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[Despatch Abstract.]

MADRAS ECCLESIASTICAL ESTABLISHMENT.

Recording, pending further communication, letters from the Right Revd. the Bishop relating to a proposal to increase the present staff of thirty-six chaplains on the --.

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CURRENT No. 16.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Coonoor 20th July 1895.

No. 1449

From

REV. S. MORLEY, M.A.,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Stone House

Coatacamund.

SIR,

By desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, I have the honor to represent for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, that he has found the present staff of Thirty six Chaplains on the Madras Establishment most inadequate to supply the wants of the military and civil stations of the Diocese with their numerous outstations.

2. He has taken the greatest pains to keep down the number of furloughs and of absences on privilege leave; yet frequently two, three and even four stations are left without a Chaplain for several months together. Vellore with three outstations has not had a Chaplain since early in January of this year: the Chaplain who then vacated it had only been there about two months, and prior to that there had been no Chaplain for several months. Coanada with Rajahmundry and Dowlaishwaram, all three places having Churches, has not had a resident Chaplain since early in November 1894; and he had been there only for five or six weeks, and prior to that there had been a long vacancy:

and the stations have to be visited by the Chaplain of Vizagapatam, who has four Churches in his proper charge, and the distance of Rajahmundry from Vizagapatam is about 125 miles by railway.

Aurangabad has had no Government Chaplain for two years and a half. Calicut became vacant last month; and though there are detachments of European Troops both there and at one of its out-stations, Mallapuram, it must remain for a few months without a Chaplain, being visited at intervals by the Chaplain of Coimbatore 115 miles away.

3. This state of things, the Bishop ventures to represent is not a matter of small importance, and in a measure affects the credit of the British Government. Both officials and non officials and their families suffer in moral tone, when deprived of spiritual ministrations and a Clergyman's influence; and it has occurred from time to time that Lay Trustees have been so disheartened by the prolonged absence of Clergymen and have so felt the burden of filling the Clergyman's place week after week that they have resigned their appointment, and the congregation has been left in worse plight than ever.

4. Considerable efforts are meanwhile made to raise funds for the maintenance of Additional Clergy, both from the general public and from Railway Shareholders; but the results are far from sufficient to meet the requirements. In several cases also Missionaries minister to congregations regularly and gratuitously.

5. Under these circumstances His Lordship earnestly requests that His Excellency the Governor

will be pleased to recommend that the Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment may be raised from thirty six to thirty eight Chaplains and Probationers: but that, if the Secretary of State considers this increase by two to be inadmissible, he will at least be pleased to restore the Madras Chaplaincy which was pronounced to have lapsed when Trivandrum was disconnected from the Madras Establishment. It was shortly before that lapse of the Chaplaincy was announced, that the Bishop had been induced to consent, on the representation of the Metropolitan, as to the comparative needs of Northern India and Burmah, to the reduction of the Madras Establishment by three Chaplains. But he certainly could not have consented to a reduction of the number of Chaplains by more than two, if he had had any idea that the number was about to be further reduced by one on account of the abolition of the Government Chaplaincy of Trivandrum.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. Morley

Bishop's Chaplain.

Eccl for No 57 of 24-5-93 mis (Printed)
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Gobt. of {189 } Madras.
ECCLESIASTICAL.

From
THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To
THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT.

Dated 20th July 1895
Received 22nd July 1895
Regd 22nd July 1895
No. 189
Enclosure
CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
22 JUL 1895

Subject.

Re increase of 36 to 38 Chaplains
and proctors in the Madras
Ecclesiastical Establishment

Madras Ref for complete file of papers - see 57 of 93
24/7/95

Ref No 177A
J 2.8.95

With reference to his letter
No 1449 of the 20th instant
the Right Reverend the Bishop
is requested to be so good
as to submit a Statement
showing the number of
Chaplains on furlough
or on privilege leave for
the past two ^{official} years and
during the current year.
Each month since & includ-
ing January 1894.

C.W.
30/7/95

31/7/95

C.S.

It is subd: that this
information shd. be
embodied in the papers
the number has been
very large and India
w^d. be sure to remark
on the matter if not
put on record here.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop
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J.S.B.
30/7/95.

Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment

CURRENT No. 175

ECCELESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Cotacaimund 8th August 1895.

No. 1455

From

W. Wace
REV. C. MORLEY, M.A.,
For BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Stone House

Cotacaimund

SIR,

With reference to your Memorandum No. 1794, Ecclesiastical Department, dated 2nd instant, I have the honor, by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, to submit the accompanying statement.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Wace.

For Bishop's Chaplain.

List of Chaplains absent on Furlough each month from 1st January 1894.

Year and Month	Total Number absent	On Medical Certificate	Remarks.
1894			
January	6	2	
February	7	3	One began furlough on 17 th Febry
March	7	3	
April	9	3	Two began furlough 3 rd & 5 th April respectively.
May	9	3	
June	9	3	
July	9	3	
August	9	3	
September	9	3	
October	9	2	One returned to duty
November	8	2	One returned to duty and one began furlough on the 11 th November.
December	9	2	One began furlough 1 st December.
1895			
January	10	1	one retired on the 23 rd and one began furlough on the 9 th January.
February	9	"	one returned to duty on the 16 th February.
March	8	"	one retired in the month
April	7	"	one returned to duty, one retired and one went on furlough on the 20 th
May	6	"	
June	6	"	
July	6	"	
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List of Chaplains absent on Privilege Leave, each month from 1st January 1894.

Year and Month	No absent the whole month	No absent three quarters of the month	No absent half of the month	No absent quarter of the month	Total Number absent
1894					
January	3	"	"	"	3+6=9
February	2	"	"	"	2+7=9
March	"	1	"	2	3+7=10
April	3	"	"	"	3+9=12
May	4	"	"	"	4+9=13
June	3	1	"	"	4+9=13
July	2	"	"	"	2+9=11
August	1	"	"	"	1+9=10
September	2	"	"	"	2+9=11
October	"	"	"	"	Nil+9=9
November	"	"	"	"	Nil+8=8
December	"	"	"	"	Nil+9=9
1895					
January	"	"	"	"	Nil+10=10
February	"	"	"	"	Nil+9=9
March	"	"	2	"	2+8=10
April	2	"	1	"	3+7=10
May	4	"	"	"	4+6=10
June	2	"	2	2	6+6=12
July	3	1	1	1	6+6=12
	31	3	6	5	197

W. Wau.
For Bishop's Chaplain.

Govt. of 1895 Madras.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

From

THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT.

Dated 8 August 1895.
Received 9 August 1895.



No. 1458 Enclosure Nil

Subject.

Submits statement called
for in N^o 1794 dt. 2nd instant.

Ecd 80.

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800-23-7-95]

Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT.

Cs No. 163 and 165 175

FOR ORDERS.

Ask how it is that the limit
imposed by Act 647 on furloughs
has been exceeded - as to cer-
tainly was in the first 3 mos of
1895.

How many stations in the
Madras Presidency are
chaplain wanted for?

The Privilege Leave regu-
lces don't seem to be excessive -
45 in 19 mos. How far is
the Bishop's report on the matter
to the point of furlough?

22/8

With an st. of 36, no more
than 7 should have been on
furlough at any time, except
on med. cert: no urgent
private affairs. The number on
furlough has risen as high as 10
& has averaged 8 during the
last 19 months. The excess over

Current 163 is a letter
from the Rt Revd. the Bishop
stating that the present staff
of 36 chaplains is quite in-
adequate for the work of the
Diocese.

It states that he has
taken the greatest pains to
keep down the number of
furlows and absences on
privilege leave, & that yet
frequently three and even
four stations are left
without a chaplain for
several months together.

From the statement with
C. 175, however, it will be
seen that the no. of chap-
lains on leave since
Jan. 94 has been very
large. The smallest no.

number in any one month was in Nov. 94, viz 8, out of a total staff of 36. This is over 20 p.c. the limit assigned by C.S. Regulations while the average figure for the past 19 months was ten. This excess of three above the limit may be possible, but is not probably due to "very urgent private affairs".

The want of chaplains, and the consequent loss to officials and non-officials of spiritual ministrations, is represented as discreditable to the British raj; & it is further stated that Lay Trustees have been so disheartened by the prolonged absence of clergymen, that they have resigned their appointments and the congregation has been left in a worse plight than ever.

Notwithstanding

2 on medical certificate

FOR ORDERS.

vide Art 647 (a) (iii)

Of whom 2 ~~3~~ were on private leave
But this average ten includes men on p.l. They should not be counted

* 7 does not happen to be due to absence on p.l. at Cent., for the man was only 3. anytime so absent was only 3. There is nothing to show if it was due to absence on very urgent private affairs. This might be asked.

Of the 28 (36-8) chaplains left, after deducting men on furlough, got an average of 1.3 months p.l. in the 19 months for which figures are given. This seems some a pretty liberal allowance.

But while we may draw the Bp's attention to these considerations

$$* \frac{31 + 2\frac{1}{4} + 3 + 1\frac{1}{4}}{28} = 1.3$$

C. No.

Surge on him the need of greater economy in the grant of leave, I think we may as well also at once say that there is not the smallest chance of an increase of the strength of the staff. The Bp is like the Planter. If he asks for too much, he is likely to get none even that which he has. With what force, for instance, could we defend the maintenance of a chaplain at Coonoor, where so far as I know, there are about two full servants to be looked after (and I rather think one of them is a R.C.); or the maintenance of two chaplains for the wealthy congregation of the Cathedral, which mostly consists of persons who are not full servants? Dringhart, I should tell the Bp. to take a man from Coonoor or the Cathedral, rather than let plans like Coonoor go without.

BS
24/8/95

Apparently the Bp. wants to get back the chaplain into getting back the chaplaincy - this is absurd.

I have delayed these papers in order to learn the past history of the Ecclesiastical Departments in India, and to see what chance there was of the Sec. of S. appealing to this proposal, if we sent it up. As

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Notwithstanding private efforts and the gratuitous help of missionaries, this state of affairs, it is said, still obtains largely.

It is submitted that matters might be considerably improved by cutting short the "prolonged absence of Clergymen".

In the circumstances stated, the Bishop requests that the Secy of State should be moved to raise the Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment from 36 to 38, or at least to restore the Madras Chaplaincy which "lapsed when Tri. vandrum was disconnected from the Madras Establishment".

The circumstances referred to in the last para of the Bishop's letter, relative to the reduction of the staff to its present no. 36, are briefly these:-

When Upper Burmah was annexed, a large no. of British troops were transferred thither, and as there were only six chaplains to minister to 42 stations containing troops, the Metropolitan considered it right that Madras should contribute its quota towards raising that number. His reasons are given in the Rev. Moore's letter printed in G.O. No 35 of 9th June 91.

The Bishop of Madras agreed to the reasonableness of this, but recorded the fact that his Presiding was even then considerably undermanned for about six months every year.

From G.O. of 14th June 91 No 50 and

far as I can gather, it would not be of the very slightest use our doing so. Nor do I think is it any use our trying to get chaplains removed from such centres of Christian population as Coonoor & the Madras Cathedral. In fact years the fight has been waged wholly over this question - and I do not think we shall raise it again. I think we certainly

FOR ORDERS.

ought to call the Bishop's attention to the unduly liberal grant of leave to the chaplains, and state that we cannot but think that if more stringency were exercised in this respect, the difficulties he alludes to would disappear to a considerable extent.

W
20 Sep

* vide the Bishop of Rangoon's letter in G.O. of 9th June 91 No 35

But before writing in this sense, the information called for by the hon. Mr. Justice should be obtained.

W
20 Sep

* vide his letter in the above G.O.

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600-23-7-95,

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FOR ORDERS.

and the connected papers it will be seen that three chaplains were then transferred permanently from the Madras to the Burmah establishment.

Further owing to the anomalous position* of the Bishop of Travancore, relative to the Chaplaincy of "Trivandrum with Quilon" a new régime was introduced with his successor Dr. Noel Hodges in 1890. That bishop was granted Rs 250 per mensem to provide for the performance of the duties of the Govt. Chaplain at Trivandrum and the "Trivandrum" was

explained in the memorandum given in G.O. No 50 of 18.7.90

* vide G.O. referred to above

abolished.

There was thus effected a reduction of four in the Staff of the Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment.

It is submitted that the S.G.S. may be asked to increase the number of chaplains in this Presidency by one and the Bishop be requested to see that the limit of absentees on furlough and special leave be not exceeded in future.

It is submitted that

C. 15 95 it is most improbable that any addition wd. be

sanctioned; and that the remedy lies in the Bishop's own hands.

The fact is Dr. G. R. cannot say of "no" to a chaplain & is satisfied with any reason advanced for the grant of leave.

J. B. I am afraid that what the

15.8.95 C.A. Brown is true & that

leave is given for ready to chaplains.

From G.O. 4/95

6 Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment

FOR ORDERS.

Hon Mr. J. Grose

* Please see also report in Mr. Nugent's case - f.d. 94 19.10.93 & f.d. 57 30.3.81 therewith.

Eccl. Cs 163+175

Resubmitted to H.M. with reference to H.E.'s note of the 20th instant.

The applications from Chaplains for furlough received during 1894-95 are put up. Attention is invited to the Rev. W. Brittain's case w.f.d. to 30.3.95 & 9th April 95.

It will be seen from the Acct. Genl's letter to H.M. (intermittent G.O.) of 20th March that the limit of furlough absentees under Art. 647 (a) (iii) C.S.R. is 8.

The Bishop would not be responsible for the grant of a furlough in excess of the authorised number. It is for the Acct. Genl to report whether the furlough applied for is admissible. It will be seen that a medical certificate was called for in Mr. Brittain's case and that Mr. Bird's furlough

was on very urgent private affairs.

Please see notes on the back of C. 389 of '94 (tied with 30495 & next to it).

The following reference to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop is submitted for approval-

Ref. J. 2415
27/10-10-95

With advertence to his Domestic Chaplain's letter No 1449, dated 20th July, the Rt. Rev. the Bishop is requested to favour Govt with a statement showing the stations (with sub-stations) at which he considers a chaplain of the Madras Ecclesiastical Establishment should be posted. With the exception of the Presidency Town, Bangalore, Bolarum, Coonoor, Ootacamund, Secunderabad, St Thomas Mt & Trimmigerry, details should be afforded in regard to the number of members of the Church of England resident at each station, officials being distinguished if possible from non-officials.

Ecclesiastical Madras

JG
3/10/95

MJ
5/10/95

Hon. J. Grose
Hon. H. W. Bliss. C. S. S.

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop
C. 389/10
10/10/95
12/11/95

CURRENT No. 241

ECCELSIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,
17th October 1895.

No. 1477.

From

THE REV. S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

With The Governor
Fort St George

SIR,

I have the honor by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop to acknowledge your Memorandum No 2415, of 10th Oct: 1895, Ecclesiastical, and to say that the number of officials who are members of the Church of England cannot be ascertained from available returns; but his Lordship is asking for the necessary information, on receipt of which he will inform Government of the results.

I have the honor to be

Sir
Your most obedient servant

S. Morley
Bishop's Chaplain.

CURRENT No. 241

Memo No 2415 D 10-10-95

Gobt. of {189} Madras.
ECCLESIASTICAL.

From
THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To
THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT.

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Mis C No 163,175 & 241 of 1895

Order No 46, D 14 July 1896.

Recorded pending
further communication
from the Rt Revd the Bishop

JDB.
13-7-6.

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18/7/96

CS. This is to clear the arrears list.

Dated
Received 18.
Oct. 18

No. 1447 Enclosure -

Subject.

Stating that the number
of officials who are members of
the Church of England cannot
be ascertained from available
returns.

Await further.

JDB
24/10/5 W.O

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READ AGAIN G.O., No.
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