

Ecclesiastical (1896) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the Govt of India that the Right
Revd the Bishop is not aware of any diff-
culties having been experienced for many
years in obtaining the use of such Churches
for Presbyterian services.

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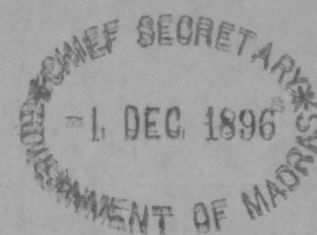
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Ecclesiastical (1896) Department.

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for favour of early
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John St. George Esq. Chief Secy
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From the Govt. of India
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No. 313

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WITH REPLY.

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SUBJECT.

Requesting to be furnished
with a report as to any dif-
ficulties that may have been
experienced in obtaining the
use of govt. churches, in India,
for Presbyterian services.

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Extract from a representation made by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland to Her Majesty's Secretary of State.

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The deputation would further beg to bring under the notice of the Secretary of State that the attention of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland has been frequently called to the difficulty experienced in some cases in obtaining the use of Government churches for Presbyterian services under the existing regulations.

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True Extract

W. Milne.

Registrar, Home Department.

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General Regulations under which a Church consecrated for the service of the Church of England may be used for Presbyterian Worship.

Her Majesty's Government having expressed an opinion that it is most desirable that the Ecclesiastical buildings in India should be made available for the purpose of Divine Worship to the greatest possible extent and having signified their desire that at any stations where Chaplains of the Church of Scotland are appointed to officiate to Her Majesty's Troops of the Presbyterian persuasion, the use of the Government Churches should be afforded to them subject to suitable regulations in each case, the following are prescribed as general regulations under which a Church consecrated for the service of the Church of England may be used for Presbyterian Worship, subject in every instance to such further special regulations as the circumstances of the case may appear to require.

1st. It shall be necessary to obtain the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese in each case.

2nd. The Bishop, or the Church of England Chaplain under the Bishop's instructions, shall fix the hour at which the Church shall be made available to the Presbyterian congregation.

3rd. The Church shall not be used for the service of any other denomination, not being of the Church of England, than Presbyterians, nor shall any other Minister officiate in it than a Minister of the Church of Scotland.

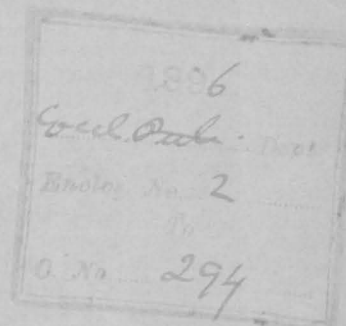
4th The care of the Church and Church furniture, and the expenditure and control of the Church Establishment shall remain exclusively in the hands of the Chaplain or Clergyman of the Church of England.

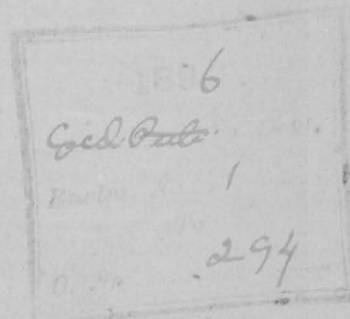
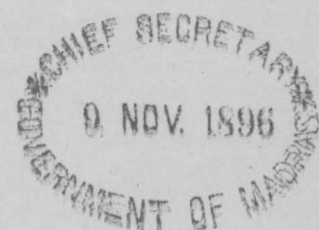
5th. The Bishop of the Diocese may withdraw his assent to use the Church for Presbyterian Worship, whenever he shall think fit.

(True Copy)

Wm. L. L.

Registrar-General's Department.





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No. 313

From

J. P. Hewett, Esq., C.I.E.,

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Home Department.

(Ecclesiastical)

Simla, the 2nd November 1896.

Sir,

It is stated in a representation from the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland to Her Majesty's Secretary of State, an extract from which is forwarded herewith, that their attention has been frequently called to the difficulty experienced in some cases in obtaining the use of Government Churches in India for Presbyterian services under the existing regulations.

2. The existing orders on the subject are those contained in the Regulations of the Government of India issued on the 10th September 1860 of which a copy is forwarded for reference. They provide for the use of Government Churches for Presbyterian Worship, with the consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, and subject to certain conditions. The Government of India have no information as to the difficulty complained of by the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. The Regulations provide that the Government Church may only be used when a Minister of the Church of Scotland officiates; and it appears to the Governor General in Council possible that difficulties may perhaps have arisen in the case of Scotch Regiments where the Minister draws a capitation allowance and is not a Minister of the Church of Scotland. I am directed to request that the Government of India may be favoured at an early date with a report as to any difficulties that may have been experienced and as to the best means of

of avoiding them.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

J. P. Hewitt

Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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upward*

CURRENT No. 308

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 30th } November 1896.

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No. 1585 Enclosure one

(Encl. c. no. 24/96)

Subject.

*States that the Bishop is
not aware of any difficulties
having been experienced in ob-
taining the use of Govt Churches
for Presbyterian Services.*

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Madras 30th November 1896.

No. 1585.

From

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

BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Fort Saint George
Madras

SIR,

With reference to Endorsement No. 2354 dated 13th November 1896, on letter from the Secretary to the Government of India No. 313, dated 2nd November 1896, (herewith returned), I have the honor, by desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, to state that, he is not aware of any difficulties having been experienced for many years in obtaining the use of Government Churches for Presbyterian services. The only difficulty, his Lordship remembers was at Bangalore so long ago as before the the present Scotch Church was built there.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

C. H. Pelly.

Bishop's Chaplain.

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LETTER:—

To

The Secretary to the Govt. of India,
Home Department (Eccl.)

SIR,

In reply to your letter No. 313, dated 2nd November 1896, I am directed to inform you that the Right Revd. the Bishop intimates that he is not aware of any difficulties having been experienced for many years in obtaining the use of Government churches for Presbyterian services. The only difficulty which the Bishop remembers was at Bangalore so long ago as before the present Scotch Church was built there. This was, of course, ~~some~~ many years ago.

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Orders are requested
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need be made to
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