

Surgeon's Journal of Her Majesty's Female Convict Ship Arabian  
 Mr Robert Wylie Surgeon  
 From 31<sup>st</sup> October 1846– to 1<sup>st</sup> March 1847  
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**Copy of the sick list of the Arabian Female Convict Ship**

When Put On Sick List	Name	Age	Quality	Disease or Hurt	When Put Off Sick List	How Disposed Of
Nov <sup>r</sup> 10	Mary A. McGinty	28	Convict	Catarrh	Nov <sup>r</sup> 19	Discharged
“ 27	Eliza Neil	26	Convict	Rheumatism	Nov <sup>r</sup> 30	Discharged
Dec <sup>r</sup> 2	Mary A. McGinty	28	Convict	Phthisis	Jan <sup>y</sup> 13	Died
“ 3	Mary Browne	26	Convict	Ophthalmia	Dec <sup>r</sup> 28	Discharged
“ 16	Pat. Quinn	9m.	Child	Diarrhoea	Dec <sup>r</sup> 18	Died
“ 20	Jn <sup>e</sup> Hackett	7m.	Child	Pneumonia	Dec <sup>r</sup> 22	Died
“ 29	Mary Shaughnessy	14m	Child	Atrophia	Dec <sup>r</sup> 29	Died
“ 29	Abigail Paul	3 1/2m	Child	Diarrhoea	Dec <sup>r</sup> 29	Died
Jan <sup>y</sup> 5	Mary Browne	26	Convict	Ophthalmia	Feb <sup>y</sup> 26	Hospital
“ 7	Ge <sup>e</sup> McManus	3	Child	Phlogosis	Jan <sup>y</sup> 10	Discharged
“ 9	Teddy Healey	8	Boy	Pneumonia	Feb <sup>y</sup> 12	Discharged
“ 31	Jn <sup>e</sup> Curry	2 1/2 m	Child	Atrophia	Jan <sup>y</sup> 31	Died
Feb <sup>y</sup> 1	Esther Acres	23	Convict	Vulnus	March 1	Discharged
“ 4	Cathe Young	2m	Child	Atrophia	Feb <sup>y</sup> 4	Died
“ 5	Nancy McIlraith	21	Convict	Diarrhoea	Feb <sup>y</sup> 27	Discharged
“ 16	Judith Mulcahy	36	Convict	Diarrhoea	Feb <sup>y</sup> 18	Discharged
“ 17	Eliza Thompson	23	Convict	Rheumatism	March 1	Discharged
“ 17	Anne Saunders	40	Convict	Diarrhoea	Feb <sup>y</sup> 27	Discharged
“ 17	Jane Johnson	28	Convict	Pneumonia	Feb <sup>y</sup> 24	Discharged
“ 18	Ellen McDonnell	27	Convict	Paralysis	Feb <sup>y</sup> 26	Discharged
“ 20	Elizabeth Norton	20	Convict	Paralysis	Feb <sup>y</sup> 26	Discharged
“ 21	Anne Manderville	22	Convict	Diarrhoea	Feb <sup>y</sup> 24	Discharged
“ 22	Eugene Moriaty	2	Child	Atrophia	Feb <sup>y</sup> 24	Died
“ 22	Honora Cashman	50	Convict	Bronchitis	Feb <sup>y</sup> 26	Hospital
“ 23	Mary Davis	50	Convict	Diarrhoea	Feb <sup>y</sup> 26	Hospital
“ 25	Mary Roarke	37	Convict	Diarrhoea	March 1	Discharged
“ 26	Harriet Abraham	31	Convict	Ophthalmia	Feb <sup>y</sup> 26	Hospital

**Medical and Surgical Journal of Her Majesty's Convict Ship Arabian between the 31<sup>st</sup> October 1846 and the 1<sup>st</sup> March 1847 during which time the said ship has been employed in a voyage from Kingstown to Hobart Town, Van Diemen's Land**

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Nature of Disease	No. of Case	Men's Names, Ages, Qualities, Time when and where taken ill, and how disposed of.	The History, Symptoms, Treatment, and Daily Progress of the Disease or Hurt.
<p>Catarrh</p> <p align="center">PB050929.JPG</p>	<p align="center">1</p>	<p>Mary A. McGinty aet. 28. Convict. Kingstown Nov<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> <u>1846</u></p> <p align="center">Discharged</p>	<p>Complains of slight cough, pains in the chest, general malaise, and Diarrhoea. skin rather warm but moist, tongue moist &amp; a little tremulous, arrived yesterday from Grange Gorman prison, says she was bled there with little relief. Has been ailing several days but concealed her malady that she might get to sea with her favourite companion who is transported for the same offence. to take pectoral medicine, composed of <i>Tinct: digit: &amp; ant: Tart: &amp; an opiate</i> at bedtime.</p> <p align="center">Nov<sup>r</sup> 11<sup>th</sup></p> <p>feels &amp; appears much better, no medicine</p> <p align="center">12</p> <p>not so well today, complains chiefly of Diarrhoea – <i>Sumat. Tinct: opii g<sup>l</sup>. xxx.</i></p> <p align="center">13</p> <p>the opiate relieved the purging, she now complains of slight cough &amp; general malaise. Pectoral medicine twice a day.-</p> <p align="center">Nov<sup>r</sup> 14<sup>th</sup></p> <p>The medicine produced sickness of stomach &amp; she felt relieved by it. But is not so well to day &amp; complains of purging – <i>Sumat. Tinct: opii: zfs. Tinct: Cinam: c; zi aq ziiij – ft haustis.</i></p> <p align="center">15</p> <p>better to day, has slight heat of skin, tongue clean, pulse rather quick, belly still loose, complains of thirst, to have lemonade for drink &amp; <i>an opiate h.s.</i></p> <p align="center">16</p> <p>no pyrexia to day, tongue clean &amp; skin cool, complains of cough. <i>pectoral medicine.</i></p> <p align="center">17</p> <p>continues better, bowels nearly well, no medicine...</p> <p align="center">19</p> <p>Discharged from the list as well.</p>
<p>Phthisis</p>	<p align="center">2</p>	<p>Mary A. McGinty aet. 28 Convict Dec<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>. at Sea</p>	<p>Was discharged from the sick list on the 19<sup>th</sup> Inst. having been on a week for pectoral &amp; bowel complaint – she now complains of cough &amp; pain in her left side, says she has had a cough &amp; spit since she was in prison, where she was bled &amp; blistered for the pain in her side. Her bowels are now quite regular, she is considerably emaciated, pulse quick &amp; small, breathing hurried, skin rather hot but moist, tongue natural, slight thirst. <i>Rx. Tinct: digit: g<sup>tt</sup> x. ant: g<sup>r</sup> 1/8. aq. zij -ft haust. Sumendus mane et vespere. appl. vesicat. ad latus dolores.</i> to have lemonade for drink &amp; get arrowroot etc. etc.</p> <p align="center">Dec<sup>r</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup></p> <p>Blister vesicated with some relief to the side, otherwise the same. <i>con: haustis.</i></p>



<p>Phthisis PB050931.JPG</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>Mary A. McGinty aet. 28 Convict Dec<sup>r</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup>. at Sea</p>	<p>23 had a quiet night &amp; feels better to day no medicine Dec<sup>r</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> feels better, belly relaxed, <i>an opiate, hora somni</i> Dec<sup>r</sup> 25<sup>th</sup> belly still relaxed 4 or 5 times a day, port wine, arrowroot etc etc etc an opiate at bedtime – 26 cough less urgent&amp; feels better, bowels better, repeat the opiate at bedtime – 27 much the same, but still repeated calls to stool but passes little. <i>Sumat. ol. ricini zfs.</i> 28 medicine operated frequently &amp; freely &amp; has left her easier, but very weak. <i>opiate h.s.</i> 29 is worse today, has great thirst &amp; drinks a large quantity of water which produces alvine evacuations &amp; the cough is severe – <i>Sumat: Tinct: Catechu: zi in aq: font: ziv</i> 30 Medicine sickened her stomach &amp; she threw of part of it &amp; seemed to be dying, but she is better to day, bowels better, no medicine 31 Had a bad night &amp; was purged frequently, probably from drinking a quantity of cream of tartar water yesterday – took <i>zfs of Tinct: catechu:</i> this morning, which has given ease during the day. complains of cough &amp; want of sleep. <i>opiate h.s.</i> Jan<sup>y</sup> 1.47 bowels better, very low, nourishment, &amp; <i>an opiate h.s.</i> 2 rather easier &amp; in better spirits, same treatment.. 3 gradually sinking, bowels very much relaxed unless restrained by medicine. <i>opiate h.s.</i> 4 very low. belly relaxed, Singultus. continue nourishment, cordials &amp; an opiate at bedtime. 5 has taken no medicine today, belly still relaxed. is now speechless -9.p.m. the same to take an opiate. 6 has recovered her speech today, after 24 hours loss of it – belly still relaxed, to take the <i>zfs. Tinct: catech:</i> in a little port wine. 7 took no opiate last night &amp; had 7 or 8 alvine dejections, took one this morning which has given ease all day- takes very little nourishment: cough occasionally troublesome, an opiate at bedtime. 8 cough not so frequent. 30 <i>g<sup>tt</sup> of laudanum</i> morning &amp; evening to retain the purging, is more cheerful today &amp; sitting up in bed combing her hair, 9 is very low to day tho her bowels are better, Singultus. cordials &amp; an opiate, vespere.</p>
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<p>Ophthalmia</p> <p>PB050935.JPG</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>Mary Browne aet: 26. Convict Jany 5. at Sea.</p> <p>Hospital</p>	<p>2 eyes rather better, omit all applications 4 eyes much the same, they itch greatly at times &amp; the lids adhere in the morning. the torsis to be touched morning &amp; evening with diluted <i>ung: Hyd: nit:-</i> 6 rather better. continue ointment. 8 eyes continue to improve, persist. 10 eyes improving slowly – <i>cont: ung:</i> 12 eyes continue to improve. <i>cont: ung:</i> 14 eyes mending slowly – persevere. 18 eyes improving very slowly, omit the ointment &amp; apply a blister to each temple - - - - - 19 blisters vesicated &amp; the eyes are rather better. --- 21 eyes improving slowly- 23 eyes improving slowly – no medicine 24 eyes are today as bad as ever, apply cold wash &amp; a shade. 26 much the same -. Hospital -</p>
<p>Phlogosis</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>George McManus aet: 3 years. Child of Marg<sup>t</sup> McManus. Convict Jan<sup>y</sup> 7 at Sea</p> <p>Discharged</p>	<p>Received a hurt in Grange Gorman prison 5 or 6 months ago, by which his spine was injured &amp; there is considerable curvature in the basic? &amp; protrusion backwards of the 2<sup>nd</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> dorsal vertebrae. belly relaxed &amp; He is considerably emaciated. He is put on the sick list today for a large abcess(sic) that was discovered 3 days ago in the left axilla, it has been paultised for the last 2 days &amp; to day it was opened, when a large quantity of healthy pus issued – continue cataplasm. 8 the abcess(sic) has discharged the greater part of its contents &amp; the child is greatly relieved, omit the poultice &amp; apply simple dressing. 10 Abcess is now healed &amp; He is in His usual Health - Discharged</p>
<p>Pneumonia</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>Teddy Healy aet: 8 years. Child of Honora Cashman Convict. Jan<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> at Sea.</p>	<p>Has been rather unwell for the last few days as a consequence of getting wet, &amp; today he is worse, skin hot, thirst, tongue clean, belly regular, pulse rather quick &amp; full, slight cough, complains of pain the right breast – a blister to be applied to the pained part – to take pectoral medicine, composed of <i>Tinct: digit: &amp; tartarised antimony, &amp; to drink cream of Tartar water - -</i> Jan<sup>y</sup> 10 Pectoral medicine, caused some sickness at stomach,</p>

<p>Pneumonia</p> <p>PB050936.JPG</p>	<p>9.</p>	<p>Teddy Healy aet: 8 years. Child of Honora Cashman Convict. Jan<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> at Sea.</p>	<p>relaxation of bowels &amp; perspiration with relief, blister vesicated, pain of breast much relieved, heat of skin diminished. <i>repeat Pectoral medicine, bis in die</i></p> <p>11</p> <p>feels better, cough easier &amp; expectorates more freely, skin natural, cont: pectoral medicine</p> <p>12</p> <p>Says He has no pain but that of the blistered part. slight heat of skin, tongue clean, little thirst, bowels &amp; expectoration free, <i>continue pectoral medicine bis in die.</i></p> <p>13</p> <p>Has more heat of skin today &amp; Diarrhoea cough rather better. is very dull &amp; considerably emaciated. <i>continue pectoral medicine bis in die &amp; an opiate at bedtime</i></p> <p>14</p> <p>Cough better. Diarrhoea &amp; heat of skin continue – <i>omit the pectoral medicine &amp; the chalk mixture ter in die</i></p> <p>15</p> <p>Chalk mixture has checked the Diarrhoea but He was troubled with cough in the night. <i>omit the chalk mixture &amp; take a dose of the pectoral medicine – vespere-</i> there is but little heat of skin, the Diarrhoea has returned &amp; He will not take the chalk mixture – <i>to take a gram of opium-</i></p> <p>16</p> <p>Had a quiet night, was dull all day &amp; Diarrhoea has returned, there is not much heat of skin, took the chalk mixture this evening.</p> <p>17</p> <p>Belly still relaxed, to take chalk mixture, port wine negus &amp; <i>an opiate h.s.</i></p> <p>18</p> <p>rather better today, omit the opiate &amp; continue chalk mixture &amp; negus - -</p> <p>19</p> <p>continues better, omit the chalk mixture, &amp; take some pectoral medicine. arrowroot &amp; negus.</p> <p>20</p> <p>Bowels regular &amp; He is altogether better, but has still a cough &amp; occasional heat of skin &amp; quick pulse – continue the cough or pectoral medicine &amp; cordials - -</p> <p>22</p> <p>cough is still troublesome &amp; his stomach is so irritable that the smallest quantity of pectoral medicine he takes produces nausea. His bowels are again loose &amp; He is greatly emaciated. to take some chalk mixture &amp; an opiate in the evening</p> <p>23</p> <p>bowels better, pyrexia less, cough still troublesome. to take cough mixture</p> <p>24</p> <p>better to day – to take cough mixture in the morning &amp; an opiate in the evening</p> <p>25</p> <p>continues better. cough mixture &amp; nourishment.</p> <p>26</p> <p>feels better. appetite improved, belly regular – there has been considerable perspiration about the head &amp; neck for the last few nights &amp; today an abscess(sic) was of(?)</p>
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<p>Pneumonia</p> <p>PB050937.JPG</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>Teddy Healy aet: 8 years. Child of Honora Cashman Convict. Jan<sup>y</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> at Sea.</p> <p>Discharged</p>	<p>observed to be forming on the verge of the anus – cough troublesome. <i>cough mixture</i>. 27 much the same. continue medicine &amp; cordials 28 perspiration not so great, abscess(sic) was opened today when a considerable discharge of pus took place – appetite improving, continue pectoral medicine &amp; cordials - 29 Is much better to day, appetite good &amp; Has been up several hours – no medicine – 30 Convalescent – no medicine Feb<sup>y</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> was pretty well yesterday &amp; on deck, but I believe He eat to much which has brought on Diarrhoea – to take ½ grain of opium morning &amp; evening - - 2 better to day but belly still relaxed, <i>to take ½ grain of opium hora somni</i> - - 4 took no opium last night &amp; has had 8 or 10 alvine dejections, <i>to take 10 drops of Tinct: catechu. in zi of Mist: cretarea(?) ter in die &amp; a little port wine</i> - - 5 medicine had but little effect &amp; purging still continues. <i>omit the chalk mixture &amp; catechu &amp; take a grain of opium morning &amp; evening &amp; a little port wine.</i> 6 had a good night but purging has returned during the day – <i>opium gr. i. h.s.</i> 7 had a good night &amp; pretty well all day. <i>opii h.s.</i> 8 continues better – <i>opiate h.s.</i> 9 continues better – <i>omit the opiate</i> 11 quite convalescent, no medicine - 12 Discharged</p>
<p>Atrophia</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>Jn<sup>(?)</sup> Curry aet. 10 weeks Child of Mary Curry, Convict. Jan<sup>y</sup> 31 at Sea. Died</p>	<p>a small delicate child, born on board, &amp; seemed healthy at first, but for the last month it has gradually pined away without any apparent specific disease &amp; at 11:30 last night it Died</p>
<p>Atrophia</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>Cath<sup>c</sup> Young. aet. 8 weeks. Child of Nancy McIlrath. Convict. Frb<sup>y</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> at Sea. Died</p>	<p>Was born on board &amp; appeared healthy for the first month or 6 weeks after it was born, but the mother who is a simple careless woman, neglected it, &amp; being rather delicate herself &amp; the breast milk failing the child wasted away &amp; at 4 this morning it expired - - -</p>
<p>Diarrhoea</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>Nancy McIlrath aet. 21. Convict. Feb<sup>y</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> at Sea</p>	<p>whose child died yesterday, says she has been purged &amp; had a headach(sic) for 2 or 3 days past, &amp; was purged 10 or 12 times last night. stomach irritable. sk. rather hot &amp; a little acceleration of <i>pulse Sumat statim. Tinct: opii zfs. Tinct: Cin: C: zi</i></p>

<p>PB050938.JPG Diarrhoea</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>Nancy McIlrath aet. 21. Convict. Feb<sup>y</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> at Sea</p>	<p><i>aq: font: zij fiat haustis</i> - - - Feb<sup>y</sup> 6 Had frequent calls to stool in the night but passed little, Head better to day, skin cool, pulse small &amp; quick, slight pain on pressing the abdomen, thirst, stomach less irritable, but is afraid to take castor oil – <i>Tinct: opii g<sup>tt</sup> xxx in aq: zij – Sumat statim</i> – vespere- much the same, to take a grain of opium. 7 tenesmus still continues &amp; she has had no sleep. <i>Sumat ol: ricini zfs.</i> – vespere – has had some sleep – tenesmus less, has passed some faeces &amp; feels better – no medicine 8 passed a restless night, frequent calls to stool &amp; passed little, took an opium pill this morning which gave some hours relief &amp; sleep, one in the middle of the day &amp; another this evening - - - 9 had three alvine dejections in the night, more natural, &amp; feels better, to take another grain of opium at noon &amp; one in the evening. 10 Had a restless night &amp; several liquid dejections, took a <i>g<sup>r</sup> of opium</i> this morning &amp; <i>zij aq: menth: pp<sup>t</sup>.</i> which has kept her easy all day &amp; she has had but 2 alvine dejections, repeat the same this evening --- 11 The first part of last night she rested pretty well, but had several liquid dejections towards morning. at 6. a.m. took a grain of opium, which gave several hours relief, &amp; this evening she takes, <i>Tinct: Rhei. zi.</i> 12 The Rheubarb was of little service to her &amp; she was purged frequently towards the morning, when she took an opium pill which has kept her quiet all day &amp; she takes another this evening - - - 13 Had a good night &amp; has been quiet all day without medicine, but the purging returning this evening, she has taken an opium pill &amp; some <i>aq: menth: pp<sup>t</sup>:</i> 14 better to day, <i>an opiate hora somnia</i> 15 continues better, <i>an opiate h.s.</i> 17 3 alvine dejections to day, <i>an opiate h.s.</i> Feb<sup>y</sup> 18 continues to improve &amp; was on deck to day, but had 3 stools. <i>an opiate h.s.</i> 19 Bowels still loose, repeat the opiates 21 belly still relaxed unless restrained by opium – one pill of 1 ½ <i>g<sup>f</sup></i> in the day- 22 is much better to day &amp; been on deck for some time – no medicine 24 has been pretty well for the last 2 or 3 days, but Her</p>
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Bronchitis	16	Honora Cashman aet. 50 Convict. Feb <sup>y</sup> 22 at Sea.	Feb <sup>y</sup> 23 better today, repeat the opiate h.s. 24 much the same, an opiate at bedtime combined with pectoral medicine 25 much the same, cordials & port wine 26 Hospital
Diarrhoea	17	Mary Davis aet. 50. Convict. Feb <sup>y</sup> 23. at Sea	a delicate infirm woman, has been afflicted with diarrhoea for the last 2 or 3 days, having 6 or 8 alvine dejections in the 24 hours, tongue clean, pulse & skin natural appetite bad – <i>to take an opium pill &amp; zij of peppermint water morning &amp; evening –</i> 24 pill does not restrain the purging to take 330 drops of laudanum in a little mint water, port wine – 25 the laudanum restrains the purging in a great degree – repeat it as necessary 26 better today but sent to the Hospital
PB050941.JPG Ophthalmia	18	Harriet Abraham aet. 31. Convict. Feb <sup>y</sup> 26 Sullivan's Cove Hobart Town	Has had chronic inflammation of the tarsi for some years, she says brought on by heats & colds, the cilia are entirely gone. She complained once or twice on the passage out of her eyes & blisters were applied to the temples & <i>diluted ung: Hyd: nit:</i> applied to the edges of the eye lids, with little or no benefit. Her general health is good & her eyes the same as they have been for years, nut the inspecting surgeon wishes Her to go to the Hospital & she is sent accordingly. Hospital

**A Nosological Synopsis of the Sick Book kept during the Period of this Journal, in conformity with the 30<sup>th</sup> Article of the Surgeons' Instructions.**

Diseases Nosologically arranged	Numbers						Nos. of such Cases as are detailed in the Journal
	Total	Discharged to Duty	Sent to the Hospital	Died on board	Invalided	Remaining	
<b>Pyrexiae</b>							
Ord. I. Febres.							
Internulleates Quotutiana Tertiana							
Continua Synochus							
Typhus							
Ord. II. Phlegmasiae.							
Phlogosis	1	1	“	“	“	“	8
Pneumonia	3	3	“	1	“	“	4-9
Rheumatismus	2	2	“	“	“	“	“
Cynanche							
Bronchitis	1	“	1	“	“	“	16
Ophthalmia	3	1	2	“	“	“	7-18
Ord. III. Exanthemata.							
Variola							
Rubeola							
Erysipelas							
Vaccina							
Ord. IV. Haemorrhagiae							
Haemoptysis							
Phthisis incipiens							
Phthisis cosfirmata	1	“	“	1	“	“	2
Ord. V. Profluvia.							
Catarrhus	1	1	“	“	“	“	1
Dysenteria							
<b>Neuroses.</b>							
Ord. I. Comata.							
Apoplexia							
<i>Paralysis</i>	2	“	2	“	“	“	13-14
Ord. II. Adynamiae.							
Dyspepsia							
Ord. III. Spasmi.							
Asthma							
Diarrhoea	8	5	1	2	“	“	3-6 12-17
Cohea							
Ord. Iv. Vesaniae.							
Amentia							
Mania							
<b>Cachexiae.</b>							
Ord. I. Marcores.							
Tabes							
Atrophia	4	“	“	4	“	“	5-10 11-15
Ord. II. Intumescenciae.							

Anasarca							
Ascites							
Hydrothorax							
<b>Ord. III. Impetigines.</b>							
Syphilis							
Scrophula							
Icterus							
Scorbutus							
<b>Locales.</b>							
<b>Ord. I. Dysaethesiae.</b>							
Amaurosis							
<b>Ord. II. Dysorexiae.</b>							
<b>Ord. III. Dyscinesiae.</b>							
<b>Ord. IV. Apocenos.</b>							
Gonorrhoea							
<b>Ord. V. Epischeses</b>							
Ischuria							
Obstipatio							
Dysuria							
<b>Ord. VI. Tumores.</b>							
Aneurisma							
<b>Ord. VII. Ectopiae.</b>							
Hernia							
Prolapsus							
Luxatio							
<b>Ord. VIII. Dialyses.</b>							
Vulnus	1	1	“	“	“	“	“
Uleus							
<b>GENERAL TOTAL</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>“</b>	<b>18</b>

NOTE.—Medical Officers are desired particularly to Notice that the Numbers in each Disease and the general Total must not only correspond with the Sick Book, but also with the particulars contained in the several Nosological Returns for the period.

## GENERAL REMARKS

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Dated at Hobart Town  
1<sup>st</sup> March 1847

The remarks here are necessarily the same as those given on the Nosological report, that is, that on the 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1846 – 150 Female prisoners & 37 children were Embarked at Kingstown on board the Arabian, all apparently in good health. After being some time at sea, & the sea sickness having reduced the Breast-milk of the nurses the Children were supplied with nourishment daily – one day arrowroot, with wine & sugar, & the next boiled rice with preserved meat, alternately, during the voyage, notwithstanding 7 died. (2 of whom were born on board having had 3 births altogether) 4 of Atrophia 2 of Diarrhoea & 1 of Pneumonia. One Convict died of Phthisis, having been ill previous to embarkation but concealed her malady that she might come with her friend who was transported for the same offence. The Prisoners generally were healthy during the voyage, towards the latter part of it, some of them became affected with bowel complaints, which were checked by opium & peppermint water. I observed petechia on the legs of 2 & during the last fortnight 12 or 15 complained of sore mouths & on examination I found the gums sound, but some slight excoriations on the inside of the checks, lips & on the roof of the mouth, which were removed in a few days by a gargle of diluted sulphuric acid, or alum water. Six were sent to the Hospital. Ten nurses to the Dynnyrne nursery & the remainder 133 were transferred to the Anson with 2 or 3 exceptions, in as good, & some better condition, than that in which they Embarked.

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