

Ecclesiastical (1896) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Furnishing the Resident at Hyderabad with certain information regarding the Church at Bolaram and the house known as "Parsonage" in that Cantonment occupied by the Chaplain of the Church.

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Right Reverend the
Bishop for favour of
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CURRENT No. 303

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25/11/96
Ag. Secy From the Resident at Hyderabad.

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For Sh. George.
28 November 1896

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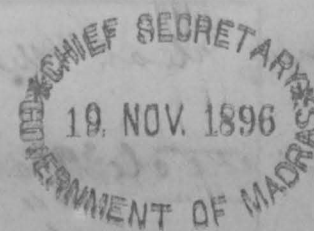
Requesting to be furnished
with any information that
may be available regarding
the church at Bolaram and
the house known as "Parsonage"
which is occupied by the
chaplain of the church.

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No. 6529 OF 1896.

From

J. Schickel - Snowden Esquire, C.P.

RESIDENT AT HYDERABAD.

 To

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Madras.
Madras

Dated Hyderabad Residency, the 17 November 1896.

SIR,

I have the honor to request that, with the permission of His Excellency the Governor in Council, you will be so good as to furnish me with any information that may be available in the records of your office regarding the church situated at Bolaram and the house known as the "Parsonage" also in that Cantonment which is occupied by the Chaplain of that church.

2. The correspondence in this office

on the subject goes to show that the
Church at Bolaram was erected about
the year 1848 by private contributions
to supply the needs only of the civil com-
munity residing in Bolaram. It was
taken over by Government in 1861 and
since then it has been maintained
from Imperial Revenues. It would appear
that at the time that the Church was
so taken over it was not used by the
British Troops but only by the civil
community at Bolaram, and that there
was no Chaplain appointed to it although
the question of applying for the services
of a Chaplain was considered. There
is nothing, moreover, to show that
there was then any connection between
the Church at Bolaram and the British
Troops at North Trimalgherry who now
make use of it.

3. The points upon which I parti-
cularly desire to be informed are on

what

what date and under what conditions
a Chaplain was first appointed to the
Bolaram Church and whether he was
appointed only for the civil community
or for the Troops. whether any conditions
were prescribed at the time about a
house being provided for him, and
whether when British Troops first began
to use the Church there was any change
made in the status of the Chaplain,
or whether any conditions made about
his house.

The Church, it may be noted, and
the house usually occupied by the
Chaplain are situated in the Bolaram
barrackments, and not in the Secunderabad
barrackments in which the British
Troops who use the Church are quartered.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obed^t servant,

William

To Resident.

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Ecclesiastical (1896) Department.

CURRENT No. 312

From The Bishop's Chaplain

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Furnishing information
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Ecclesiastical
Churches

N^o 742.

Public Works Department
Fort William 14th March 1861.

From

The Secretary to the
Government of India,

To

The Resident at Hyderabad.

Sir,

In reply to your letter N^o 137,
dated 14th December 1860, I am directed to
state that His Excellency the Governor
General in Council has no objection to
the Protestant Church at Polaram being
taken over by Government and to the re-
pairs being executed at the expense of the
state.

2. The estimate is within your own
powers to sanction.

I have &c

(Signed) H. Yule Lieut Col.
Secy to the Govt of India.

(True Copy)

C. H. Kelly

Bishop's Chaplain.

Bolarum, December 26th, 1861.

My Lord,

I do myself the honor of addressing your Lordship on the subject of the Church at Bolarum, which has been recently taken over by Government as its own property, as will be seen by the accompanying copy of a letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, to the Resident, Hyderabad.

The Church at Bolarum was originally built by private subscription among the Officers, Warrant Officers, and Subordinates in the Hyderabad Contingent, about twelve years ago.

I also enclose a letter from the Rev. F. G. Lugard, addressed to Captain Hoseason, the Brigade Major of this Contingent, dated in 1854, which will inform your Lordship, of the Community at Bolarum, having some years ago subscribed most graciously, to obtain the services of a Clergyman for their Church, and they succeeded in procuring the services of the Reverend Robert Murphy, from the Colonial Society, who, for the space of one year, resided in a furnished house which was provided for him at Bolarum, and he received his salary from the Community agreeably to stipulated arrangements which had been entered into to that effect.

A Chaplaincy having been presented to the Rev. R. Murphy, he ceased to be a Resident at Bolarum, after the brief period of one year, out of five originally agreed upon for his services; and though Dr. Murphy occasionally ministered to the Congregation at Bolarum, when he was the Chaplain at Secunderabad, he was shortly removed to Madras.

On assuming the command of this Contingent, early in 1856, I was addressed by Archdeacon Shortland, to ascertain if the Community at Bolarum would assist in procuring another Clergyman from the Colonial Society for their Church.

I failed in this, as the officers naturally did not wish to place themselves again in a position to lose his services, should he be fortunate enough to become a Chaplain on the Establishment.

The just claim however which we have all along had upon the Church has been fully admitted; and the late Bishop assured me, that he would appoint a Chaplain at Bolarum; but the late mutinies prevented this from the great increase to our European forces in the Presidency.

The Bolarum Church then, having been accepted by the Government, it must be allowed that the claim for the services of a Chaplain is much stronger than before; and I hope I may be permitted to suggest a plan for supplying Bolarum with a Chaplain.

The Cantonment of Secunderabad has been added to by a large increase of European Soldiers, at Spinalgherry, and the Artillery Barracks reach to about the distance of one thousand yards from Bolarum.

I would suggest, that two Chaplains should reside in Secunderabad, and the third in Bolarum, the latter of whom would be able to take the oversight of half the European Troops at Spinalgherry, while he would at the same time have the charge of Bolarum.

If a sketch plan of these Cantonments was called for by your Lordship, the feasibility of this could be seen at a glance.

I might here inform your Lordship, that I have officiated in the Bolarum Church for upwards of five years and a half, and though a Chaplain is expected to give one service a day every fortnight, this has been too frequently interrupted by the presence of only one Chaplain at Secunderabad, that the duty has mainly devolved upon me to have two full services every sabbath since I have been at Bolarum. In addition to the above, I have had a week

day service ever since I have been here. My fear now is, that on my leaving Bolarum on the 1st Proximo, the services will not be regularly kept up, unless a Chaplain is provided for that Cantonment.

There are about one hundred and eighty adult Protestants at Bolarum, and many children who attend the Boys' and Girls' Schools.

I hope my Lord I may be excused for this long communication from me, but having had almost entirely to conduct the services of the Church at Bolarum, which I have felt a very great privilege; I am naturally anxious that our little Community should now benefit by the residence of a Chaplain among them now that the Church is Government property, if it can possibly meet with your Lordship's approval.

The Cantonment of Secunderabad is the largest in the Madras Presidency, and there alone 3400 European Soldiers in that force, besides their families, which really swells the number of Protestants to something very considerable indeed.

I am quite sure that if your Lordship could see the large space Secunderabad covers, you could not help saying that it has been very much neglected, and that in future there should never be less than three Clergymen permanently appointed to that station.

The Church at Bolarum has been recently enlarged at my request, and contains sittings for about 250 persons; and though the distance from Spinalgherry will not allow of the European Soldiers being marched to Bolarum, the families of the Officers, and the married soldiers even now frequently walk over to our evening service.

The Bolarum Church is the most complete Church on this side of India, and I hope your Lordship

Will excuse my having pressed our claims upon your notice.
Any further information which may be required,
can be obtained from the Chaplain at Secunderabad.

I have &c.

(Signed) W. Hill, Brigadier
Commanding Hyderabad Contingent.

(True Copy)

C.H. Pelly
Bishop's Chaplain.

N^o 1723.

Fort William
19th February 1867.

From

E.C. Bayley Esq
Secy to the Govt of India

To

Sir G. A. Yule, C.B., K.C.S.I.
Resident at Hyderabad.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of
your letter, N^o 1, dated the 19th ultimo, requesting the
sanction to the consecration of the Church at Bo-
-larum, a station of the Hyderabad Contingent.

2. It is understood that Bolarum is exclu-
-sively a Military Station, and the Governor General
in Council is of opinion that a Church at such a
station ought not to be consecrated, but ought to
remain available for any and all denominations
of Protestant Christians.

3. I am to add that the statement of one of the
original subscribers confirmed as it is by a letter on
the subject written by your predecessor to Brigadier
Hill, that the intention was to hold the Church at
Bolarum available for the services of Protestants of
any denomination, forms a strong additional reason
for withholding the consent of the Government of India
to its consecration now.

4. The question of the repairs of the Church will
be considered in the Public Works Department.

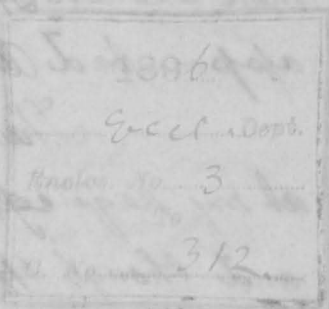
I have &c.

(Signed) E.C. Bayley
Secy to the Govt of India.

(True Copy)

C.H. Pelly
Bishop's Chaplain.

Home Dep^t:



N^o. 1284.

For William
27th February 1875.

Financial Dept.

To The Resident at
Hyderabad.

Sir,

N^o 79 of 21 Oct 1874.

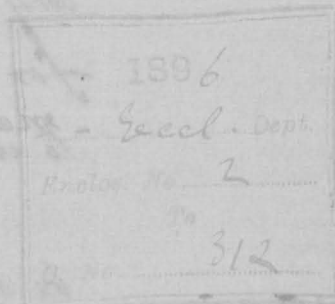
- 105 of 21st Jan 1875.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letters noted in the margin addressed to the Secretary in the Foreign Department representing the necessity for the appointment of a separate Clergyman of the Church of England at Chadarghat and soliciting sanction to the grant of Rupees 200 a month, as Government contribution towards his pay, with special reference to the facts that His Highness the Nizam's Government has expressed willingness to contribute Halli Sicea Rupees 375 a month towards the pay of the Clergyman, the Protestant residents at Chadar-ghat being mostly employed under the Nizam's Government.

2. In reply, I am desired to inform you that the Governor General in Council sanctions a contribution towards this object of Rupees 200 a month on the understanding that the travelling allowance drawn hitherto by the Chaplain of Bolaram and Chadarghat shall cease.

3. The liberality of H. H. the Nizam's Government is appreciated by the Government of India.
I have &c
(Signed) R. W. Hollingbury
Asst Secy to the Govt of India.

Copy forwarded to the Foreign Department together with the original papers of that Department.



Copy also to the Home Department
and to the Deputy Accountant General, Hyderabad.

(True Copy)

C. H. Pelly

Bishop's Chaplain.

ECCELESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Madras 5th December 1896.

No. 1589.

From

C. H. Pelly,
THE REV. ~~S. MORLEY~~, M.A.,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

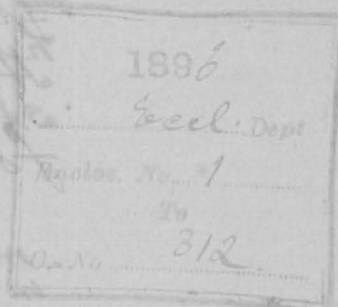
Fort St. George,
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to Endorsement N^o 2506,
dated 28th November 1896, on letter from the
Resident at Hyderabad dated 17th November 1896,
(herewith returned), and with special reference
to the questions asked in paragraph 3, I have the
honor, by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop
of Madras, to state that, the Church at Bolarum
was built in the year 1848 by private subscription
of the Officers of the Hyderabad Contingent, ^{and others} who also
provided funds for the salary of a Clergyman to-
gether with a free furnished house, vide letter of
from Brigadier General W. Hill, Commanding
Hyderabad Contingent, copy of which is herewith
forwarded.

The Church was handed over to Government
in the year 1861 vide letter from Secretary to Govern-
ment of India to the Resident at Hyderabad N^o
772 dated 14th March 1861.

For some years prior to 1867 Bolarum
and Chadarghat were outstations of the Joint
Chaplaincy of Secunderabad. In that year the



Bishop with sanction of Government divided the Joint Chaplaincy of Secunderabad into two distinct Chaplaincies viz. Secunderabad, and Bolarum with Chadarghat, and appointed the Reverend W. B. Powell, a Government Chaplain, as Chaplain of the latter.

In the same year 1867 application was made to Government to have the Church consecrated. This was refused on the ground that Bolarum was exclusively a Military station vide letter from E. C. Bayley Esq, Secretary to the Government of India to the Resident at Hyderabad dated Fort William 19th February 1867, No. 1723. D

It is clear therefore that the Chaplain was not appointed "only for the Civil Community". Since the appointment of Mr Powell there has been no change in the status of the Chaplain.

In 1875, Chadarghat was separated from Bolarum, the latter becoming a separate station, vide copy of letter from the Secretary to the Government of India to the Resident at Hyderabad No. 1284, dated 27th February 1875. E It was in that year that British Troops began to attend Bolarum Church.

At the time a Chaplain was first appointed to Bolarum, there does not appear to have been any stipulation made about a house, but during the Chaplaincy of the Reverend C. H. Pelly from 1877-1882, the house now occupied by the Chaplain, and which had been occupied by Chaplains for some years prior to 1877, was set apart, and it is believed, registered by the

* G. O. 2nd August
1867, No. 194,
Ecclesiastical.

General Officer Commanding, as the Chaplain's house. The correspondence in connection with this subject will be found in the Bolarum Chaplaincy Records. To avoid delay the Chaplain of Bolarum has been requested to send a copy of all correspondence on the subject direct to the Resident.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. H. Pelly

Bishop's Chaplain.

Govt. of {1896} Madras.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

From

C. H. Pelly.

THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE

THE CHIEF SECRETARY

TO GOVERNMENT.

Dated 5th } December 1896
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Furnishes information
regarding the Church and
Parsonage of Bolaram.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

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Current No. 303 of 1896, dated 17. xi, from The Resident at Hyderabad

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" " " 189 , " , "

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N^o 94 of 14-12-96The Resident at Hyderabad
will be addressed.

Letter to

N^o 95

The Resident at Hyderabad.

Sir,

With ref to your letter N^o 629 of
the 17th ultimo, I am directed to
state that the Church at Bolaram
was built ^{about} in the year 1848
by ^{private} subscriptions ^{raised among} the
officers, warrant officers
and subordinates of the Hyder-
-abad Contingent; and that
the community at Bolaram
further provided funds for the
salary of a clergyman together
with a free furnished house
as will be seen from the letter
from Brigadier General

to. Still, Commanding the
Hyderabad Contingent
d/26th December 1861, copy
of which ^{is forwarded.} accompanies.

2. The church was
handed over to foot in the
year 1861, vide letter from the foot
of India to the Resident at Hyder-
abad N^o. 772 d/14th March 1861.

For some years prior to 1867
Bolarum and Chadarghat
were outstations of the joint
Chaplaincy of Secunderabad.
In that year the Bishop with
the sanction of foot (G.O. N^o.
197 Eccl d/24th August 1867)
divided the joint Chaplaincy
of Hyderabad into two distinct
Chaplaincies, viz. Secun-
derabad, and Bolarum
with Chadarghat, and
appointed the Rev. W. B. Powell
a foot chaplain, as Chap-
lain of the latter.

3. In the same year, 1867,
application was made to
foot to have the Bolarum
Church consecrated.
This was refused on
the ground that,
as Bolarum

the Church ought to
remain available for
all denominations
of Protestants
Christians. This,
it was pointed out,
was the intention
in the original
subscribers.

Bolarum was exclusively
a military station, see
letter from E. C. Bayley Esq.
Secy to the Govt of India, to the
Resident at Hyderabad d/19th February 1867 N^o. 1723.
~~It would thus seem that~~
~~It is therefore clear that~~
~~the chaplain was not~~
~~appointed "only for the Civil~~
~~Community". And, since~~
~~the appointment of Mr. Powell,~~
~~there has been no change in~~
~~the status of the Chaplain.~~

4. In 1875 Chadarghat
was separated from Bolarum,
the latter becoming a
separate station, vide letter
from the Govt of India to the
Resident at Hyderabad
N^o. 7284, d/27th February 1875.
It was in that year that
British Troops began to
attend the Bolarum Church.

5. At the time a chaplain
was first appointed to
Bolarum, there does not,
the Rev. the Bishop of
Madras reports, appear
to have been any stipulation
made about a house,
but during the chaplaincy
of the Rev. C. H. Pelly
from 1877-1882, the house
which is now occupied by the
chaplain, and which
had been occupied
by chaplains for some
years,

copy of this to go?

Submits that a copy may be.

2. J. B.
12/1/80

Yrs
MS

The Rt. Rev. the Bishop
of Madras reports that
when a chaplain was
first appointed to Bolarum,
no stipulations appear to have
been made about a house
for the Chaplain's use,

years prior to 1877, was
set apart, and it is
believed, registered
by the General Officer
Commanding, as the
Chaplain's House.

The Bishop states
that the correspondence
on this subject will
be found in the Bolanum
Chaplaincy Records,
and that, to avoid
delay, he has instructed
the Chaplain of Bolanum
to send a copy of ~~the~~
~~correspondence on~~
~~the subject~~ ^{it} ~~direct~~
to you.

R.F.H. H.A.
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10.11.96

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CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO G. No.

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an exact copy of the
Letter fr. the Bishop's
Chaplain. The points
raised by the Resident
are dealt with.

R.F.H.

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STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

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