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[Despatch Abstract.]

CEMETERY FOR NATIVE CHRISTIANS AT ELLORE

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16TH SEPTEMBER 1895, No. 65, ECCLESIASTICAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From W. J. H. LE FANU, Esq., Collector of the Gódvári District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Cocanada, 20th March 1895, Ref. No. 1314-Eng.

I have the honour to report that I find it to be a common practice to inter Native Christians in European cemeteries. It never was the intention of Government to keep up these cemeteries for Native Christians, who are at hand to look after their own people. It is only in the case of Europeans who have no relations to look after their graves that Government go to the expense of walling and maintaining cemeteries. I request therefore that you will be so good as to obtain an order from the Government to the effect that Native Christians should get separate cemeteries for themselves, and that Europeans and Eurasians only should be interred in cemeteries maintained by Government. As an instance in point I may state that the European cemetery at Ellore is now very full, and that this result is due to the interring therein of Native Christians. The cemeteries at Rajahmundry and Cocanada show that the same practice prevails there also.

From the Venerable W. WESTON ELWES, M.A., Archdeacon of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 25th May 1895, No. 2131.

With reference to Current No. 78, Ecclesiastical, forwarded with your memorandum No. 767, dated 5th April 1895, I have the honour to state that I do not think Government can accede to the request of the Collector of the Gódvári that a definite order should be issued that "Europeans and Eurasians only should be interred in cemeteries maintained by Government."

2. The rule laid down by the Government of India, Home Department, No. 6, 370—382 (Ecclesiastical), dated Simla, 9th November 1876, is clear, viz.:—

"(5) It should be understood that Government cannot provide cemeteries at the public expense for Native Christian communities," but it is modified by the following note: "Where their number is small the question is of little importance and is best arranged by mutual concessions or by special provisions made locally by the parties immediately concerned." This note is quite workable and is worked by officers in charge of cemeteries.

3. With reference to the Ellore cemetery, I have seen the Rev. F. N. Alexander, C.M.S., who is good enough to take the English services at Ellore and who is in charge of the cemetery. He tells me that there are very few burials of Europeans and Eurasians in the cemetery and that he thinks if burials of natives are continued as now the cemetery will be full in about eight years. It seems clear therefore that

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SEPTEMBER.

Cemetery for Native Christians at
Ellore.

Agreeing with the Venerable the Archdeacon that there is no necessity for a fixed rule that Europeans and Eurasians only should be interred in Government cemeteries; and requesting the Local and Municipal Department to take the necessary steps in view to the Ellore Municipality providing a new — at an early date.

CURRENT NO. 78

Revenue {1895} Department.

From

The Collector,

Godavari District.

Ref No. 1314-294
ENG.

Dated 20th

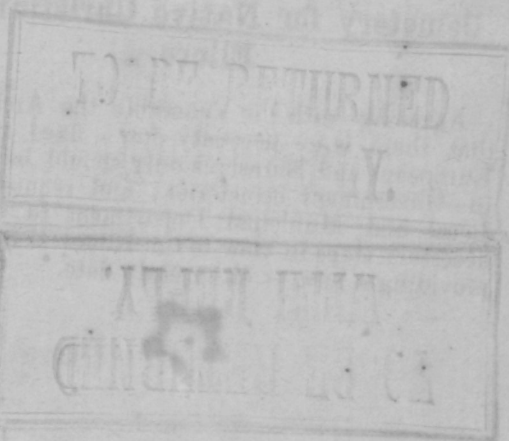
Despatched 25th March 1895.

Received 28th

Regd 29th

SUBJECT.

Requering that Government orders may be obtained to the effect that no Hindu Christians should get separate cemeteries for themselves and that European and Eurasians only should be interred in cemeteries maintained by Government.



✓ S. and No. 767.
Referred to the Venerable the Archdeacon for favour of remarks.
Resubmitted
Chief Secretary

7th B.
30.3.95.

John St George
5th April 1895

CURRENT NO 78

GODAVARI DISTRICT,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Cocanada, 20th March 1895

Despatched 25th March

Ref No. 1314 of 94
ENG.

FROM

W. G. H. L. Fann Esquire,

Collector,

Godavari District,

TO

The Chief Secretary to the Government
of Madras
Ecclesiastical Department.

SIR,

I have the honour to report that I find it to be a common practice to inter native Christians in European Cemeteries. It never was the intention of Government to keep up these Cemeteries for native Christians, who are at hand to look after their own people. It is only in the case of Europeans who have no relations to look after their graves, that government go to the expense of walling and maintaining cemeteries. I request therefore that you will be so good as to obtain an order from the

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for themselves and that Europeans
and Eurasians only should be
interred in cemeteries maintained by
governments. As an instance in
point I may state that the
European cemetery at Ellore is now
very full and that this result is
due to the interring therein of native
Christians. The cemeteries at Rajahmundry
and Coimbatore shew that the same
practice prevails there also.

I have the honour to be
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

Thomas
for collector.

CURRENT No. 116

ESCLIES. (1895) DEPARTMENT.

No. 213/

From

THE VENERABLE W. WESTON ELWES, M.A.,

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon
The Chief Secretary.

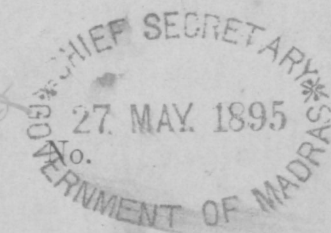
Dated 25th May

Received 27th

Regd 27th

Chs 78 Eccl net

1895.



SUBJECT.

Returning Current No 78 Ecclesiastical
concerning the burial of native
Christians at Ellore; giving certain
information as the point of stating
that Gov. will be again addressed
when further information is received
from the Rev. A. L. Alencar.

Handwritten signature

To be over pending receipt
of further report from the Arch-

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Madras, May 23- 1895.

No. 213/

From

THE VENERABLE W. WESTON ELWES, M.A.,

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon. the Chief Secretary.

Sir,

With reference to Circular No 78 Ecd - forwarded with your Memo No 767 April 5. 1895 - I have the honor to state that I do not think Government can accede to the request of the Collector of the Godavari that a definite order should be issued that "Europeans & Eurasians only should be interred in Cemeteries maintained by Government."

2. The rule laid down by the Government of India - Home Department No 6. 370-382 (Ecd?) under G.O. No. 1876. is clear - viz

157. "It should be understood that Govt. cannot provide Cemeteries at the public expense for native Christian Communities" but it is modified by the following Note "Where their numbers are small the question is of little importance & is best arranged by mutual concessions or by special provisions made locally by the parties immediately concerned" This note is quite workable & is agreed by Officers in charge of Cemeteries.

3. With reference to the Eluru Cemetery there seems the Rev. F. H. Alexander, C.M.S. who is good enough to take the English Cemetery

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Elmas who is in charge of the Cemetery. He tells me that there are very few burials of Europeans & Eurasians in the Cemetery. & that the number of burials of natives are continued is now the Cemetery will be full in about 5 years. It seems clear therefore that steps should be taken to secure a new Cemetery for native Christians & to reserve the present San Cemetery for Europeans & Eurasians. I understood that a site has been offered by the Municipality, but that it is objected to by the missionaries as being in the middle of the Town.

4. Mr. Alencaster has however promised that in the next few days he will give me exact information as to

(1) Average no. of burials of Europeans & Eurasians during the last 5 years.

(2) Do do Natives do

(3) The space remaining for burials. I will then address Gov. further on the subject.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Yours obedient servant
W. W. L. Elms
Archdeacon of Madras

Eccl. no. 78 & 116 of 95

Memo. No. 1992

27-8-95

The Venible the Archdeacon
is requested ^{to state} ~~to be good enough~~
^{when the} ~~to forward~~ ^{may expect further} the report
promised in the last sentence
of his letter of 25-5-95,
No. 2131, regarding the practice
of interring native Christians
in ^{certain} European cemeteries of the
Godavari District.

J. B.
for C.S.
26/8/5

The Venible the Archdeacon of Madras.

NO. 2X

Ref No. 1314-94
Eno.

FROM

GODAVARI DISTRICT,
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Cacanada, 6-12-1894.

W. J. H. Le Fau-Esquire,
Collector,

Godavari District,

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TO

The Chief Secretary to Government
Ecclesiastical Department

Not forwarded
by the Hon. Secy
to Govt.

SIR,

through the venerable the Archdeacon
Madras.

I have the honor to state that the Protestant
Cemetery at Ellore which is now being used by native
Christians as well as by Europeans of that town, is nearly
full. I request that you will be good enough to obtain
the orders of Government to close it against the burial
of native Christians, so that the remaining space
in it may be reserved for European Christians.

2. The native Christians should get a cemetery for
themselves. The Head Assistant Collector has been
requested to select a suitable locality for this purpose,
and it will be reported to you in due course.

3. I have spoken to Mr. Browne, the Head Master
of the C.M.S. High School about this, and he agrees
with me.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Yours most obedient servant,
W. J. H. Le Fau-Esquire

W. J. H. Le Fau-Esquire
Collector, Godavari District

Hebennu {189. } Department.

From

The Collector,

Godavari District.

No. 1344 of 1894

Eng.

Dated 8th

Despatched 8th

Received

December 1894.

SUBJECT.

Requesting to obtain Govern-
ment sanction to close the
Protestant Cemetery at Ellore
for Native Christians.



CURRENT No. 19

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

NUNGUMBAKUM,

Madras, Aug. 30 1895.

No. 2253

From

THE VENERABLE W. WESTON ELWES, M.A.,

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon. the Chief Secretary.

Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of
your memorandum Ecc. Depart. No. 1492 dated 27. Aug.
1895, & to state that the Rev. F. L. Alexander C.M.S.
in charge of the English Services at Ellore informs me
that the following are the average numbers of burials
per year for the last five years in the Cemetery at
Ellore.

Europeans & Americans 2 $\frac{2}{3}$ per annum.

Native Christians 8 $\frac{2}{3}$ " "

2. Mr. Alexander also informs me that there is
still room for 100 graves.

3. At the present rate therefore the Cemetery will be
full in about 9 years. If the burials of Native Christians
are now stopped the Cemetery will not be full for about
42 years.

4. Under the above circumstances, the number of
burials of Native Christians being comparatively small
& falling therefore under revised rules for Cemeteries for
India. Home Depart. No. 103. Ecc. 20th June 1885. No.
103 Appendix A. 5 & 6. There does not seem to be
any severe pressure for the immediate providing a Cemetery
for Native Christians, but I would suggest for the conside-
ration of Govt. that the Ellore Municipality be called
upon to provide a Cemetery for Native Christians within the
next 2 or 3 years.

I have the honor to be, Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
W. Weston Elwes
Archdeacon of Madras

CURRENT No. 193

ECCLES. (1895) DEPARTMENT.

No. 2253

From
THE VENERABLE W. WESTON ELWES, M.A.,
Archdeacon of Madras.

To
The Hon. The Chief Secretary
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Dated Aug 30 }
Received 31st }
Recd 2nd }
Recd 1st }

1895

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding information concerning
number of funerals in Ellore
Cemetery & making a
suggestion concerning a new
Cemetery for native Christians

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Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT.

Cs No. 78, 116 and 193 (with En)

FOR ORDERS.

In Current 78 the Colln
of Godavari reported that it
was a common practice to
bury Native Christians in European
cemeteries, whereas this was
not the intention of Govt. &
goes to the expense of walling
and maintaining these
cemeteries only in the case of
Europeans (and Eurasians)
who have no relatives
to look after their graves.

He therefore suggested
that separate cemeteries shd
be apportioned to Native
Christians and the Govt ones be
reserved for Europeans
and Eurasians.

He instanced the Cemetery
at Ellore which is very full

owing to the interring therein of Native Xians, and mentioned that the same practice prevailed at Rajahmundry and at Cocanada.

FOR ORDERS.

Attention is invited to M^r. Le Gamin^{letter} of the 8th Dec '94 on the same subject.

The matter was referred to the Archdeacon and Cs. 116 and 193 are his replies.

It will be seen that he deprecates a definite ruling that "Europeans and Euraccians only shd be interred in cemeteries maintained by Govt."; and refers to the note⁺ modifying India's Resolution "that the Govt. cannot provide cemeteries at the public expense for Native Xian Communities"

With reference to the Cemetery at Ellore however he agrees that the Native Xians might be provided with a separate cemetery and the present Govt burial place be reserved for Euros. and Eurds.

According

* given as an enclosure to C. 193.

* note to para 5 of Appendix A with G.O. d/17 July 1895 No 141 Eccl.

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DEPARTMENT.

C. No.

FOR ORDERS.

* Current 193.

According to the statement of M^r. Alexander^{the chapman} in charge of the English Services at Ellore, the average number of burials ^{there} for the last five years of the Eand E. to that of Native Xians is as 2:7. He states that if Native Xian burials continue, the Cemetery will be full in about 9 years, but if they are discontinued, it will hold out for about 42 yrs.

It is submitted that as the Non-Xians exceed so much the Euros. and Eurds., the Municipality should be requested to take early steps for providing a new Cemetery to be confined to the former. It is noted

* C. 116.

that a site for this purpose
has already been offered
by the Municipality, but
that it was objected to
by the Missionaries as being
in the middle of the town.

Even if steps are
C.W. taken now it is not
4.9.95 probable the new cemetery
will be available for about
a couple of years. It is $\therefore$ sub^d
that the Mung. shd be
addressed at once.

J.S.B.
9.9.95

10/9/95

Govt. Cemetery at Ellore

FOR ORDERS.

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Hon. W. Grose

In Geo 2 16/9/95
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Eccl. Currents 78, 116 and 193

S.O. 8 16th September 1895, No 65.

The Govt. agrees with
the Venerable the Archdeacon
that ^{there is no necessity} ~~it is not necessary~~
for a fixed
~~rule~~ ^{rule} that Europeans and
Eurasians only should be
interred in cemeteries main-
tained by Govt.

2. The circumstances
connected with ~~with reference to~~
the Govt. Cemetery at Ellore,
however, ~~under the circum-~~
stances, ^{render it} ~~it seems~~ ad-
visable that a new cemetery
to be confined to Native Christians
should be provided as
soon as possible, and the
present one reserved for
Europeans and Eurasians.

3. The Local and Muni-
cipal Dept will ~~therefore~~ be
requested to ^{take the necessary} ~~issue orders~~
for ~~early steps being taken by~~
the Ellore Municipality to
providing a suitable cemetery
for Native Christians at

Shak. & M. Dept. 6 } ^{disputing early date.}

" Venerable the Archdeacon 6/10/95
" Collector of Godavari 8 C.W.
13.9.95

from Order

J.S.B.
16/9/95

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A Cemetery for Native Christians
at Ellore

from Orders

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16TH SEPTEMBER 1895, No. 65, ECCLESIASTICAL.

Prov. See query please

Allen & Shiller

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No. 767.

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FORT ST. GEORGE,
5th April 1895.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
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4. Rev. Alexander has, however, promised that in the next ten days he will give me exact information as to—

- (1) Average number of burials of Europeans and Eurasians during the last five years.
- (2) Average number of burials of natives during the last five years.
- (3) The space remaining for burials.

I will then address Government further on the subject.

From W. J. H. LE FANU, Esq., Collector of the Gódvári District, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras), dated 6th December 1894, Ref. No. 1314-Eng.

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2. The Native Christians should get a cemetery for themselves. The Head Assistant Collector has been requested to select a suitable locality for this purpose, and it will be reported to you in due course.

3. I have spoken to Mr. Browne, the Headmaster of the C.M.S. High School about this, and he agrees with me.

From the Venerable W. WESTON ELWES, M.A., Archdeacon of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 30th August 1895, No. 2253.

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your memorandum, Ecclesiastical Department, No. 1992, dated 27th August 1895, and to state that the Rev. F. N. Alexander, C.M.S., in charge of the English services at Ellore, informs me that the following are the average numbers of burials per year for the last five years in the cemetery at Ellore:—

Europeans and Eurasians	..	..	..	..	..	2c per annum.
Native Christians	..	..	..	..	..	8c

2. Rev. Alexander also informs me that there is still room for 100 graves.

3. At the present rate therefore the cemetery will be full in about nine years. If the burials of Native Christians are now stopped, the cemetery will not be full for about 42 years.

4. Under the above circumstances, the number of burials of Native Christians being comparatively small and falling therefore under revised rules for cemeteries "Government of India Home Department Notification, Ecclesiastical, dated 20th June 1885, No. 103, Appendix A 5 and Note," there does not seem to be any severe pressure for the immediate provision of a cemetery for Native Christians, but I would suggest, for the consideration of Government, that the Ellore Municipality be called upon to provide a cemetery for Native Christians within the next two or three years.

ORDER—dated 16th September 1895, No. 65, Ecclesiastical.

The Government agrees with the Venerable the Archdeacon that there is no necessity for a fixed rule that Europeans and Eurasians only should be interred in cemeteries maintained by Government.

2. The circumstances connected with the Government cemetery at Ellore, however, render it advisable that a new cemetery, to be confined to Native Christians, should be provided as soon as possible, and the present one reserved for Europeans and Eurasians.

3. The Local and Municipal Department will be requested to take the necessary steps in view to the Ellore Municipality providing a suitable cemetery for Native Christians at an early date.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,

Chief Secretary.

To the Local and Municipal Department.
" Venerable the Archdeacon.
" Collector of Gódvári.

Gobt. of {1895} Madras.
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HEAD AGAIN G.O., No.
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DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DIFD.

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