

Friday - Monday

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Dear General Rivers

If you have not promised
your votes - would you kindly
help Mr. Emsen - his father
is obliged to resign owing
to an accident - I do not
know him personally
but he married a friend

of mine & she has written
to me hoping I might
thru' you get an interest
for him her step son
I inclose the testimonials
yrs faithfully

Geo: H. Waterfall
General Pitt-Rivers

Dorchester,

11th August, 1887.

In consequence of ill health my Father has felt obliged to resign his appointment as Surgeon to the Dorset County Hospital, which he has held for nearly twenty years. It is my earnest desire to succeed him in that capacity, and I therefore beg that you will kindly give me your Vote and Interest at the ensuing Election.

Allow me to state that I have been in active practice in Dorchester for the last four years, and previous to that I served four years as Surgeon in the Royal Navy.

Should I have the honour of being appointed as my Father's successor, no exertion shall be wanting on my part to discharge the duties of the office in an efficient and satisfactory manner.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

ALFRED EMSON, Junior,

Licentiate of Royal College of Surgeons (Edinburgh),

Licentiate of the Royal College of Physicians (Edinburgh),

Licentiate of Midwifery (Edinburgh),

Licentiate of the Apothecaries' Society (England).

Surgical Testimonials.

From JOHN CROFT, Esq., Fellow of Royal College of Surgeons, England; Senior Surgeon to and Lecturer on Practical Surgery at St. Thomas' Hospital.

48, Brook Street, W.

I have much pleasure in stating that Mr. ALFRED EMSON is well qualified to undertake the duties of Surgeon to the Dorset County Hospital.

When he was a student at St. Thomas' Hospital (now more than sixteen years ago) he was one of my Dressers. Since that period he has enjoyed a wide experience in the Navy and in private practice. I hope that he may succeed his father in the appointment which the latter has so worthily occupied.

JOHN CROFT,

August 5th, 1887.

Surgeon to St. Thomas' Hospital, &c., &c.

From JOHN TUDOR, Esq., Member of Royal College of Surgeons, England; Consulting Surgeon Dorset County Hospital; late Surgeon Seamen's Hospital Ship "Dreadnought."

I have known Mr. ALFRED EMSON, jun., for some years as a medical man. Upon several occasions he has been present, when I have had the opportunity of observing him, at operations in the Dorset County Hospital, and when called upon to give any assistance he has shown a marked intelligence, and also knowledge of the proceedings, upon the cases under treatment. For four or five years he held a commission in H.M.R.N., during which period he must have seen a fair amount of service, and gained no little experience, in his professional work. In such appointments every young man learns, in one of the best of schools, discipline, and the grave sense of personal responsibility, so important in every post of trust, whether in public or private life. I believe that if Mr. ALFRED EMSON is appointed to the vacancy caused by the resignation of his father, who has given his services to the Institution for many years, he will perform the duties of surgeon to the Hospital with all reasonable skill, and attend to those patients placed under his care with faithful and kind consideration.

JOHN TUDOR,

August 5th, 1887.

Consulting Surgeon, D.C.H.

From Sir JOHN WATT REID, K.C.B., Director-General of the Medical
Department of the Navy.

Medical Department, Admiralty, W.C.

Mr. ALFRED EMSON served as Surgeon in the Royal Navy from August, 1879, to September, 1883, and during that period he was reported to have been most attentive to his patients, and to have shown considerable surgical skill in operations performed on wounded Egyptians in 1882.

He was allowed to resign the Service at his own request.

JOHN W. REID,
D.G.

August 5th, 1887.

From CHARLES STRICKLAND, Esq., Fleet Surgeon, Royal Navy.

Royal Marine Barracks, Plymouth.

This is to certify that Mr. ALFRED EMSON, Surgeon of H.M.S. "Eclipse," served with me at Suez in 1882 as one of the Medical Officers in charge of the wounded Egyptian Prisoners, and rendered me most valuable assistance, particularly after the Battle at Chalouf, where the different surgical operations he so skilfully performed impressed itself much upon me. This officer, by his intelligence, learning, and courtesy, received my warmest thanks, and his acquaintance I highly prized.

C. STRICKLAND,
Fleet Surgeon, R.N.

August 5th, 1887.