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Letter No 8

Parmelia at Sea

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From His Excellency W. I.

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To Governor Stirling
To Chas. Simmons Esq
Surgeon to the Settlements
Sir,

By a Communication which I have received from the Office of the Secretary of State for the Colonies; I am apprised of your appointment to the situation of Surgeon to the New Settlements in Western Australia — I accordingly transmit herewith, for your guidance, the general standing instructions for the conducting of the business in



in your particular
Department.

You will admit
of no departure from the
Course pointed out in
these Instructions without
my sanction - but you
may communicate
to me frankly any
arrangement which
your observation may
enable you to suggest
for the furtherance of
the Public Service

I am

Sir

Your obedient servant
Wm. L. Sterling
Secy.

~~R. B. Act~~ Copy of Instructions given to Co.

~~Simmons Esq M.D.~~ and alluded to in
the annexed letter. Wb

Instructions for the Colonial Surgeon.

1 The Colonial Surgeon is to take charge
of & afford Medical and surgical
assistance to all Persons and their
Families on the civil Establishment
of the Settlement and to such others
as may be recommended to his care
by the local Government

Form No 1 He will be furnished with
Medicines, Utensils, and Necessaries
which are to be dispensed gratuitously to those
for the use of the Settlement ac-
cording to list No 1

2 At the end of every
3 Twelvemonth he is to close his
annual account by Survey,
No 2 and to demand such addi-
tional supplies as may be
required - These Requi-
sitions when approved by
the Lieut Governor are to be
transmitted by the Sur-
geon to the Storekeeper
who will furnish ~~the~~ ^{the} same

same. All demands for
Medicines, ^{or} except in cases of
real emergency (the nature of
which is to be expressed on the
Demand) are to be made in such
time as to prevent inconvenience
to the Storekeeper

Should any articles
of Medicines, utensils, Bedding
or necessaries become unfit
for use the said articles are
not to be taken ^{in any way} credit for
^{disposed of} or returned into the store
until a survey shall
have been held upon them
according to Form List No 3 No 3.

He is to take care that the
Medicines ^{or necessaries} with which he is
supplied be faithfully ad-
ministered for the relief of
the sick and that no part
of them be wasted or applied
to any other purpose than
that for which they were fur-
nished

Patients are to be re-
moved when the Surgeon
shall judge it necessary
into

into the Hospital and every Person appointed to attend it is to be under his immediate direction and he is to take care that the Hospital be kept at all times as clean & dry as possible.

7 The Lieut Governor will at his request allow such a number of persons as may be requisite to attend the Sick as Nurses. He is to make due representation to the Governor should he find any of them negligent or wanting in tenderness in the performance of their duty.

8 Bedding and all other necessaries for Patients confined to bed being allowed together with Soap for washing - he is to give particular directions to the Persons acting under Him, that the Patients be kept in a state of perfect cleanliness; he is also to be careful that no part of the articles be embezzled or used for other purposes than those for which they are supplied.

9 He is to visit the Sick in the Hospital twice at least every day, and as much oftener as the state of their health ^{may} require.

Should

should Patients be taken ill of
Fever which he suspects to be
infectious they are to be stripped
on their entry to the Hospital and
thoroughly washed and on their
going to bed they are to have
clean shirts and night caps.

10 He is to take care that their
own bedding and cloths recently
worn be immersed in boiling
water and washed before they
are returned to their possession.

11 The Mattresses, Blankets,
&c. are frequently to be hung
up separately on lines for the
purpose of Ventilation. He

is to regulate the diet of the sick
restricting them in regard to salt
Provisions and such other ar-
ticles as he may judge impro-
per for their complaint demanding

in writing from the Store keeper
and giving a receipt for such
provisions, Wine, Beer, fresh
Meat or fish as may be expedient.

all issues of such meats &c. made
by the Colonial Surgeon are to be
noted against details of each
Case reported in his Journal.

12 When any person shall
die, he is to report to the St Gov
the circumstances of the case &
in all cases of sudden death
where

where there has been no previous
indisposition. The body is if so
directed by the St Gov: to be
carefully examined with a
view to ascertain the cause of
Dissolution and a full and
explicit report of such investi-
gation be sent to the St Gov
as promptly as possible.

13 He is every ^{week} morning to deliver
to the St Gov: a list of all those
who are under his charge & to
report particularly if there be
any whose distemper may
be infectious in order that
they may be provided for
accordingly.

14 He is to keep a Jour-
nal of his Practice according
to Form No 5 noting the
disease and detailing the
daily symptoms of all par-
ticular Cases with the Pre-
scriptions prescribed. He is
likewise to keep a Journal
of the weather and height
of the Thermometer and
a detail of every circum-
stance in the weather af-
fecting health.

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No 5

He is to furnish full information of the
an Abstract of the above Journal quarterly.

Chas. Johnson

10th May 1829

Esqrs

He is to transmit the following accounts & documents to the St. Gov. at the expiration of the year - requesting a survey may be held on the stores remaining in his charge

1 An account of the receipt & expenditure of the Medicines Form No 13 utensils & necessaries placed in his charge

2 Receipts for all supplies to other public Departments or for issues of any other description

3 Receipts for all returns

4 An estimate of the probable deficiencies in his department for the ensuing year that timely means may be taken to procure them. Form No 2

Form No 1

Signed by the St. Gov.

Articles	lbs.	oz	dr	
Names of Medicines utensils and necessaries to be kept in receipt of				