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ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

Cathedrals.

No. 63.

FROM

C. G. MASTER, Esq.,

Acting Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

HOME DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to reply to your letter, No. 324, dated 12th September ultimo, stating that "the Government of India are unable to sanction a further grant of 1,500 rupees a-year on account of the contingent expenses of the Madras Cathedral, in addition to the sum of Rupees 400 a-month recently sanctioned for the maintenance of the Cathedral establishment."

2. It might be inferred from this quotation that the Government of Madras were asking for something new; this, however, is very far from being the case. The cost of Church establishments, and the cost of Church furniture, cleaning, and repairs have always been borne by the State, in British India. How this Government came, notwithstanding, to apply for payment of the contingent expenses of the Cathedral, can be readily explained.

3. In their Resolution in the Financial Department, dated 15th August 1876, No. 2202, the Government of India, while laying down certain revised scales of establishments for Churches generally, reserved the question of the Cathedral establishment, desiring this Government to take it up and report on it separately.

The matter was gone into accordingly, and a saving recommended of 24 rupees a-month. This was approved by the Government of India who decided that the charge should be 400 rupees per mensem in lieu of Rupees 424 as theretofore, with effect from April 1st, 1878.

4. Shortly afterwards, on the representation of the Accountant-General that the orders of the Government of India probably contemplated the review of *all* Cathedral expenditure, including charges hitherto treated as contingent, the Trustees of the Cathedral were called upon to submit a statement exhibiting the estimated yearly expenditure for Contingencies, which they did under three heads, (a) Lighting, (b) Repair of fixtures, (c) Miscellaneous items. The total estimate, Rupees 1,436, was furnished to the Government of India, with the proposal of the Governor in Council that the round sum of Rupees 1,500 a-year might stand as the sanctioned amount.

5. This application has now been declined, with certain observations comparing the expenditure at the Calcutta and Bombay Cathedrals with Madras.

At Calcutta, where however there is a much larger European paying community, it is stated, the sole Government contribution is 400 rupees. At Bombay, the grant for the fixed establishment is the same; the contingent charges however are 4,200 rupees per annum.

6. In explanation of the small Government contribution at Calcutta, the Arch-deacon of that diocese has stated that there is a certain "repairing fund," but how derived is not explained—probably from endowments. Be this as it may, the sum this Government has asked for on account of Cathedral contingencies is nearly two-thirds less than what has been allowed under the same head, to Bombay.

7. It has long been laid down that for all that is "indispensably necessary for the due and decent celebration of Divine worship, the Government has undertaken to provide." The Government of India themselves in paragraph 5 of their Resolution, No. 47, dated 20th February 1875, decided that the Cathedrals should be kept up on a decent though not extravagant scale, under special sanctions differing from those applicable to ordinary churches.

8. In these circumstances, I am to request that the Government of India may be moved to reconsider their rescission of the long-continued practice, by which the State has provided for the wants of the Cathedral congregation under the several heads of Contingencies. The pew-rents are already high, and, as certified by the Trustees, "no more than suffice to meet the charges on account of the organist, and choir, and maintaining the Cathedral services."

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
5th March 1879.

Acting Chief Secretary.

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From the Government of
Fort St. George.

Dated 5th Mar. 1879.

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Cathedrals.—The Government of India requested to reconsider their decision declining to sanction a further grant on account of the contingent expenses of St. George's Cathedral at Madras.



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From

L. Bernard, Esquire,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India,

To

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Madras.

Dated Simla, 12 September 1878.

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I am directed to acknowledge your letter N^o 182 dated the 16th July, last, recommending that, in addition to the sum of Rs. 400/- a month recently sanctioned for the maintenance of an establishment for the Cathedral at Madras, a further sum of Rs. 1,500/- a year be allowed on account of the contingent expenses of that Cathedral.

2. In reply I am to say that His Excellency the Governor General in Council regrets that he is unable to sanction a further grant to the Madras Cathedral. As your letter

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makes reference to the case of other Indian Cathedrals, I am directed to state how the case stands at Calcutta and Bombay. At Calcutta, although the maintenance of the establishment, &c. of the Cathedral costs over a thousand rupees a month, yet the sole contribution made by the Government towards the current expenses consists of Rs. 400/- a month, the balance being met from Jew rents and other private sources. The Government of India can see no reason why the Madras and Calcutta Cathedrals should not be placed on the same footing, and why an allowance equal to that given at Calcutta should not be sufficient for the Cathedral at Madras.

3. The case of the Bombay Cathedral is quite exceptional and cannot be drawn into a precedent. The Bombay Government was hampered by

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by a trust deed of 1816, and as Ecclesiastical expenditure is provincial that Government was authorized to make the best arrangement it could in the interest of its own finances; but the details of the arrangement made have not been reported to the Government of India.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant,

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My dear Mr. Lorne Campbell
I read the letter of the
Reg. & Coar. w.^{ch} I accidentally
omitted to enclose yesterday.
I am sorry for this omission.
I remain
Yours sincerely
C. R. Waring

Madras 15 November 1878.

From

Frederic Howlandson L.L.B.
Registrar of the Diocese
Madras

To

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Fort Saint George

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your official Memorandum dated 11 November 1878. Ecclesiastical Department together with its enclosure and in reply to inform you that as requested I have caused a further search to be made for the Trust Deed of 1816 relating to Saint George's Cathedral, but do not find it amongst the records of this Office.

2. I find a letter dated 9 August 1838 from the Registrar of the Diocese to the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras in which the Registrar states that he sends therewith the Trust Deeds

Recd. 6395 11 Nov. 1878

Deeds of Saint Georges' Church and the Church at
Poonamallee."

3. When I took over charge of this Office I received certain
original Deeds and papers according to a list which purports
to have been made after an inspection by the Venerable the
Archdeacon in 1859. No reference is made in this list to either
of the Trust Deeds of Saint Georges' Cathedral

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your Obedient Servant

F. Rowlandson.

Registrar

Memorandum

The undersigned returns to the Acting under Secretary to Government Public Works Department the letter and Trust Deed forwarded with his Memorandum of this date and has the honor to state that the Trust Deed of 1816 referring to Saint George's Cathedral is not in this Office. It appears from the Records to have been sent to the Honorable Company's Solicitor on 6th November 1835

The Govt Solicitor was written & he replied that the deed was returned to the Reg: of the Diocese

The Reg: was then requested to cause a further search to be made for the doc^t. To
 Registrars Office
 Madras
 1st November 1838

His reply has been sent to the Honble the Archbishop.

7. Rowlandson.
 Registrar of the Diocese
 of Madras

The Ag. Under Secretary to Government
 Public Works Department
 Fort St. George

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To C. G. Master Esquire
Acting Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St. George

Madras 19th November 1878

Sir,

I am requested by the Church
Committee of St. George's Cathedral to
ask you to expedite, if possible, the
settlement of the question of contingent
charges of the Cathedral, as the Cathedral
funds have very much reduced in consequence
of our having had to defray these charges
for so long a period. I wrote to Government
on this subject on 1st July 1878, No. 28.
Hoping soon to receive a favorable decision
from Government.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most O^bl^y Servant

C. R. Drury

Arch deacon

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Madras 22nd November 1878

To L. Campbell Esquire
Under Secretary to Government
Fort St. George.

Sir

In reply to your memorandum
No 2119, November 19th 1878, Public Department
inquiring for a trust deed, dated 1816, relating
to St. George's Cathedral, I beg to inform
you that the only Trust Deed relating to
St. George's Cathedral, and at present
among the Cathedral Records, is dated
1824, of which I sent a true copy to
Government with my letter dated 24th July
1878, No 189, vide para 5.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant
C. R. Drury

Archdeacon.

Recd 16th July 1879, no 181

Recd 16th July 1879
Ecclesiastical Dept
Madras

The Hon the Archdeacon
of Madras

To L. Campbell Esquire
Under Secy to Govt
Fort St. George

Dated 19th November 1878
No 189, by

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requesting that
settlement of the
question of Cathedral
charges may be
expedited.

Recd 19th November 1878
no 181

Madras, 8th November 1878.

From
 Ernest Barclay
 Government Solicitor
 Madras

To
 The Secretary to Government
 Public Works Department
 Fort St. George,

- Sir,
1. I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Official Memorandum dated 2nd November 1878, Ecclesiastical Department, together with its enclosures and in reply to inform you that on a search being made amongst the records of my Office, I find that on the 14th December 1836, the Original Deed of Donation dated 6th January 1816 together with the Counterpart of the Trust Deed of St. Georges Cathedral were sent by the then Honorable Company's Solicitor to the then Registrar of the Diocese and Archdeaconry of Madras.
 2. I herewith return the enclosures which accompanied the above Memorandum.

I have the honor to be
 Sir,
 Your most Obedient Servant,
 Ernest Barclay
 Government Solicitor.

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 Ecclesiastical Dept
 From Mr. Barclay
 At the the Archbishop
 of Madras

to Mr. Campbell Esq
 Under Secy to Govt.
 Fort St. George
 Date 22nd November 1878

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Notes that Mr. Barclay
 has been dead relating
 to St. Georges Cathedral
 in the Cathedral Records
 as dated 1871.

Ernest Barclay
 Esq.

Calcutta 33

May 27. 1878

From

Rev B. F. May

acting between Calcutta

To Mr: C. R. Drury architect Madras

Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge receipt
 of your letter of 22 instant, and in reply to state
 1. no contingent expenses are allowed by Govt; the
 only grant we receive is Rs 400 per month.
 2. all other expenses Lighting, repairs, cleaning
 &c are all defrayed by the Cathedral congregation
 from seat rents & offering collections. The larger
 repairs of the fabric which are undertaken
 are defrayed from a repairing fund. The only
 money we receive from any source, beyond funds immo-
 -diately connected with the Cathedral, is the sum of
 Rs 400 per year. mentioned above
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B. I. May

Senior Cathedral Chaplain

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22nd Feb 1867

No 75 of 18/8.

From, The Rev. F. L. Sharpin.
Acting Senior Presidency Chaplain.

To, The Venble Archdeacon C. R. Drury.
Madras.

Bombay 4th June, 18/8.
Venble Sir,

In reply to your letter dated 22nd May 18/8. I have the honor to forward the information you have called for. I must first observe that Saint Thomas Cathedral Bombay holds a Trust Deed from Government by which they are bound to supply all necessary articles of Vestments, Books, Furniture &c.

The fixed Establishment of the Cathedral is maintained by a Government Grant similar to that in Madras. Viz: ~~Rs~~ 400/-/- per Mensem.

All Charges of a Contingent Nature such as Lighting, incidental Charges incurred in Cleaning the Building, hire of Labour, purchase of Choir bassocks, & surplices, Towels, Brooms, Tuning & repairing of Organ &c. are likewise paid by Government (in monthly Bills) from the Contingent Allowance - fixed at ~~Rs~~ 4200/-/- per Annum, as per Budget Estimate.

All Fixtures and Building Repairs are done by the Public Works Department in addition to the above. -

I have the honor to be
Venble Sir,
Yours most obed^t servant
F. L. Sharpin
Acting Senior Presidency Chaplain

No. 28.

Ecclesiastical Department.
July 1st 1878. Ootacamund

To.

The Chief Secretary to Government.
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Sir, With reference to your Memo: No. 822 dated 18th May 1878, I have the honor to forward for the information of Government, copies of letters I have received from Calcutta and Bombay, giving all necessary particulars in regard to the manner in which expenses connected with the Cathedrals are met in those Presidencies. —

2. — It will be observed that in Calcutta, no payments are made by Government to meet charges of an Ordinary Contingent Nature. As in Madras, there is a Monthly allowance of Rspees 400, and the cost of all repairs, in which it may be presumed may be included repairs of blinds, chandeliers, &c. the property of Government, is defrayed from a Special Building Fund. —

3. — In Bombay, on the other hand, the system hitherto obtaining in Madras, is still maintained, and in addition to the Monthly grant of Rspees 400 — a sum of Rspees 4,200 per annum, is sanctioned for Contingencies, exclusive of repairs which are undertaken by the Department of Public Works. —

The

For No 63 of 5th June 1878
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Letters from
Cathedral Chaplain
Calcutta & Bombay
May & June 78

4. - The cases of Madras and Calcutta, I need scarcely remark cannot be considered analogous. in Calcutta pew rents are considerably higher than would be obtainable in Madras, and the congregation as a rule much more wealthy.

5. - In Madras pew rents are gradually becoming smaller owing to the general absence during the hot weather of the members of society usually attending the Cathedral: at the present moment there are but 138 sittings let, inclusive of those reserved for Government Officials, who retain their seats during absence. The Government Grant of Rspees 400 is simply a subsidy towards defraying the cost of the Church Establishment, the whole being absorbed, as already reported to Government, in payment of fixed salaries. The pew rents do not more than suffice to meet the difference between the Government Grant and the actual cost of the Organist and Choir, together with any small expenditure other than that hitherto recognised by the State.

6. - It must be borne in mind that the salaries of the Organist and Choir were fixed with a due regard to the ordinary income hitherto received, the Trustees having had no reason to anticipate a sudden curtailment of Government aid in the manner now contemplated. As it is not in their power to cancel the Agreement made with the Organist, and they feel assured that

that any measures which would impair the efficiency of the Choir would not meet with approval, the prospect of having in future to pay for lighting and other contingencies is exceedingly embarrassing. - With regard to the cost of repairing the fixtures, Government property, the Trustees are of opinion that even if money from the Cathedral fund was available, it could not be appropriated for such a purpose. -

7. - When the pew rents were first placed at the disposal of the Trustees in 1855 a sum of no less than Rspees 70,000 had up to that time, as ascertained from Cathedral records, been lodged in the Treasury to the credit of Government and the Hon-orable Court of Directors in granting authority for the future appropriation of the Pew Rents by the Trustees. It stipulated that no expense should, in future, be incurred by Government, except such as might be requisite for the decent performance of Divine Service, or on account of necessary repairs. -

8. - The payment of a certain sum for a small fixed Establishment was represented by the grant of Rs 400 has always been recognised, irrespective of other charges, and the Trustees of the Cathedral appear to be of opinion that

+ Rs 50,000
+ more had been given
to the Government
for repairs &c.

CALCUTTA, 19th Feb^y. 1879.

FROM

R. Leicester Upton Esq^{re}
~~CHARLES SANDERSON, Esq.~~
Offg. Registrar of the Diocese,

TO

THE ~~REV~~ Acting Chief Secretary to the
Government of Fort Saint George
Madras,

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 8 dated the 13th Ultimo requesting me to furnish you with a copy of the Indenture of the 6th January 1816 between the East India Company on the one part and the Senior Madras Chaplain with others on the second part &c. The Records of my Office have been searched for this deed or a copy of it but I regret to inform you that no trace of any such document can be found ~~in the archives of my Office.~~

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Obed^t Serv^t.

R. Leicester Upton

Offg. Registrar of the Diocese
of Calcutta.

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16 July 1879
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Churches generally, reserved the question of the
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The matter was gone into accordingly, and a
Survey recommended of 2nd Rs a month. This
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To India No 2 dtd 2-1-77

From India No 7 dtd 9-1-78

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to the Govt of I.
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of 1816, the case of their Cathedral
is quite exceptional & cannot be
drawn into a precedent.

6. In reply to his part of yr. letter, I
am to state that there is also a
Trust deed for St. George's Cathedral,
Madras, copy of which is furnished
herewith. It will be seen that it provides,
inter alia, "that nothing herein
contained shall be construed in any
way to impair or affect any
rights of the said United Ch. or their
successors as founders of the said
Church". It is submitted that,
while claiming their rights, the Govt.
cannot forego their liabilities as
founders. It has long been laid down
that for all that is "indispensably
necessary for the due & decent cele-
bration of Divine worship, the Govt. has
undertaken to provide". This assurance
was repeated by the C. of I. themselves
in para 5 of their Resoln. No 47 of
20th Feby/75, in which it was decided
that the Cathedrals shd. be kept up on a
decent though not extravagant scale,
under special sanctions differing from
those applicable to ordinary Churches.

7. In these circumstances, I am to request
that the C. of I. may be moved to reconsider

Para 9. Home Despatch
to Fort St. George - No 6 of 1855.
Eccl. Dept.

but with ^{resumption} ~~drawal~~ of the long continued
 practice, ^{the} ~~the~~ which has provided for the
 wants of the Cathedral congregation,
 under the several heads of Contingent
 -cies - The payments (20 W. per cent
 per annum) are already high, and,
 as certified by the trustees, "no more
 "can suffice to meet the extra charges
 "on acct of the organist, and choir,
 "and maintaining the Cathedral
 "services"

24/10/8.
 for Pro
 not

5 March 1879

25/10
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DEPARTMENT.

From

No. 299-

Govt India

Dated

12-9-8

No 321

About the Contingent charges
 of the Cathedral.

FOR ORDERS

These charges have always been
 allowed -

Some time ago, India asked us
 to revise the Estab charges: we did
 so, cutting them down 24 Rs a
 month; but we forgot to put in the
Contingent charges.

We went up afterwards, & this is
 the reply.

2. I think we can & should fix it.

Choir & Organ the congregation
 provide; but lighting, cleaning
 & sundry repairs, are items (duly)
 "indispensably necessary for the due
 " & decent celebration of divine
 "worship" & for such "the Govt
 Para 9 Home Despatch has undertaken to provide"

3. "If Bombay Govt has a Trust
 deed; to have we - we claim all
 our rights (& cannot forfeit our Cathedral)
 "as founders of the said Church -
 The deed is attached to G.O. 24 July
 last. - 30/9/8.

All Bombay
 to give in part
 2. Home Despatch
 Calcutta Home
 Despatch of 11/10/8
 from private sources
 30/9/8

Para 9 Home Despatch
 No 62/55

2/10/8
 1/11/8

Each
 100 pages (1000 total)
 Complete (1000 pages)
 FOR ORDERS.

G.O. 5 March / 79 No 63

His Grace Sec

Oct 19-78

Re-circulated into
 the Bombay & Calcutta
 papers.

We may go up again (as
 suggested in my Memo),
 I think. S.S.F.

I think so
but I do not

21/10
22/10
23/10

C 8079 C 19/10
 3/10 23/10

N.8. Each Sept

Take Regr of the Diocese
 Calcutta

Sir -
 On the 4th April 1815, the
 Most Rev. the Lord Bishop of
 Calcutta, granted his license,
 permitting Divine ~~Worship~~ to be
 performed in the then unconsecrated
 Church of St. George, known the
 Cathedral church of this city &
 and in the ~~next~~ year fol-
 lowing (the exact date of the
 ceremony is ~~not~~ immediately
 available) His Lordship formally
 consecrated the fabric -

2. A certain paper connected
 with the above proceedings is not
 forthcoming, either in original or
 as a copy, in the records of His
 Lordship or in those of the Archbishop
 or Diocesan Registrar. I have
 therefore, by desire of H. B. Kebley,
 the honor to request that you will be so
 good enough to furnish me with
 a transcript of the original or any
 copy of it which may be discovered.

in the archives. It is
the Indenture made on the 6th
Jan'y 1816 between the E. I. Co
on the one part and the Senior
Madras Chaplain on the other
of the second part, reciting that
the Co had made over the ground
on which the church was built to the
Rev. Chaplain certain trustees

Wm. George

13 January 1879

Thos. D.

10/1/9

4/1/9

Best life

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Cathedral. The Government
of India requested to recon-
sider their decision de-
clining to sanction a fur-
ther grant on account of
the continuing expenses
of St George's Cathedral
Madras.