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From

J. P. Hewitt, Esquire,

Under Secy to the Govt. of India

To

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Madras

Calcutta, the 12 January 1888.

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Sir,

With reference to the accompanying
letter from Mr. A. J. Bealy and Mr. C. C. Cavendish
in which they solicit permission to hold Govern-
ment securities in their capacity as Lay
Trustees of the Government Church, Cochin, I
am directed to request that the Governor in
Council may be moved to favor the Government
of India with any remarks which he may
see fit to offer on the subject.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedt Servant,

J. P. Hewitt

Under Secy to the Govt of India

* date the 13th ultimo
(Return requested)

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CURRENT NO 18

From

The Govt of India,
Home (Eccl).

26 January 1888

Referred to the Rt Rev.
the Bishop of Madras
for form of remarks.

My order.
 Wm. Meyer
 Asst Secy to Govt.

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No. 10.

Requesting that they
 be favoured with remarks
 on the accompanying letter
 from the Lay Trustees of the
 Government Church, Cochin,
 asking permission to hold
 Government securities in their
 capacity as such.

10 Mar. 1888

It seems to me to be a
 matter for regret that the
 Lay Trustees of Cochin withdrew
 the Capital from the Account
 General's Custody at a time
 when they appear not to have
 actually required the use of
 it, or of any portion of it.

But now, if it is feasible
 and advisable to adopt the ar-
 rangement proposed by them,
 viz. that "the Bishop be a joint
 holder of the money with the
 Lay Trustees," I would consent.

Does the Registrar see
any objection?

F. Madras.

N^o 685.

COCHIN

Feb 4. 1888

FROM THE LAY TRUSTEES

GOVERNMENT CHURCH COCHIN

TO The Rev^d Sclerley

Chaplain to the Rt Rev^d the Bishop of Madras

Dear Sir

In reply to your letter of 31 Jan^r we have the honour to state that the money we wish to hold in Govt Securities, in our official capacity as Lay Trustees is a sum of Rs 7000 (Seven thousand Rupees) which forms the present Endowment of the Boys Schools in connection with the Government Church.

This money has been held as the Endowment of the Schools for the last 30 or 40 years by successive Lay Trustees and the interest accruing has been applied year by year to the support of the Schools.

The securities are now in Mr Sealy's name, and we think that a charitable Endowment like this should be held officially and not personally so that who ever is gazetted as Lay Trustee (who is then ex officio a Manager of the Schools) would have the power to draw the interest and employ it, or the capital if needed, for the benefit of the Schools in connection with the Government Church.

The Endowment was made many years ago, & we do not know the exact date, but believe that a fund was raised to establish the Schools - then called the Cochin Church Free Schools, and that after the schools were

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were built and paid for the remaining
money Rs 7000. was invested in Government
securities to form this Endowment for the
support of the Schools

We remain Dear Sir
Yours very faithfully
Alfred Forbes Sealy
M. Carandish
Sey Kuntis
Govt Church
Cochin
P.S. We return the papers sent with your
letter
A.C.

No 688.

Cochin

February 1888

To the archdeacon of Madras
Madras

Venerable Sir,

With reference to your letter of the
9th inst No 409, written at the request
of the Bishop, we have the honor to
inform you that after considerable
difficulty the Funds were obtained
from the Accountant General, and are
now at the disposal of Mr Alfred Forbes
Sealy, in whose name the Government
Promissory Notes are regularly endorsed,
and we desire to keep the Funds not
in the hands of the Accountant
General, but of ourselves and successors
who will personally be interested
in the local schools, so that the Trustees
could use the interest, or even the
Capital if necessity arose for the
repair of the schools for which the
money was originally subscribed.

We understand the difficulty
felt by the Bishop; but the remedy
he proposes does not remove it, for
if there was no Lay Trustee, there
would be no one to whom the Accountant
General could pay the interest, and
the school would be in difficulties.
We hope that such a misfortune
as there being no Lay Trustee will
never occur at Cochin, but to meet

such a case, will the Bishop consent
to be a joint holder of this money with
the Lay Trustees, so that the paper
may be held endorsed over in the
name of the Bishop of Madras and
the Lay Trustees of the Government
Church at Cochin for the time being.

We trust the Bishop will
support our letter No 678 dated 13th
December, 1887, to the Secretary of the
Government of India with this
modification

We have the honor to be
Venerable Sir,

Your most obedient servants

Alfred Forbes Sully

A. L. Cammish

Lay Trustees

of the Government Church.
Cochin.

No. 616

Diocesan Registry,

Madras, 15th March 1888.

From

THE REGISTRAR OF THE DIOCESE OF MADRAS,

To

The Reverend S. Morley
Domestic Chaplain to the
Lord Bishop of Madras
Teynampett.

My dear Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the
10th instant with enclosures (herewith returned)

It appears to me a novel and in-
expedient proceeding that funds should stand in
the names of Lay Trustees, but I have no information
at my disposal as to whether I am right in
assuming the present application to be a new
departure.

I am of opinion that it is not
desirable that the Bishop should become a joint
trustee. The course which appears the best to
me is that the money should be invested in the
name

name of the Bishop and his Successors as
a Corporation Sole.

He can then give a Power of Attorney
to any Lay Trustee (e.g. Mr. Forbes Sealy) to
whom he is content to delegate the power
to receive and apply dividends

And he can always entertain
proposals from Lay Trustees for expenditure
of capital should such be found necessary.

I remain
My dear Sir
Yours very faithfully

J. Rolandsen

Registrar

No. 686

CURRENT NO. 85

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Madras. 17th March 1888.

From

REV S. MORLEY,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Fort St. George

Madras

SIR,

With regard to your Reference of 26th January 1888 on Current N^o 18 (herewith returned), the Bishop of Madras desires me to say that he requests the withdrawal by the Lay Trustees of the Government Securities from the Accountant General, but as they are withdrawn, suggests that the money be held in the name of the Bishop of the Diocese as a Corporation Sole. The correspondence on the subject is herewith enclosed.

I have the honor to be,

Yours Most Obed^t Servant,

S. Morley
Bishop's Chaplain

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Govt. of (1888) Madras.

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CURRENT NO. 85

From

THE RIGHT REVEREND THE
LORD BISHOP OF MADRAS,

To

THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECY. TO GOVERNMENT.

Dated

Received

14 } March — 1888.

No. 686

CHIEF SECRETARY
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
ENCLO.
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Suggesting that the money
withdrawn by the Lay Trustees
of Cochin, be held in the name
of the Bishop of the Diocese
as a Corporation Sole.

From

x Messrs Sealy & Co. Ltd.

Eccl. DEPARTMENT.

C. Nos. 18/85

FOR ORDERS.

In the first of the above
currents, the Government of India
referred to this Government
an application from the Lay
Trustees of the Government
Church at Cochin requesting
permission to hold Government
securities in their capacity as
Lay Trustees, in accordance
with section 7 of Act 13 of 1886.
This application was referred
to the Right Revd. the Bishop
for remarks.

2. With his reply the ^{Bishop} submits the
correspondence on the subject
with the Lay Trustees and the
Registrar of the Diocese of Madras.
These papers show that the
securities which the Trustees
desire to hold in their official
designations are Promissory Notes

amounting in value to Rs 7000
which constitute the present
endowment of the Boys' School
connected with the Church;
by that the funds were originally
in the custody of the Accountant
General but have been with-
drawn from that officer and
are now at the disposal of Mr
Frail, a Lay Trustee of the Church,
in whose name the Notes
stand endorsed; (c) that the
Lay Trustees desire these funds
to be permanently left in their
charge and that of their
successors with power to use
the interest and even^{the} capital,
if necessary, for the support of
the school; and that the
Bishop be made a joint
holder of the money with them

The Registrar of the Diocese
to whom the Bishop referred
the last suggestion of the Trustees
is of opinion that it is a novel
and inexpedient proceeding
that funds should stand
in the names of Lay Trustees,
and

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and that instead of the Bishop's
becoming a joint Trustee, the money
should be invested in his
name and his successors as a
Corporation sole and that the Bishop
may then by a power of attorney
authorize any lay trustee to
receive and apply dividend &c
from whom he may entertain
proposals to expend even the
capital should it be necessary.
The Rt Revd the Bishop concurs
with the Registrar and suggests
that the money be held in his
name as a corporation sole.

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The history of the origin of
the funds will be found succinctly
given in letter from the Magistrate
of Malabar recorded in E.M.C. Public
no 1413, of 14 Dec 1832., from
which it would appear that
about the year 1817, the Cochin
Free School was established
from funds raised by subscriptions
locally and from Civil and Military
Officers about the coast. The School
was

was placed under the care and
superintendence of the Chaplain
who appears to have held
the custody of the funds, and
on his death, the
Executor of the estate handed
over to the Magistrate two
Treasury receipts for Rs 3500 which
were deposited with the Accountant
General and Sub-Treasurer, Fort
St George. The School appears
on the death of Mr Williams
the Chaplain, to whom a successor was not appointed,
to have been carried on by the
Clerk and Sexton attached to
the Church under the superintendence
of the Assistant Magistrate
till Nov. 1825, when it
appears to have ceased. In
the foregoing letter The D. C.
Magte, in view to the establish-
ment of the School suggested
that the funds be invested
in the name of the Archdeacon,
and the Government directed
accordingly, and also that
the interest accruing therefrom
together with the subscriptions
of the inhabitants of Cochin
and

FOR ORDERS.

DEPARTMENT.

No.

From

FOR ORDERS.

and the cash in deposit with
the Magistrate of Malabar
be appropriated to the
objects of the institution
under the orders of the Archdeacon
(vide Em. C. of 1832 above referred
to)

The original deposit on
account of the Cochin Free
School consisted of two loan
certificates for Rs 3500. By
sale and exchange of these
certificates at favorable
rates & by addition of further
sums at different times the
property of the institution
in 1841 consisted of Govt.
securities amounting to Rs 6700
(vide Accountant General's
letters nos 17, 172 & 397 recorded
respectively in Em. C. 22 Feb. 45,
no 56-7, 4 May: 46 no 116 and
13 Oct: 46 no. 238.) These

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Contain a detailed description
of the Cochin Free School
funds. Owing to the
misappropriation of the interests
of the fund to an institution
established by the Church
Missionary Society which
was brought to the notice
of Government in 1844 by
Baron D'albertyll, the Govt
in M.C. of 23 Mar: '46 no 77
modified their Proceedings of
1832 and directed that
the funds be vested in the
name of the Collector of
Malabar for the time being
instead of in the name of the
Archdeacon and that the
interest accruing therefrom
be appropriated to the
objects of the Cochin School
under the orders of the Collector.
The papers put up do not
show how the funds rose from
6700 to 7000 Rs nor do they

M.C. 422 d/ 30 Dec 1844

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show how or when the funds
came to be transferred to the
Accountant General ^{as Trustee} and
by him ~~to the name of~~
Mr Sealy. A careful search
has been made and nothing
can be traced. Submitted
that the Accountant General
may be asked for information
on this point and that
in the meantime the Govt
of India may be furnished
with copy of the Bishop's
letter and may be informed
that the Government do
not support the application
made to them by Messrs
Sealy and Cavendish.
Submitted that it be better
to await the acct. Gen's reply
before addressing India

have
11 May
Yes. Draft to Govt. & copy to
what is his status & right to
for report. Yes
15 May

FOR ORDERS.

E. M. C. Public

№ 1413 of 14-12-1832

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Order: 1 June / 88 No 80

The history of the "Cochin Free School" Endowment Fund, to which the Correspondence read above relates appears to be as follows.

2. About the year 1817, the Cochin Free School was established from funds raised by subscription. The school was placed under the Superintendence of Mr. Chaplain Williams, who appears to have held the custody of the funds. On his death, the ^{his} executors of ~~the~~ estate handed over to the ^{the District} Magistrate, two Treasury receipts for Rs 3500 which were deposited with the Accountant General and the Sub-Treasurer Fort St George.

3. No Successor to Mr Williams was appointed, and the School appears to have been managed by the clerk and Sexton attached to the Church, under the Superintendence of the Assistant Magistrate, until November 1825, when it apparently ceased to exist.

4. In 1832. with a view to the
revival of the School, the Dist
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now before Govt. it would appear that the custody of the fund was subsequently transferred to the Accountant General and by him to Mr. A. F. Sealy at present one of the Lay Trustees of the Church at Cochin, who got the Promissory notes endorsed in his own name.

7. Before passing remarks on the application made by the Lay Trustees of the Cochin Church that the promissory notes constituting the Free School Endowment Fund should be held by them in their official capacity, His Excellency in Council ~~decided~~ ^{presented} the Accountant General to report upon what grounds the transfers referred to in the preceding paragraph were made, apparently without the knowledge or sanction of Government.

has
29 May
1880

To, The Accountant General, dated 16/8/80

Magistrate of Malabar suggested that the funds should be invested in the name of the Archdeacon. The Govt. approved the proposal and directed that the interest accruing from this deposit should be appropriated to the objects of the institution, i.e. the Free School, under the orders of the Archdeacon.

5. The original deposit consisted of two loan certificates for Rs 3500. By the sale and exchange of these certificates at favorable rates, and by the addition of further sums at different times, the property of the institution had risen in 1841 to 6700 Sicca Rupees = 7000 Company's Rupees, in Govt Securities.

E. M. C. { 56-57 of 22-2-1845.
116 of 4-5-1846.
238 of 13-10-1846.

The misappropriation of the interest on this fund to the benefit of an institution established by the Church Missionary Society having been brought to the notice of Govt in 1844, it was directed that the funds should be vested in the name of the collector of Malabar instead of in that of the Archdeacon, and that the interest should be appropriated to the objects of ^{the} Cochin Free School, under the supervision of the collector.

E. M. C. { 422 of 30-12-1844.

E. M. C. No 77 of 23-3-1846.

6. From the Correspondence

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The Funds of the Cochin
Free School.

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<i>Ecc.</i> DEPARTMENT.	
G.O., DATED	<i>1 June '88</i>
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*Funds belonging to the
Cochin Free School.*