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Over the past few weeks the Manuscript Collective has completed a transcription project, a pamphlet dated 1866 written by a British doctor named George Vernon Coleman Napier. This outrageously morbid pamphlet made for quite the entertaining meeting! We transcribed part of it together, and then decided to split up the rest of the work to complete the project. (Note: there are still some questions surrounding specific words, which we shall resolve at our next meeting.) But for now, I’d like to showcase everybody’s hard work, and a big thanks to Samantha DeStefano, Hailey Dougherty, and Anne Dutlinger!

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From G. V. C. at The Cholera

Camp Juggernpore situated

½ mile to the left of the

7th mile stone on the Allahabad

road—To General Hesse

at ? General game
Head Quarters are

at Sultanpore

Major Whitehead Commanding

A.S Peatfield in Medical charge

Capt. Townley—sick list, liver

Lt. Maclaren has taken to drinking. He will ne'er

come back again.

Lt. Pringle... uses milk of roses & sits with his face to the breeze

Field Marshall Thooney grins in his sleep.

Juggerpore. This detachment consists

of the whole of the ladies of the

refinement numbering about 19 & averaging

from 20 to 57, some smoke short pipes.

Some long ones, Mrs Neville affects the

former of a rich black color.

Mrs. Nolan has had cramp in md stomach

But is slightly better, Mrs Ewy is in the Cholyra
tent but is recovering. Mrs O'Donnohue’s child
died two days ago & was buried under a

beautiful mangoe tree 800 yards from camp

Mrs D—went into hysterics for a couple

of days owing to the ground not having
been consecrated, yesterday the new Padre

who looks like a blaggard came &

consecrated the ground or as he called

gave it his blessing. Mrs. D is well,

Buried a couple of children 3 days ago,—

Don’t know name. There are 25

children here who give the doctor

no end of trouble; the eldest a girl

is 12 1/12 years, she is not prepossessing,

has square shoulders & nasty splay feet:

& sore eyes; the all the children have

sore eyes, the youngest is a hinfant

aged 3/12 years, it’s a slobbering little

beast with a big head. There are

about 20 men, husbands to the

above mentioned ladies; the man

named Jones is a good sort of

man & is very useful; the rest

lay on their beds all day & sing

hymns in concert with their wives

& children; The wives occupy one

row of tents; the husbands another.
they have no tubs & are placed
to leeward. Lient Sobell Whitmore

is in command; Dr Pirvis in

med charge, he is to be relieved today

by Dr. Lindsay from Howroah, these
two are the only officers here

1. O. Lt. Whitmore... drinks beer all day

& has got the pip

Dr Purves ... curses women & children

S. V. Lt on recreation leave... awful jolly

Manner of sleeping at Juggerpore

bodies on boxes, legs propped against the tent

pole.

CHOLERA

CAMP

NO IV

At [Hourahau?]

C.O. Ensign Browne

M.O. D. Lindsay

Today I barely will relieve

I Lindsay, I Lindsay will

relieve I [Par...], I [Par...]
will resume him [__taff?]

in [?]

[?] Browne employs his time in writing reports,

the end reports show that

Lindsay Brown mother of

Spelling grammar + punctuation

Are in a par with those

Detachment Nº 3

is located one mile

to the right of the

25th mile stone on the

Allahabad [Allahahab?] road under a tope* of beautiful mangoe trees

in full blossom;

This camp is named after an

adjoining village Guttletutapore, [heavy, slightly wobbly underline]

In command, Captain Bond

Who is engaged on a work called John Scrattles.

Sole remaining officer —

Lt. Patrick Michael Thunder

of Drumshattan County Meath;
he has taken away Dr Bailey's buggy & horse to go for me
evening drive, Dr B. who has just come back from the Hills
says Lt Thunder has been guilty of an unwarrantably (?) liberty.
I sent a verbal message requesting his buggy & horse to be returned immediately, Lt Thunder replied that he could not give (?) up the buggy unless Dr Bailey sent a written order & also a stamped receipt for the same for how was he to tell that

N° 4[backwards] 11 in all have been buried, whole station with those of the little boy who said that C_A_T spelt dog Dr Lindsay gets through a couple bottles of brandy per dinner & when at dinner puts his fork
into his eye & nose

before finding his mouth.

This is an interesting camp.

Nº V

1. O. COLONEL

ROSS

1. O.

Dr WILSON

This camp is at the

8th milestone on the

[Argingur] Road;

[Ohg] buried one man,

officers, Colonel [Rf]

Lt. Newmpton

Bean

Swinson

Maclean

Gaston

Smith

William ([Book], staff)

This is all the news:

you can send it to H[ur]ham
& Barr & then it

will have done the work

of three letters, tell

H[ur]ham it’s awful

Jolly

[for] its

V. C. N. april[?]