. Payne whom Mr.
Cunningham is so fond of, he would only
get us into a sea of troubles-

f107

†2†

3. anybody can do the other work

It is a tremendous responsibility for one to take to advise him *either* way.

But you care as much about this as I do- and are 1000 times more of importance in it.

What shall we do?

Something must be said to him *at once*-

I would write to Col. Yule to know what is doing at

f107v

the I.O. end- But he really is of no use - poor man. Ld Cross told Mr. Cunningham that we had a staunch friend in *him* (Ld= C.)

~~but~~ And also he was most gracious to Mr. Hewlett-

But nothing is *done*- And

~~But~~ Mr. Cunningham, I *believe*, still wishes for Dr. Payne - [They are going in a Deputation to Ld Lansdowne about Calcutta]

Probably *you* know more than I do about the I.O. end as well as about this.

f108

Now please tell me what to do. You see no delay is possible

ever yours most truly

F.N.

Mr. Hewlett's address is:

Failand

Dynevour Road

Bedford

initialled letter, ff109-12, pen

f109

Private & {up diag}

Confidential July 11/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

{*Mr. Hewlett*

{*Army San: Comm: re-organn=}*

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Many thanks for your letter
& all its enclosures.

I immediately wrote a touching
& guarded letter to Mr. Hewlett,
based upon your letter.

He takes it in the most
Christian spirit, but (eheu!)
he does not do a Christian
act by me, for he comes up
tomorrow (Thursday) early to
"discuss the question further
"with" me!!

I think I ought not to have
accepted this- it is so difficult
to "discuss" a thing viva voce

f109v

when one cannot tell the ins &
outs. But I *have* accepted
him- & I can't now undo it-

He says he "will take no
"further action" "until" he has
discussed the subject with"
us to morrow.

And he asks:

"*could he not always resign*"

(The Mouat succession, if he
gets it) "*or be transferred*"
if the *succession to Dr. Sutherland*
which he would so infinitely
prefer, & which we so
unfeignedly wish, is offered
to him.

f110

*Could you tell me how this
would be?*

Perhaps this is what he wants
to ask- perhaps what
Dr. S.'s salary was, & whether
he will have the same= (he is
a poor man with large family)-
- but his ardour & experience
& knowledge of the natives, as
you know, is unique & not
at all dependent on salary)
-may I tell him that Dr. S.
had £1000?

& what else may I tell him?
It may not be anything of this
sort but only *probabilities*
& *Duties*. What are the
probabilities? & when to be decided?

f110v

Many thanks for your enclosures
which are very useful as
knowledge. I gather:

1. I am sorry Lothian speaks
in that self-satisfied tone
of the R.E.'s knowledge so
"much in advance" which is
I believe, just the contrary of
what you think- as well, as
of "Sanitary work being now
"a special branch of the
"curriculum at Chatham"-

This is most unfortunate
as regards what we want
the *re-organized* A.S.C. to do

As to India, Lothian says:
"my jurisdiction does not extend
"to India". So I gather that
you & Mr. Hewlett will not be
interfered with there by the Inspecc
Genl= of F-

f111

Col. Yule {2}
 2. I gather that there is no
 chance of "the Despatch"
 [have you seen it? Col. Yule
 asks- I have them both
 here, if you have not]
 being carried which recommends
 a *Sanitary Executive* in India
 (& which an ex-Viceroy told me
 he strongly recommended)- that
 therefore *Mr. Hewlett's* services
in India which as you
 said would be still more
 valuable in that capacity
 than here will not be
 wanted at present:

Must I tell him this?

[You would not see him *to morrow*,
 would you?]

that the Executive Sanitary Engineer
 from here *MAY* be carried; (that

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does not concern us just to morrow]

Yes, indeed: Col. Yule's ~~illness~~ health
 is disastrous to us-

Not but what Peile would
 have done his business on the
 I.O. Council. But *he* would
 not.

These 'gatherings' are rather
 hostile to our 'purposes'

Now, *please give me*
my cue for Mr Hewlett.

When may I send for
 your answer *to-day*?

Any time will do for me.

f112

"Let us by a song conceal
 our purposes"
 Would that like the Conspirators
 in the Anti Jacobin,
 you would reveal "our
 "purposes" to me for him
 thus.

ever yours most truly

F.N.

initialled letter, ff113-14v, pen

f113

PRIVATE {up diag}

A.S.C. 10 South St

{capitals in a rect.} July 13/88

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thank you very much

for your note. I had a
long Indian Sanitary talk
with Mr. Hewlett yesterday.

[9:673]

He only asked two questions
about himself: 1. whether
it would prejudice his
chance of being appointed
to the A.S.C. (upon which
his whole heart & mind
are fixed, but not more
than ours) to take a post
on the Local Govt= Board

I assured him it would

f113v

not. [I had your authority]

And I believe he will

send in his official letter
to-day†

2. whether it would be
more than a few months
before the A.S.C. matter
was decided: to which

I answered we could not tell. [end 9:673]

We had a little conversation
about the I.O. Council here

And he asked whether

Peile, the Bombay Sanitarian,
recently appointed on the Council, aid not
help on the Sanitary matters-

You know that before

f114

Christmas Col: Yule was asked to turn over "the Despatch" to Peile- & appeared to catch at the suggestion. But when I asked Col. Y. in the spring if he had done so, he said he "had not, because that would have caused further delay". I don't know what "delay" could have been "further". I wish Peile was in charge of us at the I.O.

I often think we calumniate the Orientals

f114v

for their 'delays'; which are a proverb. It is they who ought to make us a proverb for our 'delays'. It is heart-breaking And we calumniate the Orientals for their 'corruption' We have had some lately have not we?

ever yours most truly

F.N.

signed letter, f115-v, pen

f115

July 27/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

It seems to me that we
have a great deal we might
have to say- & that it is a
long while since we have
seen each other.

Could you kindly fix any
afternoon, either to morrow
(Saturday) or any day next
week?

The great subjects I put off
till then-

Some little ones are as
follow:

"Buckley Hall" at Chatham
is losing all its usefulness from
sheer mis management.

f115v

And the reformers want to
know what the ORIGINAL
rules & regulations were,
especially about *beer*:
(& cannot get the officials to
look for them in the office!)

Could you kindly tell us?
I do very much want you to
~~illeg~~ look into some things
at Gordon Boys' Home,
especially the Hospital,
of which I have a proper
plan.

[Our Matron is appointed]

ever truly yrs F. Nightingale

signed note, f116, pen

f116

July 31/88
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

Sir Douglas Galton

Yes, please, at 5
to-day.

F. Nightingale

Thanks for your note -
Last night.

initialled note, f117, pencil

f117

Rough Notes (4 note-sheets)
on *Memo= returned*
and, in them,
& Mr. Cunningham &
Mr. Hewlett
on Simla Resolution -
F.N.

Aug 2/88

Also: Col. Yule's letter
which please return -

Also: Lady Verney's "Peasant
Owners"

draft, ff118-24v, pencil {response in bold}

f118

10 South St. Aug 2/88

PRIVATE {up diag}

Memo= on Army Sanitary Committee

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

This is the anniversary of
Sidney Herbert's death -

This *Memo=* is admirable -

But as you kindly ask me to
"make suggestions", I proceed,
tho' ~~most~~ some of them will be little
more than verbal:

f119 {text vert. on page}

p.8. Para 3- "This was not done"-

Perhaps it would be more correct to state ~~who~~ what was done: &, failing, Sanitary Commisssers= appointed.

p.9 bottom Do "they refer" "to the A.S.C"- "all "questions" &c?

I have asked that ~~the Govt= of India should~~ "questions" should be referred from

~~refer~~ (thro' the I.O., I presume,) "questions" to the A.S.C- The answer could thus be obtained in 3 months, instead of two years.

Also: that the A.S.C. should have power to ask questions for its information from India (thro' the I.O., I presume) in order to be able to make its answers of more value- [At present it is like a ghost which cannot speak unless it is spoken to]-

And its Mema- on the "Reports which are referred to "it give an answer 2 years old-

[No brickbat was thrown at my head - And I was not told that "they" were speechless with indignation at the temerity of my proposal]

cf. p. 29 where you give this power to the A.S.C. at home -

f119v

p.10 "Suggestions" -

"The Suggestions" were principally for the civil native populations - were not they? -

The "Executive" for the Army - There was, in fact, no Executive for the

"Suggestions" - {response:} **The suggestions relate very largely to Barrack buildings- & the lodging of troops -**

f120

[2]

p.16 last Para, but one

"lending funds"

Would you not take notice here of the Simla 'Resolution'?

Says Mr. Cunningham to me, "The Resn= of the Govt=

"of India, so far as the telegraphic summary "enables on to judge, concedes the two principal "points" we have contended for, "& is the most "important success we have as yet achieved"

xx "The Govt= of India has anticipated the

f120v

"Municipal reform, which we wished it
"to recommend"

But Mr. Hewlett ~~says:~~ said yesterday to me: the "Resolution" apparently
fails to shew how funds are to be raised
by taxation ~~or~~ (rates) for RURAL AREAS-

[N.B. Mr. Cunningham only knows or cares
for *Municipalities*]

see p.4 of these Notes for Mr. Hewlett's view
I enclose} Col. Yule's letter- Please return -
also}

f121

p.p. 16, 26, 35 -

PRAY *DON'T* say any thing like: 'A.S.C.
'unnecessary'- We *can't* afford to lose our
hold upon them - It will *always* be
necessary - Impulse has always come from
England.

This is the way Dr. Sutherland errs. He
fancies he is putting them on their mettle;
whereas, they say: 'O! He says so himself -
'viz. that A.S.C. is worthless or unnecessary'

f121v

p. 17 Para 2 -

But the "Sanitary Commissioner" himself
wants reforming

Para 3 - "A.S.C." I should think
so indeed!

p. 24 Para 1- Yes: "municipalities"
But *how about* VILLAGES & *rural areas*?

They are really now the most important

What provision do you make for these?

f122

[3]

p.29. Last Para-

Should there not be a *Civilian* too?
There *is no* A. Med: Dept= Sanitarian, by the
showing of its own head- He himself
says that it should be a "strong" Comm:
with *Civilians* upon it

p.32. "Conclusion"

would you not add Para 1 - end of Para - after "Indian Army",
the *Civil native* population of India - &

f122v

show that the *Army has an "Executive"*
 the *Indian populations have none -*
 In *England there is a Local Govt= Board }*
 India has *none -* for the Civil populations}
 (unless you wish to allude to the Simla
 Resolution]

f123

p.35 end

W.H. Smith said to me: 'I will
 re-constitute the A.S.C. So as to do the work
 & give it the work to do.'

Sir T. Crawford said: 'I would give it even
 the secret Minutes to see

but I would make it a strong Commn-'.
 Do not you think the last words "abolish
 "it altogether" ~~very~~ dangerous?

Date it: 'Aug 2 1888': please-

f124

[4]

Mr. Hewlett says: (of the Simla Resolution:)

"we ought to know, especially for rural areas
 "what powers the Sanitary Boards will have
 "& under what Acts they will work?"

further

"there are no 'Sanitary Engineers' in India"

further: "it does not say *how to raise*

"funds for the improvement of VILLAGES" -

further: "by fostering the old village organization

& "by giving *imams* to the Village scavenger

"is the only way to work-

Mr. Hewlett knew

f124v

nothing but what I told him - & had
 not seen the "Times" till I showed him -
 tho' he had been at the I.O-

signed letter, ff125-27v, pen & pencil

f125

Most

Private {2 words up diag}

Mr. Hewlett August 5/88
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I must consult you about a matter most pressing & which concerns a great many fates.

We must decide "if it is "necessary for" Mr. Hewlett "to apply" for Dr. Sutherland's appointment "and when".

This is the way the question is put to me.

You will see that it is impossible for me to take the responsibility upon myself of advising him *not* "to apply" or "to apply".

[9:674]

f125v

"Dr. Cornish *is* trying for it "and others".

I do not know whether formally or not- whether to the S. of S. for India, or ~~not~~ to whom?

I cannot possibly take the responsibility of advising Dr. Hewlett

~~him~~ *not* to apply.

Sir Joseph Fayrer states that

"Dr. Sutherland had resigned "& that he, Fayrer, did not "think that the appointment "would be filled up". Probably it will *not* if there is no re-organisation of the A.S.C.

f126

But the "others are trying". [end 9:674]

It is said that "Dr. Planck
 "will probably try for Dr.
 "Sutherland's appointment"
 that "he (Planck) is half-cracked
 "& a most unsafe man."

[I had asked what he was
 merely to know what he
 would do as a Sanitary
 Commissioner *in India*.]
 Sir Joseph Fayrer has "mentioned
 "Mr Hewlett's name as a
 "*possible candidate*" for Dr
 "Sutherland's appointment"
 It would appear as if

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people were "candidates" & are canvassing for it
 & activity just as for
 any other appointment-

You will remember that, [9:674-75]
 upon your authority, tho'
 of course I did not give
 my authority, I advised
 Mr. Hewlett "to *keep quiet*
 "for the present".

Do you think that "*present*
 is now gone? & that he
 had better enter the Lists?

The filling up Dr. Sutherland's
 place really depends, I

f127

†2†

suppose, upon the
re-organisation of the
Army Sany= Commn=
But people are *not* waiting
for that. And Hewlett
must not be left out in the
cold, either for the work's
sake or his own.
The matter is so important
that, tho' I was trying to
get off to Claydon at
once, I would gladly,
*if you could see me on
Wednesday afternoon*
on your return to London,
stay till Thursday, in

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order that you should
advise me upon
Hewlett's course
more than you would do
by a letter -
Could you answer *by Telegraph*
this last question?
Kindly do so to
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale
Please return me this note
when I see you
F.N.

[end 9:674]

incomplete letter, ff129-33v, pen & pencil

f129

Strictly Claydon Ho: Winslow:

Private {both up diag} Bucks Aug 28/88

THE (Govt- of India) "Resolution", [9:674]
of which a telegraphic Summary
appeared in the "Times",
has reached me from Simla
in a letter dated August 1.

No doubt you have seen it:

"Proceedings of Govt= of India: Home Dept=
(Sanitary) Simla, the 1st July 1888"

1. It gives us the "Executive agency"

[it is expressly stated that it is
to be "more than consultative"]

- in each Province a Sanitary
Board composed of

1. an Officer of administrative
experience

2. the Sanitary Commissioner
(who is there? (see end

3. a Sanitary Engineer P.W.D-
[qy: is 'he' there?

is there one?

f129v

4. non official members
appointed by Local Govt=

5. *ex officio* members
[some Commissioners of Division
& District Officers are rather
terrible in their ignorance & apathy]

The Sanitary Board is to have the
control & supervision over Sanitary
works, whether in urban or rural
areas

& is to be the *executive* agency
through which the Govt= is to
work in the Sanitary Dep.

The Provincial Sanitary Boards
are to communicate with the
Sanitary Commr with Govt- of India

[-pity he is not a better man
this seems to me fatal]

[Possibly later a Sanitary Engineer
is to be associated with him]

[end 9:675]

And through him, the Sany= Commr=,
the Govt= of India is to enforce
a general control-

f130

II. The "Resolution" "considers" [9:675-76]
 "favourably" the question of
Loans to Local bodies: & the
 authorizing of a "provincial
 "Loan fund"- to enable local
 bodies to raise funds for Sanitary
 improvements on 'less onerous
 'terms'- & says that on this point
 its, the Govt- of India's, "decision"
 "will not now be long delayed" -
 [probably not longer than 1888]

It alludes to the Act XI of 1879
 The "Resolution" refers particularly
 to *Village Sanitation:* and as
 an Appendix gives the *Army*
 Sany= Comm:'s remarks, March
 1879: "Practical Hints for
 Sanitary improvement
 "of smaller Municipal towns
 "of *villages*"

[It alludes to the R. Commission report
 of 1863]

f130v

I do not want to analyse:
 rather to seek information from
 you : what are its bearings &c
 -especially its bearings as
 to the re-organization of the
 Army S. Comm:

such a Resolution making
 the *home* machinery doubly
 important - the Sanitary
 advisers of the Govt= of India
 being so far behind the present
 day in knowledge-

[end 9:675]

N.B. The two 'alternative'
 Despatches which were to
 have gone out from the I.O.
 are "hung up indefinitely".

I shall be glad if a private
 S of S.'s letter has gone out
 as to "ways & means" for the
 provision of funds for maintaining
 cleanliness in villages. This is
 wanted & until the subject

f131

†2†

is discussed in all its bearings
& a course determined upon,
hate will be done. It will
be talk & nothing else.

[Query: how much will this
"Resolution" be all talk?]

By fostering the old village
organizations - & by
giving imams of land to Village scavengers,
much might be done for Villages

These details however could not
of course be put in a Govt- of
India Resolution. They belong
to the Local Govt=

There is a good deal in the
Resolution about the ways
& means for the provision
of funds
for

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for

Municipal Boards
Local "

District & Local "

but *rural* Boards are not
directly mentioned, except
in Madras - tho' "rural areas"
are, as coming under the
proposed new Provincial
Sanitary Boards.

What do "Local Boards"
include?

The 'Resolution' states that
the Madras Bengal & Punjab Local
Boards Acts give power to *Local*
Boards to raise funds by
local taxation
- and invites Bombay &c &c
to do the same.

f132

It also states that Madras has a "gradation" of *rural* Boards, one of which deals with the *village*, has to provide for village Sanitation, & has *powers to entertain the necessary establishments -*

& that in Bombay &c &c tho' a "larger territorial unit "of self government" has been adopted, yet the executive agencies ought to be able to act *throughout* these larger areas.

???

But our real difficulties will be: the lack of knowledge of *Sanitary Engineering* among officers of the P.W.D.

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Now for the present Sanitary Commissioner of India, thro' whom the new scheme will have to be worked:

you will have become acquainted with him in the Mema- you are nobly doing:
Lidderdale Bengal
 said to be a "poor creature"
 also, poor man, said to be "very ill"
Richardson N.W.P.
 said to be a "good man"

Stephen Punjab
 said to be "steady & conscientious
 "Statistical" but "no great ability
Laing Madras

"sensible"
MacRury Bombay
 pupil of Hewlett's
 "will do well"
 "deep earnest thinker" "exceptionally
 well read"
 "rather too apt to believe in the Schools
 & in Contagion"
 but learns to "use his own judgement"

f133

Private {up diag} †3†

I end as I began: **[9:676]**

how much action, or how little,
will come out of this "Resolution"
- how much will remain "all
"talk"?

- *how can the Army San: Comm:*
be so re-organised as best to
prevent its becoming "all talk"?
[The "Resolution" is curiously like
His Excellency. Whoever drafted
it must have an intimate
knowledge of his character &
style]

I feel rather curious to know
what effect the "Resolution" will
produce at the I.O., - whether
it will be simply shelved both in England & India - or
whether Sir John Strachey & Sir

f133v

John Gorst will eat their words
(which are in print). I presume
sacred & mystic bodies like
the I.O. Council never look
foolish.

As to India, of course much will
depend on Ld Lansdowne whether
it will be 'vox et praterea nihil' **[end 9:676]**

draft, ff134-39v, pen & pencil {response in bold}

f134

Most {2 lines up diag}

PRIVATE Claydon Ho:

Winslow

Bucks

August 28/88

The Govt- of India "Resolution" (of which a telegraphic summary appeared- in the "Times") has reached me from Simla- in a letter dated August 1-

"Proceedings of Govt- of India: Home Dept- (Sanitary) Simla ? July 1888"

1. It gives us the "Executive agency" (it is expressly stated that it is to be "more than consultative") - in each Province a Sanitary Board composed of

1. an Officer of administrative experience

2. the Sanitary Commissioner [who is there like you.]

3. a Sanitary Engineer P.W.D.

[qy- is he there?] [response: illeg **No**

but he could under guidance be able to construct a well & to provide for useful...]

f134v

4. non-official members appointed by the Local Govt-

5. *ex-officio* members

[The Bombay Commissioners

of Division are rather in

their apathy terrible].

The Sanitary Board is to have the control & supervision over Sanitary works, whether in urban or rural areas

& is to be the *executive agency* thro' which the Govt- acts in the Sanitary Dept--

The Provincial Sanitary Boards are to communicate with the Sanitary Commr= with the Govt- of India

[pity he is not a better man.]

And through him the Govt- of India is to enforce general control.

f135

II- It, the Resolution, "considers"
~~the~~ favourably the question of
Loans to Social bodies- & the
 authorizing of a "provincial
 "Loan fund" to enable local
 bodies to raise funds for
 sanitary improvements on
 less onerous terms & says
 its, the Govt- of India's, "decision"

on this point

"will not now be long delayed".

this is a great step in the right direction

The Resolution alludes particularly
 to *Village Sanitation*; and as
 an Appendix gives the *Army*
 Sany= Comm:'s remarks of
 March 19, 1879: "Practical
 Hints for Sanitary improvement
 of smaller Municipal towns" -
 - also "of villages".

There are none better -

f135v

Possibly the "Resolution" has
 already been sent you **No** I
 do not want to analyse it-
 rather to seek information
 from you what are its
 bearings? how it will act?
 what you think of it?

Such a 'Resolution' makes
 the *home* machinery doubly
 important- For, as you say
 the Sanitary advisers of the
 Govt- of India are far behind
 the present day knowledge.
 Nothing however can be known
 or done yet about it till the
 date I told you- And so it appears
 is the case with the Local Govt-
 Board appointment, which I am
 sorry for, tho' glad you should have rest

f136

The "Resolution" [2]

With regard to your wise desire

"as to the ways & means for
"provision of funds for
"maintaining cleanliness in
"villages",

there is a good deal about the
ways & means for the provision
of funds for

Municipal Boards

Local "

District & Local "

but *rural* Boards are not
directly mentioned (except re Madras)
tho' "*rural* areas" are as
coming under the new Provincial Sanitary
Boards proposed-

Could you kindly tell me
whether Local Boards, or
District Boards include what
[2 lines of response: Villages are illeg neglected
Local Boards could but do but build new wells...]

f136v

[2 lines response: **villages are ending neglected. The Local Boards do not illeg]**

we want as to *villages*-

or whether there are such
things as *rural* Boards in Bombay
The "Resolution" states that
the Madras= Bengal & Punjab
Local Boards Acts give
power to *Local* Boards to
raise funds by local taxation
& urges Bombay &c to do the
same. {response 2 lines:} **This is no power at present to tax villagers]**

It also states that Madras
has a "graduation" of *rural* Boards
one of which deals with the
village; & has to provide for
the Sanitation of *villages*, &
has *powers to entertain the
necessary establishments*-
& that in Bombay &c, tho' a
"larger territorial unit of self

f137

"government has been adopted"
 the executive agencies could
 act *throughout* these larger
 areas- {5 lines of response:} **I very much doubt this. What a quay
 is illeg. Who are to be the inspectors of villages-
 we want a sanitary service He calls offering
 illeg**

With regard to your preference
 for a Sanitary Engineer to be
 provided for each local Govt=
~~over~~ instead of a Sanitary *Board*,
 that was actually the proposal
 in the 'alternative' Draft
 Despatch which was to
 have gone from the I.O.
 But *both* the alternative
 Drafts have been "hung up
 "indefinitely" ~~for the present~~
 [I had much conversation on
 this subject a Sanitary Engineer instead of a Board with the man of
 all others, *not* of the I.O., who

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exerts himself in this matter:

he says: *this* would not be
 giving them local self Govt=:
this would not be educating
 the population to be sanitary
 he says, as you do, Sanitation
 must, after all, be done by
 the people themselves.

- it is too vast
 - according to your own Draft
 of your excellent inspection
 of a village, an Engineer
 could scarcely inspect the
 24000 villages in 80 years.
 {2 lines response:} **illeg**

illeg

I note what you said to me
~~once~~ that the way to do it
 would be: by fostering the
 old village organizations: &
 by giving imams to Village
 scavengers. [These details however, could not
 of course be put in a Govt- of *India*
 Resolution. They belong to the Local Govt-.

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[3]

But after all our great
 difficulty is as you said is
 the lack of knowledge of Sanitary
 Engineering among officers
 of the P.W.D.

& the ignorance & apathy of

District & Divisional Officers,

{12 lines response summary re: Gov't should issue model 'byelaws' insisting
 construction of new wells according to design given by the A.S.C., the born
 ability of Natives to irrigate}

f138v-39v {response continues re: clearing forests, duties of inspectors}

ff140-45, not FN hand, Aug 28 1888, Claydon Ho: Winslow Bucks, re:
 sanitation in India, very similar copy of FN's hand letter of ff134-39v

signed letter, ff146-49, pencil

f146

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks

Aug 31/88

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I was so much obliged to you
 for writing to me -

We do so grieve for poor
 William Nicholson & the young
 wife & the Sisters- But I think
 perhaps the father feels it most
 No fresh tie comes to close
 that wound- And the illness
 which preceded was so sad -

Poor Parthe is worse than I
 have ever seen her since 1883-
 And I have not been able to
 write- sometimes not even to
 take a pencil in my hand for

f146v

a week together

Will you tell Marianne with
my love how much we take
part in William's great
sorrow?

I am in what you would call
my usual chronic state of
acute anxiety- I have been
wishing for days to hear your
opinion of Lord Dufferin's
"Resolution" which embodies
nearly all that "the Despatch"
(which never went) desires-

I therefore enclose what I
wrote for you some days ago -

f147

& which would have been
much longer, in referring
to ~~the~~ "ways & means" about
villages: e.g.

How is a board to work?
There must be inspectors who
will inspect each individual
village & report what is
wanted - that is:
*what agency is the carry out
the Board's orders?*

*& what agency is to keep
the Board informed of the
state of the villages?*

& how is this agency to work?
*& under whose immediate
orders is it to work?*

f147v

But I reserve all that for you. If I don't send the enclosed to-day, I shall never send it-

Perhaps to save you trouble, you would write answers to my questions on the three sheets enclosed - & return them to me - Thanks.

I look forward with hope & terror to Mr. Stanhope's return & the re-organisation of the Army San: Comm: under your auspices - I am glad Dr. Sutherland has £700 a year

f148

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New Women's Hospital

It was delightful to me to read your remarks - as noted down by Alice on the Tadpole- But I fear it will be a poor concern- That Out-Patients' Dept- underneath!!!

Thank you for writing to me -

Alice sent me the plans afterwards- And I made some notes -

ever most truly yours

F. Nightingale

I should like to know how

[end 16:887]

f148v

Leone is- And if Evelina has been able to come to England with her little girl who was ill

F.N.

f149 {vert. on page}

A propos to the Sanitary Commissioners in India, it is rather a 'beggarly array of empty benches'- is it not? which I have given

You remember that Dr. Sutherland praised Lidderdale & Planck: I am afraid without reason- but you will judge, as also of those I have enumerated, and of Sir - Simpson "with the Govt= of India", in course of doing the Reports- How get they on?

F.N.

draft, f150, pen

f150

Mr. Hewlett's Proof: Bombay Villages

(which you have 2/9/88

I am sorry, but not surprised, that the "Governor (of Bombay) in

"Council" "has ordered paragraphs

"322 and 323 and the second

"sentence of paragraph 324 to

"be expunged from that Report"

So please *to make no use* whatever of those Paragraphs, but to

consider them non avenus -

Why will Mr. Hewlett not put

the 'steel hand in a velvet

'glove'? The Paras: are true,

but they cannot be accepted

because offensively put.

Mr. Hewlett is thirsting & panting for work-

initialled note, ff151-52v, pencil

f151

Confidential Col: Yule's resignation
Army San: Comm:

Private information has been [10:200]
sent me that Col. Yule "has
"quite made up his mind to
"resign his seat in the India
"Council at an early date" x x x
It is "feared that Government
"may take advantage of the
"vacancy to elude renewing the
"appointment unless" we "act
"in time" & have our "candidate ready"
"Genl= Sir Peter Lumsden" is
recommended as not having his
equal" on the India Council"
for knowledge of the "requirements"
& "conditions" of the "present Indian
"Army. He was G.M.G. when Lord
"Napier was carrying out his Sanitary

f151v

"reforms" x x x "He is thoroughly
"practical & makes the best of
"tangible possibilities x x [end 10:200]
"would generally know ~~better~~ all
"that was wanted" or "exactly
"where to seek the information"
[F.N. But is Sir P. Lumsden
a R.E.? And should we not
have if we get the Army San:
Comm: re-organized to take
Col. Yule's successor whoever he
is?]
Not known whether Sir P. Lumsden
"would take the duty," "but he
"likes work".
[F.N. Is Sir P.L. Sanitary?†
[Besides, the A.S.C. is now, & ought
to be far more for native Civil Sanitary work
all over India than for Army work in India]

f152

Would Sir P.L. do the native civil work?

"Lord Napier" strongly & "thoroughly
"recommends" Sir P. Lumsden to us

[F.N. We are requested *not* to
let Col. Yule know that this
communication has been made
to me]

Now, *what is to be done?*

You will know- I am quite
at a loss- First, I do not
know what are the chances
of the re-organization of the
A.S.C. Second, whether,
if it *is* re-organized- of the
absolute necessity of which for

f152v

India, I am more convinced
than ever- are not you?
we could influence the
choice of Col. Yule's success
so important to us -
N.B The India Council is,
generally, dead against us
The S. of S. decidedly not against
us.

F.N.

9/9/88

signed letter, ff153-54, pen black-edged paper

f153

Sept 12/88

{printed address:} CLAYDON HOUSE,
Winslow BUCKS. {Winslow by hand}

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Will you kindly tell
me where I may write
to you, hoping for an
answer?

There are several
important things
concerning our work in
India which I
must consult you
about.

About one of these
I did write to you,

f153v

(Lord Dufferin's "Resolution")
 on Aug 28 or 29
 addressed to Chester St.
 Did it ever reach you?
 But I have heard other
 things since regarding the
 Army Sanitary Comm:, tho'
 You know more than I do.

f154

I hope that Evelina & her
 little girl are now well-
 & with you- & Leone -
 Parthe of whom I
 can give but a very, very
 poor account, and I
 trust that you have
 good news of William.

My best love to all -
 ever yours sincerely
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff155-58, pen & pencil

f155

Ahmedabad (Municipal) Sanitary **[10:331-33]**
 Works
 16/9/88

I send you the letter to me of Runchorelal Chotalall,
 the enterprising native President of the
 Ahmedabad Municipality, who
 has fought the Sanitary battle
 against native & Anglo- Indian
 alike- and won.

Could you kindly tell some one to
 "let us know what will be the
 "terms of a competent Sanitary
 "Engineer to induce him to come
 "out to Ahmedabad & carry on
 "both the water works & Drainage
 "work satisfactorily?"

You see also that they "propose
 "to send the plans to *England* for
 "the opinion of the competent
 "Sanitary authorities before
 "executing the work".

Will you kindly tell me when they arrive?

f155v

I have had besides sent me
the printed papers regarding the well
which has been constructed in
the River bed at Ahmedabad
according to Col Ducat's advice
& which it appears has a quite
inexhaustible supply enough for
all Ahmedabad & to spare-
[You will remember that Col.

? Brownlow, the Water Engineer,
pronounced that there would
be no supply at all worth
having]

I have to return these *papers*-

Shall I send them to you
first to see?

Further, I hear

"the well is finished, but it is
not as yet used, because they

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"have not as yet fully got the loan

"for the completion of the

"distributing mains, Sewers/Towers &c

I have also an Extract from the

Bombay Gazette sent me

which will be they hope conclusive.

Shall I send you this before I
return it?

It is *most satisfactory* about the

"whole of the Loan for the

"water supply probably being locally taken up"

[I wish my English correspondents
wrote as good a hand as Mr.

Runchorelal in English- As

far as I can make out]

"it is especially gratifying to the

"Govt=, as it is a most important

"beginning, & there are hopes

"that other Towns will put

"their spare cash & invest in

"works of local improvement"

f156v

"The result of the Loan at Ahmedabad will be known on Sept 1, so we the Ahmedabad people shall financially be in a position to commence the work as soon as the detailed plans are passed"

"As for the drainage, you are aware" [F.N. Yes, certainly, I am "aware" of it all!]

"that one main Sewer in the city & one principal main drain from outside the illegible

? hills

"to a Sewage farm is to be constructed at present; but only a few houses from the neighbourhood of the city main drain are to be connected with it. A sum of £15000 is to be spent for this purpose, & a formal application for the loan is

f157

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"already before Govt- whose sanction is soon expected".

x x x

"All this is very satisfactory & I look back with great satisfaction to the work done at other Towns where we had to fight not only local & native ignorance but ignorance in high places & determined opposition on the part of the Minister of Public Works."

f158

Perhaps when you kindly
 answer my questions, you will
 return me these notes, which
 saves you trouble to me too-

My friend Ahmedabad may
 not be as interesting to you as
 it has been for long years to me
 who wrote upon its khalkoowas
 (cess-pits under the houses)
 & its awful Death-rate
 which we mean to *halve*.
 I never thought then to see
 the reform

God save the right!

[end 10:333]

ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

Sir Douglas Galton

note, ff159-60v, pencil

f159

Telegraph, 17/9/88
 Steeple Claydon. Bucks. {2 lines printed text up diag}
 {printed address:} Claydon House
 Winslow,
 Bucks.

{text vert.:} my friend Ahmedabad not as
 interesting to you as it has been
 for long years to me when I wrote
 upon its khalkoowas & its awful
 Death rate which we intend to halve.
 I never thought then to see the
 reform

God save the right-

f160 {blank}

f160v

32 years ago - Sir A. Tulloch "tried" -
 implored me not to go on with R Comm

How different is all, Good & bad since then
 Many millions are "blessed & comforted"
 of poor people.

But we have not the same intrepid workers'
 khalkoowas

signed letter, ff161-64v, pen

f161

Immediate PRIVATE.

Telegraph, 18/9/88

Steeple Claydon, Bucks. {2 lines printed text up diag}

PRIVATE {up diag} Claydon House, {printed address}

Winslow,

Bucks.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Mr. Hill, of the I.O., has [10:200]

sent me this morning, as

he does every year, his

Proof of the Annual

Sanitary Blue Book to

"criticize".

He says, of course, that

they "have received no

"A.S. Commission Memoranda"

& that he "cannot say

f161v

"whether any arrangements {vert. line down overtop r. side, to Sutherland}

"will be made for

"their resumption,"

with a well deserved

compliment to Dr

Sutherland

I think I must not

lose this opportunity

of doing my little

possible to keep

the door open for

the re-organization

of the A.S.C., as I

f162

have received more

than one hint from

different persons in

the I.O. that the

thing will be allowed

to "lapse- that it

will go *by default*

It was indeed a

cruel fate that, upon

Dr Sutherland's

retirement, we were

not ready with our

re-organization - &

f162v

our successor to Dr.

Sutherland

At the end of the Proof
is a printed sentence
about "no Memoranda
"by the A.S.C." having
"been received", "in
"consequence of a change
"of in its Constitution,
-not a nasty sentence
[Lord Dufferin's new
Sanitary "Resolution,"
just received, is
printed at p. 38.
which I am very glad of

f163

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But the p.p it quotes
out of the A.S.C. are
not re printed]

Please tell me

1. what I am at
liberty to say to Mr
Hill about the
re-organization

2. what I am at
liberty to say to him
about the *Memoranda*

Lastly:

I have not time or
strength here [I have

[end 10:200]

f163v

a good deal of other
 business on hand] to
 criticize the Report &
 Abstracts as I used
 to do after consulting
 with Dr. Sutherland.

[10:200]

Do you think I
 should be at liberty
 to *send the Proof* to
Mr. Hewlett - & ask
 him to send me a
criticism of it? [I
 shall, of course, be
 obliged to tone down
 his fiery 'periods']

[end 10:200]

f164

I have just glanced
 thro' the 166 p.p. of
 Proof. There seems a
 very large quantity of
 good matter in it.
 But of course the pith,
 the *moral*, lay in the
 Mema=

f164v

I am sorry to say I have
 no good accounts from
 Mrs. Sutherland either of
 him or herself- Her 80th
 birthday is just past
 & he, I believe, is just
 the same age.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

{printed address upside down:} Claydon House,
 Winslow,
 Bucks.

{printed text up diag:} Telegram,
 Steeple Claydon, Bucks.

signed letter, ff165-67v, pen

f165

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks

Private {up diag} Oct 5/88

[Mr. Hewlett at the I.O.]

My dear Sir Douglas Galton **[10:201]**

Is Mr. Hewlett at liberty to mention to Sir James Peile (who is returned from leave to the I.O.)

that Dr. Sutherland has retired & that he, Hewlett, hoped to get the appointment as he (Sir J. Peile) would work for him-

[Sir J. Peile is, as you know, on the Council of India - & has charge of the Sanitary Dept- He is a very strong friend of Hewlett's - is, they say, a man of ability tho' H. Cunningham, the 'frondeur', says not-

f165v

He is said to stand high with Lord Cross - & he knows Hewlett's work in India thoroughly

Mr. Hewlett saw him a day or two ago- was afraid of breaking faith with us- so did not tell or ask him anything- or allude in any way to "*the appointment*". But he asks me the above question.

[It is odd if they do not know of Dr. Sutherland's retirement at the I.O.]

2 [Mr. Stanhope A.S.C.]

[I suppose Mr. Hewlett must not mention to Peile *the hoped for re-organisation?*]

HAVE YOU HEARD ANYTHING OF {2 vert lines, here to next line, to r. of text}
MR. STANHOPE?

I am on tenterhooks

[end 10:201]

f166

3 [Your Memm= A.S.C.]

3. Am I at liberty to say, e.g. [10:201]

to Mr. Hill of the I.O., that you
have sent in your Memorandum
on the "Report of the Sanitary
"Commr= with the Govt= of India"?

To whom did it go in?

To Mr. Frederick, as the Secy-
of the A.S.C.?

[end 10:201]

[He has not told me of it.]

Mr. Hill wrote to me about "Memoranda"

I have sent in my papers of
"Suggestions" as to future work- not "criticisms," to Mr. Hill on
his Proof (Annual Sanitary Blue
Book), together with a very
good paper by Hewlett on it,
which I asked him for.

I took out all ~~the~~ Hewlett's offensive
passages, & copied all that

f166v

was really admirable - saying
that it was by the man
with most Sanitary Indian
experience after Dr Sutherland
of that it was by the ex-
Sanitary Commissioner of Bombay
- & that I had asked his help-
-but not mentioning Hewlett by
name or that he had seen the
Proof. [One never know whether
the I.O. people are quite honest
or whether they would injure
Hewlett behind one's back]

'Du reste,' no one on earth but me
would take the trouble to decypher
Mr. Hewlett's five foolscap sheets
or to copy them but me, if

I had sent them in

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

f167

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P.S. I have had no end of regrets & expostulations lest there should be no Mema to the Annual B. Book this year, & have favoured Mr. Hill with Extracts from the same.

But I have not mentioned even to Hewlett that you were writing the Mema- or that one had actually gone in.

I think, after this specimen, that Hewlett, in future years, if one can but get the A.S.C. is re-organised, is quite capable of writing the Mema=: if somebody can but expunge the 'Objurgatory' & especially the 'Sarcastic Objurgatory' from them

His paper on what ought to follow *the* "Resolution" as to village work was admirable
(for Mr. Hill's proof)

f167v

But it is so much better,- whether we think *the* "Resolution" a new & efficient departure, or not - to treat it as such, & to base our exhortations to & lay down the ways for future work upon it- don't you think so? - than to keep on with 'You old 'dolls, you idiots, you useless old 'pigs'-

F.N.

signed letter, f168, pencil

f168

Sunday Oct 28/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I have really a good deal
very pressing to ask you about
& perhaps something to tell you

Shall you be in London
this week? with less of a 'drive'?

And could I write to you
to-morrow to your house (to-day I have not a
moment)- & afterwards ask
to see you? some other day

ever very truly yours

F. Nightingale

initialled letter, f169-v, pencil

f169

PRIVATE Oct 29/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

You cannot give me
Thursday: & to-day is the
only day *I* have -

Could you kindly come
to-day as near 5
or 5.30 as possible?

Could you kindly
bring me a brief *written*
answer to Mr. Hewlett's
difficulty?

[9:677]

& return me the papers?
[I could never make Extracts
from his letters again]

f169v

2. I send you the opinion
of Cunningham & Co -
on the A-S.C-
in the Pioneer -

I for my part should
be very glad to have
Cunningham on the A.S.C. I
had some conversation
with Ld L-

[end 9:677]

I am very hard pressed
ever yours

F.N.

incomplete letter, ff170-73v, pen & pencil, similar to Reynolds Univ of
Alabama to Hewlett

f170

Private {up diag} Oct 29/88
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Capt. Galton

Here is a very serious matter: **[9:677-78]**
& even more serious than Mr.

Hewlett thinks.

He has received the enclosed
extraordinary "Resolution". [The
"young Civilian is revenging himself]
Mr. Hewlett is fully aware of
the great blow it will be to
Sanitary reform in Western India.
This Resolution is circulated to
all Collectors & every Municipality
It will make the natives doubt
the correctness of the advice
which Hewlett & Co. as the
Sanitary advisers of the Govt=
give them. And it will greatly

f170v

discourage his successor- & I
am afraid has already done
so

'Du reste', Hewlett & Co have an
ample answer to it. But
who will read the answer?
These would be the heads of the
answer:

As to the *fore-shore*:

Lord Reay ~~in~~ has forgotten
Hewlett's letter No- 2112 B
dated 13 July 1885 (a copy
of which both you & I saw)
in which Hewlett drew Lord
Reay's attention to the state of
the fore-shore in Bombay in
nearly the same words -Dr. MacCatter
The zealous Health Officer of the
Port brought this again to notice
last January or February: & how

f171

nothing had been done by the
Port Trustees - Hewlett sent
this Report to Govt- = but it was
returned unread: "as Govt=
"did not wish to have the
"reports of subordinate
"officers".

2 Hewlett was obliged to say
what he did about those plans
being submitted to the Supt= Engr=

He has convincing proofs of
his assertion about those plans,
"but I left that letter of
"mine *regarding the*
"*General Post Office in Bombay*
"*with Sir Douglas Galton*
"*who promised kindly to read*
"*it.* I don't know whether
"he has had time. But that
"will show whether I am
"right or wrong. Let the

f171v

"original plans & all
 "corresponde= on the
 "subject be sent home.
 "I am quite willing to
 "abide by experts here"

3. All his previous 5 masters
 including Sir. S. Fitzgerald, Sir
 P. Wodehouse, Sir R. Temple
 & Sir J. Fergusson have

always encouraged his Reports

4. At p. 40 of his Annual
 Report for 1876 & at p. 133
 of that for 1884 he gives
 his opinion/experience on "the ignorance
 "of the Officers of the P.W.D.
 "regarding Sanitary engineering
 almost in identically the same
 language & makes the same
 recommendation.

f172

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5. To the remarks about
 Col. Ducat's & his action
 they have a complete
 answer.

Now *what would you*
advise him Hewlett to do?
 he wants to bring it
 to the *notice of Lord Cross*
 he will at all events
 bring it to the notice of
Sir James Peile at
the I.O.

As for the "personal" account
 of the visit to the 'Deccan
 village' & the 'Guzerat town',
 it is the best thing Hewlett or any
 Sanitary Commr= has done.

f172v

The whole extent of the
mischief which he
is not aware of or
has forgotten
embraces this=

I gave a copy of his Proof
on Bombay Villages
(which you have) with
his desire & with
Hy Cunningham's sanction
[to H.C. I lent my own
copy]
to Lord Lansdowne when
I saw him in July.
Lord Reay, so Ld L. tells

f173

me, is his particular
friend.

I have indicated to Ld Lansde=
Hewlett as the only
thorough Sanitary
Commissioner they had
now in India. [This
was of course only in
answer to Ld L.'s questions
about S.C.s there &
A.S.C. here]

Ld Lansdowne sees Ld
Reay of course straight
upon his arrival at
Bombay

I saw Ld Lansdowne

f173v

again yesterday - &
not having been able
to take your advice first
I said, in the course of
conversation, a very
few words about this
imbroglio

But what can one say?
It is not anything that
Hewlett has said or done
professionally that has
stirred up this wasp's
nest: (which I fear may
be fatal to him) It is
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

his having
stirred up the enmities
of the "young Civilian," [end 9:678]

draft, ff174-75v, pen & pencil

f174

Private

& Confidential {both lines up diag} [10:333]

from Mr. Hewlett
sent, at his request, to
Sir D. Galton

Ahmedabad

Col. Ducat: "About Ahmedabad,
"I am sorry for the City & for
"the success of Sanitary work
in the Bombay Presidency.
Govt= will I presume give the
work to Doig, the Ex. Eng.
Ahmedabad, whose services
I should consider very dear
at 2 ½ on the outlay. He is
totally uneducated as an
Engineer & knows if possible
less of Sanitary Engineering
than of any other branch of
the Profession
"He could possibly design

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"a steamship as successfully
 as a sewerage scheme - and
 I don't see a chance of
 any thing but hopeless
 failure for Ahmedabad

It is very hard on old
 Runchorelal after all
 the trouble he has taken
 & the near approach to
 success at which he had
 arrived. Chadwick would
 have made Ahmedabad

a model for Western India

x x x I have no faith {vert. line in front of the word 'faith'}
 whatever in Doig or the
 Bombay Govt= P.W.D. men
 & I am very sorry about it
 all."

[end 10:333]

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Mr. Hewlett to F.N. "I tell you

"this as perhaps it may be
 well to press on Runchorelal
 the necessity for having a
 trained Sanitary Engineer-

It will be such a thousand
 pitities if any mistake is
 made now; and I regret
 that I cannot work Govt=
 here, but perhaps some
 effort may be made to get
 the S. of S. to interfere

x x x

"If you wish to show it
 (this Extract) to Sir D. Galton,
 I think Ducat could not
 object; of course in STRICT
 "confidence, as Ducat is

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"still a ~~Gov~~ servant of the
"Bombay Govt-"

F.N. I send Runchorelal's
letter to me; but Mr. Hewlett
has not returned Mr.
Runchorelal's to him,
which is fuller.

Sir R. Rawlinson sent me
the same complaint about
Madras, the papers of
which I dare say you
have seen.

*What would you have me to do
about Ahmedabad?*

[It is such a cruel pity
the A.S.C. is not re-organized]

F.N.

incomplete letter, ff176-77v, pencil & pen

f176

{archivist:} [? Sept - Oct 1888]
Sanitary "Resolution" of the Govt= of India
Private {up diag}

I send you H.S. Cunningham's
answer to me on *the "Resolution"*
as a model of style (*for a leading*
article) which being rendered
into good English simply is:

"Confound them all!"

- very useless to me -

I have not dared to advise
him not to send his "gloomy"
"view" to this Calcutta "Health
"Socy-". (see end) But my
experience is that it is more practical even with despair
at your heart, to write none
but cheerful "views".

The situation is not so
"gloomy" as it was 32 years ago,

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when we began work, & a Military man (Sir A. Tulloch) sent out to the Crimea ~~as~~ in a Commission was actually "tried" for doing his duty in that Commission which ~~did~~ helped more than any thing else to save the Army. X

So let us take heart & not fail -

Please return me H.S. Cunningham's letter- & any hints what to say to him

x He Sir A. T. was brought to the brink of the grave- & implored me not to go on with our R. Commission (the first) because it would "ruin" all the best people." The other escaped every thing {text overflows into f177:} but insult, merely because he was a Civilian. How different every thing good & bad is since then.

{vert. r. marg} Many poor people are "blessed & comforted".

But we have not the same intrepid workers!

f177

{archivist note overtop of folio on separate paper:}

-Sept-

October 1888

- see FN's reply to Cunningham for his article Oct 27 1888

27 July - Lord Dufferin's Sanitary Resolution

{actual folio text begins}

Do you want a copy of the "resolution"? I find ~~they~~ copies are refused at the I.O- But the Viceroy has sent us more copies.

I hear from Calcutta (Aug 18) that "a Telegram from the Viceroy

"has been received in "town to-day stating that "the new Municipal Bill "has obtained his sanction"-

{text seen here overflow from f176v, hence transcribed in f176v}

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Private {up diag}

The Viceroy has written again, saying much of what Mr. Cunningham says (but in Dufferin language, of course) that all depends on how the Local Government &c carry out the "Resolution".

We should keep them all we can, instead of railing at them.

signed letter, f178-v, pencil

f178

Nov 8/88

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I did not thank you for your note - ~~I have a~~ knowing you were away. I have a good deal to discuss with you- not altogether satisfactory- I had rather it should have been on Saturday - for I have a very heavy day tomorrow (Friday) But if you are going out

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of London on Saturday-

I will gladly accept to-morrow, Friday, at 5- as I *must* see you, please, this week-

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, f179, pencil

f179

13/11/88

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

You were so good as to
say that you *could* come here
at "5.30" to-day, if I wished
it.

I think we had better
just consult together, (if
you *can* come)- & shall
expect you unless I hear
to the contrary.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, f180, pencil

f180

Private {up diag} Nov 20/88
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Have you seen the Q.M.G.?

I have seen Dr. Payne- And
I had previously collected a
good deal of information
on that subject of Sanitary
teaching in Medl- Schools-
I should like to see you
this week, if possible, please

[To-day, Wednesday & Thursday

I am sorry I am engaged].

When could you come? Please
say

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

initialled letter, f181-v, pen

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21/11/88

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Col: Ardagh: it does not appear that he went with Ld Lansdowne on Friday last. If he is to follow in a week or two only, we might still get hold of him

Could you find out?

Sir Peter Lumsden: I find is Vice President of the India Council here- But I cannot find anywhere that he is R.E. I have therefore refrained from

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mentioning him.

Col. Yule- I have heard from- Remind me to tell you when we meet

ever yours sincerely
F.N.

signed letter, f182, pencil

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22/11/88

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I am sorry to trouble you. But it *is*, in consequence of two more letters I have received, rather important that I should see you his week- I am now filled up till Saturday: Could you come on Saturday or Sunday at 5 or 5.30? If not, I would do my best to see you to morrow (Friday) at 5.30 or 6, if possible to you
yrs F. Nightingale

signed letter, f183, pen

f183

10 South St 22/11/88
My dear Sir Douglas Galton
I choose *both*-
Please come "Monday at
"4." And ~~Tuesda~~
"Wednesday at 5.30"
as you kindly propose
yrs sincerely ever
F. Nightingale

draft, ff184-85v

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Please
return Dec 1/88
to F.N. {3 lines up diag}
"There is a Professor of Hygiene
in Bombay attached to the
Grant Medical College. It
is one of the minor
Professorships but held
by a good man- I believe
he only lectures during the
summer. The laboratory
work is down under him
as Professor of Hygiene -
But the students do practical
Chemistry under the Professor
of Chemistry, & in the
Laboratory & in the
Laboratory & in the course
I believe the analysis of
water is included.

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"The Professor of Physiology who is the same man as the Professor of Hygiene lectures at post mortem Examinations & I believe was shown by Dr. Klein how to work out bacteriology; but there is no instruction in this, nor does the professor work at it, as he is besides 1st Physician to the J.J. Hospital, & has his private practice besides

If the Army Medical School is to be knocked on the head, it would be necessary to make special arrangements in Bombay, & build fresh

f185

"Laboratories, but I don't think it would be much use teaching very deeply bacteriology, for as even as the Medl= Officers get to Regts= & up country they would have no opportunity of continuing their studies.

"I do not think any special instruction is given to Medical Officers in India how to analyse water either quantitatively or qualitatively, *but of course they have learnt all that before they came out* (cf)- Only there are very few Parkes cases of instruments & the few there

f185v

are are generally broken
& of but little value. The
fact is a Medical Officer
qualified to analyse water
&c should be sent ahead
of troops by the Q.M.G. &
select sites, analyse water
before the troops arrive.
This would be common sense
but too much for the Govt=
to exercise."

signed note, f186, pen

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Dec 6/88
10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.
ask at Sir Douglas Galton's
when he returns to Chester St.
& ask him if he could possibly
answer my question about
books now, as *Mr. Rathbone*
leaves London to morrow
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff187-89v, pen

f187

10 South St. No. 1 Dec 6/88 {vert. & horiz. lines around No.1}
My dear Sir Douglas Galton
Success to your candidature
for the County Council, if
it is not too troublesome.
You must at all events
have given them a great
deal of information in
your speeches.
Success to your paper at
Sanitary Institute to-day.
But, above all, success
to your efforts about the
Army San: Comm: revival.
And they must be now

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the revival of
active efforts with Sir
Redvers Buller & Mr. Stanhope
-Or we shall go by default-
Scarcely a day passes without
my hearing of some Sanitary
catastrophe in India
owing to there being no
guiding hand here-
I send you part of a
letter from Mr. Hewlett
& Col. Ducat, re Ahmedabad
And I have a most
painful letter from Sir
R. Rawlinson about
Madras & some other
places- *What is to be done?*

f188

I could see you any day after to-day
except Monday. But
Dr. Payne & some others
have asked me for
appointments. However
I will try to make none
till I hear from you-
Perhaps you are going
to see Sir R. Buller this
week. There is no
time to lose- Surely we
will not let it go by
any 'non avenu' of ours.
ever most truly yours
F. Nightingale

f189

*Books on Hospl= Administration
Private {up diag}*

Mr. Rathbone has a cousin
at Montevideo, (possessing
about £30 000 or £40 000
a year) into whose hands
all the Charities of the city
have been entrusted -

He is exceedingly keen
about it, & has written
to our Mr. Rathbone to
recommend to him
*books, especially on
Hospital administration.*

He, Mr Rathbone,
asked me. But I know
of none.

Could you tell

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*me any Books of your
own- or any Blue Books
which would help?*

[It is so very strange that
we have none. The French
Assistance Publique have
so many. Husson &c]

Did you not write an
*Article on Hospl= Administration & Construction
in Quain?*

Helps us, please.

F.N.

envelope, f191, pencil

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No= 3

Books on Hospl=
Administration &c

6/12/88

signed letter, ff192-94v, pen

f192

8/12/88

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thank you very much for
your titles of books for Mr.
Rathbone (Hospl= Administration)
received from Oxford -

2. It appears that now
protests & appeals addressed to the
Army San: Comm: are
poured in from India upon
Sir R. Buller-

You have doubtless seen
the Madras papers. They
were sent to me by Sir R.
Rawlinson- a foolscap printed
paper of p.p. 47- "on the
"Sanitary State of the City of Madras".

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sent by Retired Surgeon Major
Dr. Thompson.

I have never known the
time more pressing for the
re-organisation of the Army
S. Comm:

Not to do it seems like leaving
~~the~~ India to its fate.

Sir R.R. is stirred -

Are you going to see Sir
Redvers Buller?

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3. I hope the County Council
& the Sanitary Institute paper
have been to your satisfaction

4. I have my answer about
Sanitary Education at
Bombay - said to be
so perfect ~~at Bu~~ by Dr.
Payne -

I send you an Abstract
which please return

What do you advise?

Dr. Payne is coming -

5. Could you see me on
Tuesday at 5 or at 6
or at 4?

or on Thursday?

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But there is so much to
talk about that I would
try to put off any other
engagement to suit yours
ever yours most truly
F Nightingale

signed letter, ff194-96v, pen

f194

Private {up diag} Dec 11/88 8 a m
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Grosvenor Square. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thank you for your note -
& for giving me corroborative
evidence from Sir H. Acland
about the state of Sanitary
education or non education
in London Medl= Schools

[The extract I sent you
about Bombay to the same
effect was not "from Dr.
"Payne" but from a much more
authentic source]

However, I fear it is all
too late. The mind of the
Govt= of India is, I believe,
made up, not on the score

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of saving life or millions of
 lives but of saving some
 pounds, shilling & pence
 [But I fight to the last-
 To morrow I am to have
 the opportunity]

It is otherwise with the
 Army Sanitary Comm:
 For that it is NOT too late.
 But I suppose this week
 will decide it.
 You remember that Mr.
 W.H. Smith's advice
 now nearly a month ago

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was: work it thro' Sir
Redvers Buller -
 I said: I do not know him
 He said: But surely
 your Military friends can
 get hold of him-
 [This is more important
 than the Army Med: School
 in its present state or any
 thing else.]

It seemed as if these
 appeals addressed to *Sir*
R. Buller as President
 "on the Sanitary State of the"
 (whole) "city of Madras"-

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which I have - "on the
 port of Bombay" &c &c
 came in the very nick of
 time-

What could an "adlatus to
 "the Q.M.G-" or an "adlatus"
 "at the I.O.", or anywhere,
 do in such a case as this-
 & in a hundred other
 cases which I need not
 cite to you? A strong
living - we have not been
living - Army San: Comm:
 might. At all events
 we must fight to the last.

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[2]

I wish I could see you
even for ten minutes
AT ANY TIME, except
Wednesday (to morrow)
afternoon - *this* week -
or even on *Friday morning*
before you leave London,
tho' then it will be
almost too late to do
anything this week.

I would even see Sir R.
Buller, if you would
arrange it for me-
But I greatly deprecate
this. I am not on
known ground with him,

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(tho' Mr. W.H. Smith
pressed it.) *You are*
& think it is impossible
to exaggerate the
importance of ~~the~~ an
A.S.C to India at
this moment -
or the small prospect
of the "Resn=" of the Govt= of
India being properly worked,
except from this end.
India itself thinks so.

yours very truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, f197-v, pencil

f197

10 South St Dec 13/88

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

A thousand thanks for having written to Mr. Stanhope, offering to see Sir R. Buller- I trust you will- It is of vital importance-

2. I think we cannot abandon the Ahmedabad people, after they have done every thing we asked them to do about their city- But we need not talk of that *this* week.

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3. Could you kindly send me your copy of Dr McCarty, the Bombay Officer of Health's Report, on the *port of Bombay*, - sent also to Sir R. Buller?

I will return it to you- [Dr. McCarty, who is in England, knows nothing! of its having been sent]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff198-200, pen & pencil

f198

Strictly 10 South St. Dec 20/88
Private {2 words up diag} 8 a.m.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Last night I received Mr. Hewlett's
answer:

He has written to ask Col. Ducat
to let us use his name about Doig
being unfit for Ahmedabad works-

but as "Col. Ducat *is still in the*
"Service", he does not think his name
can be used, especially as ~~he~~ it is
"coupled for blame" with his, Hewlett's,
in "the Resolution" of Bombay Govt=

wishes me to write to Mr. Runchorelal
recommending him to employ Chadwick
on my "own authority"!!!

2. then asks:

"Would it be possible to move the I.O. to
inform the A.S.C. What is the State of
the case; & to impress on the *S. of S.* the
necessity of employing a trained Sanitary
Engineer, especially as this is confessedly

{vert. line in l. marg
down to Engineer}

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"an experiment in which for the sake
of the cause it is so very important
that no mistake should be made.
If this could be done, it would
assist Runchorelal".

But *is* it possible?

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3. and most important

Mr. Hewlett "saw Sir Joseph Fayrer
"who told me honestly that he was
"in favour of *Cornish* as Dr. Sutherland's
"successor. Sir J. Peile also told me
"that Dr. *Cornish* was in the field-
"Ought I to go & see the people at
"the War Office? And how am
"I to find out who they are?
"I don't even know who are the
"members of the A.S.C? Or who
"I ought to call on?"

f199

I have told Mr. Hewlett over & over again that the re-organization of the A.S.C. is not yet decided on - that it, the A.S.C. is now in abeyance &c &c But still, not unnaturally, he harps on this that he ought "to call on" &c probably feel that, if we fail, it is owing to *our having prevented him* from doing & canvassing?

I will tell him the name of the A.S.C. But what is the use of his canvassing Sir R. Buller

Sir Douglas Galton {who is doing
{all that is
{being done

Dr. Sutherland
Col.
Sir J. Fayrer
Col. Yule
Dr.
Sir R. Rawlinson?

And "*who ought he to call on*"?
Still, *pray tell me "who": & don't*
let us prevent him -

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~~3a~~ I don't think I told you that it is Col. Yule who "suggests that if there "is Home & Colonial Army work to "devolve on that body, (the A.S.C.), "the "Sutherland & the future should be "in double form, one Imperial one "Indian".

He too forgets.

I shall write to him as we agreed last night- Because he is always amenable. But this makes another difficulty.

And there seems something like a 'dead let', (& the India Council is 'dead' for active purposes) to have this separation from the W.O- --to have an 'adlatus' (a "Dr. Sutherland") at the I.O. - & Cornish to be the man. And to leave us at the W.O. to have what we like - Hewlett, if you like-

I will go on doing my 'petit possible'-

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†2†

Please consider all this carefully
& let me know *what Hewlett,*
poor man, *is to do.* He *will* do
something. And you had better
advise him *what* to do - that it may
not be something foolish.

I wish I had had Hewlett's letter one
hour earlier to save you the trouble
of writing to me.

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff201-v, typewritten & pencil

f201

10 South Street
Park Lane
Dec 21/88

Strictly Private

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Colonel Yule has seen Mr. Godley,
but he says, "we must have some reply from the War Office to your letter,
asking their intentions, before we write again". Though he Col. Yule says,
"some-thing demi-official might be done to stir them to expedition in ans-
'wering'. I am glad to say that Colonel Y. did not exactly mean what
we supposed. He says, he did not propose *2 Commissions*, but "*2 Reporting*
Members of the Commission (or Committee) - *one* for India and one for
"Imperial forces". "If things go on as for the last 12 or 14 years, that
"is with ~~enough knowledge~~ *only* India to look after, ~~it~~, of course there
would be
no need for an Imperial duplicate, *if* the War Office were content."
I am glad ~~to hear this~~ that I mistook Col. Yule - as to this- [As to
filling up his place on the Army Sanitary Commission he will not say
anything about it. "The engineer faculty has rarely had to ~~be~~ bear on the
"questions before us", so he says, "though it may of course in the future",
and
he says, no inaptly, "Lumsden whom you mentioned as a possible suc-
"cessor has nothing of the engineer in him, though a worthy man."

f201v

As regards Ahmedabad, he seems to know nothing— Nothing of the Local engineer, nothing of my correspondent Runchorelal Chotalall ~~R.C.~~, not even what he is, though he "gathers that he was the head of at least an active Member of the "Municipality". He says he will see "if he can get any information from "the I.O." "I must not take up a side," he says, "without more know-ledge on my own part."

*Do you think I had better apply for Papers regard-
-ing Ahmedabad to Mr. Hewlett or Colonel Ducat? I have nothing but
Mr. R.C.'s Mr. Runchorelal's private letters to me-*
I cannot tell you how glad I am that Col. Yule is not going wild goose chase after two, separate Commissions or two independent 'adlati' - What do you think of his two "Reporting "members"? Sir Douglas Galton
Please tell me *what* anything I am to do, & believe me
ever yours most truly
Florence Nightingale

signed letter, ff202-05v, pen & pencil {response in bold}

f202

Please
return to F.N.
with your remarks {3 lines up diag}
Strictly Private 10 South St.
AHMEDABAD Dec 22/88

My dear Sir Douglas Galton
1. Col. Ducat entirely declines to let his name be used for the present, ~~for~~ about "Doig" or any thing else for reasons which you would deem sufficient.
[He is trying to get "special leave "from the Bombay Govt=" & to "get this appointment in England" &c &c &c

Also; "it will not do to assume "that Doig will be employed at "Ahmedabad, as Govt= could at once "put us in the wrong by appointing "another man" &c &c]
"The best course, he says, would {vert. & horiz. lines in l. marg.}
"be to ask the I.O. 'who is to be the Engineer appointed',
"expressing a hope that it

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"may be some man with
 "practical knowledge of
 "Sewering. [When we get
 "an answer to this from Bombay
 "(as I presume the I.O. will
 ask the question *from India*
 "if they say Doig, we can then
 "write again, & by that time
 "I may be free to &c &c &c]

I will write this to Col- ~~illeg~~ Yule {response:} **I think**
 {2 vrt lines in l. marg} **you had**
better ask
Yule to
obtain the
information
DG

if you approve: viz. to ask this
 question from India.

2. I wrote to you yesterday
 (with the type writer on
 foolscap) a letter which I
 am sure you could not read,
 in which I told you what
 Col. Yule said (in answer
 to the letter you advised me
 to write)- viz. that he
 "knew nothing" of Ahmedabad,
 (underlined)

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nor of the "local engineer", nor
of Runchorelal"--
that he must get his information
from the I.O., as he could not
"take up a side without
"personal knowledge &c &c

*Have not you the papers
about Ahmedabad sewerage &
water-supply?*

[I have nothing now but Runchorelal's
private letters, one of which I
sent Col. Yule]-

*Or shall I write to Mr. Hewlett
(& Col. ~~Yule~~ Ducat) for the papers?*

[We have so worked the
subject for years that I
had no idea the Engineering
number of the I.O. was
ignorant]

Please say what I should do

F.N.

{response in l. marg}: **I will ask
Frederick
if he has
any papers
about
Ahmedabad
but I
have
none
The shortest
course would
be to ask
Hewlett &
Ducat to
lend them & then
for you to send
them to Yule DG**

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Strictly

Private

Please return

to F.N.

with your

remarks {5 lines up diag}

+2+

Army Sanitary Comm:

Mr. Hewlett says he does not know

Sir Ralph Thompson (in answer to your advice) but will try to

"get a *letter of introduction* to him

"as an excuse" for presenting himself

You would not choose to give him one, would you?

2 In my yesterday's foolscap

letter to you, I told you that

Col. Yule had written to me, saying

that he "*did not propose two* {3 vert. lines down to Imperial in l.mrg.}

Commissions, but two reporting

Members of the Comm:

"one for India & one for

"*'Imperial' forces*".

But if, "as for the last 13 years",

"~~with~~ they had *only* India to look after,

"there would be no need for an

"Imperial duplicate IF the W.O.

"were content"

I am very glad of his explanation

{response in left marg:} **I do not see**

why he needs

any letter.

Let him send in

His card - I had better not mix up yet with his application

DG

f204v

[I fancy then, that it is only
Sir J. Fayrer who wishes for
no Comm: Is it so?]

Mr. Hewlett & Fayrer are rather at
cross purposes - {response:} **Fayrer told
me he hoped
the ASC
would cease
DG**

2. All this was in my yesterday's
letter to you.

☞ Col. Yule say Mr. Godley
He said 'we must have some
'reply from the W.O. to our
'letter asking their intentions,
'before we can write again'-

Col. Yule thereupon says: 'perhaps
'something demi-official
'might be done to stir them
'to expedition in answering
Shall he? {response:} **I see no
objection
to hurrying
W.O.
DG**

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3. Col. Yule will not say any thing about filling up his place on the A.S.C. "The engineer faculty "has rarely had to bear on the "questions before us" (this in answer to me)" tho' it may of "course in the future". He adds, very naturally: "And Lumsden "whom you mentioned as a "possible successor has nothing "of the Engineer in him, *tho'* a "worthy man".

[Are all men, *not* "Engineers", *unworthy*?]

4 I propose to write to him, {vert. line in l. marg. to 'Commissn'} saying how glad I am that he is in favour of *one whole*

Commissn- {response in l. marg.:} **Write**

by all

means

DG

~~And~~ do you *approve* of {vert. line in l. marg. to 'He'} "two Sutherlands instead of one"?

I should be glad to say so-

He says: "the Comm: will not

{response in l. marg:} **I have**

no doubt

it would

add strength to the Commr DG

f205v

"carry less weight, even if "there were two Sutherlands "instead of one".

And this is true, is it not? {vert. line in r. marg to 'Yule'} Anything you could suggest for my answer to Col. Yule would be most grateful to me.

After all, he is the only non= obstructive, ~~one~~ man at the I.O. to our things.

Every good wish for your Christmas, & believe me

ever yours most truly

Florence Nightingale

signed letter, f206, typewritten & pen [16:894]

f206

10 South Street
Park Lane
31st. Dec. 1888

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I am delighted that Mr. Saxon-Snell asks me to name a sum for my services on his Hospital plans, but 'I never goes away under' £1,000; ~~not even no~~ though his plans put my eyes 'out. (As the organ-grinder in the street said, when he was offered sixpence to go away. 'I never goes away under a shilling')

But I think you are quite wrong not to charge for your services-you, who do so much for other Hospital architects in over-looking their plans. [end]

A happy New Year to you & yours- & many of them- I hope your purposes are prospering. When do you come to London?

Sir Harry's recovering is marvellous. This day week he was given up- [Sir H. Acland put off his going abroad to attend him!) But he is still very weak & ordered total rest & silence which are difficult to enforce.

Love to Marianne & Gwendolyne -
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f206v, re: two slips of paper with archivist notes, 'year' dates of FN's meetings and correspondence

ff207-08, unfamiliar hand, [Nov-Dec 1888], re: draft of Dr. P's and Sir D.G.'s opinions of sanitary training needed for Army Medical Candidates

signed letter, ff209-10, typewritten & pen

f209

10 South Street
Park Lane
3rd. Jan.1889

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I have had a letter from Sir Robert Rawlinson, which gives me the same information as no doubt you have received with respect to the Barracks at Dublin. He says 'I had a private note from General Nicholson the other day, informing me that the War Authorities had done much and were going to do more.'

'If I have any complaint against the War Department, it is that they have not nerve to face the Treasury to ask and to insist on having. I {I overtop of He} told him that if he would let Sir Douglas Galton and myself have carte blanche for the Dublin Barracks, that we would see the work properly done and get Parliament to pass the estimates'. 'The greatest compliment I ever had paid me, was during the Lancashire Cotton Famine when the chairman of Committees told a Deputation, who asked for some favour, to go to me, because if they had my support, the House would sanction it.'

I am not sure that

Sir R. Rawlinson was wise in saying this to

f210

"General Nicholson". But I hope you will kindly tell me what prospects there are for the Dublin Barracks.

No doubt "General Nicholson" has written to you.

Jan 8/89 Press of several kinds has prevented my sending this- with my very best New Year's wishes to you & Marianne & Gwendolyne & all -

When are you coming to London?

And how does County Council prosper?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

{at bottom of folio}

Sir Douglas Galton.

Mr. Hewlett is going to "call on Sir R. Thompson

"after the holidays". I am rather alarmed

F.N.

Sir R. Rawlinson has sent me his Report on Jamaica.

Have you been kind enough to send me the printed paper on the "Port of Bombay"?

Neither Mr. Hewlett nor Col. Ducat has been able to send me any papers on Ahmedabad Water Supply & Sewerage for Col. Yule But Mr. Hewlett has directed me to certain "Govt= Resolutions" for Col. Yule to "call for" at the I.O. Poor Col. Yule, tho' he still writes to me, I am afraid, is very ill. I doubt his doing any thing more - F.N.

signed letter, f211-v, pencil

f211

10 South St Jan 14/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Yours just received- Thanks-
Could I see you for half an hour
this afternoon *any* time?

Dr. Sutherland says: a Civil
Engineer has been called in
for doing the Dublin Barracks
Is this true?

He also sends me a letter
about the re-organization of
the Army San: Comm:, which
I think you ought to see,
tho, to my mind, impracticable
if ~~not~~ desirable- & not desirable

f211v

if practicable- He proposes
Q.M.G., D.G.; A.M.D. (Crawford)
& J G.F. (Lothian Nicholson)
as the W.O. Sanitary Executive!! &
to abolish A.S.C. Except ---- !!!

I also have a letter from
poor Col. Yule, who is, I
am sure, incapable of doing
anything

But some of these letters & others
you certainly ought to see

ever yrs truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff213-14v, pen {this letter written in 2 different hands, F.N. & secretary?}

f213

10 South St. |STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL| Jan 16/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I am not a little appalled at what I have [9:682-83] to tell you of the information received by Mr. Hewlett from Sir Ralph Thompson-

[not FN: He yesterday had an interview with Sir R.T., who told him that the Secretary of State for War had written to the India Office to say that he (Mr. Stanhope) proposed to abolish the Army Sanitary Commission altogether, and to let India make her own arrangements.

Mr. Hewlett ~~He~~ stated to Sir R.T. that this would be a most fatal step- that the European army in India consisted of about sixty thousand men- that it was difficult enough with present conditions for Sanitary Officers to get army money

f213v

out of the Government for improvement of barracks etc. and the only way, hitherto, had been to get the matters brought to the notice of the Army Sanitary Commission, who thus afforded a most useful check, as the Government of India felt compelled to carry out suggestions. Mr Hewlett writes:

"Sir R.T. listened most kindly to what I had to say, and said "that I had undoubtedly made out a strong case, and that he would mention the matter to Mr. Stanhope." On this I said "Shall I send you a letter on the subject?" to

f214

"which he replied "he would be very glad, if
 "I could". I am therefore going to be very busy
 "writing a Memo pointing out the great
 "assistance the Army Sanitary Commission
 "have been and could be, and also pointing
 "out that the Sanitation of the towns and
 "villages, although principally affecting the
 "civil population, really affects the Military
 "element in no slight degree, as it is there ~~are~~
 "these sad epidemics of Cholera springing
 "up; and by improving the general health
 "of the people, you will certainly improve
 "the general health of the British Soldier.

f214v

"I also had a satisfactory interview
 "with Mr. Hill at the India Office and
 "with Sir Charles Bernard, who, I think,
 "would be disposed not to oppose India
 "paying her share for Sanitary ~~work~~ members."
 I do trust this decision of Mr. Stanhope's
 is not final.

Will you when you have done with
 your Election take it up? [end 9:683]

Pray believe me
 most truly yours
 F. Nightingale

I am so sorry your
 Election is so
 disagreeable -
 F.N.

signed note, f215, pencil [black-edged paper]

f215

10 South St Jan 26/89
 Please ask when Sir Douglas
 Galton is expected in
 London -
 &, if not in London, where he
 may be written to -
 & whether his Worcestershire
 election is over -
 F. Nightingale
 12 Chester St

signed letter, ff216-17, pencil black-edged paper

f216

10 South St Jan 26/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I did not in the least expect you "to day." I did not even know that you were in London. And I am myself filled up to the eyes.

But could you come to me on *Sunday* or *Monday*? If not I will write to you - where?

Jan 26.1. pm

I see the note I have just received from you is dated *some time* back -

You probably have heard from Sir Ralph Thompson that the W.O has written

f216v

to the I.O- that the A.S.C - "is abolished" & that it cannot help the I.O.

But I have a great deal of news for you, *all bad-*

And I repeat my query: *could you kindly come to me on Sunday or Monday afternoon?*

[To-day I am engaged] or shall I write to you? or shall I write first- to morrow (Sunday) - & you come to me on that afternoon or Monday?

f217

Silence on our part would be just submitting to *every* thing being "abolished"

R.S.V.P-

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

rough notes, ff218-19v, pencil [black edged paper] text very faint

f218

Sir D Galton Jan 27/89

Jan 25 Conversion of S. Paul

1 " 26/85 Khartoum taken

Col Yule's Printed Minutes - end

2 " " M.S- "

3. " " letter

(Ahmedabad)

(4. Sutherland

Revolt of Bombay)

5 Hewlett's letter

5 Mr. Hill's representation of salary

Reduction of 2 by San Comm

San: Comm: to take

a District

Letter to Sir H. Thompson

Bombay Village Sanitation Bill

5 Times: Saturday

Mr. Ritchison County Councils

6 Dublin Barracks -

M.P.

write to Mr Hill {vert. line thru this and next line}

A.S C -

7 Netley

Sir Wm Moore on Army Medl- School

{text vert. in r. marg. near top, crossed out with 1 line:}

write to

Mr Hill

still under some form of discussion

{text vert. in r. marg. near bottom, all crossed out with 2 lines:}

write to Frederick

new Barracks

to

write to

write to

Crawford

Rawlinson

ask him what is done

f218v

ask Hewlett
 Runchorelal can't you reduce
 your Municipality to employ
 an Engineer - Chadwick?
 would Chadwick take 5 p.c.
 advise R. to call in a good
 English Engineer?
 //What would be their expence
 of the work £30 000 or
 £40 000

put {:upside down}
 {vert. line up right marg.}

{following text up diag:}
 Lord Ripon
 send letter
 add this ~~At~~ Bombay {upside down:} Ld Lansdowne
 2 existing
 Dy Sany Commr=
 Let these millions go on dying
 tell him all
 abolition of Army San
 Comm -
 {vert. in r. marg:} before Parl= meets

f219

Hewlett asked I asked Ld Ripon
 If the Sany Dept- were put
 under the Collectors instead
 of the Judicial Dept-
 they wd take a pride in
 making it efficient - instead
 of being attached from outside
 If you are reducing the
 San Dep cannot you
 put it under the Collectors
 Ld Ripon said: Viceroy could not interfere
 {up diag} put a
 suggestion
 BEFORE LD LANSDOWNE?
 tell him
 about Ld
 Dufferin
 {text normal} hear with great regret
 that they are going to diminish
 the Sany= Commn: - Bombay {vert. line to right of 3 prev. lines}

f219v

Hewlett
 take anything he can get
 Yes cd get something under the
 Co Councils in time
 quite possible
 they throw it up again
 Col Yule
 thank him very much for his
 Minutes & hope it will
 eventuate something -
 You are to blame for it

Hewlett
 a very good/well he has written
 they won't make an amend. [?]
 then you write to S of S.
 & then he can intervene
 officially Health {up marg}
 {vert. text in r. marg:} Sir D.G
 in
 on ~~Sat~~ Friday - in town next week
 {vert. text in r. marg with 1 line thru it, near top:} ask Crawford
 about
 A.S.C.

signed letter, ff220-21v, pencil black-edged paper

f220

Col. Ducat to Mr. Hewlett
 |Strictly Private| "Jan 29/89
 "I have just returned from
 "seeing Sir J. Peile who x x
 "told me he thought something
 "would shortly turn up for
 "you in the way of work-
 "He spoke as if it was likely
 "to come about soon, & said
 "there were several other men
 "in the field for it: Dr.
 "Cornish & others, & that
 "you should work your
 "interest all you can-
 "He asked if you could
 "influence Miss Nightingale
 "in your favour: I said I
 "would write to you (Hewlett) on

f220v

"the subject" "By the way
 "Peile spoke I think he
 "expects the appointment
 "o be made soon- & that
 "you should move in the
 "matter at once"- "In the
 "India Office interest goes

x x x

Hewlett write to me, F.N.-
 "I fancy Cornish is the most
 "formidable opponent, & Sir
 "Joseph Fayrer told me he
 "had promised him his assistance,
 "though he would not
 "oppose my name, if put
 "forward- The question
 is:

f221

*"whether Lord Cross
 "will nominate me".*
 10 South St Jan 30/89
 Dear Sir Douglas Galton
 All this is most
 distasteful to me-
 But what must I do?
To whom should I write?
 I do not like writing to
 Lord Cross about persons- [I have
 never "made interest",
 as they call it].
 Ought I to write to *Lord
 Cross?* And if so *in what
 manner* to write? I cannot

f221v

write him a long
statement of Hewlett's
Services- Yet I ought
to write strongly, if at
all.

Please counsel me -
& say how to write
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

10 South St 8 a.m. - Jan 30/89
[I am quite too busy with other
things]

Strictly Private

I could see you this afternoon
if you would be so good-

F.N.

signed letter, f222, pencil black-edged paper

f222

10 South St Feb 1/89

|Burn|

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

About poor Mr. Hewlett
& the advice from Sir J. Peile
that he should bestir
himself at once to get
this appointment at the
I.O. - I have done nothing.

It seems quite like
leaving him in the lurch -

I dislike particularly
writing to Lord Cross
about *this* - But -

Could you devise anything?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff223-24v, pencil, black-edged paper

f223

Strictly

PRIVATE {2 lines up diag}

Latest news

(take it for what it is worth)

about A.S.C-

Please return Feb 1/89

I.O. "The Committee have

[9:683]

"proposed that a letter should

"be sent back to the War Office

"saying that they acquiesce

acquiesce

"with Army San: Comm: being

"abolished at least that they acquiesce

acquiesce

"in the Army San: Comm: being

"abolished - at least that they

"have nothing to say against

"it: but they hope that if the {vert. line down l. marg to 'for'}

"W.O. appoint an expert that

"he may do *Indian* work

"for the India Office"-

[end 9:683]

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W O

Mr Hewlett still hopes that

his "letter to Sir R. Thompson

"may have some effect on

"Mr. Stanhope!!" (against

abolishing the A.S.C.)

"Perhaps", he adds, "*I might*

"*get appointed as the expert*"

"but I doubt there being

"a *permanent* man appointed"

He quotes Sir R. Thompson

saying "that *when* the

"*exigency* arose, they would

"employ an expert"-

But this referred, did it not? {vert. line down l. marg to 'the'}

to the "Committee"- not to

the "expert"- being *pro re natâ*

f224

// Ld Ripon

I sent my long letter to
Lord Ripon, as you advised,
adding the news about {vert. line down l. marg to '[He '}
A.S.C. up to this date
& also about the proposal
reduction of *Bombay*
Sanitary Dept= -

[He will not be in London
till end of this week- I
think he will answer by
a very nice letter
explaining & regretting
that he can do nothing -]

I gave Ld Ripon all I knew from
the *I.O* - up to this time -
even, ~~I think~~, what I have

f224v

not yet told you. I think

Dublin Barracks

I have not yet got any {vert. line down in l. marg to 'your'}
information for my M.P.
from any to whom I have
written. But I ought
to shew you a "Strictly
Confidential" letter from
your Secretary -

My dear Capt Galton

Do you wish to see me?

What do you wish me
to do?

yours most truly

F. Nightingale

Very bad account of Sir Harry Verney

f225, telegram for Sir Douglas Galton from FN {not FN hand}, Feb 5 1889,
South Audley, re: requesting a visit from him at his convenience

initialled letter, ff226-27, pen black-edged paper

f226

Strictly

Private {2 lines up diag}

Feb 8/89

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

As I do not hear from
you, perhaps I had better
say a little of what is
going on

1. Lord Ripon to whom you desired me to write is coming
to see me, quite "early"
next week, after having
"studied" my papers, to
"consult" "what is to be done".

*I have not an idea what
to say to him -*

2. Sir T. Crawford says: the
question (of the A.S.C.) is

[9:685]

f226v

"I believe, still in abeyance".

If this is true, something
may still be done- You yourself
proposed I should write to Ld Ripon

[end 9:685]

But it is strangely at
variance with the Minute
of the I.O. which "hears"
from the W.O. that the
A.S.C. is to be "abolished".

2. Another person sends
me this: out of the papers.

"The Secretary for War has
called for Estimates on
the costs of completing all
the Barracks in the U.K.
up to the generally approved
standard- & that the
General Officers Commands-
have been directed to send

f227

"in to W.O. information
as to the necessities in
each case, special attention
being paid to the drainage
& other Sanitary
requirements."

What comes out of this?

4. *Dublin Barracks*

I cannot copy out what
has been written to me -
but would show it you - about
this & other things -
Would you kindly give
me some idea as to
my prospects? especially of
seeing you -

I cannot do "nothing" -
because I am daily
receiving intimations & requests
ever sincerely yours F N

signed letter, f228, pencil black-edged paper

f228

Feb 9/89

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

Could you kindly come
to morrow (Sunday) at 4
instead of 5?

That give me an hour
of day-light to show
you papers, or to write/jot down
what you suggest for my
eyes are very ~~bad~~ bad now -
& I *hope* an hour after
(but I can hardly see by
candle-light) F. Nightingale
Sir D Galton

initialled letter, ff229-30, pencil black-edged paper

f229

Private {up diag} Feb 16/89

Burn

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

Interview with Ld R. satisfactory [9:685]
in as far as he wished to do
what we proposed -

[said he wished he had
known all this earlier
is Chairman of his County
Council - *must* go back
this day week & will be
very little in London]

asked me for the *Original*
Instructions of *Sidney Herbert*
to "Army San: Comm:" And
I have written to Mr Frederick
for them- Can you give me

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any suggestions about this
to give him? [I was rather
sorry he asked for them-
because I suppose S. Herbert's
instructions were less full
than his Ld. R.'s own? And it was
not then the "Army San: Comm"]
What shall I do if Mr-

[end 9:685]

Frederick cannot give the
Instructions?

They *must* go in to Ld R.
to-day-

We have only a week
before us -

f230

I should be glad if you
could kindly make an
appointment to see me
~~at~~ on the earliest ~~time~~ afternoon from
this moment - *to-day* if
you can -

F.N.

signed letter, f231, pencil black-edged paper

f231

Feb 21/89

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

No news, which I fear
means no progress -

Ld R. going out of London, --
not to return for any stay -
on Sunday.

Had I not better see you, if
you have no objection?

ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff232-35, pencil black-edged paper

f232

Burn

Feb 21/89

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

You were scarcely gone
when I received a note to say
(& marked "*Private*") that he
Lord R., had seen Mr. Stanhope
yesterday, & had laid his
views about the A.S.C. before
him - that he heard all he
Ld R., had to say- & tho' he
did not commit himself to any
definite opinion, he, Ld R.,
gathered from what he said
that he was *not* likely to
substitute a single Officer,

f232v

as an adlatus to the Q.M.G.,
 for the Comn=; but that he
 was inclined to reduce the
 numbers of the Commrs-, & to
 expedite their proceedings,
 which he seemed to think
 had been heretofore somewhat
 slow & cumbrous -

that Ld R. pressed upon
 him the importance of making
 the re-organised Comn" (or Comtee)
 large enough to embrace
 representatives of the
 different aspects of Sanitary
 questions, Medical, Engineering,
 General & especially Indian,
 & to secure that the Comtee-

f233

actually met & discussed
 together the matters referred
 to it- He also mentioned
 Dr. Hewlett to him as a
 good man to be a member.

1. Do you think I could
 say something *now* about
his seeing Ld Cross before
 he leaves London? or
 must I, after having
 discussed it with him
 as I did, leave it
 absolutely to him to do so
 or not? he having seen Mr. Stanhope
 Please tell me *to night*

f233v

2. How unintelligible are things - We herd from people on the I.O Council who must know- positively not only that the I.O. had heard from ~~the W.O. — that~~ it had "abolished" the A.S.C - \ but that it the I.O ~~had~~ proposed an answered asking for the W.O. "expert" to do the I.O. work -

Sir R. Thompson also told Mr. Hewlett positively that Mr. Stanhope had written to the I.O. abolishing the A.S.C.

And I actually saw the copy of an I.O. Minute, saying that it the W.O. had done so - & also

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{2}

that it had refused all help to the I.O. in maintaining the "review" of "Sanitary reports from India"-

How do you account for this?

3. Might I give poor Hewlett a very *diluted* version of Ld R.'s letter mentioning of course no names.

Mr. Stanhope can scarcely have spoken thus to Ld R., if he *had* "abolished" the A.S.C -

[I always told Hewlett

f234v

that he would get no other
 answer of he persisted in
 applying to the W.O-]

But the *main thing* is
 -what shall I say to
 Ld R. [I *must* answer
 his letter]
what ask or not ask
 him to do *before* he
 leaves London - almost
 for good?
 ever truly yrs
 F.N.

f235

I shall send to morrow to
 enquire how you are - &
 advise you not to go to
 Birmingham- if you don't want to be laid up -
 Your cold is coming on
 very heavy on the chest
 O.N. (Old Nurse)

signed letter & envelope, ff236-37, pencil & pen black-edged paper &
 envelope

f236

Burn 22/2/89
 10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
 PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton
 I am so glad that you are
 better-

 Thank you very much for
 sending me so early your
 advice that Ld Ripon should
 see Ld Cross. I wrote
 immediately to Ld R- & sent
 my note by 9 a.m. So let us
 hope he will do it -

 What I want you now to
 give me one word of advice
 upon is: should I venture
 to write to Ld R- *to morrow*
 (or Sunday) to ask whether he

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has been able to see *Ld Cross*
upon the Indian question -
Or must I let it alone?
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale
Perhaps you will give me
one word before you leave
London -
I hope you are not going to
expose yourself to night
to open air

f237

{envelope}
Ask at Sir Douglas Galton's
how he is - & if gone -
~~if he received a note last night~~
~~from Miss N. by cabman & left~~
~~any answer for her~~
Sir Douglas Galton &c &c
12 Chester St
Florence Nightingale}
22/2/89 }

signed letter, f238, pencil black-edged paper

f238

Feb 27/89
10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.
My dear Sir Douglas Galton
I had the note which
you expected I should have
last Saturday- [I do not
know whether I should
follow this up in some
small way with the I.O-]
The information given in
the note is quite different
from the *snuffing-out*
information we have
received
This my letter looks as mysterious
as "Pigott"- But I am not

f238v

going to "disappear" -
 Perhaps I might as well
 see you, if convenient -
 [And I should rather like
 to have my former note
 on the same subject back,
 please]
 yours

Pigottina

signed letter, f239, pen black-edged paper

f239

10 South St. Park Lane W.
 March 26/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

You probably found before this that
 the same amount as usual
 has been provided in the
 Army Estimates for 1889/90
 under the heading
 Army Sanitary Commn=
 viz. £3.3 a day "when
 "employed, to one civilian
 "member, and contingent
 "expences of the Committee"
 - total £1150

Will you kindly give me ½ hour
 this week?

yrs ever sinclly F. Nightingale

signed letter, f240, pencil

f240

10 South St March 27/89
 My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thank you very much for
 sending me Sir H. Thompson's
 note. You will be sure kindly
 to send me word *immediately*
 when he tells you, as he promises,
 of the A.S.C -

Could you give me one
quarter of an hour at
 any time you can appoint like *this* week?
 [I have some one coming]

If you can't, I must try
 & write to you -
 sinclly yrs

Add Mss 45766

876

F.N.

initialled letter, ff241-42v, pencil

f241

PRIVATE {up diag} 10 South St. March 27/89

Burn

I am sorry indeed that you cannot give me 1/4 hour this week.

I will only ask now one favour.

Would you be so good as to send me, written by yourself.

[I will send for them tomorrow]

such questions as it would be useful for me to ask of the Insp. Genl- of Fortifications-

such as, what he is doing in *teaching Sanitary things to*

the young R.E.s at Chatham

&c &c &c - & *other*

questions which I cannot

rightly know how to put-

Excuse the trouble - He has given

me the opportunity - F.N.

f242 {blank}

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if he has Lectures & Examns for

the Chatham young men

general conversation

signed letter, f243, pen black-edged paper

f243

10 South St. April 10/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

It would be of the greatest consequence to know whether there is any chance of the W.O. deciding before Easter if it means to re-organize the A.S.C. -

[9:686]

I have put off- unwisely, as it appears, writing to divers people on the subject till then

And now it seems unwise to write until the W.O. has made up its mind

[end 9:686]

Sincerely yours

F Nightingale

signed letter, f244, pencil

f244

10 South St June 10/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Are you in London?

And could you kindly answer
some pressing questions from me
about Ventilation, Window-space
cleanliness &c &c? by to-night
or to morrow?

They have indirect reference
to the Gordon Boys' Home

yours very sincerely
F. Nightingale

draft, ff245-47v, pencil {text vert. on page} [5:253-54] with ellipses]

f245

Gordon Boys' Home {up diag:} Horse not soldier
Artillery typhus worst leave open
18-- for 2 hrs
June 9/89 {up diag:} hang them
out in the
yard

Smell in the Dormitories appalling at 9.15 p.m. {.15 overtop .30}
 last night- just after the boys were in bed-
 with all the windows open - & having been open
 all day - At 5.40 a.m. this morning with
 all the windows open all night - smell very bad,
 but nothing like the appalling smell of the night
 before- ? one how exposure to air before

Cause: the unrolling the bedding: this is rolled up
directly the boys get up in the morning - just as it
 is, like hammocks on board ship- instead of being
 aired - with all the in~~ex~~halations from the boys' skins

f247

G.B.H. {2}

Questions ?

What number of square feet of *open window*
will give an adequate air-supply to 20 boys
of average age of 16 in a Dormitory -

supposing they have either

- a. 300 cub. ft to each bed
or b. 400 " " " "
c. 500 " " " "
d. 600 " " " "

State in each case the number of cubic feet
of air that should be admitted per hour -

P.T.O.

f247v

Or in other words:
every sq. ft of open window admits how many
thousand c. ft of air per hour.

No artificial current for egress of foul air
is produced -
there is no outlet but air bricks
Galton's Stoves - but no fires of course in
summer.

initialled letter, ff248-49v, pencil {text vert. on page} {response in
bold}

f248

Gordon Boys' Home 10 South St. June 16/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I forgot to tell you

1. that the comparatively small amount of cubic space
allowed in the Dormitories, for each bed, places the
beds so near the windows, that as a matter of fact,
they are shut when they wd- have been left open, had
the cubic space been greater- For the same reason,
even the ventilators - entirely inadequate
2. that as a *matter of fact* all the windows in the
dormitories are *shut up at 4 p.m.*, & not opened
till AFTER the boys are up, in cold weather

f248v

3. that when the windows are kept shut, the air is even more foul than what I told you
4. that if the bedding is to be aired, & ~~is~~ cannot be aired in the yard in bad weather, it would ~~not~~ make the Dormitories yet *more foul* to air it in them, because they, the Dormitories, themselves are deficient in cubic space, air & sun -
5. that as a matter of fact the present panes are often shut by the boys, as making such a draught in a close room.

f249

yours ever truly

F.N.

I will send to morrow morning to know

when I can see you-

{response by DG:} **Tuesday at 5 t 5.30**

f249v

{response continues:} **8 of these boys stink
so badly it is
clear that they
require more floor
space unless they are can be
kept clean - In WORK
HOUSES this is not possible
In any case the clean boys shd
be sorted & put apart-
& the dirty boys all put
Together with more space**

notes, ff250-51v, pencil

f250

Sir D. Galton June 18/89

Sir Charles Bernard Waterloo Day
take it up

Col. Yule

{text changes to vert. on pg} Printed Minute to

Ld Lansdowne

reports will go on being criticized

but mostly by the A.S.C.

by a sanitary expert

reduce the Council {down diag}

To ask Ld Lansdowne what is the

position of the Sanitary Boards - {up diag:} Ld Lansdowne
adverse

see Ld Dufferin's minute of

~~q-yr~~ have they been ~~re~~ organised?

then he will send for the papers & perhaps set the whole
thing into motion

ask

Cunningham - Hill {vert. line down right side of text}

Payne - ? Peile

Sir R. West

f251 {blank}

f251v

June 18/89

First & foremost get information how (Lord Dufferin's
proposed) Sanitary Boards in India

Are ~~progressing~~ - being organised

signed letter, ff252-53, pencil

f252

10 South St. Aug 7/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

You return this morning
from Paris, I hear, & are
setting off immediately for
Leeds!! May all your
works be prospered! We
give you no peace -

Dr Hewlett has sent
you a Proof of his valuable
& timely "Village Sanitation
in India" - & me too, (which
I can scarcely read for
my eyes)-

Add Mss 45766

883

It is very important- And

f252v

please go thro' it *before*
 you see me -
Could you then fix a day
for seeing me? It
 would be so important
 for me to have the
 benefit of your suggestions
before I make mine to
 him? And I will ask
 you to discuss them with
 me or *show them* to me - [Perhaps I could
 tell you some things, -
 administrative, not sanitary-
 which might modify your
 opinion-] And we must keep
 his pen in order.

f253

But I have a great many
 OTHER things to discuss with
 you, to tell you, & to hear
 from you, *before* the
 Session is over -

Please send me some
answer to this thro' Miss
Washbourne -

ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

Excuse 'paw'

initialled letter, ff254-55v, pen & pencil

f254

Most [2]
Private {2 words up diag}
 {printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
 PARK LANE. W.

Dr. MacKinnon mentions
Surgeon Major Collins
 Sir T. Crawford is worth 20
 MacKinnons, & never
 mentioned him.
 Mr. Newmarck of the I.O.
 mentions

Surgeon Major Cunningham
 Over {surr. by 3 lines}

f255 {text vert. on pg}

Surgeon Major J. Cunningham/Cuningham - I presume the late San: Comm: with Govt- of India
 He is broken up, has married again:
 was never a zealous or disinterested -
 & says he will not serve again. But his is good
 " W.R. Cornish (of Madras) - zealous
 " & good man - extremely kind to me & correct in giving information - but not the practical enthusiast in details & with about the PEOPLE/natives that Hewlett is
 " " A. Payne - You know him - & I know
 " him very well. He is Sir H. Cunningham's favourite. Talk of Hewlett's violence!
 He is milk & water to Payne's brandy & water. Payne is really abusive -
 He knows only Calcutta well
 " " Walker I sued to know, if he is the first Secy= under Lord Lawrence of the first Sanitary Board - very good man- but has made no mark lately.
 It is certain that none of these men could be named with Hewlett in the same day.

f255v

I presume what I have been told before that they do not dare to brave a "powerful Dept= like the "A.M.D." by having an Engineer - as Dr. Sutherlands' successor - so much the worse.
 Mr Hewlett would not necessarily expect the "same salary" as Dr. Suthd, I believe But probably no pensioned man would. I don't know.
 F.N.
 Aug 7- day of my return from Crimea 33 years ago
 May this be a happy omen for A.S.C

unsigned letter, ff256-57v, pen & pencil

f256

Private

& Confidential

& for yourself alone {3 lines up diag}

A.S.C. August 9/89

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}

PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I return with many thanks
the three letters, Sir R.T., & Co=
with which you entrusted me.

It gives me new life. But it
is a very difficult undertaking -
It is for you to bring it to perfection.

In answer to yours, I wrote {vert. line down centre to end of folio}
a scrap to you (or Marianne,
who was good enough to bring
your letter here), & a longish
letter ~~here~~ to Leeds, saying that
"Hewlett ~~would~~ will do," that he
is far & away in advance of
any of the "candidates", &

f256v

giving an opinion (or no opinion)
of each of the "the candidates".
It will be for you to "see them"
& to see Hewlett.

In matter of ability, Hewlett's
health is the only uncertainty
But, to my astonishment, *after*
I had written to you, I had
a letter from him saying that
he was going to write to Sir
Evelyn Baring (*to-day*) offering
himself for work in Egypt,
in consequence of the report
of what the Paris "Conference" says
of the state of Alexandria.

I *suppose* he *does this with*

f257

a full & deliberate *knowledge* of his
own health.

This made it necessary to take
him somewhat into confidence
And, after telegraphing, I wrote
him a carefully guarded
letter (telling him something
of what we passing about
the A.S.C.) & asking him
particularly about his *health*)
to which I shall have an
answer to morrow (Saturday)
morning. ~~I even asked~~
~~him whether he was able at~~
~~a illeg... to come~~
~~up illeg to morrow~~
~~(Saturday) without any risk~~
~~{I did not say the W.O.}~~

f257v

Note- Recurring to the letters
enclosed, Mr Newmarck
evidently knows hardly any
thing of the situation - Indeed
he says so.

2. You know that Mr.
Stanhope moved principally
by Lothian, has set aside
a sum of some millions
for the Sanitary renovation
of Barracks.

What I want to ask you
is: what part is the
re-organised A.S.C. to
take in Home Barracks
&c? *Is it the part which*
Mr. W.H. Smith intended?

ff258-60, not FN hand, draft with similar text as above in FN's letter
ff256-57v, re: sanitary issues

signed letter, ff261-62, pen & pencil

f261

Private {up diag}

& Confidential

A.S.C. Aug 10/89

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Mr. Hewlett's health:--

in answer to you

- fit for "laborious Office work
"now directly"

-- "do more to perfect recovery
than anything else"

X X

in answer to you

"Sir Joseph Fayrer, tho' his
"interest was promised to Dr
Cornish, would not oppose
Dr. Hewlett's appointment, *if*
proposed, but would testify
on the contrary to his
"qualifications".

f262

Could you kindly tell me
as nearly as possible
what time you can give me
to day *and* & to morrow (Sunday)?

What I should like best, if
you can grant it, is

half an hour to- day "late"

ie. at 6.30 to tell me

how the land lies

(for I am engaged, otherwise, all
day)

and a good conversation

to morrow (Sunday) say at

5.30- Do, please, you say

But I should like, please, to
know, as I might perhaps

even now alter my appointments

ever yours F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff263-64v, pen

f263

Private

& *Confidential* {up diag} August 11/89
 {printed address:} 10, South Street,
 Grosvenor Square. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

The plot thickens. By the
 last post last night I had a
 long answer from Ld Lansdowne,
 re Sanitary Boards &c in India
 -also enclosing a short Memo=
 he had had drawn up.

[9:690]

I subjoin an Abstract on
 another sheet.

You will see that three
 Local Govts= - Madras
 Bengal
 Central Provinces

make the Board to consist of
 Sanitary Commissioner
 & Sanitary Engineer: *special*
 or otherwise

We know that they have *no*

f263v

Sanitary Engineers -

And now appears to be our
 time, if we could work it
 1 The Govt- of India is now
 addressing S. of S. at home to
 Sanction the MADRAS appointment
 of Sanitary Engineer

Who is he?

BENGAL: the special Sanitary Engineer
 (who is he?) is not even to be
 a whole time Officer - the
 Govt- of India is pressing it.

CENTRAL PROVINCES

the Engineer is not even a
 special - merely the SUPG=
 Engineer, who is as a rule
 entirely *non*=sanitary.

f264

As to the Sanitary Commissioners
of each Province
I must get hold of their names
correctly
you see, owing to the Sanitary
Commission having lived at
Norwood of late years, I
have none but private
information. And Indian
Sanitary Commissioners
never know each other.

My melancholy impression
is: that they are nobodies.
Littledale, an invalid, is
I think, still the Bengal one.
Ld Lansdowne says I shall "frown"
because they are so "slow"-
I think they have been too
quick.

f264v

It seems to me that
~~€.~~ the very best Army Sany-
Commn- at home with
~~an~~ the very best ex-Indian
Sanitary working number
is vitally necessary
HOME Barrack & Camp work
of course besides

[end 9:690]

[I am very glad you made
me write to Lord Lansdowne]
Please say by Messenger whether you
will come to me to day
or to morrow
Please, if possible, don't
go out of London this
week

[9:690-91]

ever yours
F. Nightingale

signed letter, f265-v, pen

f265

Private Aug 12/89
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Could you kindly *send* me
by Messenger *my little Abstract*
of the *India Sany Executive Boards?*
- I have no copy. And it saves
me trouble. I will return
it you in half an hour.

2.

It occurred to me how valuable **[9:691]**
a man Sir T. Crawford would
be on the A.S.C. He & Mr.
W.H. Smith were the only
men in the administration who thoroughly understood
& wished to carry out the
objects for which the A.S.C
was intended. But I suppose

f265v

it would be contrary to
etiquette to have an ex D G
He would be invaluable in the
place of - ? - who is there
now, (the 2nd on the D.G.'s Board) **[end 9:691]**

3 I write to Mr. Hill this
morning at the I.O. for the
names of India Sanitary
Commissioners & Engineers -
But I am afraid he is absent
on his holiday. Else Mr Newmate **[end 9:691]**
could hardly have written to
Sir R.T. However, some one,
I suppose will open my letter -
Perhaps I shall write to Sir Charles Bernard

Success to you: ever yours

F. Nightingale

signed letter, f266, pencil

f266

10 South St Aug 28/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Could you come & see me
this afternoon? If not this
afternoon, I will stay till
Friday, in order to see you
to-morrow (Thursday) afternoon,
if you will be so good

Mr. Stanhope is not coming
after all: 'press of business'-

I want to see you, please,
about Annual Sanity- I.O. Report_
Hewlett & his pamphlet - & wish
to send it to Ld Lansdowne & c -
& other things

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff267-71, pencil {text vert. on page}

f267

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks

My dear Sir Douglas Galton I hope the Worcester
affair went off entirely to your satisfaction-
& that your Address will be re-printed so that
blind eyes can read it. It will be a great
help to the Sanitary cause -

2. see 2 Chambers of Edinburgh has written to me
to ask me to "revise" & if necessary "entirely
"to re-write" ~~his~~ the Article on "Hospitals"
in his "Cyclopaedia"- I don't think I can

[16:910]

f267v

undertake it- I have no eyes- no hands -
Yet it is a pity to let slip the opportunity of
enforcing sound doctrine - [I hear of new
small Hospitals built within the last 2 or 3 years
embodying all the faults]

WOULD YOU UNDERTAKE IT? It would not
cost you much trouble. You have already
enforced the sound doctrine so often & so
well-

MAY I WRITE TO CHAMBERS SUGGESTING YOU?

[I have already kept his letter rather long-

[end]

f268

3.a. The Bombay Village Sanitation Act is all broken up. Lord Reay's Council could not agree- And it is postponed sine die- I don't know whether to be glad or sorry.
 b. Mr Hewlett's pamphlet came out at last- And the I.O. consented to send 6 copies out for the Govt- of India's "consideration". But as usual there was a Para- at the end which gave fresh offence- to the effect that the "Govt= of India "had nothing." [I think I had seen that Para- But I did not-] The I.O. in sending out the pamphlet

f268v

has said to the Govt= of India it "cannot agree with that Para"- I don't see how it could do otherwise. But poor

Hewlett is much offended- And this is a fresh scrape-

How much better it would have been to have said: 'the Govt- of India having done so much in ---- and ----, these suggestions & Rules are offered &c &c'-

But we are born to be in scrapes -

c. I send you a letter of Runchorelal of Ahmedabad to Hewlett see 3c. *Please return it to him or to me* I fear his health is not much better but his energy is unflagging-

f269

Quite [2]

Private {2 words up diag}

[9:691]

4. I have heard nothing directly from [10 Oct 1889?]

Mr. Stanhope who is busy at his guns -
 But, *confidentially* & indirectly, I heard that the A.S.C- is likely to be revived- that the hitch has been that every thing is now vested in the Q.M.G. & that the A.S.C. does so little work now except for India- but that it will probably be re-organized & other ~~than~~ besides Indian work given it- that if Sir R. Buller would say he wanted it, it would be done directly. [F.N. I have no means of approaching Sir

[end 9:691]

f269v

R. Buller in a proper manner-] I am asked: don't I know any intimate friends of his? But I don't]
 It was added: (but I don't know on what authority) - that they were aware some things were neglected or not well done, which wd- come under the cognizance of the A.S.C., if revived - & be well done [The London Barracks are said to want a great deal doing to -]
 How is Lothian?

f270

[3]

5- *Sir H. Acland* whom you saw at Worcester, - a propos of H. Cunningham's paper on Indian Syphilis, put in or rather "taken as read", asks me whether he shall "write" to "*Lord Cross, Sir F. Roberts, or Ld Dufferin*" about it -

[8:508]

Shall he? I don't know-

You know Sutherland & Dr. Cunningham both declared that the legislation did NOT diminish the evil-

But it is vain to write to either about anything- now- I suppose that that opinion is now exploded

& that the evil is terrible-

What do you advise me to say? [end 8:508] Sir C. Johnson writes to
Sir H. Acland {above 3 lines up diag}

f271

6. *Gordon Boys Home* -

I have a copy of the "*Dimensions*" &c of certain Dormitories, lately built, drawn up by F. Verney (who is gone to America to the International Maritime Conference)

& sent by him to Sir F. Goldsmid -

[You know you & I were talking about this-]

Do you like to see this copy?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

signed postcard, f272-v, pen

f272

Mr. Hewlett died suddenly at Finchley Road Station last Tuesday

F. Nightingale

15/10/89

f272v {postmarked with stamp}

{printed text:} POST {insignia} CARD
 THE ADDRESS ONLY TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE.
 Sir Douglas Galton
 12 Chester St.
 Grosvenor Place
 London S.W.

15/10/89

incomplete letter, ff273-74, pen & pencil

f273

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10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Grosvenor Square. W. Oct 15/89

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

What are we to do about
 replacing Hewlett?

In him we have lost the
 last & perhaps the first man
 in India on whose practical
 knowledge & information we
 could absolutely depend.

[9:992]

India has lost in him the
 man who of all others could
 wield her life & death problems
 with a thoroughly experienced
 hand - / by his practical
 knowledge of the natives & sympathy
 bring them to consent to & to
 co operate in their own health

f273v

salvation. For India he cannot
 be replaced. He was one
 whose knowledge of Sanitary
 details was so far a head of
 all his compeers that he
 could be consulted with
 absolute confidence on every
 point by the native leaders - his knowledge of the
 way to influence the natives
 was alike unequalled -

Tho' intemperate in speech,
 bit was always on the right
 side - never for self - but for
 righteous indignation, like
 Gordon, of whom he often
 reminded me. He was
 absolutely disinterested & self

f274

devoted, making the
sacrifice, which to him
was no sacrifice, of himself
for India

[end 9:992]

The seeds of his death
he laid there
Poor Runchorelal!

signed letter, ff275-76v, pencil

f275

Claydon Ho: Winslow: Bucks
Nurses' W.C.s Oct 16/89
Nurses' Sitting Room (Duty Room
My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thanks many for your
address which, I already see,
contains a mine of valuable
matter - And I particularly
like your say about those
germs -

Hewlett's death is a
tremendous loss to us, and
shakes all our plans about
India - To me he was a
friend of 30 years in Indian
matters- always to be relied on.

I come to South St on

f275v

Monday & hope to see you
soon about that & other
matters -

Anent S. Snell's Montreal plans: [16:905]

they are extraordinarily ingenious.

But without your paper I could

have nothing - & I shall
be able to do nothing more
till I come to London. As

you said you could work at
them now, I return the plans -
& your paper- & two note-sheets
of mine (for yourself) on what
seems to me simplest & most
necessary: the *Ward Unit*:
the *not* putting *Children* at the
top Floor:

f276

& the enormous difficulty of
superintendence,-- not to
say impossibility by night -

I could write a good
deal more for Mr S. Snell,
if you like it. But my eyes
are hardly equal to following
the intricacy of the plans:
& as to the Superintendents
following the intricacies on
floor- or the Patients reaching
the Theatres or &c &c - it
seems hopeless -

Simplicity of plan &
publicity are the sine qua non's
of Hospitals- are not they?

f276v

Let me see the plans & your
remarks, again, with you -
& my own mean remarks-

[end 16:895]

And we must talk over poor

A.S. Comm: again.

L'homme propose et Dieu dispose
// I have taken advantage
of your kindness to accept
Chambers' Encyclopaedia Article
conditionally

ever yours

F. Nightingale

Plans

I have not touched upon any
thing which you have done
so well

draft, ff277-80v, pen & pencil {text vert. on page} similar to 45820
f277

Montreal: plans for Hospita Oct 16/89

Ward Unit- its first principle - all Ward Offices to be self contained within one door, commanded by Head (Ward) Nurse's room- so that at any moment she may know here every Patient is.

Where are the W.C.s & W.C. sink of the Patients? If in the large Lobby beyond the bridge, it makes control of Patients impossible, unless there is some one always stationed on the bridge- And there is but one W.C. And the sink is too far for the Patients' excreta to be carried by Nurses & emptied? And where are they to be kept for Medical inspection?

f277v

(3 W.C.s & one Ward sink necessary for 30 Patients.)

It is a matter of experience that the gravest irregularities result ~~from~~ if the Patients' W.C.s are outside the Ward precincts & control

[The W.C. indicated would be convenient for Nurses' own use]

Is it necessary to sacrifice one of the two best positions for Ward Offices to the Fire Escape Stairs? In the *floor* plan, the Ward Offices are there.

All that is here said is subject of course to the exigencies of Canadian climate

f278

But also: the extreme difficulty of Superintendence consequent on the arrangements of the floors, bridges & c & c makes it imperative that the Ward arrangements should be capable of superintede by ~~a~~ one competent Head Nurse-

Is not the essential, as well Sanitary as administrative, of the Ward Unit,-- subject to Climate conditions-- that the Lavatory & Bath room, to be large enough too for minor operations - especially in this necessarily intricate building) on the one side, & W.C.s & W.C sink on the other, with cross ventilation, should be at the further end of the Ward [is it not marked on the floor plan what the compt= corresponding to "F.E. stairs" contains: where is the Lavatory?] & also on one side of the Ward door.

f278v

Head Nurse's bed-room & small (Separation Ward)
 & on the other side Ward Kitchen ~~or~~ & Lift or Linen &c?
 [But it is not so objectionable to have Linen outside]

Multiplying rooms belonging to Wards undesirable.
 Must the Medl- Officer be there? At all events he
 must not be separated by only a partition from Head Nurse.

The one window of Sepn= Ward, containing worst cases,
 very small, too dark. It should not communicate with Bath Room
 {upside down horiz.:} [pencil] Night Nurse

Head nurse
 sleeping on Ward
 electric bells
 how many Night
 Supts-
 how many Day?
 almost one to
 each block
 excessive intricacy
 of Hospl
 necessitates
 Superintende=
 Chapter of 5
 Probationers School
 Rooms accordingly
 ? Scullery
 Head Nurse, teas &
 breakfasts in her
 own room

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Principal Floor plan

Accessibility by wide doors & passages from
 Surgical Wards to Operating Theatre essential, especially
 in this necessarily intricate building --

not clearly indicated on principal floor.

Should the Officers' Mess-room & Scullery be in the
 midst of the Nurses?

Nurses' accommodation requires some overhauling --
 what estimate of No- of Nurses & Pupil Nurses?

It would almost seem as if there needed an Assistant
 Supt- or Matron to every Block -

f279v

First Floor plan -

Bath room appears where it should be instead of "Fire Escape Stairs".

& Ward Kitchen where it should be
//Out Patients' Dept= should be quite detached from Hospital & have nothing over it.

f280

Children's Ward: top floor

A Child's Ward demands publicity more than any part of the Hospital, because children cannot make just complaints.

It should be in the most frequented part of the Hospital, on the Principal floor if possible & nearest the Supt='s Office

Up there on top floor: could it have either superintendce= or publicity?

In the opinion of many most experienced, children had better be mixed up with adults in the Wards or in a Hospital with complete Staff to themselves.

f280v

The Superintendent or Matron must have an Office - easily accessible -

Night superintendents must have an Office too as central as possible Night supervision will be extremely difficult - on this plan

More remarks remain to be made -

signed letter, ff281-82v, pencil {response in bold}

f281

Address 10 South St Oct. 19/89 [16:910]

Article in Chambers' Cyclopaedia

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I send by your kind leave the "old Article" on "Hospitals" which the Editor sends us to "re-visit" or if necessary to "re-write"

He can give us "six weeks" to do it in: & he begs us to "keep it about the size of "the old Article, that is 2 pages or so"

As far as I can read the abominable print,

f282

it seems to have nothing in it that it ought to have according with modern knowledge & all that it has to be what it ought not to have -

It seems to have been written a century ago when a Hospital was a box to put sick people into -

Thanking you exceedingly for what you are kindly willing to do, & regretting I can help so little ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

[end]

f282v [response, not FN:
Simplicity of plan 2 ...

signed letter, ff283-84v, pen

f283

PRIVATE {up diag} Oct 24/89
{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

Sir H. Cunningham has
sent me the proposal for
a "Sanitary Indian Institute
"here" which he says he
has sent you & you alone.
He asks to see me about
it *this* week.

[9:692]

I *must* see you first,
please, to know what
you think -

[end 9:692]

Could you *come to morrow*
(*Friday*) *either at 3.15 or*
at 5? [I am engaged
to-day]

f283v

It makes me quite sick
to see this proposal,
when they raved so against
the Army Sany= Commr--
& Sir H. Yule.

[9:692]

When I found from Sir
C. Bernard that they had
converted him to the same
view -

when we have lost
Hewlett --
& when I know from you
how unwise a "proposal"
you think it --
& when I know what
are the people they have
to work it-

f284

But we must not
throw cold water upon it.

Could it be made a
branch of your Sanitary
Institute?

For us the first thing is
to have the A.S.C.
re organized. And I
can only think of you
for home matters-- &
Dr. Cornish for India -
upon it -

Dr. Payne whom
Cunningham recommends
is clever but untrustworthy
like a half-caste-- always

f284v

"I" is No- 1 - And Hewlett's
bad temper was an Angel's
while his is a Devil's -

Please let me talk
over the "Proposal" with
you *to morrow* if possible
-- if not, *Saturday* -

[end 9:692]

There are also
1. the *Montreal* plans
2. *Chambers' Encyclopaedia*
article

for us to talk over -
F. Nightingale

signed letter, f285, pencil

f285

10 South St Nov 1/89

[16:865-66]

My dear Sir Douglas

By your kind desire I enclose
questions for Mr. Saxon Snell.

But I also trouble you
with my notes (4 sheets)
to make them intelligible
if readable -

ever yours truly

F Nightingale

Perhaps Miss Washbourne would
kindly make an intelligible
copy of the questions for Mr
S. Snell -

Please return my rude MSS to
me & let me see you on Monday

draft, ff286-87, pen & pencil {vert. text on page}

[16:895-96]

f286

Montreal Hospital plans Questions

What is the proposed number of beds?

Surgical} may
Medical } be
Eye } classed
Private } together
Children's
Infectious

What " " " of Nurses? &c &c
in each of these
categories

bed-room off her ward essential}=- - Head " "
bed room & sitting room better }
besides the "Duty room" or Ward Kitchen for Day " "
Night " "

What number of Probationer " for all?

What " " Superintending Staff?

Bed-room & Sitting Room for each {? 1 Lady Supt-
Central Offices for 3 or 4 2 Day "
2 Night "
1 for Probationers
1 Private Wards
8 or 9 1 [illeg]

f287

What average number of *Students*? *Medical School*
upon this depends so much of arrangements

What building for *Medical School*, *Museum* &c &c

What number of *RESIDENT* *Medical Officers* in
Hospital?

" " " *students* " in *Medical College*
if any?

2? 3? *Operating Theatres* ~~by~~ of *easy access*

~~or 2~~ best on *Principal floor*

? *Minor operations* to be done in *Lavatory* - if to be big enough
but where is *Lavatory*?

Ovariectomy to be done in *Lavatory* - never in *Theatre* -
or in *Patient's own small Ward*

If *small Wards* near *Theatre*, (but *Theatre ought* to be accessible to
~~gen~~ *Surgical Wards*-

they must have *Offices* & *supervision*

? *system of electric bells*

? *separate building/accommodation* for *Probationers* with their
Assistant Supt,

? *Night Nurses* apart from ~~other~~ *Day Nurse*
to sleep by day quietly with *Supt*=

what & where *W.C.s* & *W.C. sinks* for *Wards*?

what & where *W.C.s* for *Ward Nurses*?

Nurses' accommodation should be *quite separate*

& by a different stair from *Medl= Officers*

what *Baths*, ~~Lavatr~~ *W.C.s*, *Dining Rooms* &c for *Nurses* -

Each should have a *separate bed- room* 1/11/89 [end 16:896]

ff288-93, draft in unknown hand with FN annotations, re: plans of *Montreal Hospital* {FN hand transcribed as seen in folios}

[not FN, but her und] What is the *number of Nurses* supposed
to be employed? What number of *Head*

Nurses, what number of *night nurses*, what
number of *Probationer nurses*?

Lady superintendent & how many *assistant*

superintendents? In the same way by night, one *night superintendent* & how
many *assistant superintendents*?

F289 [not FN] The illeg & unavoidable intricacy of the building
necessitate a very large *superintending staff* &
necessitates also peculiar care in the arrangements
of the wards.

For instance it is considered in *London* a necessity
that each *Head*

nurse should sleep in the room
off her ward/ how much more so in this very
complicated building. The *night nurse*

even though there be as may be presumed

electric bells all over the Hospital *must* have someone *at night* to summon n case of emergency in the ward, she cannot depend only on the rounds of the night superintendent.

Un the "enlarged ward plan on thin paper, there appears a "*duty room* which seems to be intended to answer the purpose of *ward scullery* or kitchen & *head nurses' & nurses' room*, & of head nurses' bed rooms. The head nurse who ought to be in command of her ward, night & day, except in the recreation hours, 7 she is probably a gentlewoman, must have a good light, airy room, where she can sleep & sit down & where no one has a right except herself.

electric bells

f288

[FN] for reference October 1899 [1889?]

What is the *Average number* of the *Medical School*? At Edinburgh it is 1800. And this necessitates *arrangements* found very objectionable in other Hospitals - *objectionable*

f289

{re: Head Nurse}

in some Hospitals she has bed- room and sitting room off her Ward

{re: Head Nurse needs an airy room to sleep & sit where no one else has a right to be}

all the more if she has no sitting room

f289v-290 {annotations mixed in text, not transcribed}

f291

Night Supervision will be extremely difficult
How are *Private Patients' Wards* on plan?
[FN blue pencil:] & *Nurses accommodations?*
Ditto Infectious Wards? different from
& not in Hospital

f292 {no FN annotations}

f292v {re: accommodation for patients after surgery}

These would require their own offices - The *Children's* Ward especially
& easy Supervision

f293 {re: first floor plan}

Great difficulty of Superintending Edinburgh
from multitude of Partitions
& " small rooms (7 or 8) to each Ward
What will Montreal be?
3 Operating Theatres Edinburgh all on Principal Floor
- no room in Ward Lavatory for minor operations
2 (1 men; 1 women) in St. Thomas' - also both on
Principal Floor
-room for minor operations in each Ward Lavatory
Ovariotomy in her own Ward or Lavatory (large)
At St Thomas' all strictly *pathological* work all done in Museum
building
" Edinburgh in *Doctors' Ward Room* - also *Out Patients*
most objectionable
if Medical School under 400 *no occasion* for Doctor's Room
Is there a *Students' College* (very necessary) & *Museum*
to Montreal? Hospl
~~is there?~~ *Pathological Theatre?*

note, ff294-95v, pencil

f294

Sir D Galton 4/11/89

arrival

at Scutari

Gordon B.H. List - Report 35 years ago
by F. Verney

/Cornish Payne [illeg]

Hewlett &

S: of S.'s letter Sir R Thompson x

to Govt of India me - Stanhope

Executive Board s D. Galton - *my paper*

/ Montreal Do Nurses' ~~Room~~ Accommodation

communicate by bridges with

separate story of Admn- Building?

/Mansion Ho: Commee=: to beat the
Vestries

/Arthritis - Hot Water

x Lothian

Sandhurst no moral responsibility

for men tonight

Cunningham

v. Bernard

f295 {blank}

f295v

Bellent}

Planck } ? Civilian

{up diag:} ask Crawford

Louis Parkes Dr

ask Poore

about a Doctor

of Indian & English

Sanitary experience

A.S.C.

{upside down:} ask him

to come & see me

signed letter, ff296-97, pencil

f296

10 South St. Nov 5/89 [13:144]

Complainant against
London Hospl= Sanitation
My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I hope I am in time to
have your advice about
these poor things- *Yatmans*
To *Whom* ought they to apply?

As for Miss Rose Adams,
if you don't know her, you will
see what she is from her
slip=ing the Goddess of Hospital
Hygiene who *had hopes* that,
when she had placed Lady
Matrons at the head of all
Hospitals, *she* should have
seen Hygiene triumphant!!

f296v

[I am always declined
belonging to the Assocn-, &
have always found her utterly
unbusiness - like, & on one
occasion, too long to tell,
mischievously ignorant.
I don't know why she applies
to me]

Yet I should like to
give her poor clients the
soundest advice, i.e. yours -

Mark how vague *their*
complaint is. "*All the*
"A Patient in that room almost always dies" -
"Several Nurses" &c - &c

f297

Please return the letters
& *give me a word of advice*
yours ever truly

F.N.

Alas! we are far from
Sanitary at St. Thomas' -
I have told you how much
Typhoid we have had
lately among the Nurses -
& one died -
I do not wish Miss Adams
to use my name

[end]

signed letter, f298, pencil

f298

10 south St. Nov 5/89

My dear Sir Douglas

The "Yatmans' complaint was contained in two
 little note-sheets, *pinned together* - I cannot find it
 here - I think it must have dropped out of the
 envelope I enclosed to you when you opened it
 in greatest haste
 so sorry to give you such trouble
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff299-300, pencil

f299

Nov 14/89

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
 PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I shall be very glad to see
 you tomorrow (Friday) at 5 -

Have you asked *Dr. Poore*
 for a possible successor to
 Dr Sutherland, as you proposed?

I have done nothing- They say
 Sir T. Crawford is abroad. *Is he?*

Mr. Saxon Snell is back in
 London= & has written to me -
 His note to you of Nov 6 stumps
 me- Are they going back to the
 Nursing principles of 30 years ago?

f299v

Then I can only say: Don't -

I have written something a
 great deal too long - which
 I think *I will send you to night*
 if you will bring it with you
 tomorrow - It seems an
 endless affair if we have to
 fight even the Ward Unit after all these years {flows into f300}

His "growing opinion" I suppose
 is the Edinburgh Doctors -

You would never get any
 gentlewomen to go under his
 system. Yet the whole marrow of the reform {flows into f300}

ever yours truly has been in the improved
 F. Nightingale class of Nurses

f300

I have Rogers Field's three
Blue Books on the Dublin
Barracks- Have you? -
Lothian kindly sent them -

signed letter, ff301-02, pencil

f301

14/11/89 [16:903]

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

This is dreadful, I have
waited all the week for you-
& put off every body tomorrow
("Friday")- And now I am to wait
till "Tuesday" for one 3/4 of hour,
which however I accept- (" 3.45")

Montreal

I hope you will be able just to
glance at my notes in connection
with Mr. S. Snell's letter to you-
(also enclosed with his papers)
which I will send for to morrow-
- & tell me how I am to go on-

I cannot surrender the Ward Unit

f302

upon which all depends - & upon which all Hospl- authorities are
now agreed -

Whoever gave Mr. S. Snell
his "Instructions", (I believe the
young Edinbro' Doctors at Montreal)
knew nothing of Administration
of Nursing- His Ward Unit, as to the Offices & rooms,
is the worst I ever saw for a
modern Hospl= We would
not send Nurse there -

Now, what am I to do?

I have taken great pains to ascertain the opinion at Edinbro'
& it is what I state in
my notes-

This is however but a small
part of what I had to ask
you

[end]

Yours very faithfully
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff303-04, pen

f303

Dec 3/89

10, SOUTH STREET, {printed address:}
PARK LANE. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I have, as perhaps
you know, an appointment
this week which makes it
essential for me to see
you first. I was in hopes
you would have kept an
hour for me.

Could you kindly see
me ~~rather late~~ at 5 or 6 this
afternoon, or any time
tomorrow, or any time
tomorrow (Wedy=) afternoon,
or if that is impossible
any time on Thursday
either at one or three --
But this last is very

f303v

difficult to me, as I

have another appointment
with a man starting for

India who cannot be put off
& for whom I must prepare.

I have not heard from

Sir T. Crawford about
the important matter
you spoke to him about-

Please listen favourably
to the voice of my prayer.

I hope it will be

TOMORROW that you
can come.

ever yours sincerely

Florence Nightingale

f304

A thousand thanks, &
will you thank Miss
Washbourne, for the
article for Chambers-
But my present petition
is widely different from
this -

F.N.

initialled letter, f305, pencil

f305

Dec 3/89

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

Dear Sir Douglas

I must take your
leavings, as beggars must
no be choosers-

Yes, please, your dog
will see you to morrow
(Wedy=) on your way from
Euston for as long as
you can stop- but also
on Thursday at one.

Will you consider the points
of, if Cornish is to do the Indian,
who is to do the Home business-
& other points for ~~my~~ that interview?
your Dog F.N.

signed letter, ff306-07v, pen & pencil {dictated letter, FN hand last half
of folio 307v}

f306 Dictated

{printed address:} 10, SOUTH STREET,
PARK LANE. W.

Dec. 16. 89

Dear Sir Douglas,

I am an egg full of
meat, and you might have
come and cracked me if
you had made an appointment.
Other people rejoice that their
Correspondence is not com-
promising *All my*
correspondence is compromising -
Therefore, I can only tell you

f306v

by word of mouth what you
would know. Shall you be
in London this week?

As for revising my Article
for Dr. Quain, before Xmas,
the type is so diabolical,
the mornings are so dark, and

[12:721]

f307

my eyes are so bad, that
if he must have it before
Xmas, I think I must return
it to him as it is. But
if he chooses to let me have
a little time after Xmas,
and if so, how much? I
will try to do it.
I think the only thing that
wants adding is the remarkable
development and improvement
of District Nursing (instead of

f307v

Almsgiving.) during the last 10
or 12 years. But I don't know
whether Dr- Quain wishes me to
add to it or only to revise it
Could you kindly tell me-

And are you doing your
Article on Construction &c of Hospitals?

You said I was to send you
something about the differences
between these & Poor Law
Infirmaries

[end]

Sir Henry Yule is dying
ever most truly yours
F. Nightingale

Add Mss 45767, correspondence with Douglas Galton 1891-97, to Marianne Galton 1870-99, plus one likely 1847, 242 folios, 176 pages, Adam Matthew reel 15

f1 signed letter, DG to FN, pen, 21 Mar. 1890 {people who ought to vote for Mr. Wainwright. I am sorry to say that I have no acquaintance with any one of the people whom you mention, as people who ought to vote for Mr Wainwright.

f2 signed letter, DG to FN, ff2-3v, pen, 2 April. 1891, re plans for Derby Hospital. I have just seen Mr Keith Young's plans of Derby Hospital. They are very good. I have suggested to him to let you see them ... some point on which I think your criticism *most valuable*. The meeting at Derby is called for 9th April. If you would name any day before that it wd be best you to see Mr Young. He cd call Saturday or Tuesday. I told him that your hours were between 3 & 6. I am giving him this letter to take to your house. I shall be out of town till Tuesday eve & go to Derby on Thursday.

calling card, f4 Keith D. Young, 17 Southampton Street, Bloomsbury

signed letter, ff5-6, pen, black-edged paper

f5

Private Derby April 6/91
 Infirmary
 plans 10. South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I had a curious & rather unsatisfactory two hours' talk with Mr. Keith Young on Saturday -

He was noisily complimentary & silently obstinate. I doubt his adopting any suggestion

[He is attached to the Middlesex Hospl., one of the few that has still a laundry under the Wards &c &c. And he swears by Miss Thorold, the Matron, who has never been a Trained Nurse].

This hospital, excellent in Sanitary points, is according to our ideas, perfectly unworkable

f5v

But you are going to speak at the County Meeting at Derby on *Thursday*. And this appears to me *the only chance* of getting any alterations, now, made,. I venture to send you my notes - of which I wrote the first 8 pages before I had seen him - the last 4 after I had seen him I send them, in case you should be able to look over them. And I kept his two plans, in case you would ~~let me~~ like to look at them again with my notes, ~~or~~/and for me to send them you.

I did not have the advantage of hearing *your* criticisms.

f6

Mr. Young is not going down to the Thursday Meeting - His knowledge of what a woman & a nurse is was conspicuous from its absence.

I will send to-morrow (Wednesday) morning the two plans. Send them back if you like but to me I am sorry to trouble you

The holes & corners, the labyrinth of rooms at the mouth of each Ward are obviously Mr Young's own pet plan. And he won't give it up.

Help me if you can.-
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff7-8v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f7

Derby Infirmary plans

Private April 8/91

10. South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I send you Mr. Young's
two plans which I kept
for you, as my only chance
of getting this beautiful Hospl,
as I believe you think it,
free from ~~these~~ extraordinary
blemishes; I allude particularly
to

1. the honey comb of small
rooms at the mouth of Wards
- & ~~witho~~/without (the play of Hamlet
with the part of Hamlet left out)
namely - ~~namely~~ no
accommodation for the Queen
Bee, the industrious Charge
Nurse -

2. the honey comb of the
Children's Ward - with no
accommodation for Nursing

f7v

3. the absurd device of the Nurses' Home - 80 yards of space to run over in pelting hail & sleet. It is just what we had to run over to the "Redan" under a murderous fire, *and failed.*

&c &c &c

But the want of any idea that the Staff consists of human beings who have to be provided for is conspicuous all over the plans.

I feel this so keenly that I would even, contrary to all my usual practice, submit my written criticisms to any one you would name at Derby, provided this

f8

could be done with courtesy & justice to Mr. Young. But - *I hope in you* - will you not undertake this criticism to-morrow *yourself* at the Derby Meeting, if you agree?

[I think Mr Young an extremely nervous man -

Besides this, he sent his "partner" instead of himself yesterday to Derby.]

ever yours {pencil} most truly

F. Nightingale

I have a very bad account of the "Sanitary Board" & Sanitary things at *Bombay* in a private letter not to myself.

f8v

I think I shall send it
to you confidentially
Please tell my Messenger
when to call back for
all my luggage (including
this) if you wish to
send the whole lot back.
But pray undertake it
yourself. F.N.
8/4/91

notes, ff9-23, pen

f9

Derby Infirmary plans - Mr. Young's
April 1891

1. Simplicity of ~~construction~~/plan - not one unnecessary
hole or corner - too intricate -

- a. put linen press & dresses IN Duty-Room
very little Ward linen (Ward Kitchen)
- b. Patients outer Clothing BETTER down-~~stairs~~ baked
in nets)
- c. no larder because no food - butter in duty room
eggs in Locker
- d. What is "rooms"?
- e. Must there be two "coals"? every day?
- f. Nurse's W.C. very nice -

But - Sister (Charge Nurse's) room absolutely
essential - one side Ward door
educated women wanted - won't get them
without - you can't have a woman who
will throw off all at a stated hour - it
won't be ~~their~~/her ward - Is she to have no
where to sit down but in the Home?

Then - night service

Holiday's a holiday - Throw it all off then.

{the next part is written sideways in the bottom margin}

Day's holiday	Nurses in a	bacilli	humble
Nurses =	state of chronic	to eat	because so
sometimes all	fatigue		learned
good undone	Nurses & Sisters		Dr. Bristowe
by extra work	don't improve		
you next day	after their year's		
for another -	training		
Relief Nurses			
& Sister			

f10

what is to be done in the duty rooms?

must have a small

Duty=room washing up & cleaning
 (Scullery) Ward cookery - drinks
 (Ward-kitchen) fomentations

airing linen

Night Nurse's tea &c in
 middle of night

Doulton's sink

hot & cold water laid on

Advantage of linen press & Dresser in "Duty-room" is to be in
 a room with a fire

Gynaecological Scullery - Fire-place

(?Lying in) Sink

Linen Press & Dresser

& in another compartment

Bath sink

Slop sink

WC

Stove

a Gynaecological Scullery on opposite side

Corridor an advantage

f11

-2- What Electric Bells

Night Service intended?

Where is Night Supt's Central Room? by night?
 for her to meet her Assistant - to leave word for
 Asst or

where she is to be found - to have her little
 meal in &c &c &c

What are the arrangements for Night Service?

for emergencies? for sudden delirium
 to summon help?

What are the latest improvements in Electric
 Bells & organized services?

It would appear as if everybody were to
 sleep at a distance in this Hospital -

And it is distance in truth -

then wards separated by broad stair-cases
-Great difficulty of calling any body or getting
any body any how within 15 minutes

Electric Bell into Porter's Lodge indicating ward
into Doctors' Rooms " "
into central room " "

porter & Doctor - not Nurse wanted
Porter must communicate with Doctors'
rooms

The D.T. porter must be there night & day
ingenuity wanted

What communication
contrived with all
Small Wards night
& day?

{the next part is written sideways in the bottom margin}

Probr little girl Sisters &
3 months saved S. George Nurses don't
to every night improve &
Staff Nurse enlarge in
character
after
year's
probation
Nurses get
hard

f11v

Rarely Patients well enough to help
A bell by day would be a convenience -
These excellent Pavilion Hospitals want
ingenuity about this more than
the old Hospitals

f12

-3-

Matron

Is she to supervise the House Surgeons!!!
or the Nurses?

Could her Office be over Nurses' Dining Room?
Supervision difficult by day

impossible by night - i.e. for the Night Supt.

Why put Porter's Sitting Room (& Bed Rooms)

in that Central position - first floor -
would not Matron's Office be better there
with a small staircase from Nurses'

Dining Room: after meals they each have
their interview with Matron - on their way to
Wards

Matron's Office to be central - look South
or S.E. or S.W.

her Office should be large

her Sitting room smaller & not next it.

{pencil} Assistant Matron's Hospl

Linen

Gives Classes to Probrs.

f13

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Nurses' Home

Corridor between Rooms - communicating all
their foul air

not a Well

long Corridor with only one window at one end
too far off

is there to be a covered way?

Where are the Probationers'? how many? Class Room

" " " Night Nurses? how many?

should be apart with their Supt. of Nurses
where they can Sleep by day -

" " Charge Nurses?

" " Assistant " how many?

" " Female Servants " "

and Ward-Maids

To 20 rooms - how many W.C.'S X wanted? 3

only two on the first floor 2 in separate

Slop Sinks " ? compartments

Housemaid's sink " ? are they in HMC?

These women have all to be up at 6.30 a.m.

(except the Night Nurses)

Wardmaids $\frac{1}{2}$ an hour earlier

Where do they breakfast? in the Dining Room?

Bed-rooms: *bed-place* should be marked; where bed?

" wardrobe?

" table?

" washing apparatus

doors should not be opposite each other A

x? 14 Nurses to pass each other to W.C.

A Lavatories only to be used for washing hands in

day time

f16

-6a-

Gynaecological Wards
 admirable
 but how to be nursed by night or by day
 & how supervised
 Gynaecological wants a Scullery beyond any other
 - roomy Lavatory where smaller operations
 performed
 Ovariectomy performed in its own small Ward
 Nurse never leaves Ward day or night
 Is all to be carried thro' to W.C.s in larger Ward?
 What proportion of Gynaecological Patients
 in bed?
 Anaesthetics - take them back to Ward to recover
 Casualty Ward - where will Nurse be?
 Are Corridors closed?
 How do Ward Windows open?

f17

-6-

too intricate }
 Children's Wards } ~~Gynaecological Wards~~
 which ought to be more
 than all others in the way
 under supervision are here beyond others
 out of the way beyond supervision
 Child If over the Matron's Office
 so that she hears every cry, so much
 the better
 where do the Children's Nurse Maids sleep?
 How much better to distribute the children
 over the Adult Wards?

Infants under 6 months only ~~excuse~~/rationale for
 Children's Wards -
 Children's Hospitals: not Wards - good
 Infectious children to be in Infectious blocks?
 Or may these Children's Wards be for
 Infectious Cases?
 Children's Balcony N.E.
 There seem to be conveniences for the Children,
 their Linen, their Clothes. But none for the
 Nurses, the Nurse maids, the Charge Nurse,
 except one wretched little Duty Room which

f17v

rather shuts them off from the Children
 than is any convenience for Nursing?
 Are the children in the N. Ward to
 look after each other?
 If they are infectious, they ought to
 have a kitchen, scullery &c to
 themselves -
 Is Charge Nurse, Nurse, Nursemaids to
 be all pent up in that Duty Room?

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Nurses' Dining room
 how many meals will there be in the
 dining room?

{pencil} 12 max

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{pen} Laundry
 Ought Infectious linen to be washed
 within Hospital boundary?
 Importance of a good Laundry to Hospital
 But
 No inevitable infection in Infectious Laundry
 unless small, dark, wet, unventilated &
 overcrowded - & full of steam loaded with
 organic matter -
 {pencil} this seems too dark

Floors

What are to be floors
 walls
 ceilings of Wards?
 Theatre Theatre
 { no corners
 glass
 shelves
 for
 instruments

Surgeons in smocks

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1. If the Charge Nurses are not to have rooms off their Wards, neither by night nor by day, then they must have Sitting Rooms *in* the building - *not* 80 yards off - and Bed-rooms *in* the building - that is considered a *sine qua non* even by Matrons of Infirmaryes who do not approve of rooms off Wards. Nothing would persuade Charge Nurses to use the Sitting-rooms in a Home at a distance - covered way or not -
2. What is to be done in the Duty-rooms?
3. What Electric Bells are intended for Night Service?
what Night Service?
4. What Matron's rooms?
5. What proportion of acute cases?
(Railway) accidents? night?
operations? night?
Night Supt. can't be spared,
for night operations

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Derby Infy

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This small Hospital beautiful in the Sanitary point of view is almost unadministrable & it may perhaps be said perfectly *un* supervisable, at least without a Nursing Staff large enough for the largest Hospital. It appears that the South Wards are half a story different in level from opposite Wards which of course increases the difficulty of supervision - no couple of wards being on the same level -

Are the Children's Wards on the same difference of level? If so, they are perhaps the most intricate nest of rooms existing in any Hospital - & to manage them there is only one wretched Duty Room which will be in a crowded bustle from morning to night & night to morning.

The radical mistake appears to be in a misapprehension of the position of Matron and Nurses (Charge Nurses) -

The Matron is not a person to have her Office (& Rooms) near the gate, to receive visitors to the Hospital & enquiries Nor are the "charge Nurses" persons to

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bustle about for a certain number of hours of the day with nowhere to sit down - & then to adjourn to a "Home" 80 yards off in the open air in all weathers.

The "Charge Nurses" (Sisters) are the key to the situation - & thro' them the Matron who is the head of all the Nursing must influence morally, & practically, the Nurses, Ward-maids, Probationers, Patients, ~~& even the Junior Resident Staff~~ the Night Supt. & the Night Nurses.

For this the Matron must have an ~~Central~~ Office, *not* looking North in a Central part, handy to all the Wards. She probably receives the Night Supt's report in her bed -room in the early morning. And it is better that her own rooms should not adjoin her Office

For this too the "Charge Nurse" must have a room of her own, so as in some measure, to allow her, to consider her Ward as her home, her "charge", her family, morally & practically. Her room should be on one side the Ward door, so that no one should go in & out without her knowledge. And from her door she

*Convalescent
Steward*

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should be able to see down the whole Ward -

If she cannot sleep, she may have a bedroom in the Home {pencil} but not at 80 yards distance, covered or no covered way -

{pen} But I may add from large experience that I have never known a ~~Charge-Nu~~/ trained Sister in a large *Hospital* who did not consider 'her room, off her Ward necessary to her work or who did not refuse a Sistership in those

few *Hospitals* where there is no such room -

And the Sisters are rare indeed who did not wish to sleep in it. [It is extremely seldom not perhaps once a year in Medical Wards where the Night Service is well organized that the Sister is

called up. {pencil, in another hand}} Have you Railway & other accidents - sometimes by night? & Operations? The surgical Sister must be called up for such. And for such must sleep in the *Hospital* even if not in her room off the Ward.

{pen} P.S. It is to be regretted that the Matron of this *Hospital* is also the Steward - But she must have a housekeeper besides the Assistant

It is also to be regretted that this beautiful building, it is said, will be little more than a Convalescent *Hospital*, which had so much better be by the sea. it is hardly too much to say that the building & organization of a Convalescent *Hospital* should be in nearly every respect almost the very reverse of those of a *Hospital* for acute Medical & Surgical cases.

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In conclusion, it is expected, I find that each Nurse & Sister is to go backwards & forwards to the Home 80 yards off with no covered way in all weathers in CLOGS, CLOAK & BONNET - This is a mere man's chimaera - Under such terms, the Sitting-rooms, the Reading & Writing Rooms in the Home will never be used. And many will be the colds caught in their going unwillingly to bed there -

No Sitting rooms appear in the Hospital And the Dining-room which will have from 7 to 12 meals daily will certainly not be resorted to by ~~the~~ any charge Nurse to sit in. One must remember these are educated women.

Do not put Sick Nurses (in the Single bed Wards) in the Gynaecological Ward. If you have Ovariectomy Patients, these will be wanted for them. Put the Sick Nurses in the Home; with a kitchen - But the Home in its present form & place is a mistake altogether, which is a pity.

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Have you Railway accidents? by night?
accidents that sometimes must go straight
to the Theatre? by night?

Have you Ovariectomy cases?

Have you many acute Medical cases? typhoid? cerebral?
sudden delirium

In London Workhouse Infirmaries where there
are comparatively few acute Medical or Surgical
cases, & no accidents, few or no Operations by
nights, tho' a very thorough Night organization
is wanted,

the Charge Nurses (Sisters) are not supposed
to sleep off their Wards by night, or even
to have rooms off their Wards by day,
but they have Dining Rooms & Sitting Rooms
(for Sisters & Nurses apart) ~~in the Hospital~~/building
and bed-rooms *in* the building, tho' away
from the Ward blocks -

An experienced Matron will tell you:
we could not possibly persuade our Nurses or Charge

Nurses

to ~~go to~~/ use the Sitting Rooms at a Home 80 yards off - covered way
or no covered way - they would prefer to
sit in their bed-rooms (never doubting
but that the bed-rooms *must* be *in* the
building.) The Probationers & Class-rooms
may be in a separate Home - but nothing

signed letter, DG to FN, ff24-25v, 8 April 1891 I have really not had time to digest your remarks. I have written to Sir W Evans that I hope the committee have not ordered working drawings as there are several administrative questions wh you raise against it wh require to be considered by the committee. It is a pity that the com did not let you or me see the plans before they committed themselves to them. Tomorrow's meeting is a public one to raise money. I cannot say publicly that the plans are perfection but I can tell individuals if the com

{DG's response to the foregoing}

signed letter & envelope, DG to FN, ff26-29, 9 April 1891, Makeney Lodge, nr Derby printed stationery. We had a good meeting at Derby. Lord Hartington presiding. I got together many of the committee after the meeting and...[read your remarks?] There were no plans unfortunately...Mr Keith Young had attended on Monday and had mentioned some of the points that they had been considered and I think disregarded! However after some discussion it was settled that a deputation of the staff and committee shd wait on YOU in London and discuss the points raised. So I return you your notes. YOU MUST write to Sir Wm Evans Allestree hall Derby and SAY WHEN YOU COULD SEE THEM YOU MUST if you cd give alternative days it wd be better. The Young doctor opposed giving the illeg nurse a room next the ward. He said it was better the nurse when on duty shd be always in the ward--and when off duty shd go quite away. He did ...he knew several hospitals where the charge nurse had a room near the ward and the one hosp where she had not and that in the latter case the nurse complained of the inconvenience but that he thought a little inconvenience did not matter to nurses. Have the plans come back to you from my house. I told them to. If they have keep them till you see the committee. Perhaps you have sent them away already to Young!! If they are still at my house perhaps they are ...through from Keith Young keep till my return on Tuesday!! Otherwise send for them. I think my maids can find them. I don't think my secretary Miss Hillack will be there. I go hence to Sheffield tomorrow and to Himbleton on Sat till Tuesday morning. It is now quite clear you and I must set out a book on hospitals or all [working together]

PS. You must have the plans when you see the deputation so if you have sent them back to Young tell Sir W Evans that he must have them sent to you again. {envelope postmarked: Derby W9 Ap 9 91}

signed letter, ff30-31, pencil, black-edged paper

f30

August

Congress May 1/91 [10:861]

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

A letter addressed to Sir
W. Wedderburn from the Congress
came *here* by the first
(morning's) post. I sent it
on to him at once by hand
(28 Argyll Street)

I hope it contains *all*
that we want to enlist *him*
- including the *List of*
members of the Indian Sub-
Committee, as it now stands.

This List has not yet
reached me from Mr. S.

f31

Digby, as you were so good
as to desire -*Could you hasten it*, if
you are leaving town till
Monday? & kindly send
me any other information
regarding the Indian part
of the organization? & Sir W. Wedderburn -
ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

[end 10:861]

signed letter, ff32-33v, pen, black-edged paper

f32

July 6/91

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

1. Mr. Malabari writes me
word that Mr M. Ghose, tho' not
in England, has joined your
Indian Committee - He does
great good by lecturing &
sending native lecturers about to lecture
in Bengali to the poor
country population in Bengal
(- to people who believe that the
taxes they pay go straight
into the Queen's pocket!).
upon the simplest political
subjects

[10:861-62]

Mr. M. also says that
"perhaps the most distinguished
of our young Medical men in
"India" is coming over as a
Delegate - the Bombay Govt.
paying his passage - He does

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not give his name - But
of course you & Mr. Digby
know all about it. I am
not supposing that I am giving
you news. I hope you have
more news to give me.

2. I have had a letter fro
the Poona Sarvajanik Sabha -
- not a mere letter of courtesy
but giving me bad news -
viz. that the Bombay
Village Sanitary Act is a
"dead letter" - because there
are no funds for it that
the Govt. ~~have refused~~/"are not prepared" to
apportion to it any part
of the Local Funds, tho' these
were for {written at the bottom with an arrow to this point}"to make any
sensible allotment out of
"Provincial Revenues"

Roads &c and Sanitation
- that the people are too

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poor to be farther taxed or to
give voluntary subscriptions,
- that therefore the Act is &
will remain perfectly useless.
They ask if this state of
things could be brought
before the Congress "to invite the
"attention of the Indian authorities to it"

I have written to Sir W.
Wedderburn who is their
Delegate.

Poona Sarvajanik Sabha
says that it is going to
send "one or two papers on
"Sanitation of Indian cities
"by Indian experts."

[end 10:862]

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3. do you remember being
so good as to look over &
criticize the plans (very bad)
of the Nurses' Home at
Sydney, N.S.W.?

[16:935]

I have now their reply=
letter from Chairman -
letter from Architect to
Chairman & a more
elaborate tracing -

I fear it is a bad job.
Are you so kind as to
look over it again?

[end]

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

Excuse this bungling note

signed letter, ff34-35v, pencil, black-edged paper

f34

July 11/91

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Thanks many for the
letters you sent me -

Mr. Digby asks for
Lord Dufferin's address -
I have no doubt he has
found it; but in case
you meant me to
answer it, they are
at *46 Cadogan Square*
I saw Lady Dufferin
last week. I believe
they are gone out of

f34v

London till Monday
 next. & that then
 they will be at Cadogan
 Sq. till the end of the
 month. But depend
 upon it I am *not* to be
 depended upon for I
 also ~~heard that~~ understood
 that they were going to
 Ireland.

f35

Sir Harry who was
 here yesterday asked
 me again to ask you what he
 could do for the
 native Delegates, at
 Claydon - inviting
 them to stay there
 & showing them Oxford.
 Thanks for Mr. Digby's
 letter - the type-written
 account of Meeting; - & the
 name of the Medical

f35v

delegate from Bombay
 whose passage Govt.
 pays

Excuse scrawls from
 ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

Are you so good as
 to look at the Sydney
 Nurses' Home plans,
 returned to me after
 considering your criticisms?

[16:935]

[end]

signed letter, DG to FN, ff36-36v, pen, 13 July 1891 {reply to the above -
 going to Oban} Thanks for letter. You will like see enclosed plans. Please
 return them here as soon as you can. I will be happy to look over nurses
 home plans, but I go tomorrow Tuesday early to Oban to look at site for
 Barracks with ASC. I do not think I shall be back till Sat.

signed letter, ff37-40, pen, black-edged paper

f37

Congress July 22/91
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

Very many thanks for all [10:862]
your communications

I am very glad Dr.
Bahadhurgi is coming - Even
now, we have, I believe,
only 3 native delegates.

I see *St. Thomas' Hospital* [16:934-35]
is not included in the list
of buildings to see which
"special facilities" are to be
given. I *hope* the
foreigners will take as a
model Bartholomew's, which
does not know if it has
any drains, or *if* it has

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where they are - the "London"
dirty & detestable in its Wards
& other old Hospitals - which
are included on the List - *St. Thomas'*
is far from perfect, but
it is better than these.
And of course I think its
Nursing, tho' not perfect, is
better. But I like the
esprit de corps which
makes each Hospl say
its own Nursing is the best.
However, to return: I asked
one of your Delegates, one of
the Senior Physicians of *St.*
Thomas, why that Saint
had refused "facilities". He

[end 10:862]

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said: "Refused!? - Why, St. Thomas' is the very one they ought to see! We can't have been asked." Do pray *ask St. Thomas;* to give "special facilities", & put him in the List.

[end 16:935]

I am afraid you are rather badly off for the "Sinews of war"
ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale
I hope you had a successful foray on Oban.
F.N.

f39 [black-edged paper]

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22/7/91

Sir W. Moore

*Sanitary 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.*

I have had a long interview with Sir W. Moore. He read me headings of his paper. It is long, exhaustive, & logically arranged, I think - But still how differently Dr. Sutherland would have done it.

[10:710-11]

Fortunately Sir W.M. is *anti-quarantine* - *And*, there are no Bacilli that I could find in his paper.

I had a long talk with him. I wish you would have, some time. He is full of knowledge, tho' not always sound. [He did not know of the existence of the present A.S.C.]

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I had a long talk with him
 1. on the facilities of teaching
 sanitation in India:
 He says: " *Absolutely none.*
 "But even if there were any,
 he says, they could not be
 used. The Medical Establishments
 are strictly limited. And with
 20 men say in Bombay always
 on leave, do you think they
 would leave a man for 6
 months in a Bombay Hospl
 learning Sanitation? - Impossible.
 Whatever a man learns, he
 must learn before he leaves
 England.

"Netley men are much the
 best as to knowledge - I won't
 say anything about their
 manners."

f40

2. (inter alia)
 He says the present Sanitary
 Boards are just as ~~bad~~/useless &
 just as powerless & just
 as money less as any of the
 previous systems we have had -
 also: Engineers know nothing
 who are put on the Boards.

He says there is only
 one way out of it -
 to have a superior *Sanitary*
 member at the head of the
 Department *on the Viceroy's*
Council

& another at the *India Office*
 [If we have them, there must be an Act
 against Quarantine & another against Bacilli] **[end 10:711]**
 Other things when we meet.

F.N.

Are you not going to have
 a paper at the Congress?

notes, ff41-44, pen & pencil

f41 {archivist: [July-Aug 1891]}

7th Interntl congress of Hygiene & Demography [10:357-58]

1. Why is India with its 250 millions for which we are responsible left out? when Argentine Republic is put in?
2. the suggestion of a Sanitary Congress ~~from~~/in India has been made to me from India
3. If Sir D. G. does not want India on the Congress, he is the ~~more~~/man bound to tell us how to proceed to represent India as she wishes [India will in all cases want a machinery of its own. It will want Provincial Congresses in India]

The importance of using the present Int. Cong lies I in its vast machinery X
 II in its big names P. of W.
 III in its official I.O. names
 the I.O. *must* listen - then the

Govt does
 allow the
 members
 to serve on
 Congresses

IV the list of great objects

[end 10:358]

Then would follow

letter to public {pencil} leading assoc. (Liberal native leaders' Union)
 {pen} " to I.O. {pencil} in India
 {pen} " to Viceroy
 {pencil} x too many Doctors strange Confusion between Medicine & Sanitation
 in India - same at Local Gov. Board - might as well say that
 {written up the side of the page} Medicine makes an Engineer

f42

{pencil} make any suggestions -2-

Sir Henry Cunningham might very well
name out of the enemy's camp at Calcutta
a person of good position (Anglo-Indian)

X Bombay should be the first place where a

[10:358]

Congress should be held ("big drainage works")

There should be a Committee who knows India

Sir - Peile & be a help

Cornish

Fayrer

Sir Owen Bourne

&c &c {these names have a large ? beside them}

There should be a connection between it {pencil} San Congress in India
{pen} & the

Sanitary Dept. {pencil} in India {pen} Head of Sanitary Dept/ in India
might preside {pencil} who is he?

{pen} whether this Programme of Societies could
take in India or how similar/Sanitary Congresses
could be organised in India

a. India Congresses have been suggested

b. We are responsible for India

c. Your advice whether we could hang them
upon this - Or how?

X Bombay should be the place of

Sanitary Congress - such big questions
involving large expenditures are pending there
{pencil} how stand the great Bombay
question? F.N.

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names of different Sanitary Societies on
Programme

too many Doctors

Brit Nurses!!!

We may get the direct support of I.O. by
names on Programme

To ask them if they would include India -
~~to~~ - would take India within their scope
- to say that this idea of having Congresses
in India - Sanitary Congresses to be held
in India has originated there

glad to have his Sir D.G.'s advice
millions of deaths from want of Sanitation
You take in Persia [?] with which you have nothing
to do

Argentine Republic

You leave out India - the great dependency which
makes England the greatest ~~Dependence~~/Empire in the
world

[end 10:358]

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Sir H. Cunningham where is he?

this might be the outcome of what
 he attempted with you/ {pencil} Sir D. Galton - {pen} what became of
 that?

{pencil} Bombay Village Sanitation Act **[10:358]**

inclination to lay too much stress on starvation

& none on want of Sanitation as cause of Fever

X

?Muckerji Brahmin - near Calcutta lost all his family

fever all the people hors de combat with Fever

2 months in year put his own hand to the to the plough

3 causes: rotting undergrowth - prickly pears

bad water - muddy road

{pen} A letter should be written to the public {pencil} in India

{pen} saying what has been successful in England

Brit: Ass -

~~Social Services Ass~~

Med: Ass

Sanitary & Hygiene/{pencil} Institute aid {pen} Socy What is the Socy that
 started *these Congresses*

{pencil} of which Sir D.G. President

{pen} this is what we have done in England

these the *objects*. these the *results*

add a few personal particulars

who are the leaders -

then write to I.O.

then " Viceroy

[end 10:358]

signed letter, ff46-48v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f46

Private

Sept 16/91

& *Confidential* *Domestic Sanitation*

County Council {printed address:} Claydon House,
Winslow,
Bucks.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

We have been & are
working hard here - with
dark brown Indians from
Congress
brown Prince from Siam
white or whitey brown
County Council -

[10:361]

On all these no one could
give the advice you can.

[end 10:361]

But at present I am only
going to trouble you
with questions about the
last:

[6:585-86]

County Council
proposed simplest elementary
instructions in *Domestic Sanitation*
by trained ladies to poor *COUNTRY*
mothers

You have probably set it on foot
already -

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After ample enquiry, we aim
at this:

*find the woman first & train
her afterwards -*

a woman in touch, in sympathy
with the COUNTRY poor, with
a wide experience of them;
every thing depends on her
understanding how to get at
the poor & overcome their
prejudices- {pencil} without offending them -{pen} *then train her.*

[avoid the women recommended
by ~~the~~/certain London Societies]

Professor Corfield is the man
whose "simple practical
teaching" in his "Hygiene Lectures"
is recommended by good women.

Would you be so very kind as
to tell me (quite CONFIDENTIALLY)
what you think of Prof. Corfield
for such a purpose?

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1. Would he be exactly the
 trainer we want for {pencil} the
 ladies we want - i.e. women
 to teach the *country poor*
 mothers & girls - how to
prevent illness - not how
 to nurse it - to address
 a ~~small number~~/social meeting of women in a country
 cottage - the object lesson
 being the bad cottages without
 &c &c) offence
2. is he the sort of man who
 works well with other people?
 We should further have to
 ask
 - a. - what his price for such
 a course?
 - b. what number would he
 recommend for a class?
 - c. how many months for a
 course? how many lectures
 a week?
 - d. would he make his own

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syllabus of Lectures & let us
 see it? or might we make it
 & submit it to him?
 e. would he make his lady
 students mount the rostrum
 & preach before him?
 f. would he ~~now~~ go out of London
 & make an 'object lesson' of
 a poor *country* village
 & teach what poor country
 mothers should look out for
 as producing evil?
 But if you would kindly
 answer question 1 and 2,
 I have a lady friend going
 up to London on Friday for the day, &
she would ask *him* questions
a.b.c.d.e.f - if he is a fit
 man - & you approve
May she use your name?

f48

{printed address;} *Telegraph* -2- Please note *postal*
Steeple Claydon Bucks {pen} telegram address address
 {printed address:} Claydon House,
 Winslow,
 Bucks.

What I ask you to be so
 very good as to do is to
 1. let me *telegraph* to you
tomorrow (Thursday) afternoon,
 paying for portorage, {pencil} please,
 {pen} the following questions
 1. "Will the Professor do?
 2. "May we ask *him* the questions?
 "If not he, whom do you
 recommend?"
 2. write me a *short note*
 to be received *by Friday*
morning?
 3. a *longer letter* at your
 kind time -
 Some of the County Councils
 have made such terrible
 mistakes & wasted so much

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money that we must be very
 cautious -
 And we ask for our letters to be
 kept "confidential", because
 we have as yet no orders
 from the County Council,
 tho' we are expected to be
 quite ready -
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 {pencil} I do not know Prof. Corfield
 personally

signed letter, ff49-50v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper [6:586-87]

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Domestic Sanitation

County Council Sept. 24/91

Claydon House, {printed address:}
Winslow

Bucks.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I cannot thank you enough
for your letter & Telegrams
I have heard from Dr. Louis
Parkes, & he recommends as
you do "a Medical Officer
of Health of a county or
combined Rural Districts"
"as the best lecturer" to the
ladies, who are to go about
teaching {pencil} in villages: but does not
mention any one - [He commends
our humble syllabus of ~~Lectures~~/subjects
which we drew up to show
how simple our views are]
I note with gratitude your
Dr. Swete - But I see already

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that it we don't have a man from London, they would prefer a *Dr. De'ath of Buckingham*, Officer of Health of the Rural *District*, not County, nor even I believe of ~~the~~ North Bucks). You don't happen to know anything of him, do you?

We have written to scores of ladies for advice, such as Mrs. Malleson - &c &c - But none, tho' replying at great length, have been of any use - some mistaking our purpose for teaching Rural *Nursing* - others declaring that the persons, the ladies to do this, do not exist, but have to be created - {pencil} which is true

f50

{pen} One sent me a cutting out of the "St. James Gazette" of Sept 21 declaring that the Devonshire C.C. Lady Lecturers were a success - yet *not* a success - - the real fact being that the Devonshire C.C. spent £1500 in lady lecturers, recommended by one of the Sanitary Ladies' Assocns in London, the National Health Socy at 5gs a week each. The ladies did not know how to lecture - the women would not attend - & the principal man of the C.C. admits it was a perfect failure.

I am rather in terror about this, for I think if we do not make haste, & do not make a real tho' humble impression on the poor {pencil} rural {pen} mothers, the whole

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attempt by County Councils
~~will~~/may fall through
*Have you done it in
 yours?* And have you used
 your *Dr. Swete*? It would
 be such a great advantage
 to us to have a man
 instructed by you.

Miss Calder - the founder of the
 Cookery, Laundry & Mending=
 Clothes' Schools at Liverpool
 Do you know her? She has
 been staying here - She had
 no one to recommend to us.
 {pencil} but would send us people to train -
~~But~~ If we could have the
 common sense she has had
 in her things in our Dom:
 Sann - -!! ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, DG to FN, f51, 6 Feb, 1892 {FN to see Sir Arthur Gordon}. I
 think you had better see Sir Arthur Gordon now. So I am writing to him to
 fix 3:30 on Tuesday 9th

signed letter, W. Rob. Cornish to DG, ff52-53v, 10 Feb, 1892
 {sanitary situation in India}

signed letter, W. Guyer Hunter, to DG, ff54-55, 1st March, 1892 on lack of
 sanitary progress in Egypt; printed address 21 Norfolk Cres, Hyde Park, W.
 I return the Memo duly signed. It is temperately expressed to draw
 attention to a real grievance. Sanitation in Egypt is almost at a
 standstill because a due proportion of the Revenue is not devoted to
 sanitary work. W. Guyer Hunter.

f55v signed note, DG to FN, 1st March, 1892
 This is Sir Guyer Hunter's reply. He has signed. I suppose Egypt is his
 specialty.

signed letter, ff56-57v, pen & pencil

f56

Private Queen's India [9:693-94]
Cadetship asked for
by Dr. Hewlett's widow
10, South Street, [April 22/93]
Park Lane. W. {printed address:}

My dear Sir Douglas

Would you kindly suggest
what is to be done?

I know you thought as
highly of Dr. Hewlett's India
work as I did.

I do not know Ld. Kimberley
as I did Lord Cross, tho' he
has done some good things
for us since he has been
in the I.O. In fact, I do not
know him personally at all.

Would you be so very good
as to draw up a sketch of
what ought to be said, & of
Dr. Hewlett's labours, *whoever*
is to tackle the S. of S.? But,

[end 9:694]

{f57 blank}

f57v

I wish you would -

I have been quite
laid aside for nearly
4 months & do not
seem to get much better.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

{pencil}

I enclose two letters
from Mrs. Hewlett.

signed letter, ff58-59, pen & pencil

f58

Queen's Procession May 9/93

①

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Thank you for your
note about this Procession.

Might I ask you whether
you think I could send
2 or 3 maids to Hyde
Park Corner (inside the
Park) under charge of a
respectable Guardsman
- A Commre - 7 feet high -
in safety? to see the Queen *go*?

I suppose the crowd
would be too dense for
him to bring those back
& fetch other two to see
her *return*, so that all

f58v

might see -

Pardon me for
troubling you - I own
to a/ {pencil} my {pen} terror of a crowd
for them

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

f59

Ld Kimberley May 8/93

② 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

Thank you a thousand
times for writing to Lord
Kimberley about Mrs.
Hewlett's boy.

I am sorry but not
surprised at his answer

Would you kindly
at your leisure return
me *Mrs. Hewlett's two*
notes which I sent you,
as I have not her new
address which is on
them -

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff60-63, pen & pencil [6:598-600]

f60

Sanitary County

Conferences May 24/93

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

We want your help.

Frederick Verney has got his
Sanitary Committee at last -
from the Bucks County council
and is its Chairman.

There is to be a County
Conference (Sanitary) presently
of which F.V. will probably
be Chairman.

He has a San: Com: Meeting
some days hence; at which
all details must be settled
how the Conference is to be
conducted

The Agenda paper for
the Conference will include
the following subjects:

f61v

to argue out their technical
 or professional differences
 in a way incomprehensible
 to laymen -]

This is really the main
 thing.

[Did you notice that the
 Commission of eminent
 Men on Leprosy came
 to the conclusion that
 Leprosy is the direct
 consequence of a -----
 Bacillus?

they do not say of ~~want~~
 want of cleanliness
 especially personal
 foul food, especially
 putrid fish
 &c &c &c

f62

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God forbid that the
 Bucks Sany Conference should
 come to the conclusion
 that Typhoid Fever
 Diphtheria &c &c
 of which they have had a great deal
 are the direct consequences
 of Bacillus F

Bacillus D
 instead of
 bad drainage
 cess-pools instead of
 dry earth closets
 fouled water supply
 &c &c

You have been so successful
 in Worcestershire - Would
 you kindly help us in
 Bucks with a *general*
rule as aforesaid?

f62v

II. Have you seen
Dr. Poore's "Rural Hygiene"?

He sent me a copy. It
appears to me admirable

I should like to know
what *your* conclusions
are

as to dry earth closets
v. water "

which he utterly condemns

& as to using *all* Solid
excreta separated from
liquid & from disinfectants

for manure in market
gardening? {pencil} instead of - - - - -

{pen} It seems as if we
should not have a drop
of *pure* water left in
England.

f63

[The owner of a large estate
in Bucks has 109 cottages
with cesspool privies & not
a *pure* well]

Pardon my troubling you
ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

{pencil}

I suppose you would not
think Dr. Poore any help
in giving hints about the
management of Sanitary County Conferences
in a common=sense way
keeping out "germs"

Please say. His book is tolerably free from
"germs" [end]

signed letter, DG to FN, ff64-65, pen, 8 Jan 1893 {suitable finishing for
walls}

unsigned letter, ff66-69, pen & pencil

f66

Surgeon Lt. Col. MacRury} June 13/93
 10, South Street, {printed address:}

Private Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I send you this ~~worthy~~
 Sanitary Commissioner of Bombay
 -worthy successor to his & our
 friend Dr. Hewlett.

Dr. MacRury.

His address is

84 Seymour St.

But he will call upon you -

The mantle of Dr. Hewlett's
 enthusiasm, undaunted
 industry, power of communicating
 with the natives, faith in the
 future thro' a somewhat
 gloomy present has fallen
 upon him. I do not know
 whether his Sanitary insight
 is so great as Dr. H.'s He is full of

f66v

information, & does not talk
 Bacilli but real practical
 uncommon common sense.

After Dr. Hewlett, I think
 you will think him the
 best man.

He wants your help -
 he wants a *Sanitary Engineer*
 &c &c &c

And I am sure you *will*
 help him.

He does not give a very
 flourishing account of the
 new Provincial Sanitary Boards
 nor of the Village Sanitary
 Acts' working. But then

f67

as he says, he has been
out of India on long
leave many months.
And he had not even seen
his own Annual Report
for 1891 (1892) which
I have & had read.

He says where the
Collector is favourable &
knowing, Village Sanitation
 prospers, where not, not.

He therefore very much
wants that *young Civilians*
for the India C.S. -
should have instruction
in *Hygiene & Sanitation*.

f67v

He is a man of
amazing activity, attends
Lister at Kings' C. Hospl
twice a week - ~~and~~
goes after Sewage Farms
&c &c

[If you have glanced
at Dr. Poore's Rural Hygiene
do you agree with what
he says about Sewage
Farms, & Market Gardening
v. Sewage Farms?]

I gave Dr. MacRury
an introduction to you
& your address.

Dr. MCR. drew up Rules for
the working of the Bombay
Village Sanitation Act. *But what are Rules?*

f68

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Writing to

Lord Lansdowne 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 or Sir C. Bernard Park Lane. W.

Ld. L. leaves India as you
 know in October.

I have had no recent
 Reports on the

Sanitary Boards

or

Village Sanitation

[You remember the papers
 Sir C.B. sent me in
 the spring of last year -
~~my letter~~ which you kindly
 abstracted for me -
 my letter, prompted by you
 to Ld. L. end of May/92
 - his courteous answer -
 & various other papers -
 sent by him -

f68v

Do you think I ought to
 write now this week
 to Lord Lansdowne

asking for Reports [written large in red pencil in margin in another hand]

Yes - I think so

as to the working of the

1. *Village Sanitary Act or Local Board Acts*

detailed from each Presidency

& their *results* on the

Public Health [in pencil in margin] Yes on this

or on the

2 new *Sanitary Boards* {in pencil in margin}

of *Local Governments*

no wells

but more as to their

working in Villages

as on this

than in Municipalities

{or both 1 and 2}.

& alluding to my papers,

sent to Ld. Lansdowne by Ld Cross, {in pencil in margin} Yes

f70v

the slightest information as to how anything then proposed or ordered was carried out.

Still there are things of immense interest in these Reports - but rather from the depth of their badness than from the height of our hopefulness -

But do not, I pray, get me into a scrape - not that I mind being in a scrape, if it will do any earthly good to any body - But it doesn't. Do not let my M.S. be left in any body else's hand. Make

f71

any other use of it you like, if any use can be made at all.

I return
Hyderabad assigned Districts
Assam
Burmah
Bengal
Central Provinces - ~~very~~ hopeful
N.W.P.
Punjab

7

I should like very much to have copies of Dr. Cunningham's "Enclosures" for myself.
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff72-73v, pen

f72

June 27/93

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

You will know how full
our hearts are of dear Lothian
But he would be the last
person to wish useful
business to be suspended.

You were so good as to offer
me *tomorrow (Wednesday)* or
Thursday afternoon - Thursday
I have an appointment I
cannot put off. I should be
so very glad to see you
tomorrow (Wednesday afternoon
WHAT TIME? Sir C. Bernard.

Sir C. Bernard has written
& sent me an instalment
of his answer to my letter
& promises another.

He writes most kindly
& carefully. But what he

f72v

sends is by no means satisfactory.

They seem to be doing little or nothing - Your papers.

But what is truly appalling is that DR. CUNNINGHAM! ("Enclosure") for Bombay CONGRATULATES you on the appointment of a "SANITARY "ENGINEER" to the Board (of two for Bombay Sanitary things.

Now this Sanitary Engineer is **Doig** of whom we have received but one report from every real Sanitarian native or Anglo-Indian for the last 6 or 7 years. viz he is a SANITARY Engineer because he is *not*.

f73

This leaves us perfectly helpless, because we cannot prosecute the man - or even denounce him.

Sir C. Bernard

There is the same thing in the papers sent me by Sir C.B. The principal one is by *Dr. Pinkerton*, a well known ANTI=Sanitarian, who is the M.O. *with the Govt. of Bombay*. His principal argument against me is that there are as bad Villages in England as in Bombay!!

How little seriousness there is in the world!

There is moreover an attack on Hewlett, who is

f78

Immense -3-
 Dispensary for children - money left/given by a Jewess
 to assist Pub - ~~of~~ near Luxembourg - operations
 performed - but mothers bring the children - &
 except in very serious cases they are nursed at
 home - Do they teach the mothers?
 about a doz - 'Hopitaux Marins' for children
 on W. & S. Coast of France -
 one at Arcachon - Northern ones Assiste Publ.
 - Lyons does the Southern ones -

S. climate more suitable for these Hospls - because
 there children can be out all day. English climate not
 {written in the margin} suited - but Liverpool might be

f79

against tents & Papier Maché frames for
 temporary Hospitals the brick huts quite
 separate like Hamburg are preferred [looks like Hamburg]

signed letter, ff80-81v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f80

PRIVATE

10 South St Aug 22/93,
 { Ld Lansdowne
Sanitary Board papers.

My dear Sir Douglas

Very many, many thanks
 for your most valuable
 contribution.

I have had a letter from
 Ld. L. dated Aug 1.

He sends us a quantity
 of papers (which he says
 will arrive a few days after
 his letter) on all the questions

-I asked him - & (as he sends
 me a copy of *my* letter,) with
 references - & with orders of Govt.

But - but I feel afraid
 that there is nothing later
 than I have had since the
 beginning of 1892 - except a
 two Despatches from Govt of
 India to S. of S. - the latest
 dated this last May

f80v

{pencil} I suspend my observations
till the packet comes in -
And then I hope you will
be able to come here, read
his letter - verify the papers -
and - decide what we
shall do? Please say

Lord Lansdowne does
not leave India till *Decber*

His letter is much more
"official" than my preceding
one - & less hopeful

But of one thing I am
certain - Nothing important
can be done till you can
receive at the A.S.C. the
papers fresh & fresh say
every Quarter from India
- thro' the I.O. I suppose, of course

f81

[~~But~~ I sometimes get papers
a year before the I.O. sends
them -]

Otherwise it is something,
like a dear friend of mine,
an Anglican Sister, who was
out with me in the Crimea,
who always believed that
'Mrs. Gamp' was the *present*
type of English Nurses - &
to her death, which took
place 2 or 3 years ago,
that we had not a nurse
in St. Thomas' who did not
drink.

If it is true what Lord
Cromer says that India
moves faster than any
European country - & that
you do not know it again

f81v

after 5 years, surely the present system of reporting is very stupid. II. Have you been kindly able to ascertain from the *Q.M.G where the Sanitary Reports*, received so admirably week, by week, from every *Station in Britain*, go - & what are the measures taken, & by whom at the *W.O.* to make them bear *fruit* before the next century?

I trust that Gwendolen goes on well

With best love to Marianne
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff82-83, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f82

Aug 26/93

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

You have received, I conclude as I have, the Annual Report of the Sanitary Commissioner with the Govt. of India, Dr. Rice. But alas! it is only for 1891. [Surely it would be possible to have that for 1892 by August 1893. For years I have received them thus.]

I have not yet received the Reports mentioned by Lord

f82v

Lansdowne in his letter to me. I am so afraid he is sending me *from India* Reports which I have had since January 1892

The Sany Commr (with the Govt. of India) Report is however exceedingly valuable - You will see in the last pages {pencil} p.p.166-7 {pen} before the Tables begin how he cuts up the bacilli nonsense with actual facts. ~~Also he~~

f83

~~argues the anti-quarantine side.~~

{pencil} I have just received a good many Reports from Madras, Burma &c for 1892 - but nothing very valuable - {pen} I want to see you very much before you leave London. *Indeed* it is necessary.

[But I have a good many people - some Anglo-Indians on leave - to see {pencil} so must ask for a choice of late in the month appointments, if possible {pen} ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

unsigned letter draft, ff84-85v, pencil

f84

Sir D.G. {archivist: [Draft of Sept. 23, 1893.] ~~About 1886 or later? Before 1899~~

Technical Education, means

Literary - now a days

Are Co. Cos. to go on giving grants

without *results*? or at least

without knowing the results?

But *Results* are not *words*:

And Examination in words

does not teach the Technik -

elsewhere - And then your

Lectures & Exams do them

the greatest good.

Miss Hughes takes her

Lady District Nurses (of

Bloomsbury) after a course of

Lectures on Hygiene to the

Parkes Museum - And the

f84v

Curator who is kindness

itself shows them all

the newest & best W.C.'s,

traps cisterns &c &c &c

& all the abominablest old

ditto ditto &c &c

Now this is splendid -

and Supt. takes them

afterwards to the homes

where they are nursing &

to the cisterns, privies,

ash pits, traps &c in each

& examines them - But

this is not an exam: in

words but in real, real

things - And I could go

f85

down on my knees to
worship the Parkes Museum,
which is a real thing.

And these District
Nurses tho' their reports
to the M.O. are so good
that the M.O. often takes
them to the Hospl. Yet
they are not instructed
in words but by the
bedsides. as in Nursing
as at the Hospl so at
the Home -

Is the "Record of T & S
Education " to go on
publishing its excellent

f85v

Journal without a shadow
of a hint as to *results*

Is Sick Nursing, Hygiene
&c to become a *literacy*
accomplishment on which
you are to be examined
in *words*?

As for the women, the
"Pioneer Lecturers", since
they have entered the
Universities, they are worse
than the men.

"There is no book ~~work~~/learning

France ~~Switzerland~~

"It is no use talking

Bengal

signed letter, ff86-90v, pencil & pen, black-edged paper

f86

Private India Sept 23/93

II Lectures 10, South Street, [10:374]
Park Lane. W. {printed address:}

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I answered Lord
Lansdowne's letter - with
thanks & some reply to the
local Indian papers - of which
he sent me Extracts -
I wrote, because I wanted a
favour, viz. a small grant to
some native Associations.
e.g. the Poona Sarvajanic Sabha -
to enable it to start, the
Sanitary {pen} Village {pencil} Lectures - to be "only
"a beginning for *practical*
"teaching - for *results* as to -
"not fouling water-supply" -
"disposal of refuse" &c &c &c [end 10:374]
[I will recur to this] at II)
Since then, but not a fortnight

f86v

ago, has arrived Ld. Lansdowne's
promised packet of
Reports - marked in
accordance with his letter
to me & mine to him,
both of which you saw.

Would you wish to
have this large packet
to look over?

[There are Despatches as
late as May of this year.]

f87

II. I must call your attention to the appalling ("appalling" is not too strong a word) extension of or distension of Lecturer without practice - *words* without *results* - principally by "educated females" - & greatly under the County Councils - during the last 2 years -

There is already an "Association of "Women" (Travelling) "Lecturers"!!! chiefly, I believe, under the Co Co's

{pen} not a word about results
{pencil} there are Agricultural Lecturers who qualify by a certificate from? S. Kensington

{pen} not a word about results
{pencil} there are Ambulance Lecturers, "more popular" than any but

f87v

the "Cooking Lectures" -
 {pen} not a word about results
 {pencil} Thick Annual Reports are
 {pencil} sent me, {pen} from various quarters {pencil} calling for my
 applause on the closely printed
 Lists of Lectures at the
 beginning -
 {pen} not a word about results -
 Does your Co. Co do this?
 And are the Co Cos to go
 on giving grants *without*
 ascertaining any results?
 And *how are results to be*
ascertained?

[10:374]

[I had a high official
 from Bengal here yesterday
 complaining of this in Indian Schools - the Hindoos
 are the most talky nation
 in the world. I could have
 told him that England, the
 most practical nation in the
 world, beat Bengal.

f88

II

In answer to your question
 about "tests & examinations"
 after "Lectures," which are
 "valueless if not followed by
 "some tests", I do not think
 Examinations on *words*
 do any good - especially
 not for women -

[end 10:374]

And I see with the
 greatest alarm Lectures
 flooding the country.

Books & Lectures are not
 "creative" - only life &
 experience is that.

The legions of Lectures
 on Health, on Nursing, &c
 do actual harm (by making
 people think they know

f88v

something when they
 know nothing)
 followed or not by
 Examinations
 But there is a thing productive
 of the greatest good
 for which we have to
 thank you at Parkes
 Museum. The "Bloomsbury
 (Lady) District Nurses are
 taken there by their active
 Supt. after a course of
 Hygiene by a Lady
 Lecturer - And the
 Curator who is most kind
 shows them carefully
 the best & newest W.C.s,
 traps &c &c &c &c
 & the oldest & abominablest

[13:826-27]**f89**

of the same -2-
 ditto ditto ditto - She the Supt
 examines them afterwards
 in the poor places where
 they nurse - so that they
 are capable of reporting
 to the authorities correctly
 And an Inspector comes
 (unbeknownst to the poor
 people that the Nurses
 have sent him)
 A great deal of good is done
 in this way. But they
 might have been examined
 till Doomsday on words
 & been never the better.
 "Ambulance Classes &
 "Examinations" - you ask - are,
 I think, valueless for women
 who can only learn by the
 bed-side. but for Railwaymen

f89v

& Policemen I should think
might be of some value,
because theyse may be called
on any day to handle an
accident; & so they learn
by experience.

But the farce topping up
all farces seemed to me
when sham Nurses handled
sham Patients in a sham
Hospl before the Sovereign
in Windsor Park.

 "Examinations on paper"
are, as you say, poor things

[I can remember the time
when Medical Students
could pass a good
Examn; & on hearts & livers
& all the rest - & actually
failed to recognize the heart
& liver when placed before them.]

f90

You know Netley School
was founded on this account]

We are still in doubt & difficulty
how to organize a real
efficient visitation by "females"
of the cottages which have
had lectures *and visits*
so as to know what the
RESULTS really are in
bedroom, scullery, water supply,
purity of air, earth & water.
We hear from many of many
really good practical results. X
But we have not as yet
an organised scheme of
inspection. It is really
ridiculous to expect grants
without knowing results.

I am so glad & thankful
you are on the war- path

[end 13:827]

X among younger mothers of course
rather than the elder. The elder women

f90v

do not know that they have any responsibility
for their children's health

Dr. MacRury to my
astonishment proposed
{pencil} this time {pen} & is eager to carry out
a Scheme for *women* (natives)
to {pencil} visit & teach ~~carry out~~ hygiene among
the *Bombay Village mothers*
whom of course only *women*
can reach.

I venture to send you a
letter I wrote to "India" before
I saw him {pencil} *Dr. MacRury* this time. {pen} I might have
been tempted otherwise
to put in the women (by
Mephistopheles)

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

{pencil}
I have to write to *Ld Kimberley* -
Do you think there would be
any objection to my sending
him this pointed letter of mine?

F.N.

signed letter, ff91-92v, pen, black-edged paper

f91

9 Oct/93

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Are you in town? &
would you see again *Dr. McRury*,
Sanitary Commissioner of
Bombay, who is going
back in a day or two to
Bombay?

"Doig" is appointed
Irrigation Engineer to
Scinde! Then they will
have an new Sany Engineer
for Bombay who knows
as little as Doig! And
they charge the pay of
~~an expert!!! to poor~~
a "Sanitary " Engineer who

f91v

~~India~~ is *not* Sanitary
to the Sanitary Dept of
India!!

I have ascertained that
"Doig" did little or nothing in England
as to learning Sanitation
when he was here on
Privilege leave

Now somebody else is to
come into his shoes.

What a farce the
whole thing is!

f92

I was so grieved for
the death of Sam
Nicholson's wife - She
is a great loss - is she
not? Please say to
Marianne how much I grieve
- Gwendolen told me -
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff93-94v, pen, black-edged paper

f93

Private Bombay Oct 11/93
10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

~~Dr. Pink~~ Only one question:
- Bombay Municipality: (this
has nothing to do with
Govt. you know) is looking
for a Consulting Sanitary
Engineer. Major Tulloch
asks an enormous price
for going. Baldwin Latham
won't go, because there re
"no Shones" or because there
are "Shones", I don't know
which

Santo Crimp (what
an odd name!) who has
been doing work for the
London C. Council is thought
of. Do you recommend him?

f94

II. I return to Bombay Presy

I think a new era is
opening before us, if we
can but make use of it.

Dr. Pinkerton has (happily)
retired from the Service.

Dr. MacRury is head
of his Dept, & directly
under Mr. Herbert Birdwood
the Judicial Member of Council
at Bombay

who is a decided favourer
of Sanitation

Please keep these things
in mind: if I am not 'to the fore'

I have many things to tell
you, which I hope we
might work.

f94v

You kindly ask me whether
I remain in London. My
Doctor declares me unfit
to move. But I must try
by & bye to make a (short)
visit to Claydon - (Sir Harry
wants me), if I can.

There is so much to do in
London, And I have been
completely laid aside so
much this year.

I hope your cold is better
ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

The *Sanitary* Engineers in India
are called so because 'lucus {a light by not shining - GW}
'a non lucendo'.

O that there were a compulsory
teaching of elementary Sanitation to the Indian
Civil Service before going out!

signed letter, ff95-96v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f95

Oct 18/93

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I am grieved indeed for
your illness. And I was
very much obliged for your
Telegram.

The most important first:

1. the Bombay Munny people
had not the least idea,
nor had I, that they *might*
or could have the luck to
get yourself. I wish I had
known a day or two sooner.

Every body is now returned
to ~~Bombay~~/India. -

But since when is
Bombay a 'salubrious
'watering-place'? Are
you sure you are right
to contemplate going there?
Have you a competent

f95v

Doctor's leave?

Be prudent & remember
what an enormous field to
bless mankind you have -

Unless I hear to the contrary
by Telegram from you, I will
write by Friday's mail to
"Surgeon Lt. Col"!!MacRury
at Bombay who was
the active person in the
matter, entirely as from
myself, & "recommend" them
to apply to you. [I believe my
letter will arrive almost
as soon as he† at Bombay x]

You said: "*Yes, Crimp*"
in your Telegram - and I
x but he is going by one of the
fast Austrian Lloyds from
Trieste

f96

who had to acknowledge a
note of his {pencil} MacRury's {pen} wrote a guarded
approval of St. Crimp as from
you.

He, the "Surgeon Lt. Col" was
starting the next day.

He appeared very anxious
about it. And the account
he gave of Bombay City,
was by no means 'salubrious'.
He himself was going on his
'cold weather tour' thro' the
Presidency immediately.
Hewlett's mantle of
enthusiasm w/has fallen on
him.

{pencil} I am afraid it is possible
they may conclude with St. Crimp
as soon as McRury arrives.

f96v

{pen} 2. Miss Dowse was at liberty -
& went to the F. Verneys
on Monday. And Mrs. F.V.
who had to set her to work
for him liked her, Frederick
only came back from Brussels
where he had been busy with
this terrible Franco-Siam
affair late on Monday night

3. Nobody seems to know
anything about Lord Elgin
except that there is nothing
to be known. May he turn
out right! It is
hardly enough that he had
a father. Most people have
fathers. His father died in
'63, you know, on a pass in
the Himalayas, when this
man must have been about

[5:527]

13 years old. {pencil} Hoping you are better **[end 5:527]**
ever yours most truly F. Nightingale

signed letter, DG to FN, ff97-98v 20 Oct 1893, pen, suggestions sought re
hospital in Bombay. I have just seen yr letter. I do not much care about
Bombay but I shd never go about illeg a warm climate illeg I had something
to occupy me! Do not trouble to write to India. I illeg. The numbers of
nurses and servants

signed letter, f99, pencil, black-edged paper

f99

Fever Asylums } Nov 10/93
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I am most discontented
with my reflections.

What I should like to do
is to send for one if not
two of our most
experienced Poor Law
Infirmary Matrons - (our
own) & ask *them* questions? Out
of what they tell me I
could compile something
more satisfactory to you.

May I telegraph to day
for one to come this
evening or tomorrow?
or Sunday?

How much time can
you give me?

Please say
ever yours F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff100-00v, pencil, black-edged paper

f100

Strictly Nov 13/93
Private 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas I
wrote that letter about the
Unpreparedness of A.M.S.
as you kindly suggested -
But I am so sorry to learn
that Sir R.B. is dead
against us.

And that action in the
Ho. of C. will only have
any real effect -

It is intended to ask
J. Plunkett MP to put a
question in the House

It is awful to think
what, if our Army had

f100v

to fight *in Europe* the day
 after landing, as at the
 Alma, what would

become of our wounded -

A mere question in the
 Ho: is proverbially
 ineffective

But you will be
 called upon to suggest
 a line of action.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff101-02v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

20 November 1893 Plunkett qu in House re Dr Hamilton's concern

f101

Nov 21/93

Private 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W. **[16:491]**

My dear Sir Douglas

I was so very sorry
 to see you so over=tired
 & anxious the last time
 you were so kind as to
 come.

1. You were so good as to
 speak of seeing me
 on Thursday or Friday
 about Dr. Hamilton's
 business. I have
 another engagement
 for that time - but I
 might make it
 {pencil} either

f101v

{pen} Thursday afternoon OR Friday afternoon, if
I could know at once
WHICH day, IF *either*,
you could kindly
give me in the afternoon.
[I am very busy this week
And so are you]
{pencil} 2 {pen} Dr. Hamilton is going
to send me *this*
morning a type-written
copy of the paper I
partly read to you.
And I will forward
it to you at once, if
you will allow me -

f102

& tell me where -

He is quite ready to
write in the XIX Century
or Fortnightly, as you
advised, *if* it can be
accepted.

He is printing in
pamphlet form his
original letter in the
"Times" & the M.S I
read to you for our
distribution -

I am afraid he expects
a great deal too much
of my strength. But,

f102v

as you say, the state
of things he describes
"drives one mad" {pencil} that is
to exertion
{pen} At all events I can do
nothing for him *this*
week. For I have
work which must
be sent in by end of
week -

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

I hope the darling
little baby & cow
are well

Dr. Hamilton's question was
to be asked by Mr Plunkett
last night

[end]

signed note, DG to FN, f103, pen 12 Dec 1893 {revised edition of "Notes"
requested} I have just come back to London. I return the Notes. Will you
let me have your revised edition of them. I will endeavour to arrange to
see Dr Hamilton but he is only available from 4 to 6.

signed letter, ff104-05v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f104

Mr. Scovell Dec 16/93

Met. Asylums } No 1

Private 10, South Street, [16:927]
Park Lane. W. {printed address:}

My dear Sir Douglas

I know you were in
the chair at the Engineers
yesterday - & I have no
doubt have little time
for me. But it was you
who introduced me to this
[is there an "Asylum" for
Idiots? or at least for
"abnormal" children. Take
a bed for me.]

Mr. Scovell has sent
me thro' Miss Maude
Stanley the same paper
that you showed me
with quantities of erasures.
And he also says: the
"instructions" to "the Architect"

f104v

are *different* from what
the *present* paper is -!!
*Are these Instructions in
conformity with yours?*
The paper *with* the erasures
~~is~~ seems worse than the
original one.

Can I go over it with you?

For one thing, the work
thrown on the Matron
should be done by at least
three heads to give
the Matron any time
for discipline or /f the Nurses
or real Nursing duties
of supervision.

f105

I *will* send you a
"revised" Notes, as you
desire.

But these people, Miss
Stanley, Mr. Scovell & Co.
ought to go & see Miss
Vincent at her *St. Marylebone*
Infirmary.{pencil} They will never do any
thing without a *Training School*.
{pen} For they don't know a
Nurse from a dressmaker.

[In one respect, Miss
Vincent differs from me
& is on their side.

So much the better]

[end]

ever yours truly

F. Nightingale

I write in greatest haste, in
order if possible to catch
you. but I could not see you to-day
{in the margin} even if you could

f105v [blue pencil]

Please consider both these letters
Private

F.N.

signed letter, ff106-07v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f106

Sanitary teaching _No 5 Dec 16/93
for Indian Civil Service
at Oxford

Private 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I know how busy you
are but really there are
a great many important
things pending: among
others. Mr. Scovell.

But *this* is about
'Civil Service ~~filling~~ /in India' &
ignorance of Sanitation.

[10:714]

Private

I saw Sir W. Markby last
night. He was one of
Mr. Jowett's best helpers
at Oxford, &, as you
probably know, the man
in charge of the India
Civil Service students
at Oxford.

f106v

Among many other things
we spoke of Mr. Jowett's
desire that the students
should *learn* something of
Elementary Hygiene [it is
a cry which reaches ~~me~~/us
from almost all the best
Anglo-Indians - the power
of a District Officer is
& ought to be so great -
but - he generally knows
nothing about Sanitation
or Hygiene] {pencil} or how to keep
the people alive
{pen} Sir Wm Markby said
at once: 'we could give
'the men who go off
'from Oxford every year
'at least one Lecture

f107

'and tack it on to the
'Indian Institute at
'Oxford. *But who shall
'be the Lecturer?* It ought
'to be a man not only
'conversant with Sanitary
'principles but *conversant
'with India'* and in
sympathy with the peoples
and he, Sir. W. M., asked
me to name one -

I come to you, of
course.

He also asked for
books on the subject
for the men to read.

And, again I ask you

f107v

You see we can only
get these {pencil} small {pen} things as yet
Let us hope for more.

At present the time
at Oxford is so short
(& Sanitation would not
tell in the Examinations,
that they, the men,
have not time to learn
how to keep the Hindoo
alive.

[end 10:714]

Please help us.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

[blue pencil] *Private*

signed letter, ff108-09v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f108

Nurses' Accommodation

{pencil} *Your plans today* Dec 18/93 [16:936-37]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

{pen} My dear Sir Douglas
Thousand thanks for
your visit. You said you
were going to do plans to-day
Please remember the
fire-places in the *Nurses'*
Bed-rooms - a minor
detail but most
important.

2. Where there is no
little room for the
"Charges" (ridiculous
name - do call them Sisters)
off the Ward, the
Bed-room must be
made large enough,
light enough, warm

f108v

for the Charge
Nurse (we call her
Sister) to sit in, read
in, write in. [Her fire
is laid for her: & she
has leave to light it,
whenever she likes.]
The Sister (Charge Nurse)
has actually more
responsibility than
the *Hospital* Sister.
And you cannot get
the sort of intelligent,
devoted woman you
want to spend her
day between the din
{pencil} (bustle)

f109

{pen} in the Ward & the
 din in the Dining &
 Recreation Room -
 She must sit in her
 own Bed-room when
 she likes when off duty.
 {pencil} Nurses Bedroom (3)
 {pen} ~~All~~ The Nurse has also
 a fire-place - but is
 not allowed to light it
 except in the event
 of {pencil} any {pen} trifling illness, for
 which she is not
 warded.
 (4) There must be a
 good little *Ward Kitchen*

f109v

to each Ward or pair
 of Wards where the
 Charge Nurse (Sister)
 & Nurses take a cup
 of tea *before* their
 Dining Room Tea
 Excuse this long
 dissertation - because
 you listened so kindly
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale
 {pencil} (5)
 The *Assistant Matron's*
Bed-room is adjoining
 to the Nurses' Bedrooms
 of whom she is in charge.

[end 16:937]

signed letter & envelope, ff110-12, pencil, black-edged paper

f110

29/12/93

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Are you there/ And
have you anything to
tell me?

Dr. Goodall, Medical
Supt. of Homerton,
comes to me tomorrow
(Saturday) to give him
a receipt for the "best
"method of *training*
"Nurses for all the
"Hospitals of the Met. Asy.
"Board" - Apparently we

[13:184]

f110v

have to begin again
at the A.B.C. -
H. Bonham Carter wanted
me to send him my
"Suggestions &c" in the
Blue Book ~~of~~ on
"Cubic space in the
"Workhouse Infirmaryes"
But I have not a
single copy left. And
my heart goes pit a pat
at the idea of
encountering him,
Dr. Goodall

f111

Please help me -
Would you tell me
a little of what
went on with "Scovell"?
& give me Instructions?
You could not give
me a copy of those
"Suggestions", could you?

I have an appointment
to-day, even if you
could come, alas!
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

[end]

f112 [black-edged env]

WAIT
Sir Douglas Galton
12 Chester St
29/12/93

signed letter, ff113-14, pen, black-edged paper

f113

Met. Asy. Hospl
Private Jan 3/94
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas
Are you intending
to give notice of
your Motion concerning
Nursing & Probationary
work tomorrow?
we to supply you with
"facts".

[13:113]

I am sorry to say
I am in possession
of a great many
"facts" since I saw
you last - And I feel

f113v

strongly the necessity
of prudence, if
we are to win
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

PRIVATE

Miss Stanley is going
to make a motion
on Friday for a
Training School at
Homerton. I am
rather frightened.

[end]

f114

1000 happy New
Years to you
who do so much good

initialled letter, ff115-18, pencil & pen, black-edged paper

f115

{pencil} Matron Nursing {pen} 11/1/94
{pencil} Met. Asy. Hospital
PRIVATE 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

{pen} My dear Sir Douglas
Thank you for your note,
& for sending the "Regulations"
tho' they are useless. {pencil} For
{pen} 1. There are not "Regulations"
for *Matron*. It is like
a body without a head.

[13:113-15]

2. Nothing about the female
Officers being *trained*.
3. They would do almost for
any kind of servant. The
relation of these servants to
Patients is almost ignored.
It is like the play of Hamlet
with the part of Hamlet
left out.

Nothing has so enlightened me
upon the state of the Nursing
of the Met. Asyl. Hospitals as

f115v

these Regulations, except an
recent acquaintance with
one of your Medl Supt.s,
It is 'lucus a non lucendo'.
You have a rare field for
your rare energies -
I have made progress in
knowledge (only knowledge)
since I saw you.

But I think I must
assemble my scattered wits
before I speak.

[You will remember I have
engaged a bed at your Idiot
Asylum. I am quite harmless]

The state of these Managers
& Med. Supts. seems to me
much like that of Eve
before she ate of the tree of
the knowledge of good & evil,

f116

II. I hear from one of the
Managers that they have had
a long discussion as to the
expenditure of £220,000
for a Hospital at Shooter's
Hill for 500 Patients which
brings the expense to £440
per bed allowing a Staff
of 300 for the 500 Patients.

!!!

I do not give you this for
information of course -
Rather I crave your
information. What, in
the name of wonder, do they
spend £440 a bed for,
& what are the 300 for 500
Patients to do? & under
what *organization* are they,
the 300, to be? {pencil} What the
supervision?

[16:932-33]

f116v

{pen} One of the delightful peculiarities of the "Regulations" is that they are to report *in writing* (I mean the Day & Night Supts) everything, including the number of minutes she has been in each Ward at night, to the *Medl Supt.* - I should guess each day would require 13 hours' writing. [This was the calculation Macaulay made for Clarissa's letters.]

You know we, the vulgar, thought that the *Sung. Nurse* was to *nurse*, i.e. that she should correct the faults in Nursing & teach the Nurses on the spot.

[end 16:933]**f117**

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Private

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

I have much more to say,
Would you kindly give
me a choice of two days
that you could come?

Mr. Scovell went round
the St. Marylebone Infy
on the 28th. & went very
carefully into the details
of their Management. They
thought him very able -
Miss Vincent was very
anxious to show him the
Nursing arrangements herself.
But most unluckily was
attached to Miss Stanley at
the time. The Assistant
Matron showed him round

f117v

Miss Vincent & Dr. Bridges
tried to tell Miss Stanley
all they could. {pencil} But I have
seen her since.
{pen} *Mr. Mann* took in, I believe,
a good deal more than he
spoke of, on going round
the Infy. But the Chairman
unluckily took him round,
rather shutting Miss V. the
Matron's mouth.

f118

I want very much to
know how far you have
conducted Mr. Scovell's
education.
ever yours most truly
F.N.

[end 13:187]

signed letter, DG to FN, ff119-20v, pen, 12 Jan, 1894 {Mr. Scovell & the
needs of the hospital}

initialled letter, ff121-22, pencil & pen, black-edged paper

f121

Indian Civil Service

Lecture & Books

[10:714-15]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Thank you very much
for your notice about Dr.
Little.

You are going to have
an A.S.C. Meeting to-day,
you said, - & that you
would be so very kind
as to ask Dr. Cunningham
{pencil} or others
{pen} for a *Sanitary Lecturer*
who had been in India
to give one lecture(a
year on *ELEMENTARY Hygiene*
& *Sanitation* to the Indian
Civil Service students at
Oxford just before they

f121v

leave Oxford.

It is very important
that it should be well
done, as this is the first
opening I have had. And
it was only brought about
by its having been wished
for by Mr. Jowett.

One Lecture is all that
is asked for now, as I
understand, But it probably
may grow to more. {pencil} if this
is well done.

[end 10:715]

{pen} [I am sorry even for
the delay that has taken
place. I think it was
in October it was first
mooted.]

f122

2. I am asked at the same time for BOOKS for *these young Indian Civil Servants* to read on the same subjects *Indian ~~Civil Service~~ Elementary Hygiene & Sanitation*; to put the idea into their heads that they owe something to the natives - & how to help the natives in this line -

[10:715]

[I had rather not be quoted please]
ever yours most truly
F.N.

[end 10:715]

initialled letter, ff123-24v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

FN urged Douglas Galton to stay on the board

f123

{pencil} *Confidential Shooter's*

Hill {pen} Jan 24/93/4

[13:187]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

You are so good as to attend the Meeting on Construction (Fever Hospitals) to-day, you told me.

I have, even since I saw you, seen & gone thro' & criticized (by desire) the papers for a *Training School* of a large *E. End* Poor Law Infirmary - And I have still to tell you about a Met. Asyl. Board Hospl of which I have seen the Officers.

About to-day:
if, at *Shooter's Hill*, they have 160 to 170 Nurses, to ?500

beds, which shows that they awake to the necessity of

f123v

{pencil} a large proportion of Nurses
to Scarlet children and
Diphtheria, they *must* have
sufficient supervision -
1 Matron (Supt of Nurses
3 Assistant Matrons
(one of whom must be
the "Home Sister" &
class- mistress to
the Probationers, call
it a Training School
or not)

And there must be appropriate
accommodation -

Also: they must know that
the Sisters (Head Nurses)

or

(Charge Nurses)

must be trained women in
full command of their Wards
under the Matron - And

f124

their bed-rooms must be
places in which they can
sit when off duty for a time.

All "Sisters" whose opinions
are worth having say that
the small room off the Ward
(whether ~~s~~the Sister sleeps in it or not)
is a necessity, if you wish to
have a class of Head Nurses
worth their post. But this
is past praying for - the
Doctors think Sisters
are a class of dogs,
valuable animals, to be
kept in bodily health -

If you have a large
proportion of sick Nurses,
you must have accommodn
for a Sister & Nurses to attend
them

f124v

O stay on the Board with these
people to instruct them
at their Meetings. They
have no one but you -

I have much more
to say & ~~to~~ ~~he~~ more still
to hear

[end 13:187]

ever yours most truly

F.N.

signed letter & envelope, ff125-27, pen, black-edged paper

f125

PRIVATE April 25/94

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

[13:188]

Have you quite deserted
me? Some time in the
reign of Sennacherib you
said you would be in
town "early next week"
& would "come & see" me.
But not a bit did I see
or hear from you either
then or since.

Would you go to this
Lecture by Sir Auckland
Colvin tomorrow (Thursday)
& say a few words after
it? [I know of course
that you could get as many

f125v

tickets as you choose.]

We do not always agree with Sir A. Colvin, you know - You will see that *his* Sanitary Board is still a consultative & not an Executive Board. Further, I believe he will say nothing about what the people can do for themselves - only about great works which require rates - & just now that is just what the people cannot stand.

But his lecture will

f126

be very instructive for all that, if it only stirs up discussion.

2. I did your behest about the "Regulations" of the Metropolitan Asylum Board Hospls, & have much to hear from you about them - But you have never been near me -

I have been asked to see the Matron of the Fulham ~~one~~ /Hospl, with regard to the project of having a Training School for Nurses there -

f126v

You have something too
to tell me about this
De omnibus rebus et
quibusdam aliis {about all (these) things and some others -GW} we
have also to converse -
But I refrain till I see
you.

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

Shall I send you a ticket or
Are you going to the
"Unveiling" of the Memorial
to Mrs. Wardroper by
the Archbishop of
Canterbury in the Chapel
of St. Thomas' Hospital
on Monday 30th at 4.30?

I wish you would.

[end]

f127 [black-edged env]

Sir Douglas Galton
12 Chester Street
25/4/94

signed letter, ff128-29v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f128

Dr. Evatt Jan 25/95
 10, South Street, {printed address:}
 {in DG's hand} Answered 26/1/95 Park Lane. W.
 My dear Sir Douglas

I think I had a letter
 from you at the time of
 the British Constitution,
 before the Roman Invasion
 - but certainly not since.
 That letter gave hopes that
 something might be done
 about the Brit. soldier
 sleeping in his day under=
 =clothing - by your kindness
 with Q.M.G. & Adj. Genl.

I lent you *Dr. Evatt's*
pamphlet, the last copy he
 had, for those worthies,
 writing my name on it
 at your desire.

Now Dr. Evatt wants his

f128v

(*single*) *copy back*,
 because he wishes to reprint
 & publish it.

I hope you will be able
 to *let me have it back*
 at all events.

But he wants something
 else: he wants me to
 give him "£10 or £20",
 as the cost of reprinting.
 [People always think me
 a Lady Bountiful like
 Lady Burdett Coutts:
 When I really have
 very few pounds - But
 still, if you thought it
 would be of use, I would
 give the money. I do so
 little for the soldier now]
 (Dr. Evatt, late of Woolwich
 now " Netley)

f129

II Dr. Dhurandhar
 of Baroda
 sends me this *Form of Application* for his admission as a member to the Sanitary Institute which you enabled me to send him - *filled up* with his signature & qualifications. He thanks you for being willing to propose him as a member. And I infer that he wants you & me to fill up the lines left for recommend=ers - (tho' I do not know whether the inferior sex is allowed to sign)

I dare not commit the

f129v

precious document to the post, till I know whether you have gone to the N. or S. Pole.

Pray tell me where you can receive it
 {pencil} Frederick Verney, owing to excess of business, has *resigned Bucks County Council, Sanitary Chairmanship, Technical*
 dr.

I am going thro' the floor -
 I had in consequence many questions to ask you about sale of "separated" milks -
 - infantile blindness & c & c & c
 & what you do in Utopia i.e. Worcestershire.

I am still kept here out of London - but write to me at South St. & I must soon be back
 Love to Marianne -ever your F. Nightingale

unsigned letter, ff130-31v, pen & pencil, black-edged paper

f130

Dr. Dhurandhar Claydon
Sanitary Institute) Jan 29/95
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Thank you very much
for your note.

I enclose Dr. Dhurandhar's
Application. & meant to have
signed 2nd line below his
signature, leaving top line
for you. But I see top line
must be "from personal
"knowledge". I have never
seen him. He has never
been in England. But we
may safely conclude, I
think, that no "member
"of the Institute" knows
him better. And I have
acted for scores & scores
of people with whom I

f130v

have not had so much
corresponde as with
Dr. Dhurandhar -
However you must decide -
And if I am dragged
before a Police Magistrate
for such a performance,
you must bring up the
R.E.s to get me off -
as the Crown Prince & C. in C.
of Greece did in the matter
of the Meeting.

Two things I omitted to say
in my previous letter -

1. *Dr. Dhurandhar*

He tells me that he has
heard nothing from Sir G.

f131

Birdwood who had most kindly at my request applied to a Chemist in Southampton for some Sanitary slides Dr. D. wanted for his Sanitary Lectures. The Chemist had replied in the affirmative - I saw his letter. But neither Dr. D. nor I have heard any thing more. I am afraid I may have mismanaged the matter.

II *Govt of India: I.O.*

I, the importunate widow, have quite lately {pencil} dated January 17 {pen} had a whole packet of papers from the above, answering my further questions graciously & lengthily.

f131v

When will you see them?

{pencil} They are on Village Sanitation - special questions as to Punjab & Bengal Sanitary Drainage Bill - & a Conference at Belvedere

initialled letter, ff132-32v, pen, black-edged paper

f132

Dr. Dhurandhar

Feb 6/95

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I hope you received
from me Dr. Dhurandhar's
application for a
membership in the "Sanitary
"Institute" signed by himself & that you have
been kind enough to
sign it, & will return
it to me to sign if
you wish me to do so,
when I shall return
it to you for presentation.,
as I told him you had
been so good as to
offer to be his introducer -

f132v

DR. EVATT & his pamphlet

I have concluded to
give him the £10 he wants for the
re-printing & am only
waiting for you to be so
kind as to send me
back the copy he gave
me or the other man's
yours most truly

F.N.

signed letter, ff133-33v, pen, black-edged paper

f133

Dr. Dhurandhar Mar 16/95

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

It seems to me that

I have a good deal to
ask you, if you give leave

1. I sent you my signature
to *Dr. Dhurandhar's* petition,
as you kindly desired.

-but have heard nothing
of it since..

2. I have heard nothing
of *Dr. Evatt's* pamphlet,
which I sent you,
& if it was returned to
me, it never reached
either South St. or Claydon
and you kindly said

f133v

that you had another
copy which you would
try to give me.

Accordingly I have never
answered *Dr. Evatt's*
urgent letter -

3, 4, 5 -

If you could come
& see me, could you
kindly offer me an
appointment?

ever yours most truly

F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff134-35v, pen, black-edged paper

f134

April 21/95

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I wrote to Sir T.

[10:229-30]

Crawford about under=
=taking the Article on
the Govt. of India
Sanitary papers
which you saw. And
after a short delay
he answered that
he was incapable of
any literary exertion
because of his wife's
death. I had not
heard of it, & am so

f134v

sorry for him. I wish
our wants had been
a little later, when
I think it might have
done him good to rouse
him.

*What are we to do
now?*

Dr. Cunningham?

[I have sent my letter
to Mr. Fowler: so
there is not much
time.]

f135

2. You were so good
as to look at Dr.
Hewlett's pamphlet.
As it tells on the
subject of the List
of questions which
you have kindly
criticized (which
came from Ld Elgin)
I have been asked
to send a copy to
Ld E's Private Secy,
& to mark "*passages*
which seemed of interest"

f135v

*Could you kindly
do this?* I send
a copy, hoping you
will do so, & return
it to me.
It is not necessary
to mark it all thro',
pledging yourself to
it, as it were.
ever yours sincerely
F.N.

[end 10:229]

Add Mss 45767

1018

unsigned letter, ff136-39, pencil & pen, black-edged paper

f136

Private April 26/95
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Thank you a thousand
times for your letter &c
on *Dr. Hewlett's "Village
"Sanitation"*, brought me
kindly by Marianne -
& for your annotations
on the Govt. of India's
"List of Questions" {pen} when you were here {pencil} all of
which I have embodied
& forwarded to the
Private Secy of Lord Elgin.

I think the Govt. of India
is in real good earnest.

f136v

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{PEN} DR. EVATT IMMEDIATE
II. Thank you too very
much for what you did
about DR. EVATT. His
answer is a Telegram
late last night that
he is coming up to
town *this morning* &
is "*most anxious to see*"
me to -day. I have let him
come, tho' it is such
an inconvenient day,
& I have nothing
particular to say.

IS THERE ANY THING
YOU COULD KINDLY
TELL ME TO TELL HIM?

f137

I expect he will ask
whether anything came
of that first copy of
his pamphlet which
he sent me, & which
I understood you kindly
made use of for the
Q.M.G at the Adj: Genl

*Did anything come of
it?*

f137v

Article on Govt. of India papers

III. The successor to
Sir J. Fayrer both at
I.O. & Army San: Comm
is Brig-Surgeon Hooper,
of whom I know nothing
for or against. Do you?
{pencil} But note

I have done nothing
yet, horrible to relate,
about *Dr. Cunningham*.

I have always
known him as a man
who cared most about
No. 1, But he has
served us well on
several occasions,
especially as regards
resistance to Quarantine
as a sovereign remedy

f138

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Private *Burn*
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

But he, Cunningham, is
so little thought of in
India - And there are
men, like Sir H. Cunningham,
who cannot depreciate
him enough.

As for Marston, he is
so excitable & so
technical, & would
probably put in
some pathological
description of the
Intestines as the
"cause of Typhoid" -!!

Can you advise me again?

I hope you are quite
well again -

ever yours most truly

F.N.

f139

The only thing quite
Immediate this
morning, please
is about

Dr. Evatt

F.N.

signed letter, ff140-43, pen, black-edged paper

f140

May 28/95

10, South Street, [14:1040]

Park Lane. W. {printed address:}

My dear Sir Douglas

I am extremely obliged to you for sending me an "Extract" from "Sir Anthony Sterling's letters just published," importing that he "believes" "*She*" (FN) "has about 300 men of "the Highland Brigade "thus employed" viz. as "Nurses" in Hospital - & that "we are going "to make an attempt "on Miss Nightingale".

Not only had I

f140v

absolutely nothing to do with the "employment" of soldiers as nurses - but no notification was ever made to me whatever excepting the following: very many Patients were invalided home, as you may suppose, from Scutari Hospitals, straight upon their discharge - from Hospital. - a notification was generally made to me that we might supply them with what we could of warm & other things

f141

for the voyage home

[As you are aware,
very many soldiers had
lost their kits]

There was immense {pencil} administrative
{pen} confusion, but not such
confusion as that I !!
could "keep all our
"men when they are
"discharged from Hospital
"and make Nurses of
"them"!!

No "attempt" was ever
"made on" me. If it
had, the matter could
have been cleared up.

f141v

But this is the very
first I have ever
heard of this extraordinary
mis-statement as far
as I can remember.
It probably originated
in some bad joke
played off on Sir A. Sterling.

You will see that
the extract gives me
no idea as to whether
I captured these
unfortunate "300" (for
the men were wild
to return to the front)
for Scutari or also for

f142

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10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

for the five
Crimean Hospitals
under our charge -
nor of the date of the
mis statement -
I think I had better
send for the book
to clear up my own
ideas. And I shall
then gratefully accept
your kind intentions
to contradict it in
the "Times".

[end 14:1041]

f143

When shall I see you
again? It seems to me
we have much to talk
about. How are you?
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff144-44v, pencil, black-edged paper

f144

June 22/95

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

Esteemed but faithless friend

Sir Douglas

I thought you were to give
me notice as soon as
you came back, in order
that this affair you
kindly initiated of
answering the "Highland
"Brigade", which you
kindly proposed, should
be settled.

There is this & much more
important matters to
talk over -

I could put off another
interview either this

f144v

afternoon after 5, or
tomorrow (Sunday)
afternoon if you
could possibly come

yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff145-48, pencil, black-edged paper

f145

India

Govt. of India Papers Aug 15/95 [10:866-67]
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

We have been arranging
our Indian work a little,
as far as we could.

And now I want to ask
your advice.

I

You will remember the voluminous
Sanitary papers from the
Indian Govt. on questions
suggested by me - which
the I.O. forwarded to me.
You will perhaps remember
that we asked the S. of S.
(Mr. Fowler) whether he would
wish us to ask a MP
to move for them, or
whether he would wish to

f145v

do so himself - our object
being to have a Magazine
article while the papers
were fresh - he answered
that the papers should be
printed in the forthcoming
("at the end of the summer")
I.O. Sanitary (Annual) Blue
Book

[N.B. The *(printed) papers* were
accompanied by a very
kind M S. foolscap to me by Sir
Horace Walpole -]

Previously to Mr. Fowler's
answer, which was autograph,
I had, as you will
remember, asked Sir Thomas
Crawford to write the
Article, & he declined, as

f146

poor man! he had just lost his wife. But, as I afterwards understood (from you, I think) he recommended **Dr. Cornish** to you for the purpose - "I am now apprised" [I wish I could get into the habit of *official* phrasing] that *Dr. Cornish* would be a 'persona grata' in India much more than Sir T. Crawford, (whose name is unknown in India) - for his manly conduct in the Famine in Madras, of which I am the greatest admirer, & he & I had a long correspondence

f146v

at the time - But otherwise Sir T. Crawford is twice the man that Dr. Cornish is - And I thought we had some reason to be dissatisfied with him Dr. C. at the I.O., & he with us -

Now I await your advice
It is insisted that the Article should come out *at the same time* nearly as possible as the Annual Blue Book - that it is all fresh matter, & that any one should be very glad to have it. & should *know* that it is all fresh matter & valuable -

Now I await your kind advice

f147

India -2-

II 10, South Street, {printed address:}
Dr. Dhurandhar Park Lane. W.

Baroda

Were you ever so good as
to ascertain from Sir G.
Birdwood what he
did about those Sanitary
slides for Dr. D's *Lectures*
He, Sir G.B., was so good
as to write to me, enclosing
a letter from the South
=ampton ~~Netley~~ man
pointed out by Dr. D.,
as you know - But I
have never heard any
thing more -

It is more than ever
necessary now for us to

f147v

favour the Native States,
is it not?

[end 10:867]

If it would save your
trouble to come & see
me, I should be very
glad to talk over
these things & *others*
with you - And I
could, if you could,
this afternoon, or
tomorrow (Friday) or
Saturday, if I knew
directly

f148

ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff149-50, pencil

f149

10 South St Aug 23/95.

My dear Sir Douglas

The *Cornishman* has absconded to Ireland, Co. Kerry, for 3 weeks at least, just as you said he would.

Now what is to be done?

We can't get the Article ready now for September -as you said -
- I suppose it is immoral to disturb a man on his holiday - Also: I don't like to risk the

f149v

loss of the papers of the Govt. of India by sending them after him to green Erin. even if he would have them. But it is a bad job.

2 I meant to ask you if Evelyn Wood's "Crimea" is a good book. You see some notices of it are ~~given~~ /come out - Is that bad book, the "Highland

f150

Brigade", being noticed?

ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff151-51v, pen, black-edged paper

f151

Dr. Cornish A Sept 1/95
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I wrote to Dr. Cornish
(at his retreat, an Inn, in
Co. Kerry) by your desire
as to whether he would
undertake the Article on
the Sanitary papers -
but have had no answer.
Perhaps he is scrimmaging
about.

Was he very cross at not
being appointed successor to
Sir Joseph Fayrer at the
I.O.? He was not appointed, was he?

f151v

II. Did you learn anything
on Friday attaching to my
affairs? as you kindly
promised

ever yours sincerely
F. Nightingale

initialled letter, ff152-53v, pencil

f152

D. of Cambridge Sept ~~19~~/26/95
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

We were so thankful to know that you went thro' the Ipswich Meeting like a hero - & hope you are now returned in good case from Jutland -

You asked me to write to the *D. of Cambridge* - My goodness will not last a day longer in refraining and I ask you to be so very good as to read the enclosed. It is a difficult letter to write & I will re-write it if you don't approve.

f152v

The last page but one, which perhaps you may think sentimental, is 'founded 'on facts'. You know how the horses died in the Crimea But the Horse Artillery then, themselves sleeping in the mud, & ill fed, would coax their horses to eat. (2) Nobody ever took the trouble to find out how many men were killed or wounded by going back to fetch off their wounded Officers & comrades, when themselves safe out of fire - especially in the Charge of Balaclava - And to compare this with what you see of the soldiers lolling in London Barracks -

f153

Dr. Cornish

II. What do you think
has happened? *Dr. Cornish*
after accepting to write
the article on the Govt. of
India papers, has sent
them back to me, saying,
by his wife, that he is too
ill to do any "literary work"
1. Please counsel me.

What am I to do?

I don't know.

The I.O. Sanitary Annual
Blue Book is out -
And they have sent me
my copy

f153v

Now I will not
torment you again -
(till next time)
& with every anxious
good wish
am yours ever most
truly

F.N.

I think my letter to the D. of
Cambridge is rather
doctorial, is it not? that
would not do at all.

And perhaps it is not
'parliamentary' for me to use
the word 'favouritism' to the
C. in C., especially as his
own son, Col FitzGeorge, who
sometimes corresponds with me, is
his Secretary.

signed letter, ff154-59, pen & pencil

f154

Private Nov 24/95

[15:571-73]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

Oh you Turk, oh you
rascal, Sir Douglas Galton
- not to tell me that
you were in London
- not to reward me for
my good resolution in
not troubling you - I
would have asked but
few questions, but these
called for haste.

Water for troops for Ashanti

1. & more important -
how the troops for Kumasi
are to be supplied with
water, day & night, fit
to drink
spirit ration only as
medicine Are they

f154v

to have salt pork & beef?
~~are~~ then about their
shoes, stockings, & books?
Are these things now
recognized at Head Quarters?
Probably I am disquiet-
ing myself in vain.
Lord Lansdowne is
so overwhelmed with
amateur schemes for
W.O. reform - not that
I am in that line of
business at all; every
thing will depend on
the *men* they get, &

f155

little or nothing on the
scheme -
But I do not like to
write to Ld. Lansdowne
just now -
I wrote to the D. of
Cambridge as you ordered
& had such a very nice
answer. But I have
not talked about it.

[end]

f156

Private -2-
10, South Street, {printed address:}
 Park Lane. W.
2 *Barracks at*
Newcastle on Tyne
Depot where 5th Fusiliers
quartered, said to be in
an awful state of bad
drainage - not denied
- but remedy "would cost
"too much"
I know nothing of it,
personally, "Ladies'
"Sanitary Assocn" dying
to interfere.
Sir T. Crawford is dead.
Or I should have asked
his advice to whom they
{pencil} should {pen} apply

f156v

Ought I to refer it
to *Mr. Frederick*?
or how?

f157

3 *Sister going to India*

3. We have another
Nurse (a Sister of St.
Thomas') going out to
India to join the
Army Nursing Staff.

3 Three are going out in 3
ships - they don't
know where - each
goes alone
[The I.O. sends them
out - like the famous
pair of Painted Marmots
who came over in *those*
ships, on the crust
of a two penny loaf

f157v

which served them {pencil} for
pervisions during the [yes, pervisions]
voyage]

Mine asks me for an

Army Medical book

Don't misunderstand
the Nurses must not
know anything about
anything - to be looked
well on by the Doctors
whose treatment is,
I believe, what it was
40 years ago.

But if there were a
book which could put

f158

Private -3-
 her up to things,
 not ~~avoiding~~ / excepting the
 terrible increase of the
 vicious disease-?
 The shouting ladies in
 England must be
 avoided, who shout
 about *C.D.A. off* &
C.D.A. on, which is
 all nonsense.
 It is strong exercise,
 like shooting,
 interesting employment,
 like gardening for the
 Regiment vegetables,
 which are wanted.

f158v

They certainly will
 not ask our Nurses'
 advice - nevertheless
 I do try to insense our
 Nurses a little - (And
 this one we are sending
 out tho' of 5 years' experience has never been
 Sister of any but a
woman's ward -) if
 only to show them that
 dancing is not quite
 the thing - The Generals
 laugh angrily, & the
 Junior Officers jollily
 at Lady Roberts' Nurses

f159

Do recommend me
 a book if you can.
 ever yours most truly
 F. Nightingale

[end 15:573]

signed letter, ff160-61, pencil

f160

Water for the troops going
to Ashanti, (see my letter
of yesterday.

I learn by enquiry what
of course Sir Douglas
knows better than I that
"the arrangement for
"Water wd be made by
"the Depty Q.M.G., probably
"of the Army Service Corps
"(with the Expedition) -
"then each man carries
"his own Water - bottle,
"made of Vulcanite, & I
"think when the water is
"bad they are also
"supplied with pocket
"filters." But all depends

f160v

on the energy & ability
of the men who are
actually in charge of
all these arrangements,
(as everywhere else).
And dreadful things have
happened for the want
of them -

But under these
circumstances, I do
not see what I can
do; tho' I have been
asked to do. And I
would not trouble

f161

Sir Douglas -

[end]

But the other two
questions are very urgent
for answers, if he will be
so good -

F. Nightingale
{enclosed in a circle} No 2
London Nov 25/95
see my letter of yesterday
Lady Galton
or Sir Douglas

initialled letter, ff162-63v, pencil

f162

Nov 29/95
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Thank you a thousand
times for your letter -
If you could kindly
point out an afternoon
when it would be least
inconvenient to you to
come & see me between
this & (Wednesday I
think you said) your
going to Ipswich - - - - -!

I hope you are
going to print your
Opening Address in a

f162v

nice little book with
good type & notes
(like Lord Acton's
address on history)
3. I think that perhaps
an Army *Hospital*
book (not "Medical")
would be the useful
thing if it exists -
Hospital discipline is
much improved in
some parts of England
& Ireland - ~~wh~~ But it is

f163

where there are
middle-aged &
experienced 'Sisters'
working cordially under
the Medical Officers.
But elsewhere there are
still places where the
discipline is:
every body is out of bed
who is ordered to keep
his bed,
& every body is in bed
who is ordered to take
exercise
& if there are any Typhoid
fevers who are to live

f163v

on milk & to have
their beds made with
them in it, they are
gone down to the
Commissariat to fetch
some pork -
Nurses who are
accustomed to the
perfect discipline of
a Civil Ward, ~~are/~~ think
~~so amazed at some~~ /they can do anything in
military Buildings Hospitals
If it be convenient to
you to come in the
latter part of my reprieve, /your few days,
you will have more to
tell me - ever yours F.N.

signed letter, ff164-67, pencil

f164

No Hygiene March 20/96 [15:574]
in Examinations }
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

A very important thing
is cropping up - and that
is that they cannot get
candidates enough at
Netley for India -

The want of a compulsory
Examination for ~~Net~~
Hygiene in the Schools
is keenly felt. And this stops
the way.

It takes 5 years to make
you a Doctor - But 32
Lectures are enough to
make you a Hygienist.
These the Professor of Hygiene

f164v

at Netley gives -

But I understand they
want a great deal more
in India. They want
that the Medical Officers
should be capable of
giving an opinion on
Sanitary things.

At present he, the
M.O., has the rupee from
the rich natives, especially
for operations - And the
rupee is all the M.O.
knows or cares about.

And the Board of
Examiners is all that

f165

the Hospital Schools
care about, I am told.
It is no use going to the
Hospitals - You
must get some one to
move in the College
of Physicians for Hygiene
to be a compulsory
subject for examination
& entrance at Netley.

There they would teach
them the *daily work*
as *S. Herbert* intended.

I think it was no less
a man than Napoleon

f165v

who said to his Doctors
- find out the *daily life*
of a soldier ~~is~~ & then
fit in your Hygiene to it

Besides this, Netley
ought to show the
pupils the works at
Southampton &c which
I believe are very
good - are they not?
the water- supply

Refuse - Destructor
Disposal of Sewage
&c &c

Then he would have a

f166

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10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

an opinion in India -
Every day Preventive
Medicine is getting
ahead of Medicine=ing
Now let us do and
do and do -

II Do you know
we have had a very
serious outbreak of
Enteric Fever at
Dublin - Military Enteric
- supposed to come from
certain Barracks - The

f166v

~~{Sisters}~~/ informants who are very good
ones keep me au fait -

*What is to be done
about this?*

We must not betray
the ~~Sisters~~ informants
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale
Excuse haste of pencil

[end 15:574]

f167

Thank Marianne &
Gwendolyne for their call.

signed letter, ff168-69v, pencil

f168

Dr. MacRury July 13/96

Private

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I was so glad to see
your hand writing again.
& very glad, I mean very
miserable to see Dr.
MacRury's papers which
you kindly sent [He
called here, but I was not
able to see him - and I
promised to send for him
which I am ashamed to
say I have not yet done.
we have been so busy]

*But now I should like to
know what you propose
doing before I see him.*

f168v

I expect things are better
now that Lord Sandhurst
is there, of whom one hears
a good account -
Lord Harris was, I take it,
a weak, good-natured
man who was completely
under influence, & under
that influence did the
most ill-natured things -

There is a man now in
London, Dr. Bahadraj (I
don't know whether you know
him, who is a specimen -
but I believe he has made
it up with Lord Harris
now

f169

As for the papers themselves,
they would do for a
scene in a Burlesque -
["Knife", said he, "Scissors,"
said she - the tailor, you
know, who said his wife
had cut the cloth with
a knife, & she said, with
scissors, till he drowned
her, & from under the water,
came gurgling up "Scissors"]

To think that our affairs
in the most important
Presidency of our most
important Dependency
can be managed in this way
by an ignorant Civilian Clerk!!

f169v

I have another affair
on my hands - a furious
letter from Hong Kong - un=
=produceable but too true -
about this shocking
"bubonic" plague - but written
by an excellent Sanitarian
It is spreading among our
men.

[15:574]

*Do you know Mr.
Chamberlain well?*

I hope you will let me
see you before you go
out of town

[end]

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff170-71, pencil

f170

Confidential July 13/96

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Could you kindly
tell me *this morning*,
even if only in a few words,
whether you have seen
Dr. MacRury since you
have read that astonishing
corresponde; & generally
what you said to him
or what you intend
saying to him - about
that only

I want to be in the same
story as you.

He has *retired*, has he not?

f170v

ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

What does Dr. Marston

mean by "Dr. MacRury
"is probably right; but
"that is not the question"?

F.N.

f171

I am sorry that Dr. C.
is not to be re-appointed
on the Army S.C. -
for, tho' he is all for No 1,
he saved us in the
quarantine problem.

But he is singularly
unpopular in India -

F.N.

initialled letter, ff172-72v, pencil

f172

Hong Kong July 29/96

[15:575]

plague

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

Will you help in this
case?

I have been so good
as to epitomize Dr. Evatt's
letter for you -

M.P.s have no idea
but of asking questions
in the House: which Govt.
resents.

I do not know Mr.
Chamberlain at all.

And I have to write to
Ld. Lansdowne about
another thing

What is to be done?

f172v

The mouse got the lion
out - not by "bravery"
or by "strength" but by
quiet skill -

Please strike out
anything in my epitome
which you think
provoking

& add anything you
think effective

F.N.

[end 15:575]

signed letter, ff173-74v, pencil

f173

{archivist: [end of July 1896]}

[15:575]

Dear Sir Douglas Galton

I have a furious letter

from the man at Hong Kong

whom I know very well

-you know him: Dr. Evatt

A.M.D. an excellent

Sanitarian

The Hong Kong plague

is spreading among

our men -

The affair can only

be tackled by Mr.

Chamberlain & Lord

Lansdowne

I have always kept

out of Colonial matters

seeing I have much too

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much to do already

And so have you

But what *is* to be done?

& at the fag end of

a Session too

f174

Egypt

Are they really

pretending that the

Cholera at & above

Wadi Halfa is being

"carried" from Cairo?

In the W.O. once we

had a Report from

a Sanitary Commissr

that the Typhoid

had been "carried by a

"dog" (sic)

f174v

My two old

notes to you

[end 15:575]

initialled letter, ff175-76, pencil, black-edged paper

f175

Private Hong Kong Aug 1/96 [15:575]
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas Galton

I was so hindered
yesterday that I could
not get this ready as I
wished by your return
last evening.

I have written a letter to
Mr. Chamberlain, with
Extracts from Dr. Evatt,
as you desired, & enclosed.
And I also enclose Extracts
from Dr. Evatt, *without*
name, for the Q.M.G.
as you wished -
You will be very careful,

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I am sure, not to give
his name to *any one* -
not only because of the
injury & treachery to
him - but because I
have always found that
"O that is Evatt" - & the
thing was altogether
thrown ~~aside~~ aside -

I will re-write both
that for Mr. Chamberlain
& that for the Q.M.G.,
if you will tell me how

But I am very busy
to-day

[end]

f176

I return your whole
Budget only stipulating
that Dr. Evatt's letter
& my summary of it
shall be returned to me -

I am very thankful
that you undertake this -
{written in the bottom margin on a slant}

I have
put in "strong
"things" as you
desired, from Dr.
Evatt - But I cannot
say that I find his violent
style of writing succeeds
with authorities

ever yours most truly
F.N.

initialled letter, ff177-82v, pencil

f177

Hong Kong PRIVATE Aug 9/96 [und 3 times]
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

The enclosed packet reached [15:575-76]
me last thing last night
[I had had previously a
communication civil, but ending
with: "official reply follows in
"due course" - which rather
prepared me for this.]

I am afraid I erred in
addressing Mr. Chamberlain rather
than the S. of S. for War.

You will remember that our
principal point was: *removing
Barracks & Military Hospital
to the hills* This is hardly
touched upon & perhaps
could not be - But roughly

f177v

speaking, does it not beat
the usual "official reply"
in being an excuse & not a
"reply"?

2. I still hope in your Q.M.G.
[Put not your trust in Princes
but in Q.M.G.s]

The poor Chinese are beyond
my treatment - We are only
thinking of *our* men.

3. Is it not curious to send
a Report of 1894 No 148 when
beyond all contradiction the
first 5 or 6 months of this
year 1896 the Bubonic
Plague was raging?

p. 5. Abominable Hospital *Hull*
- the pencil mark is mine

f178

Bubonic Plague Report 1896

It is satisfactory to know
that now the Governor is
thinking of appointing "shortly"
a "Commission of enquiry"

What do you propose
to do next? X

And what shall I
write to the unfortunate
Dr. Evatt?

[end 15:576]

x I suppose I ought to write
to Lord Lansdowne - But on
Friday I had to write to him

f178v

on a very large subject,
not started by me, but backe[d]
by many.

ever yours most truly:

F.N.

Both Reports enclosed are
interesting

It is a curious thing: I often employ
a Type-writing Establishment (but
never to do my own letters) which I
know serves H. of C. & Govt. Offices - one
could almost swear that the same hand
has directed the enclosed & its own packet to me.

signed letter, ff179-80, pencil, black-edged paper

f179

E. London Water-supply Sept 26/96

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W. [16:939]

My dear Sir Douglas

A most beautiful &
pathetic letter from Arthur
Nicholson I saw - so full
of affection & mourning for
his father - He said the
end was so peaceful.

That you were in
London on Tuesday I did
not know.

Marianne's cough, I
trust is better

Would you be kindly
willing, now the Liverpool
Meeting which I hope
satisfied you is over,

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to give an answer
about the Cisterns in
East London - ~~Money~~ Famine -
the fight continues: Water
Company & "Times" of course
on one side, "Daily Chronicle"
& many Medical Officers of
Health on the other -
I am sorry to say the L.G.B.
is not sound on the subject,
& Dr. ? Barry is a very
formidable opponent.
If you do not remember,
I could give you a very
brief sketch of the subject,

f180

over again
& also of what has happened
since I last wrote in the
way of M.O.'s of Health
for & against.
ever yours most truly
F. Nightingale

[end]

f181

Mrs. Hewlett -2-
I have a letter from Mrs. Hewlett,
widow of our Dr. Hewlett - whom
you & I knew so well (Sanitary
Commissioner for Bombay) - She says
her husband's "investments" were
chiefly in "Rupee paper", & her
income is just half what it was
She has still two sons to provide

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for - one of whom has still a 4 years
course of study to go through -
She says she is now eligible for
"Lord Clive's fund" x & has written to
Sir Oliver Newmarch, who, she is told,
is the proper person to write to to
apply for it

x F.N. does not know what this is

She asks me to write to Sir O.
Newmarch, as I know her husband's
services, urging for his sake her
getting it - I do not know
Sir O.N., tho' he has the choice
& arrangements for the Nurses for
India -

What do you say to my writing

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to him?

Or can you suggest any body
better? at the I.O.

F.N.

26/9/96 Poor Hewlett used always to
say; how he envied you
your life of continuous
& magnificent usefulness

initialled letter, ff183-84v, pencil

f183

Oct 4/96

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

As a mark of gratitude
for your letter, I relate to you
our misfortunes:

Mrs. Hewlett

This is all I have got in
answer to my letter to Sir
O. Newmarch - I suppose
it is sincere? not humbug?
But as for any "assistant
"Military Secretary" "*knowing*
"well" Dr. Hewlett's "*services*",
I shall believe that when
I have attained a state
"which thinks no wrong",
unless it is meant

f183v

^ ironically -

I suppose however there is
nothing more to be done
in this quarter for that
poor woman?

2. I have communicated
to the head of the desperate East-enders
privately your rather desperate
opinion

re *Water Supply & Cisterns*

You say you have nothing
of Constant Supply *always*
on in Chester St. & add
"Have you?" In reply,

f184

my present state is as
follows: as Mr. Vare, my
builder, known to you, says
"I find that the Company
"has put on constant
"service permanently at
"10 South St.

"I knew that it had
"been laid some time but
"was not sure whether it
"was temporary or not.

"You can have
"? *draw-offs* taken direct
"to Sinks from Main
"leaving the present cisterns
"to supply in case of

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"repairs, or smaller cisterns
"can be put in place of
"those at present in the
"house, but this would
"incur much cutting away
"& expence

"I should strongly
"recommend the supply
"to be brought from
"*Main direct to supply*
"*Filter, Sinks, &c*"

I don't want to trouble you
about Mr. Vare, who is, as
you said, an "intelligent" man.

But *do you "recommend"*
the last sentence?

ever yours most truly

F.N.

signed letter, ff185-85v, pencil

f185

10 South St W 8/1/97.

My dear Sir Douglas

I am soaked in work-
There are several things I
have wanted to show you &
to ask you & have not had
time -

But here come the
Stanmore & the Herbert
again. I should like to
have answered at once
with the first part of the
draft, I submit to you
(omitting the second part,)
but did not like to do it
without asking you

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Pray tell me what to do

yours ever

F. Nightingale

I hope Marianne is

pretty well

Add Mss 45767

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envelope, ff186-86v, pencil

f186 {archivist:} To be looked over ~~1894-1895,6-1897~~

{ F.N. to Sir D.G. 1894, 1897 Tied up 7 Dec

{letters

from Miss Nightingale}

{FN's hand} Sir Douglas Galton &c &c

12 Chester St.

Grosvenor Place

3/4/97

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2 enclosures } Indian Army

2 Note-sheets }

signed letter, DG to FN. ff187-87v, pen {he returns a Mrs. Chaunt's letter}
6 April 1897. I return Mrs Chaunt's letter. I have read it carefully two or
three times over. I cannot see that she wants any answer. It is an answer
to your letter, and she says she abstains from troubling your "serenity"
with details. Therefore (as in the county council business) she feels
herself above advice.

{f188 blank}

initialled letter, ff189-92v, pencil

f189

Private April 22/97

10, South Street, {printed address:}

Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

I haven't heard from [10:873-74]

you for a long while - And

there is much to be done -

1. Have you heard
anything more about that
terrible "Health of Army in
"India" business?

2. I have had a great
packet from India,
Viceroy's Private Secy
[Ld G. Hamilton did send on
my letter to him about
Calcutta European Hospl

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to Lord Elgin] It has been quite determined to rebuild the Calcutta European Hospl as soon as they have money And Ld Elgin has visited it himself. And the plans have been made & forwarded in a thin Blue Book to me, with a request that we would criticize & suggest - And further than this [you remember the circular of the Govt of India to the Provincial Govt. on the subject of a Sanitary Village ~~Record~~/ Inspection Book - ~~what was the~~

f190

~~exact name of it?}~~ this is alluded to & the Govt fully means to carry it out, - but they are so pressed now -

I want you to see these papers.

3. I did see the Hindoo {he is a Parsi) who was sent for to give evidence before the Indian Expende Commy. He is one of the Bombay Corporation, was ~~very~~ /very communicative, & evidently had all the

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circumstances of the
Bombay Plague & of
his compatriots' life in
general at his fingers'
ends - but his information
does not tally exactly
with that English Officer's I
showed you - that you wanted
to put in the "Times"

My Bombay native says
that lectures, Examns, &
all that kind of thing
is no use for making his
people Sanitary - nothing
wd do that but two
native gentlemen to each

f191

Private -2-

street going about
among the people &
showing them on the spot
what to do & the
frightful consequences
of what they have done -

I should like to tell
you something of what
~~they~~ he told me - And
he was not at all
anxious to please -

The native Jerry-
builders are his abhorrence

But he says the pullers-
down under English orders
are as bad

f191v

4 - I have had loads,
trucks full, of excellent papers
from a particular friend
of mine, Dr. Murdoch
of Madras - He has
written the best Sanitary
School Books I know -
much better/**better** than what we
have written for India -
Now he wants to make
it a compulsory subject for
Matriculation Examn for
Colleges.

I consulted my Bombay
native - told him it was
for Madras. But he shook

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his head, & said those
things were no use for
natives - that natives
discard their books for
their *homes* - & that it is
what they learn at *home*
that determines their
lives -

However I know that
whatever Dr. Murdoch
undertakes he will
carry through.

[end 10:874]

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Please let me have
this letter back - For
I have been so busy
{for Ireland!!} that I
shall not remember
what I have to say
without it -

With love to Marianne
ever yours sincerely

F. Nightingale

I think I had a
5 - but have forgotten
what it was

initialled letter, ff193-94, pencil

f193

April 22
10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

At any time that I
can catch you to-day,
I shall be glad to see
you, if it were only to
make a further

appointment - I have
so much to ask you -

I am glad to think
of you on "active service".

We have Military Nurses
of our own breeding
who are just as anxious

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for "active service" as
the men always are.

But I don't know
whether it would be
desirable that they (the women)
should be caught by
the Matabele -

ever yours

F.N.

Over 13000 dogs have
been had up before
the Magistrates for
not being muzzled -
one of them which was

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protecting its Master's
property stated
(thro' its Master) that
it was muzzled: it
had "only a two inch
"bite".-

I shall get the
Magistrates to allow
me a "two-inch bite."

Add Mss 45767

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initialled letter, ff195-96, pencil

f195

Cuba

Aug 19/97

[15:581]

10, South Street, {printed address:}
Park Lane. W.

My dear Sir Douglas

We were talking about
Cuba - & you said that
you & Co. "gave nothing
"to rebels" - I don't think
"Sister Mary Wilberforce"
who writes is a "rebel"
tho' she mentions the
"insurgents" at the end.
I enclose her letter for
your 'kind consideration'
as begging letters say -
I wish I had kept her
envelope - yrs F.N.

[end]

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Sir Douglas Galton

19/8/97

Letter from
Sister Mary Wilberforce
Sick & Wounded
Ambulance
to FN Cuba

unsigned notes, ff197-98, pencil

f197

Sir D.G. Aug. 31/97
Ld Lansdowne's answer
Sir - Rawson's letter
I no Office
not fixed house for
year
gave them all the
receipts
Miss S. A. Terrot
Hely
Genl. Higginson Friday S. Constable
Little Corporals - G.B.H.
Frontier War no corresponding
office to influencing
320 bogs
Calcuttas Hospl Commandt - not
a good Officer
for them
Sanitary Engineering
Soldiers begging letter

f198

D.G. {archivist: [1890s]
progress of Sanitary Science
he was the one to practically
apply it -
Brit. Assoc. -
[Joint Secy [?]
on the Army Sany Comme
from the beginning
I have known how valuable
his services have been
he having been associated
with me on all these things
Cory: Obstetric
duty
send for D.G.
to morrow
£2000
Telephone Treasurer
Monthly Committee

Add Mss 45767

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unsigned note, ff199-201, pencil

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Sir D.G. {archivist: [1890s]

[13:194-95]

Hampstead Fever Hospl

wooden huts - one ward

"3 doz" Patients including

9 mo; basics

stone central heating

Matron &

Administration

excellent garden all round

plenty of flowers

laundry in central building

men come in with the

food & take out all soiled

linen & napkins direct to

laundry - one child was taught

not to soil its

napkins

2 trained Nurses one day

one night

2 Wardmaids day

to each Ward

{f200 blank}

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children so happy

don't want to go away

cry when they first come in

& mothers go away

then cry because they

don't want to go out.

toys may be taken in to them

every day by mothers

but toys must not be taken

out again

3 children

youngest 2 ½ years died

boy had tracheotomy

girl abscesses

[end 13:195]

unsigned report, ff201-09, typewritten, {a summary of Sir Douglas Galton's career at the War Office}

initialled letter, ff210-15v, pen

f210 {archivist: [1847] to a Nicholson, probably Marianne}

Oxford. Monday June 28.

My dear, Here we are in the middle of loveliness & learning- for never anything so beautiful, as this place is looking now, have I seen abroad or at home I saunter about the churchyards & gardens by myself before breakfast, & wish I were a College man. The Astronomical Section here is a plum pudding without the suet - Le Verrier & Adams sit on either side the President, like a pair of turtle doves, cooing at their star, which they hold half in each other's hand - Struve, Herschel, Airy, Chevalier &c &c each a lovely Pleiad round.

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Le Verrier spoke in French - but Adams gave the most interesting account of his own discovery, & of his pitching on the *right* conclusion at first from *wrong* grounds - but as I dare say you don't want to hear about all that in London, I will leave it for a future time - Lalande's discovery of it 60 years ago, (he blotted out his entry, thinking he had made a mistake) has enabled them to anticipate 60 years in their calculation of its orbit -

The party here is much the same as at Southampton, that is, we, the ignorant Mob - the Philosophers [~~illeg~~] many more & more

f211

laudable both in quantity & quality. We work hard - chapel at 8 to that glorious service at New College - such an anthem yesterday morning - & that quiet cloister, where no one goes - I brought home a white rose to dry in her remembrance - Section from 11-3 - then colleges or Blenheim till dinner time - then lecture away at 8 in the Ratcliffe Library - & then a philosophical tea & muffin at somebody's afterwards. Fowlers, Hamilton Grays, Barlows, Bucklands & selves, are the muffins, - Wheatstone, Hallam, Chevalier, Ed. Bunbury, M. Milnes, Sir C. Lemon, & some of the

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great guns occasionally, are the philosophy. On Sunday we go to church every two hours - not being able to do it without - taking a "snack by way of a damper" at a Mr. Buckland's, son of the Dean, on the way, in his room in Xt Ch. I asked a little bear of 3 months old, which he had got chained up at his door in to luncheon. It began directly sucking our hands, & then proceeded to the butter on the table, climbing like a squirrel - but the butter getting into its' head, it became obstreperous and (on its' master putting on it, its' own

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cap & gown, a real black cap
& gown) violent - & after it
had been seriously spoken to,
& had behaved exactly like
a thing possessed - or a Prince
in the disguise of a bear -
(a thing commonly met with
in the Arabian regions) it
was carried out in disgrace.
When we came out, it was
still walking & storming & howling on
its hind legs, gesticulating
& remonstrating in a state
of the most violent nervous
excitement. I spoke to it,
but Papa pulled me away,
fearing it wd bite. I said,
Let alone, I'm going to mes=
merize it. Mr. Milnes followed,

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my/the suggestion, & in ½ min. the
little bear began to yawn,
in less than 3 min. was stretched
fast asleep on the gravel,
in a position which its master
said it never slept in. I was
afraid it would go into hyste=
rics when it waked, but
after an hour, during which
it cd not walk upright, we heard it
perfectly recovered. Of course
it was a plain case of
collusion between the infant
bear & Mr. Milnes! otherwise
I shd have said the *colluding*
bear was a good subject.

Faraday gave us the most
admirable lecture on Friday
night on his Dia=magnetism.
The Electro=magnet here is

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a first-rate fellow, being of the purest iron - & therefore leaves go, the moment contact is *not* made with the Grove's Battery - which is an enormous one. (the magnets at the Royal Ins. being no better than a bad sort of steel, becomes magnetised itself, & *retaining* the Electricity, will not let go its hold so directly.) we saw this one hold up one of those weights of several cwts, fitted with a ring, by the point of its finger - I mean, by the top of its ring, (By merely touching) & then let go instantly - Faraday cd hardly lift the weight to set it down again. The same ~~bar~~/magnet then collected a cluster of

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nails round its head (like the top of the Monument) But you will be tired & so am I. Ly Hastings took us into her rooms to shew us her Crocodilus Hastingii, named after her - such a bad expression of countenance the beast has - but hers is good, on nearer acquaintance. Blenheim has such ~~g~~/rose gardens - grown out of our pillage.

Tuesday - Sherborne - Yesterday was the Albertian day - & a regular bore he was - interrupting Le Verrier in the midst. However, I saw Aunt Jenny by it a very *little* bit -

The Bp of Oxford's University Sermon, on the Connexion of Humility

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with Science was admirable -
i.e. it was among sermons
as the Ourang-Outang
among monkeys.

Prince Buonaparte, who is
here, names a new *Bat!*
after Sir R. Inglis, Inglisia
Benevolens!

One thing more, Mr. Hallam's
discovery that Gladstone
is the Beast 666 (in the
Revelations) came to him by
inspiration one day in the
Athenaeum. He tried
Pusey & Newman with the
Greek numerals - they
wouldn't do - Gladstone
would, all but the epsilon

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at the end - but remem=
bering that no Greek word
ends with an epsilon -
here goes

Γ	3
λ	30
α	1
δ	4
σ	200
τ	300
ο	50
ν	70
η	8

	666

You see the full beauty
of the Inspiration, because
any one might have thought
of Pusey & Newman, the
open beasts, but Gladstone
the secret, the hidden
beast, this wonderful Re
velation is of some consequence
to the world.

f215

Excuse this harum=scarum,
(haste & a bad pen *inhibit*
me) finished at Sherborne,
which is really a magni=
ficent place - such a
very handsome pile of
building - with church
adjoining - Mrs. Plunkett
seems uncommonly happy,
though not well. But
they are waiting for me,
& I must go. I was so
sorry to see the Jenny Lind
defalcation in the paper.
but Roberts is good & the
Somnabula may yet be

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on Saturday - Lothian's
box, which is the charm
of my life - gave me the
means of writing this
letter - We shall be home
about the 7th I hope -
With best love to my
dear Aunt Anne &
Loth; adieu my dear
ever your F.N.

Add Mss 45767

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initialled letter, ff216-20, pen

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Lea Hurst

Matlock

~~35 South Street~~ Aug 16/70 [15:664-65]

~~Park Lane~~ {printed address:}

~~W.~~

My dearest Marianne

I am so very much obliged to you for this morning's letter - telling me exactly what I wanted to know - that, tho' sore pressed by writing business, I must say a word of thanks to you who doubtless are quite as much so, yet write to me.

Capt. Galton's account of the Intendance as the real cause of the disorganization of the French Army is,

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I believe, less than the truth. And, if we should go to war, which God forbid, *that* is the state of our War Office, & that will be our failure - only, for "pillage" & "dishonesty" of the "Intendance", read '*incapacity*' & 'accepting the dicta of Clerks' - for our W.O. [I cannot bear to think of it. The present S. of S. has entered on the disastrous path opened by his predecessor - & in 9 years

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Sidney Herbert's plans have
been utterly overthrown.]
When Marshal MacMahon
was ordered to attack at
Wissenbourg, he answered
that he had neither
"vivres ni cartouches", but
was told that he must
fight all the same -

So of every thing -
Madame Canrobert is an
eminent Administrator.
How I wish that our
"Aid Society"'s name was
not mismanagement,

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inefficiency & (in the
subordinates) want of
integrity. Is it not
deplorable? It is an
Intendance 'in smalls'
[I felt quite appalled when
I heard that Capt. Galton
was gone]- our only administrator
The Berlin & Paris Societies
are working splendidly -
As to our Nurses, it was
quite a relief to me to
hear that Madame Canrobert
wants none of them.
And I only wish the
Prussians would say the
same. For various reasons

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35 South Street {printed address:}
Park Lane

W.

which I have stated to Sir
Harry (for the Aid Socy)
both France & Germany
can put into the field
in time of War a
multitude of women of
real efficiency & weight
of character - And the
women we should send,
unless we use the most
careful selection, will
with difficulty be at all
equal to them - may
easily be quite inferior -
As for English Trained Nurses,
they have not their equals

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in the world - for cleanliness
& such like vital trifles
- of that I am convinced.
But English Trained Nurses
don't speak French or
German. And English
ladies have no Hospital
experience (who do
speak French & German).
The "Red Cross" Convention
talks a vast deal of 'bosh'
about this - entirely
forgetting that N. Germany
has a miserable familiarity
with war which its women
& their mothers have too
often seen. that it has
a national *civil Army*

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& that the women go into the field to nurse with their own relations who fight - besides its religious orders, Protestant & R.C. that nothing of the kind can ever be, (never has been,) in England, till we have like Institutions - like wars, like Army -

As to France, the Sisters of Charity number 15000 - the Govt has always used them as Relieving Officers (to its eternal honour be it spoken!) *associating with their services* those of seculars, *women & men* - It has thus always an Army of women to send into the

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field - efficient & practical

Our Government has always deplorably neglected anything of the kind - any utilizing of the services of women -

What I said about Nurses was rather to try to check & regulate the movement than to stimulate it. [You perhaps do not know that on July 19, & before the Aid Socy was begun, by the *curious* action of one of the Secretaries (who now, I understand, has *forgotten* his own letters,) a party of women were setting off. But I must not waste your time & mine.

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I continue to have the most deplorable
accounts from the
provinces (French)

[They write to me to get
them plans of Field Hut=
Hospitals &c]

The country people who gave
great gifts at the Ministères
de la Guerre et de l'Intérieur,
believe, rightly or wrongly,
that these are sold for
the Govt.'s own purposes -
I did not know that Evelyne
was at Clermont till I
heard of Capt. Galton's
departure. Who is she
with? - I am glad if he
thinks her safe there - ever yours F.N.

[end 15:665]

signed note, f221, pen

f221

35 South St. Nov 21/70

Dearest Marianne

I do not know whether
you care to read these
letters of Mrs. Cox -
I dare say you have more
than you know how to do
with.

Capt. Galton was the means
of employing Col: & Mrs. Cox.
And they have done
singularly good work
Please return them to me soon.
ever yours Flo.

signed letter, ff222-30, pen & pencil

f222

Embley - Romsey Feb 20/71

[15:775-78]

Dearest Marianne

I return the form of questions - to be issued by the "Society" -

I think that there must be some mistake in supposing them to be mine -

I can scarcely recognize one of mine. It would be contrary to all our methods of enquiry to accede to these leading strings being used. It is much to be regretted that they should have been drawn up by so unpractised a hand that they will elicit little real information. Most are leading questions, to be answered only by

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'Yes' or 'No'

The form is altogether faulty.

People's *opinions* about matters of fact (which are all that these Questions can call forth) can never be depended upon - And nothing short of the facts would afford reliable ground for the Society's future proceedings -

I am sure that Capt. Galton will concur in this.

The *matter* of the questions is nearly sufficient - But the "Society" should simply ask for *facts* or any information such as would enable the Committee to arrive at a conclusion - on the following points: -
- then simply stating them.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

&c & "altering" the form to giving ~~the~~ heads of the information which is wanted. [This is in answer to Capt. Galton's desire that I should "alter" or "add"]

At present the Questions are like the new-fangled Catechisms drawn up for a child, putting some foregone conclusions into its head, & expecting it to answer "Ja" - like the first Italian Franciscan Missionaries in ~~Germany~~/Austria who, not understanding German - when they were asked 'if they were heretics' (in 1220 AD or thereabouts) answered innocently: -"Ja" -

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E. g.

Questions 59.60.61 in especial are absurdly
i.e. childishly put.

[I don't think I can have put them in that form.

But, if I did, it could only be to work up
in a different shape into a whole.] {pencil }My "Questions" were
simply specimens -
or suggestions -

{pen} So is Question 38 {pencil} badly put

{pen} So is " 31

As is " 19. one really does not know what
is intended by it - Are the agents of the
"Society" to give their opinions as to what is
in the minds of the "Sovereigns " "of Europe" !!
relatively to Johanniter Orders?

As to the working of the "Johanniter" (against which

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I have understood that the whole experience of
this War, German, French, & neutral, accumulates
fresh evidence) valuable & *not invidious*
questions might be asked & information
obtained - But of this not one word -

[only about "Sovereigns of Europe" {pencil} are we to ask.]

{pen} I will add here about Question 30: -

I think this War convinces one more every day
that, in a country like England, "to register" the
names of "Nurses" & "Surgeons" but particularly of
"Nurses", would only be to secure the *worst* -
to secure adventurers -

An accomplished thoroughly trained woman of

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a high cast of character, like Miss Lees,
 (I forget whether I have sent you any of ~~your~~/her
 letters - she served {pencil} in this War {pen} first at Marango, near
 Metz - then at Hombourg - (an old pupil of ours
~~mine~~ - I got her into the Val de Grace, the best
 Hospital in the world of late years) there she
 was ~~servng~~ /in training when the War broke out - the most
 accomplished War-Hospital Supt. I now know)

A Miss Lees would not & ought not to serve
 under such a woman as Miss Pearson.

And such persons as Mmes Pearson & Co: would
 not serve under *her*.

[I would not have served myself: nor recommended
 any friend of mine to serve, under the "Society" at
 St. M.'s Pl because we could do so much
 better independent of them, *tho' not of the*
authorities And I have never ceased to rejoice
 that Miss Lees was independent of them.

This does not apply, of course, to the Lay Agents
 (ladies) like Mrs. Cox. Mrs. Cassel & others
 whose connection with & employment by
 the "Society" has been productive of such
 happy results, that one trusts no "Aid Society"
 will ever be without such lady=agents -
 But, as to the "Nurses" it almost amounts to this
 that the only women fit to manage War=
 Hospitals are those who will not engage themselves
 to "Societies" because they can do so much better

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- and that "Societies" can only obtain a class of
 women *not* qualified to do what they engage
 to do = & who besides always break loose.
 But this is by no means the case, *alone* as regards
women.

The break-down of the Johanniter is supposed, &
 chiefly in Germany itself, to have been
 complete - And the existence of such an Order
 only possible under an "old. besotted, self-adoring,
 "canting Corporal", (the King). They are described
 as a lot of Princes, too ignorant to render any
 real service, too subservient not to play into
 Military hands, who are obliged to buy the power
 of giving their services instead of being paid for them -

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who deserve - & have (in the Hospitals)

"curses, not loud but deep."

There are one or two excellent exceptions, whose names I do not give, because that would be giving the names of the others.

I am not proposing any way to get out of these difficulties - For indeed I see none clearly - But you will see how little the answers to such "Questions" as this Form contains will afford any solution to these real & immense difficulties, or indeed any information as to valuable facts upon which one can alone base any future working -

f227

Questions 1-12 ask scarcely any thing but *opinions* - & are, all but one, leading questions (which none of our Commissions, under Sidney Herbert, or even ~~after~~/since his death, would have admitted.)

Question 17. is 'inqualifiable'

It does not ask even an opinion but only a "probability" - Now that is a matter which can be determined by figures - But there is nothing worthy of the name of 'Statistics' to be obtained by any one question in the whole Form.

All ~~is~~/are vague - [And certainly we should have heard a great deal of the 'feminine understanding' had this Form been drawn up by Mrs. Cox or Lady Eyre - {pencil} should not we?]

{pen} [Questions 52- 57 seem to require transposing
That is a small matter -]

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N.B.

A very general opinion exists among Military & other authorities who have been with the Armies

1. that our "Society" has done great good to the Sick & Wounded
 - that, so far as concerns the result of the War, it has been a powerful agent acting in favour of Prussia, - in other words, of the Conqueror -
 - that the result has been similar to the policy of neutrality of the neutrals -
 - that this policy from its very nature has thrown the whole weight of Europe into the scale of the conqueror, Prussia.

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2. that, while the Prussian system was admirable for an Army before the enemy, as soon as men became sick or wounded, it was quite the reverse
 - that the rations are the same for combatants, & for sick in Hospital
 - that the Surgery is good.
 - the Hospitals filthy & bad
 - (nothing but Miss Lees' own description of what she saw while serving in the Prussian Hospitals round Metz can give one the least realization of *how* "filthy & bad")
 - that, wherever the French or the Prussians had organized a complete Hospital, the *French* was in every way far superior

[I give the above for what it is worth

Of the first part I am unable to judge -

of In the 2nd part (about the Hospitals) I fully concur.]

I have heard a strong opinion given that we ought not to have helped the Prussian completely = organized Hospitals, which ought to have been able to provide for themselves, if we had not helped them - & that ~~the~~ Aid Societies' supplies ought to be restricted to Village Hospitals, Field Hospitals, & urgent cases - on both sides - leaving it to the discretion of the Agents to say when a

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Hospital is so completely organized as to be able to provide for itself.

Again, I give this only for what it is worth -

I am quite unable to judge -

But you will see how little the "Society's" 'Questions' will go to solve any of these all important & essential problems for the future working of "Aid Societies"

I am sure that you & Capt. Galton will be kindly careful that nothing that can be offensive out of this letter shall reach any body whom it can offend - ever yours

F. Nightingale

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I have heard again from Mme Werckner of Breslau She thanks exceedingly for the *second* present from the "Society" of £100 -

I am sure it is well spent - {printed address: vertical} 35 South Street,
You shall see the letter - Park Lane,

Also, one from Mrs. Cox, full of W.
the same harrowing descriptions of neglect & suffering -

Col=Cox has gone to Paris last Tuesday with the "Lime=
=juice", as I dare say you know -

He is very anxious for employment in the (British) Army again - under the new arrangements. F.N. [end 15:778]

Add Mss 45767

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signed letter & envelope, ff231-32v, pencil

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35 South Street Nov 1/71

Park Lane {printed address:}

[15:813]

W.

Dearest Marianne

I feel so very guilty in
not having sent you any
account from *Breslau*
of the use made of your
£200; - for it was really
you who obtained all the
money for *Madame Werckner*.

But I had been waiting
for her promised letter - She
only wrote to me 2 hurried notes
(for which she apologized)
in July -

And now she writes to me

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that she will be in England
THIS WEEK - & intends to call
[I shall see her -]

But may I refer her *to you*
as her real benefactress? -
And where shall you be?

[end 15:813]

ever yours

Flo.

f232

{postmarked: London S.W. 5 No 1 71}

to be forwarded

Mrs. Douglas Galton

Hadzor House

Droitwich

~~12 Chester Street~~

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{postmarked; Droitwich A No 2 71}

{handwritten vertical:} Nov 1st & 11 1871

signed letter, ff233-35, pen & pencil

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35 South Street Nov 11/71
 Park Lane {printed address:}
 W.

[15:813-14]

Dearest Marianne

Madame *Werckner*, of *Breslau*,
 spent Sunday afternoon with me.
 And I only wish I could have
 seen her again - she told me
 so much & as far as I could
 judge so accurately - [The two
 people who have told me most,
 - that is who seem to have
 observed with the greatest insight
 - of the German War Hospitals
 in Germany [including Metz)
 are: Florence Lees & this
 Madame *Werckner*.]

She has come to England
 for health & a mild climate!!
 - and if you had seen the

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weather here in London when
 she told me this !! -
 having become racked with a
 sort of Rheumatism in the head,
 which makes her quite deaf,
 owing to having spent every
night at *Breslau* Station
 during the late severe winter
 receiving the Prisoner trains
 till morning.
 She is gone to her brother-in-law's,
 ("John Heyward Esq")
 at *Lymington*, in Hampshire,
 till Christmas - X

{the following paragraph has lines drawn diagonally through it}
 I told her that you wished
 to see her - and Mrs. L. Lindsay

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& Emily Verney ought to see her.

[Sir Harry Verney did see her
for a few minutes here on Monday]

X She is quite a different person
from what I expected - small, *young=*
looking & elegant=*looking* - (~~tho'~~
I dare say she is 35) - not the
least English - rather like a
Viennese - ~~or Pole~~ - [You would
say if you did not know her: -
how curious that, with such
fluent English, she should
have so little of English accent]
She has the dramatic ring of
the best German voice - which,
in a French or Italian voice or
even an English one, so often
becomes a scream - x

{The following two lines have diagonal lines drawn through them}

I have written down the heads
of what she told me - but

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had not time to do it till
yesterday - so sent these Notes
to Emily V. (who starts for
Malta on Monday) asking
her to forward them to you -

And will you kindly *send*
them back to me here?
(perhaps I shall ~~have~~/remember something
to add to them -)

Mme W. /~~She~~ showed me letters from
the M. Bontoux, the Baron de
Reinach & other prisoners, -
(whom you will see mentioned),
as well as other papers I
have alluded to -

They were interesting, but
did not contain facts. or
I would have asked her
permission to send them
you. She herself is a mine

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35 South Street {printed address:}
Park Lane
W.

of facts.

I regret very much that
Emily V. is going {pencil} so soon. {pen} Otherwise
they ought to have had
Madame Werckner to Claydon.
[She is a woman whom any body
might be proud of knowing.]
She had 150000 prisoners
thro' her hands at Breslau
Station -

She expressed nothing but
thanks to our Comm: - but
the main feeling in my mind,
as I am sure it will be in
yours when you know her,
was: - this woman ought to have

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been our Committee's agent
for all Silesia - If she
had had £4000 instead
of £400 from us, it
would have been well spent.
Fortunately the Austrians! did
a great deal for her -
[I am afraid you will scarcely
be able to read my pencil
notes which E.V. is to send
you - {pencil} †but I could not do better -]
{pen} What Mlle Sabatier told you
about our stores being "sold"
in France has been done
in France

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to an enormous extent in
 other places - E.g. Mrs. Cox
 saw the *Prussians* selling
 at *Amiens our Socy's stores*
 (I am afraid to say how
 much) at about 1 tenth
 of what they cost. And
 I could give you many more
 instances - not of selling - but of
 using for other purposes, {pencil} by Prussians.
 {pen} Forgive this hurried &
 delayed note - in great press
 of business & illness but
 ever your old
 Flo.

[end 15:814[]]

signed letter, ff237-38, pencil

f237

10 South Street Aug 4/89

My dear Marianne

Thank you very much
 for your note thro' Miss
 Washbourne - [I did not
 know that any of you were
 in London - Or I should
 not have written that
 unceremonious ~~note~~/message to servants
 on the outside of my packet
 to Sir Douglas.] I will send
 to-morrow to know if you
 expect him home, - please.

But what I write for now **[1:472]**
 is to know how your dear
 self is & your precious eyes -

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And also how Lothian is:
& what you think of him -
& what the Doctors think
of him - & whether he is
making, as all his 'troops of
'friends' so earnestly pray
steady progress towards
recovery - He must
never think of working so
hard again. But I trust
this does not mean any
thing at all approaching
to an Invalid life -

Lady Nicholson has been
good enough to write to me

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several times - But I do
not like to trouble her too
often -

If you would kindly ask
Miss Washbourne to give
me news of you & of
Lothian - - - - -

& believe me
with love to Gwendolen
ever affectionate
your

F. Nightingale
Excuse my 'paw'.

signed letter, ff239-39v, pencil

f239

10 South Street Aug 7/89

My dear Marianne

A thousand thanks -
Hewlett is a far better man
than any of those named -
His health is the only thing uncertain -
But he wrote to me only
yesterday that he wished
to take employment -

And he should come up
& see Sir Douglas - & have
a Doctor's certificate of
course -

There is *no comparison*

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between him & the others
for *ability* & expression.
Would you allow me to write
you a more considered
letter in the course of the
say?

Or should I address it
to Sir Douglas? & when?

He does not ask for
"the letters back" till
"Friday evening"

ever yours with thanks
F. Nightingale

signed letter, ff240-41, pencil [1:472]

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May 9/96

10 South Street {printed address:}

Dearest Marianne

I am grieved indeed that Sir Douglas is so poorly - Thank you very much for writing. I will try again in a "few days", as you give me leave.

Please thank him very much for his kindness in sending me a copy of his able & interesting Report on "Feeble-minded Children". I have been corresponding with a lady at Manchester

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who is the leading spirit there of the "Health Visitors", & a Guardian besides - (on the way to train our Bucks "Health Missioners") And she says the two great enemies of the poor are 1. Overcrowding 2. *Personal* uncleanliness - that it is no use providing 6d. Baths 1 ½ miles off - for poor mothers - They must have a penny day, within a reasonable distance, to take themselves & their little children to, at least once a week - The Manchester

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The Manchester "Health
"Visitors" *sell soap.*

2. Do not say this to Sir
Douglas, if you think it
will worry him: - Sir
R. Rawlinson has again

written to me on Hong Kong
plague - He learns on good
authority that in the
last plague, 2 years ago,
the corpses were either
thrown into or washed
into the sea, which produced
a abominable nuisance
[It was the same in
Balaclava Harbour, which
Sir R.R. himself put a stop
to.]

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I cannot undertake
Colonial work, without
neglecting my own - too much
already - The A.M.D. have
sent out the best man they
have, "Surgeon- Col." *Evatt*,
known, I believe to Sir Douglas
But he will only be
arriving just now -

*Are they a means by
which Sir R.R. could
strengthen Dr. Evatt's
hands?*

Good health & God speed
to you both.
ever your
old Flo.

unsigned, incomplete letter, f242, pencil [1:473]

f242 {archivist: [1899]}

This is a sad birth-day, dearest Marianne -

But let me send a few poor roses to say
what words cannot say.

There is so much to live for
I have lost so much, so much - in failures &
disappointment, as well as in grief -,
But do you know life is more precious to
me now in my old age? I have rarely felt
it precious - To do what little I can do to
prevent or to attenuate mischief, I am glad
to be here

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How much you can do - How much for
him you have lost in those he has left
behind to you. You/I feel for you in his loss more than for any
one except his Mary. And yet three poor
daughters & children - How you will help
them -

May God be with you - And He *is*
with you -