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Read—the following papers:—

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Senior Chaplain, Joint Trustee of the St. Mary's Church fund, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George 25th September 1897, No. 168.

I have the honour to address you on the subject of paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 33, Ecclesiastical, dated 27th May 1897. The Government assumes that the reduced amount paid by the Garrison Chaplain to the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum in the year 1896–97 was due to the reduction of the number of children contemplated in G.O., No. 431, Financial, dated 2nd May 1893.

2. Soon after the receipt of the order I was about to reply that this was the case; but it occurred to me that there must be something wrong in the calculation of numbers, and that I had better look into the matter further before replying. The matter presented itself to my mind in this way; there has been a diminution of income from the fund to the extent of one per cent. owing to the conversion of Government promissory notes. There has also been a diminution of income to the extent of 16 per cent. owing to the cessation of rent payments of the Trustees' school-house in the Fort. The total diminution of income has thus been 17 per cent. The diminution of boys benefited by the fund amounts to no less than 48 per cent. There has been an increase in the cost per boy per month. But this increase does not account for the discrepancy between the diminution of income and the decrease in the number of St. Mary's boys.

3. After a very careful examination of a great number of facts connected with the case, I have the honour to present this report, and to ask the Government to favourably consider my suggestions.

4. I append to this report two tables; the one shows the amounts contributed by the St. Mary's fund and by the Government together during the last 25 years, as the contribution of the St. Mary's Trustees for the payment of the education of the St. Mary's school boys.

The other table is a calculation of all Government grants to the Civil Orphan Asylum during the last 25 years; a statement of the number of children in each year benefited by the grant; and a calculation of the cost of each child per month to the Government.

I shall have to refer to these tables again; I will call them respectively Table A and Table B.

5. The foundation principles of the amalgamation of the Black Town Civil Orphan Asylums with the St. Mary's Church Charity school, as laid down in paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 116, Educational, dated 6th May 1871, was as follows:—

"The revenues of the St. Mary's school would be devoted to the support and education of the scholars belonging to it, and no charge whatever on their account would fall *on the Civil Asylums*."

It is quite manifest what the meaning of this clause is; but from time to time a wrong interpretation has been placed upon it.

First, when the number of boys was reduced from 54 to 40—G.O., No. 24, Educational, dated 26th January 1881.

Secondly, when the number of St. Mary's boys was further reduced to 30—G.O., No. 431, Financial, dated 2nd May 1893.

6. At the time of the amalgamation the income of St. Mary's school was partly derived from endowment and partly from Government. From endowment there was an income of about Rs. 5,500 a year available for school purposes; the Government grant amounted to Rs. 963, of which Rs. 540 was for the salary grant of the master, and Rs. 423 for general feeding and clothing purposes. The Government grant amounted to about 13 per cent. of the other source of income.

The income of the asylums from funded capital, donations, church collections and other sources amounted to about Rs. 15,300. The Government grant amounted to Rs. 2,500, which was a little more than 16 per cent. of the other source of income.

As the amalgamation was brought about for the benefit of both schools, and on the above equitable principles (each school enjoying a similar, though not quite equal, proportion of Government assistance), it seems almost incredible that within a very short time the Directorate of the schools should have interpreted the foundation clause of the amalgamation in such a way as to claim for the Civil Orphan Asylum children nearly the whole of the Government grant given to the institution as a whole; and to exclude almost entirely from its benefit the boys of St. Mary's school. But this is actually what has been done as I will proceed to show.

7. I will first point out by a reference to Table A how the Government grant to the St. Mary's school was merged in the Government grant to the whole school. In 1872, the St. Mary's school had a salary grant of Rs. 540, and a charity grant of Rs. 423. By G.O., No. 101, Educational, dated 30th March 1874, the Government increased the charity grant to the amalgamated schools from Rs. 600 to Rs. 1,200 per annum, and stopped the charity contribution to the St. Mary's school.

The reason of this stoppage of grant to St. Mary's school is perfectly obvious. The Government manifestly looked upon the asylums as an amalgamated institution; and when they transferred the St. Mary's grant to the Directors, and added a little to it, they evidently intended the grant to benefit all the children in the amalgamated institution, and not to take away from the St. Mary's boys the privilege of sharing in the gift.

As to the salary grant, that has always been paid by the Government straight to the Directors from the time of the amalgamation; but in this case the Directors have always given credit to the St. Mary's fund for Rs. 540, the Government grant to the St. Mary's school in 1871–72, and looked upon it as part of the covenanted donation on account of the St. Mary's boys.

In referring to Table B you will see how after 1872 the Government grant for educational purposes was increased. You will also see that between 1885 and the present time the Government grants for feeding, clothing and other purposes have been most liberal. It is impossible not to suppose that these liberal grants have been made for all the children educated in the institution, and that in making them the Government had in view the fact that the *two original schools by an equitable arrangement had been made into one*.

8. By G.O., No. 24, Educational, dated 26th January 1881, the Government acquiesced in cutting down the number of the St. Mary's boys, on the ground that the donation from the St. Mary's fund did not cover the total cost of the boys' education and keep. In their letter asking that this might be done, the Directors referred to the foundation clause of the amalgamation, which I have already quoted in paragraph 5; they said nothing about the legitimate share of the St. Mary's boys in the Government grant; they left the Government to suppose that the St. Mary's boys had no right to any share in it; and they made their request on the assumption that all the Rs. 3,600 then being given to the institution by the Government were intended only for the benefit of those children of the asylums who were not St. Mary's boys. If you will look at paragraph 3 of the Directors' proceedings enclosed in their letter (quoted in the above order), you will see that this extraordinary assumption was actually made.

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9. As the Government acquiesced in this method of viewing the rights of the St. Mary's boys it was not very long before the Directors asked that the same method might be pursued with regard to the children on the Woolley fund. Accordingly by G.O., No. 64, Educational, dated 3rd March 1881, the number on the Woolley foundation was cut down from 30 to 25. And again by G.O., No. 289, Educational, dated 7th September 1881, the number of children on the Woolley fund was reduced from 25 to 20.

It was assumed on both occasions for the first time in the history of the asylums that the Woolley fund children—though belonging to the same class as the other children, and in just as bad circumstances—had no right to any share in the Government grant.

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10. By G.O., No. 431, Financial, dated 2nd May 1893, the number of children on the St. Mary's foundation was ordered to be again reduced.

The order was a reply to a letter from the Directors in which they represented that they were maintaining ten St. Mary's boys out of their own funds (paragraph 7) and they threatened, that unless the Government supplement the funds of the asylums, to consider the question of sending those ten boys adrift.

Just as in the year 1881 when they made a similar demand, they said nothing about the legitimate share of the St. Mary's boys in the Government grant; they made their request on the assumption that all the Rs. 5,000, then being given to the institution by the Government, were intended only for the benefit of those children of the asylums who were neither on the St. Mary's nor the Woolley foundation.

Before issuing the order of reduction the Government hesitated and made inquiry as to whether it would be possible and advisable to terminate the contract of amalgamation between the two schools. Manifestly, the Government thought that there was something wrong when the second reduction was asked for but they were not able to see where the error was.

11. That there was an impropriety in looking at the question in this way can be seen by means of the following comparisons. In 1872, at the time of the amalgamation, both schools received about 15 per cent. of their other income from Government. After the amalgamation the right of the St. Mary's boys to a share in the Government grants seems to have been admitted up to the year 1881. In 1880 the number of children in the school was 166, distinguished as follows:—

St. Mary's boys	54
Woolley children	30
Civil Orphan Asylum children	82

The Government grant amounted to Rs. 3,628. If the Government had inquired how much was being expended out of Government funds per child per month, the reply would have been Re. 1–13–0. It would not have entered into the heads of the Directors to say that the St. Mary's boys and the Woolley children had no share in the grant and that it was only given for their own 82 children, and that the cost per child was Rs. 3–11–0.

Again in the year 1892, just before the second reduction was made, the number of children was 139, distinguished as follows:—

St. Mary's boys	40
Woolley children	20
Civil Orphan Asylum children	79

The Government grant amounted to Rs. 4,936, and the cost per child to the Government by the ordinary method of calculation was Rs. 2–13–0. If the claim of the Directors had been taken seriously, so that only their own children were taken into consideration, the cost per child would have been Rs. 5–3–0.

12. I desire to point out in addition the general effect of the policy upon the relative numbers in the institution.

In the first seven years of the amalgamation the total number of children benefited averaged about 180, of whom the average of Civil Orphan Asylum children was 96.

In the last seven years the total number of children benefited averaged about 141, of whom the average of Civil Orphan Asylum children was about 85.

From this you will observe that the percentage of Civil Orphan Asylum children to the whole number has increased, while the percentage of St. Mary's and Woolley children has decreased. Owing to increase of expenditure per child, the number benefited has suffered; but the number of the Civil Orphan Asylum children has been nearly sustained by a disproportionate decrease of the Woolley and St. Mary's children.

In effect the Directors have taken to themselves the lion's share of the nominations on the assumption that the Government helps their children and not the others.

13. I have the honour to ask that the Government will inform all whom it may concern that the Government grants made to the amalgamated institution are meant for all the children in the schools. Under the present system the St. Mary's and Woolley children are treated in the same way as boarders; as far as the St. Mary's children are concerned, this method of treatment is entirely *inconsistent with the idea of amalgamation*. And I have the honour to ask that the number of the St. Mary's children may be at once increased by transfer to 36.

The calculation is made thus—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Average expense per child per month in the last nine years approximately	15	2	0
Average Government grant per child per month in the same time approximately	3	2	0
Average amount to be paid from other sources per child per month	12	0	0

The St. Mary's fund can pay at present Rs. 5,180 per annum. This sum is sufficient for 36 boys.

I suggest that the number 36 be fixed for five years, and that the average expenditure and cost be then again calculated.

I also suggest as fair and reasonable in itself that the numbers of the Waltair and Woolley children should be re-arranged in the same way.

The number of the Civil Orphan Asylum children will then depend always upon the resources of the Civil Orphan Asylum, together with its fair share of the Government grant, and this will be in accordance with the original foundation principle of amalgamation with the St. Mary's school.

14. I have to apologise for the length of this letter; it is due to my great desire to make it clear to the Government that in the reduction of the number of children on the St. Mary's foundation from 54 to 30, a real but unintentional injustice has been done to the fund of which I am a trustee and in the proper application of which I am interested.

And in conclusion I wish to point out to the Government that it would be better for the amalgamated institution if the Garrison Chaplain had a larger voice in the expenditure; he represents on the Directorate about one-fourth of the total income of the schools (omitting the Government grant); but as far as expenditure is concerned he only possesses one vote in twenty-four. My idea is that he should be one of a financial sub-committee of three or four persons representing the various sources of income, including the Government grant, to exercise control over expenditure. Possibly, the high cost of a child at the institution would then be reduced; if it were, the number of the St. Mary's, the Waltair and the Woolley children would again be increased at the end of five years, and greater justice would be done to the funds which support them.

P.S.—The occasional discrepancies in Table A and Table B are due to the fact that the St. Mary's accounts are kept for the official year and the Civil Orphan Asylum accounts for the civil year.

Enclosure.

Table A.—The St. Mary's Contribution to the Directors.

Year.	Number of boys.	Regular contribution from St. Mary's fund.	Balance due on previous year's account, or specially granted in addition to regular payment.	Extra amount paid from rent of school.	From Government to St. Mary's on account of salary of master.	From Government to St. Mary's on account of charitable donation.	Total paid on account of St. Mary's.
		Rs.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1872-73	54	5,457	..	..	540	423	6,400
1873-74	54	5,457	..	..	540	423	6,400

(1) The Government grant for the master's salary (to the amount mentioned) was paid direct to the Directors; but they gave the Garrison Chaplain credit for the amount, and have regularly done so up to the present time.

(2) In the year 1874 the old school-house in the Fort was let, and the rent ordered to be paid to the Directors to supplement the amount already arranged—G.O., No. 81, Educational, dated 16th March 1874.

(3) In the same year the Government raised the charitable donation to the Directors from Rs. 600 to Rs. 1,200 per annum (G.O., No. 101, Educational, dated 30th March 1874), and stopped the charitable donation of Rs. 423 to the St. Mary's und. But the annual payment of Rs. 6,400 continued without this subsidy.

1874-75	54	5,880	..	775	540	..	7,195
1875-76	54	5,880	..	931	540	..	7,351
1876-77	54	5,880	..	928	540	..	7,348
1877-78	54	5,880	..	920	540	..	7,340
1878-79	54	5,880	..	845	540	..	7,265
1879-80	54	5,880	..	920	540	..	7,340
1880-81	54	5,880	..	927	540	..	7,347
Numbers reduced to 40—G.O., No. 24, Educational, dated 26th January 1881.							
1881-82	40	5,880	..	1,020	540	..	7,440
1882-83	40	5,880	45	1,020	540	..	7,485
1883-84	40	5,460	..	1,020	540	..	7,020
1884-85	40	5,880	427	1,020	540	..	7,867
1885-86	40	5,880	..	1,020	540	..	7,440
1886-87	40	5,880	70	1,020	540	..	7,510
1887-88	40	5,880	134	1,020	540	..	7,574
1888-89	40	5,460	..	1,020	540	..	7,020
1889-90	40	5,880	716	1,020	540	..	8,156

In the year 1890 the school-house in the Fort was re-taken by the Government. No rent was afterwards received or paid.

1890-91	40	5,460	..	..	540	..	6,000
1891-92	40	5,880	35	..	540	..	6,455
1892-93	40	5,460	..	..	540	..	6,000

(1) In December 1892 the Directors wrote to the Government:—They represented that in future they would only receive Rs. 5,640 per annum for St. Mary's boys (*i.e.*, Rs. 5,100 from St. Mary's fund and Rs. 540 on account of master's salary).

(2) The Government sanctioned the reduction of the number of boys—G.O., No. 431, Financial, dated 2nd May 1893.

1893-94	..	5,460	..	..	540	..	6,000
1894-95	..	5,460	..	..	540	..	6,000
1895-96	..	5,485	..	..	540	..	6,025
1896-97	..	4,620	..	..	540	..	5,160

Calculation of cost from Table A.

1. During the first two years of amalgamation, 54 boys cost Rs. 6,400, of which St. Mary's fund paid Rs. 5,457—

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Average cost of each boy per month	9	14	0	(*i.e.*, paid for each boy).
Cost to St. Mary's fund	8	6	8	
Cost to Government	1	7	4	

2. In the next seven years the charitable grant was paid direct to the Directors and it was overlooked that the St. Mary's boys had any right to a share in it—

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Average cost of each boy per month	11	4	6	(*i.e.*, paid for each boy).
Cost to St. Mary's fund	10	7	2	
Cost to Government	0	13	4	

3. In the next twelve years there were 40 boys—

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Average cost per boy per month	14	14	9	(*i.e.*, paid for each boy).
Cost to St. Mary's fund	13	12	9	
Cost to Government	1	2	0	

4. Since 1893 there have been 30 boys—

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Average cost per boy per month	16	1	7	(*i.e.*, paid for each boy).
Cost to St. Mary's fund	14	9	7	
Cost to Government	1	8	0	

Table B.—The Government Contribution to the Directors.

Year.	Number of children.				Government grants.				Total grant and rate of grant per child per month.			
	Civil Orphan Asylum boys.	St. Mary boys.	Civil Orphan Asylum girls.	Total.	General.	Salary.	Feeding and clothing.	Sundries.				
					Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.
1872	61	54	62	177	600	1,360	..	..	2,923	1	6	0
1873	65	54	65	184	423 600	540 1,360	..	..	2,923	1	5	0
1874	65	54	65	184	423 1,200	540 1,360	..	..	3,100	1	6	6
1878	57	54	65	176	1,200	540						
1879	49	54	65	168	1,200	2,558*	..	103	3,863	1	13	0
1880	47	54	65	166	1,200	2,550	..	105	3,855	1	13	0
1881	52	40	61	153	1,200	2,428	..	..	3,628	1	13	0
1882	50	40	59	149	1,200	2,223	..	202	3,625	1	15	0
1883	47	40	58	145	1,200	1,909	..	605	3,714	2	1	0
1884	57	40	57	154	1,200	1,745	..	..	2,945	1	11	0
1885	56	40	61	157	1,200	3,430	..	392	5,022	2	11	0
1886	59	40	29	128	1,200	3,883	420	471	5,974	3	2	0
1887	62	40	38	140	1,200	2,529	6,831	350	10,910	7	1	0
1889	61	40	37	138	1,200	2,177	2,245	227	5,849	3	7	0
1890	59	40	41	140	1,200	2,907	1,500	82	5,689	3	7	0
1891	62	40	40	142	1,200	2,584	1,317	687	5,788	3	7	0
1892	56	40	43	139	1,200	2,731	1,281	457	5,669	3	7	0
1893	61	30	43	134	1,200	2,296	1,266	174	4,936	3	5	0
1894	59	30	44	133	1,200	2,384	1,185	304	5,073	2	13	0
1895	68	30	45	143	1,200	2,410	1,119	271	5,000	3	2	0
1896	79	30	47	156	1,200	2,456	1,200	961	5,817	3	1	0

* Including amount paid for St. Mary's.

I have not access to the reports of the years not given.

Calculation of cost from Table B.

1. In the first two years of the amalgamation the Directors received Government assistance at the rate of *Rs. 1-6-0* per child per month.

In the payment made by the St. Mary's fund at the same dates credit was given for *Rs. 1-7-4* for every St. Mary's child.

The difference was not great; probably it was thought that when altogether *amalgamated* the difference would altogether disappear.

2. In the next seven years the Directors received Government assistance at the average rate of *Rs. 1-12-0* per child per month for all the children.

In the payment made by the St. Mary's fund credit was given during this period to the amount of As. 13-4 per child.

3. In the next twelve years the Directors received Government assistance at the average rate of *Rs. 3-2-0* per child per month for all the children.

In the payment made by the St. Mary's fund credit was given during this period to the amount of *Rs. 1-2-0* per child.

4. From 1893 to the present time the Directors have received Government assistance to the average amount of *Rs. 2-15-0* per child per month in the school.

In the payment made by the St. Mary's fund credit has been given during this period to the amount of *Rs. 1-8-0* per child only.

Endt. No. 2131.

Referred to the Accountant-General for favour of remarks.

13*th October* 1897. (Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

From F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Officiating Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 7th December 1897, No. 3852.

I have the honour to return the Garrison Chaplain's letter regarding the St. Mary's scholars at the Civil Orphan Asylums referred to me with Government endorsement No. 2131, dated 13th October 1897, and to make the following observations:—

There is, I think, much force in the Garrison Chaplain's contention that Government in raising the grant from Rs. 600 to Rs. 1,200 intended that St. Mary's school should benefit (*cf.* G.O., No. 64, Ecclesiastical, dated 19th March 1866, and G.O., No. 101, Educational, dated 30th March 1874). Moreover the Civil Orphan Asylums enjoy the services gratis of a Chaplain, an Apothecary and a Surgeon. Again though they have been given another and a better site they enjoy the sale-proceeds of the former site and of the surplus lands of the new site and also certain rentals. From Woolley's funds they also enjoy the use of Rs. 15,000 (Minutes of Consultation, No. 465, Public, and No. 216, Ecclesiastical, dated the 16th April 1839 and 2nd December 1842), which they acknowledge in their report of 1876. There is a further sum of Rs. 10,000 to be taken account of (G.O., No. 1143, Public, dated 9th December 1851) which having been expended on buildings has merged in the later sale-proceeds.

2. I submit that the following figures taken from various reports afford the best data for determining the number of inmates nominated by these various institutions. I do not refer to the Lawrence Asylum and Waltair Asylum figures as they are irrelevant:—

—	1871.	1872.	1881.	1893.	1896.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Civil Orphan Asylum—					
Collections	6,652	6,745	6,974	5,252	5,059
Interest	3,496	3,482	3,307	3,946	4,526
Sales	281	1,387	555	375	341
Total ..	10,429	11,614	10,836	9,573	9,926
St. Mary's account	..	4,575	6,900	5,460	5,230
Woolley's account capital with Civil Orphan Asylum	600	600	600	600	525
Do. do. with Government	2,754	2,754	2,747	2,747	2,404
Government contributions fixed	600	600	1,200	1,200	1,200
Grants-in-aid	1,219	1,908	2,426	3,875	3,758
Interest	..	..	2,637	1,576	689
Rents	..	682	174	595	420
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	450	860
Total ..	15,602	22,733	27,520	26,076	25,012

3. These figures show the resources of their funds to be as follows:—

	Rs.
Civil Orphan Asylum	10,000
St. Mary's	5,000
Woolley's	3,000
Waltair	1,000

The inmates may be nominated in this proportion—

—	1871.	1872.	1881.	1893.	1896.
Civil Orphan Asylum	97	98	85	74	82
St. Mary's accounts	..	49	43	38	42
Woolley's account	32	30	26	22	26
Waltair's account	..	..	..	..	6
Total ..	129	177	153	134	156

4. Yet the actual inmates nominated in the past were—

—	1871.	1872.	1881.	1893.	1896.
Civil Orphan Asylum	89	83	84	82	100
St. Mary's account	..	54	43	32	30
Woolley's account	40	40	26	20	20
Waltair's account	..	..	..	..	6
Total ..	129	177	153	134	156

5. The Civil Orphan Asylums on the basis of my figures are only however entitled to nominate 82 instead of 100 as at present, whereas the Government nominate 56 instead of 74.

6. As it appears that the Civil Orphan Asylum receipts are Rs. 10,000, whereas the Government contribution is Rs. 15,000, it seems right that Government should have a larger voice in the management.

From the Honorary Secretary, Civil Orphan Asylum, Madras, dated 17th December 1897, No. 386, forwarding copy of the following:—

Extract from the Proceedings of a meeting of the Directors, Civil Orphan Asylum, and St. Mary's Church Charity School, under date 17th December 1897.

Paragraph 8.—"Report of Sub-Committee regarding St. Mary's Church Fund." Adopted. Copy to Garrison Chaplain and to the Co-Trustee. Chief Secretary.

(Signed) W. A. BEESON,
Honorary Secretary.

Enclosure.

Sub-Committee Meeting.

Proceedings of a Sub-Committee appointed to decide certain questions relating to St. Mary's Charity Fund, held at the boys' school premises on Monday the 13th December 1897, at 7-30 A.M.

Present:

The Venerable the Archdeacon ... ... *In the Chair.*
The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Benson.
Mr. J. T. Greatorex. *Honorary Treasurer.*
Mr. C. Hall ... ... *Honorary Secretary.*
Mr. W. A. Beeson ... ...

Read letters from the Garrison Chaplain, dated 17th September, 1st October, 20th November and 10th December 1897, also—

G.O., No. 252, Educational, dated 26th August 1871.
" " 329 " " 28th October "
" " 24 " " 26th January 1881.
" " 1183, Financial " 14th November 1891.
" " 689 " " 1st July 1892
" " 431 " " 2nd May 1893.
" " 101, Educational " 30th March 1874.

(1) The Sub-Committee recommend to the Directors that the claim for refund of Rs. 61–14–0 to St. Mary's Charity Fund for the year 1896 be not entertained until the application has the approval of both the Trustees of St. Mary's Charity Fund. At present it appears to have been made by one Trustee only.

(2) In the event of both Trustees agreeing in the application the Sub-Committee are of opinion that the refund proposed cannot be made unless the Trustees guarantee to the Directors payment for the St. Mary's School children in future years on the same principle of calculation. If the Trustees are prepared to give this guarantee the Sub-Committee think that the refund for 1896 may be made. The Sub-Committee are informed by the Treasurer that if this principle had been acted on since April 1892, the Trustees of St. Mary's Charity School would now owe the Directors some hundreds of rupees.

(3) In his letter of 20th November 1897, the Chaplain states that accounts showing the amount drawn for the second master were rendered up to 1893, but from G.O., No. 431, Financial, dated 2nd May 1893, it is apparent that accounts were rendered only up to 31st March 1892. The Chaplain is requested to favour the Directors with a copy of the accounts up to June 1893.

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(4) With reference to paragraph 6 of the Chaplain's note, dated 10th December 1897, it is in the opinion of the Sub-Committee clear from paragraph 12 of the Directors' letter to Government, printed with G.O., No. 101, Educational, dated 30th March 1874, that the grant of Rs. 1,200 can in no way refer to the St. Mary's Charity Fund.

It is shown also by G.O., No. 689, Financial, dated 1st July 1892, that the grant of Rs. 423 as allowed in G.O., dated 19th March 1866, is not blended in the grant of Rs. 1,200 referred to.

That this view is correct is the more apparent from the fact that in order to obtain this Rs. 1,200 the Directors have to collect from the public, and entirely apart from the St. Mary's Charity Fund, a sum of Rs. 3,000 per annum.

(Signed) W. A. BEESON,
Hony. Secretary.

(Signed) WESTON W. ELWES,
Archdeacon of Madras,
Chairman.

Memo. No. 186.

With reference to his letter, No. 386 of 17th December 1897, the Honorary Secretary, Civil Orphan Asylum, is requested to be so good as to forward copies of the letters from the Garrison Chaplain quoted in the proceedings of the Sub-Committee.

(Signed) M. E. COUCHMAN,
Ag. Assistant Secretary.

25*th January* 1898.

To the Honorary Secretary, Civil Orphan Asylum.

C.R.-55

From W. A. BEESON, Esq., Honorary Secretary, Civil Orphan Asylums, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Egmore, 31st January 1898, No. 23.

As requested in your memorandum, dated 25th January 1898, No. 186, I have the honour to send herewith copies of the letters from the Garrison Chaplain with reference to the above fund.

Enclosures.

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Garrison Chaplain, to the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum (through the Honorary Secretary), dated Fort St. George, 17th September 1897.

With regard to the agenda at your meeting on the 24th, I would like to mention—

1. I should like to report on the telegraph project. I think the matter should be referred to me.

2. If Mr. Joyce is the father of the children in the school, his proposed subscription is quite inadequate. He ought to pay at least Rs. 10 per mensem for the pair or be told to remove them. He is fairly well off, though he has family difficulties.

3. The Anderson children should not be admitted so long as there are fatherless children waiting—(one child is over age).

4. Mrs. Brander at her late inspection (see her report) professed herself satisfied with the teaching power on the girls side.

5. *Mr. Hall's letter.*—I am myself addressing the Government on the matter of the St. Mary's Fund.

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Garrison Chaplain, to the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum (through the Honorary Secretary), dated Fort St. George, 1st October 189[illegible].

I have the honour to draw your attention to the following figures showing the amount due by the Directors to the Trustees of the St. Mary's Fund for the year 1896:—

Number of St. Mary's children				30
Cost per child for the year 1896 per month			Rs. A. P.	13 5 3
Total amount due to Directors from St. Mary's Fund for the year				4,798 2 0
	Rs.	A.	P.	
Amount actually paid	4,620	0	0	
Portion of Government grant to be credited to St. Mary's Fund for the children	540	0	0	
				5,160 0 0
Amount due to the Trustees of St. Mary's Fund				361 14 0

2. I do not think it necessary that this money should be sent to me; probably when the 1897 account is made out, it will be found that something is due to the Directors from the St. Mary's Fund; the differences can be adjusted at the beginning of next year.

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Garrison Chaplain, to the Directors, Civil Orphan Asylum (through the Honorary Secretary), dated Fort St. George, 20th November 1897.

In continuation of my letter of the 1st October 1897 I am informed by the Honorary Treasurer of the Civil Orphan Asylum that the amount actually drawn by the Directors for the second master in the year ending the 31st December 1896 was Rs. 240.

The figures given in my letter of the 1st October should therefore be altered as follows:—

			Rs. A. P.	
Amount due to Directors				4,798 2 0
	Rs.	A.	P.	
Amount paid	4,620	0	0	
Portion of Government grant to be credited to the St. Mary's Fund	240	0	0	
				4,860 0 0
Amount due to the Trustees of the St. Mary's Fund				61 14 0

From the time of the amalgamation of the St. Mary's school with the Civil Orphan Asylum until June 1893 the amount drawn for the second master from Government was regularly credited to the St. Mary's Fund. You will understand that my present claim is to a share in the Government grant to the extent allowed by the Government at the time of the amalgamation.

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Garrison Chaplain, to the Sub-Committee *re* St. Mary's Fund (through the Secretary), dated Fort St. George, 10th December 1897.

It does not appear to me that I am the right person to sit on a committee appointed *to decide certain questions relating to the St. Mary's Charity Fund.*

The questions have been raised by myself; it is impossible for me to be a judge in my own cause.

But with a view of placing before you in the simplest way what the claim is, I enclose a note of three pages on the subject.

Note.

1. The foundation principle of amalgamation is laid down in G.O., No. 116, Page 25 of book file dated 6th May 1871—

"The revenues of the St. Mary's school would be devoted to the support and education of the scholars belonging to it, and no charge whatever on their account would fall on the Civil Asylums."

2. At the time of the amalgamation the income of the St. Mary's school was partly derived from endowment and partly from Government.

	Per annum.
	Rs.
Endowment	5,500
Government	963

The Government grant was as follows :—

Teaching	540
Feeding and clothing	423

The proportion of Government grant to other income was thus about 15 per cent. The income of the asylums at the same time from funded capital, donation, church collections, subscriptions and other sources was approximately Rs. 15,500, *i.e.*, the proportion of Government grant to other income was about 16 per cent.

4. The two schools enjoyed a similar proportion of Government assistance. The amalgamation was therefore brought about on perfectly equitable principles. The manifest intention of the Government was that after *amalgamation* the Government grant to the institution as a whole would be fairly spread over the needs of the total number of children in it.

5. At the present time the Directors of the amalgamated institution look upon the whole Government grant as intended for Civil Orphan Asylum children only.

They regard the St. Mary's children as boarders, whose total cost is to be paid for out of the St. Mary's *Fund*.

6. My claim is that the principle and fact of *amalgamation* should not thus be ignored, and that the St. Mary's children should be recognised as having a right to their proper share in the whole Government grant.

From T. HESKETH BIGGS, Esq., Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 20th April 1898, No. 1548.

With reference to Madras Government ~~Order~~ Memo, No. 592, Ecclesiastical, dated the 4th of March 1898, forwarding certain correspondence regarding the St. Mary's Church Fund for scrutiny and remarks, I have the honour to state as follows.

2. The Garrison Chaplain in his letters to the Civil Orphan Asylum, dated 1st October and 20th November 1897, arrives at the cost of maintenance of the St. Mary's orphans by taking Rs. 13-5-3 as the cost per child, as given in the Directors' report for 1896, paragraph 17. But this is worked out by dividing the entire expenditure of the Asylum by the total number of children. From the aggregate however the following items of expenditure should be deducted for reasons stated against each.

Repairs and Assessment.—These charges should be set off against rents and sale-proceeds of buildings and lands which were presented to the Asylum by Government in 1871, and from which the Asylum made certain investments.

Pensions and Bonuses.—These extraordinary charges should be set off against the surplus income of the institution.

3. To the total expenditure should be added the following item. The Garrison Chaplain drew an allowance of Rs. 87½ per mensem as Superintendent of the St. Mary's orphans. On the transfer of the orphans from the Fort to the Civil Orphan Asylum at Egmore, he was granted also a carriage allowance of Rs. 30 per mensem and was placed also in spiritual charge of the combined institution. The total charge of Rs. 117½ per mensem or Rs. 1,410 per annum should be treated as part of the cost of children and also as a contribution paid to the Asylum from the St. Mary's fund because it is now met wholly from the latter.

4. I would also observe that the Government grant of Rs. 600 formerly drawn by the Civil Orphan Asylum proper and of Rs. 423 by the St. Mary's School appear

to have on the amalgamation of the two institutions been converted into one grant of Rs. 1,200 per annum in G.O., No. 101, Educational, dated 30th March 1874. Though the Asylum Directors content that the Rs. 1,200 belongs solely to the Asylum, because it is dependent on their raising Rs. 3,000 per annum from the public, the Garrison Chaplain urges that it was granted on a reconsideration of the previous claims of both the institutions. Thus of the Rs. 1,200, Rs. 500 may be taken as a contribution on behalf of the St. Mary's scholars.

5. Following these principles, I have revised the excess contribution for 1896 and compared the result with that of the previous four years in the accompanying statement. It will be seen that in each year the contribution exceeded the proportionate cost of the St. Mary's orphans and that more children on account of the St. Mary's could have been maintained than was actually the case in each year.

6. If Government approve, it may ask the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylums either to maintain a larger number of St. Mary's orphans or to refund the excess contribution made to the Asylums and thus enable the Trustees of the St. Mary's Fund to enlarge the expenditure on pensions which are paid from the St. Mary's Fund.

7. I beg to return the correspondence received with the Madras Government endorsement under reference, together with a copy of the Garrison Chaplain's letter, No. 253, dated 23rd March 1898, wherein he approves generally of the additions and deduction of expenditure and the additions to the contribution proposed by me.

Enclosures.

Statement showing cost of St. Mary's children in the years.

	1896.	1895.	1894.	1893.	1892.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
(*a*) Entire expenditure of the Civil Orphan Asylums as per report ..	23,935 0 0	25,440 0 0	22,134 0 0	25,545 0 0	25,116 0 0
(*b*) *Deduct*—Buildings and repairs, assessment and gratuity or pension ..	1,716 0 0	3,844 0 0	1,460 0 0	2,401 0 0	1,104 0 0
Net Total ..	22,219 0 0	21,596 0 0	20,674 0 0	23,144 0 0	24,012 0 0
(*c*) *Add*—Chaplain's salary and carriage allowance (Rs. 87½ + 30) per mensem	1,410 0 0	1,410 0 0	1,410 0 0	1,410 0 0	1,410 0 0
Total ..	23,629 0 0	23,006 0 0	22,084 0 0	24,554 0 0	25,422 0 0
(*d*) Average number of children in the amalgamated institution	No. 150	No. 139	No. 131	No. 138	No. 140
(*e*) Cost of each per mensem	Rs. A. P. 13 2 0	Rs. A. P. 13 12 8	Rs. A. P. 14 0 9	Rs. A. P. 14 13 3	Rs. A. P. 15 2 1
(*f*) Cost of St. Mary's children (30), (30), (30), (32) and (38), respectively ..	4,725 0 0	4,965 0 0	5,057 0 0	5,694 0 0	5,899 0 0
Amount of St. Mary's contribution excluded in the report—					
(*g*) Grants to second master .. Rs. 240					
(*h*) Proportion of grant of Rs. 1,200. 500	2,150 0 0	2,150 0 0	2,150 0 0	2,150 0 0	2,150 0 0
(*i*) Payment to Chaplain .. 1,410					
(*j*) Amount of lump contribution as per report	5,280 0 0	5,085 0 0	5,460 0 0	5,910 0 0	5,460 0 0
Total ..	7,380 0 0	7,325 0 0	7,610 0 0	8,060 0 0	7,610 0 0
(*k*) Excess contribution to the Asylums (*j*)—(*f*)	2,655 0 0	2,360 0 0	2,553 0 0	2,366 0 0	711 0 0
(*l*) Excess is equal to cost of how many children	No. 16	No. 14	No. 15	No. 13	No. 4
(*m*) Total number of children that might have been maintained (*f*) + (*l*) ..	46	44	45	45	42
Average ..			44		

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Garrison Chaplain, to the Accountant-General, dated 23rd March 1898, No. 253.

In reply to your letter, No. 1145 of the 21st March, I have the honour to answer your questions as follows:—

1. Why no portion of the grant of Rs. 1,200 from the Government has been taken to the account of the St. Mary's orphans.

I believe that it was entirely due to an oversight on the part of former Garrison Chaplains. I beg to refer you to G.O., No. 101, Educational, dated 30th March 1874. In that order is printed an appeal for the newly amalgamated institution (the Civil Orphan Asylums and the St. Mary's school) from the Directors. It was written by the Garrison Chaplain as Vice-President of the amalgamated institution. It so happened that soon after the appeal was written, the writer (the Rev. O. Dene) was transferred to another garrison, and was succeeded by the Rev. Dr. Sayers. I believe that the change of Chaplains at this particular time caused the original mistake to which you refer.

There seems to have been no mistake or misapprehension on the part of the Government. In their order they said that they had considered *all the circumstances*. In the appeal, the first eleven paragraphs are about the Civil Orphan Asylum and its affairs, the twelfth paragraph is about the St. Mary's children. In this paragraph it is especially remembered that the St. Mary's Fund "*also receives a Government contribution.*" The order therefore was not passed without everything being remembered viz.:—

	Rs.	
(*a*) The Civil Orphan Asylum received	600	as charitable
(*b*) The St. Mary's Fund received	432	contribution.

The two schools were amalgamated under one Directorate.

The Government granted a lump contribution of Rs. 1,200, and stopped its contribution to the St. Mary's Fund, *i.e.*, it increased the charitable grant by Rs. 168.

But I believe that the intention and the act of Government was misunderstood by the succeeding Garrison Chaplain.

2. Why the contribution from the St. Mary's Fund is shown by me as Rs. 5,160 while the Director's report for 1896 gives it as Rs. 5,230 ?

The St. Mary's Fund account is made up annually on the 31st March. Its payments therefore include all payments from the 1st April in one year to the 31st March in the next.

The Directors' accounts are made up annually on the 31st December.

The payment from the fund to the Directors have not always been the same month by month ; and so the totals in the two accounts seldom agree.

The Directors having made up their accounts on the 31st December have generally found—by their method of calculation, of which I complain—that the St. Mary's Fund has owed something to them. If the payment was made in February or March it would be entered in that year's account of the St. Mary's Fund, but the following year's account of the Directors.

3. Why charges for assessment, repairs and gratuities aggregating Rs. 1,716 have been included in the cost of the children, &c ?

In my letter to the Government, dated the 25th September 1897, complaining of the unfair treatment of the Trustees of the St. Mary's Fund by the Directors, I did not complain of this ; but I have no doubt that it is an additional injustice to the old fund, and that this matter should be re-arranged.

4. Whether the allowances of the Chaplain and the Apothecary paid from the St. Mary's and the Provincial Funds, respectively, should not be treated as contributions to the Directors ?

I can only give an opinion regarding the allowance for the Garrison Chaplain. He receives his allowance as Superintendent of the amalgamated schools. He received the allowance long before the amalgamation took place. It is to be presumed that his allowance was considered then (like the payment of the schoolmasters) part of the cost of the school. If the cost per child had been in the old days calculated, I presume that the Superintendent's allowance would have been taken into consideration, because he received it,—as he receives it now,—for services rendered. This being so, I consider that the Superintendent's allowance should be considered part of the fund's contribution ; it is the equivalent of work done for the amalgamated institutions.

5. Why the cost per child varies ?

The cost is calculated by dividing the total expenditure (including everything) by the total number of children. Sometimes there is a large expenditure over repairs ; this sends up the cost per child. If there are few repairs in the following years, the cost goes down.

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Senior Chaplain and Co-Trustee of the St. Mary's Church Charity Fund, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 18th May 1898, No. 255.

I had the honour to address you on the 25th September 1897 on the subject of the St. Mary's Church fund, and to make certain representations regarding the amount of money paid for the support of the St. Mary's Charity children at the Civil Orphan Asylum.

2. Since then another irregularity has come to my notice. I have the honour to bring it to your notice as co-trustee of the fund, and to ask your opinion if this matter also ought not to be brought to the notice of Government. If you agree with me, I suggest that this matter may be dealt with at the same time as the former report.

3. In the month of March the Directors sent three St. Mary's boys to work at the Carnatic mills. The boys left the school, but their names were retained on the books. I wrote to the Directors (letter A) and said that as the boys had left the school, and gone to work, I would endeavour to obtain the expense of their apprenticeship paid from the St. Mary's fund, if they would tell me the amount, and in the meantime, that I would fill the vacancies. In reply, the Directors passed a resolution (marked B) in which they stated that there were no vacancies on the St. Mary's foundation.

4. The effect of this was that I was prevented from nominating waiting boys to fill the actual vacancies caused in the manner stated ; at the same time I was apparently expected to go on paying Rs. 15 each for the boys in question from the St. Mary's fund, as if they were still being supported and educated under my superintendence in the school.

I paid the amount for the month of April, viz., Rs. 45, so as not to cause inconvenience to the Directors by withholding a portion of their regular income, but I paid it under protest, and subject to any ruling of the Government on the matter. I shall be glad if the Government in a short paragraph will protect the St. Mary's fund against misuse of this sort, by ruling that the payments are made for the benefit of boys actually in the school. I have no objection to St. Mary's boys being apprenticed ; but it must be done, I respectfully submit, in the right way ; and without injustice to the boys waiting for admission.

5. In the Rules of the Amalgamated Institutions there is a rule (No. 25) which protects the Woolley fund from any mistaken action on the part of the Directors. It run as follows:—

"Government having provided for the maintenance of a certain number of children of distressed Europeans or their descendants from Mr. Woolley's legacy, all arrangements regarding them shall be subject to the special directions received from the Government through the Government Directors."

I respectfully urge that a similar rule is required for the children on the St. Mary's foundation. Quite recently there were six boys on the foundation over age ; one of these was actually over 19 ; the Directors would neither dismiss the boy themselves, nor allow me to do so. The present rules give the Directors complete control over all the boys in the school, whether on one foundation or the other. Sometimes boys are specially retained after the age of 16 to pursue their education, if they show any promise of future success ; that is a good system. But sometimes

they are retained for no better reason than that the Directors do not know what will become of them if they are sent to their friends. If the Directors choose to pursue that system with regard to the civil orphans, it is purely a matter between them and the Government which makes educational grants to the school for definite purposes. But I cannot permit them to pursue the system with regard to the St. Mary's boys without a representation to the Government, and a request for power to prevent it.

6. I therefore have the honour to suggest that this rule should be imposed on the Directors—

"Government having amalgamated the old St. Mary's school with the Civil Orphan Asylums, and provided for the maintenance of its boys, all arrangements regarding them shall be subject to the approval of the Garrison Chaplain."

Enclosures.

A.

From the Rev. F. PENNY, Garrison Chaplain and Vice-President of the Civil Orphan Asylum Directorate, to the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum (through the Secretary), dated Fort St. George, 4th April 1898.

Though the fact has not been officially communicated to me, it is within my knowledge that three of the St. Mary's boys have been apprenticed at the Carnatic mills.

If you will be so good as to inform me at the end of three months from the time the boys* left the asylum, the cost they have been to the Directors during that time, I will recover the cost from the St. Mary's Church fund and repay you.

*The boys left the asylum on the 1st April and were boarded with a person at Perambur.

And in the meantime I will fill up the vacancies caused by their removal.

B.

Resolution of the Directors at their meeting dated 29th April 1898.

Read letter, dated the 4th April 1898, from the Garrison Chaplain.

"Resolved that he is under a misapprehension in supposing that the boys† have left the asylum; they are still borne on the rolls of the asylum; and their employment at the Carnatic mills has not created any vacancy. With reference to the remark in the first part of the letter, the Directors observe that the Garrison Chaplain was present at the meeting of the Directors at which the employment of the boys at the Carnatic mills was sanctioned. Resolved, also, that the boy admitted by the Garrison Chaplain on the supposition that there was a vacancy on the St. Mary's foundation be treated as a supernumerary until a vacancy occurs on the St. Mary's foundation."

†See above.

From the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 30th June 1898, No. 3444

From the Honorary Secretary, Civil Orphan Asylum, Madras, dated Egmore 30th June 1898, No. 88/D. 188.

From the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 11th July 1898, No. 3563.

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Ecclesiastical (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

ACCOUNTANT GENERAL MADRAS 16 OCT 97

Endt No 2131 dt 13.10.97

Order

Referred to the Accountant General for favour of Remarks

Redfield Chief Secretary

From The Joint Trustees of the St Mary's church Fund

No. 168

Dated 25.9.97

Received 27 } 9.97

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SUBJECT.

Replying to para 2 of G.O. No 338 dt 27.5.97 recd. regarding a statt of receipts & disbursements on acct of the St Mary's church for during 1896-7.

TO BE RETURNED WITH REPLY

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(1897) Department.

D. O No.

From Frank Penny Esqre.

D. O.

No.

Dated 29.
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SUBJECT.

Stating that he sent in a letter re- the payments of the St Marys Church Funds to the Civil orphan asylum; + that he would be glad to know if anything is being done with regard to his representation and that if an interview would be useful, he would be glad to call over to the office by appointment.

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Soon.

C.S. for information, with reference to his note on the D.O.

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Ecel Dept

D.O. 868

As.

Please see the C.S.'s note dy 29.11.97 on the face of the D.O.

The communication referred to is Ecel 249 dy 25.9.97 abstracting what is shown at B. It was referred to the Accountant General. Endt 2131 dy 13.10.97. The current was sent in original. The subject is a big one and involves correspondence going back for many years, but as Mr Perry asks about the matter a memo may go to the Accountant General a draft is put up below.

As N on f.o.

210 Finl dy 8.3.97 we read "The St Mary's Church Fund is operated upon by

by the Garrison Chaplain
and therefore that
Officer and the Chief
Secretary may be
Trustees"

The C.S. is therefore
& Offices a co-trustee
vide also fo 161 Pub
d/ 30.11.97 (J)

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Memo N° 2684
7.12.97

The Accountant is
requested to be so
good as to Expedite
the reply to Endt.
No 2131 dd/ 13.10.97
referring for remarks
Encl current 249
of 1897 from the
Joint Trustees of
the St Mary's
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From THE GARRISON CHAPLAIN,

To The

CHIEF SECRETARY'S OFFICE
29 NOV. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 29 Nov 1897.

SIR,

Dear Mr Arundel

Special
We are joint Trustees of
the old St Mary's Church Fund. I
B sent in a letter two months ago
regarding its payments to the
Civil Orphan Asylum. I addressed
it to the Chief Secretary, before I
retired. I shall be glad to know
if anything is being done with regard
to my representation. And if you
think — an interview wd be useful —

I thank so — I shall be very glad
to go over to your office by
appointment.

Yours very truly
Bank Penny

Fort St. George, 1 January 1898.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
10 JAN 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Dear Mr Arunachalam

I see that the Director of the Civil Orphan Asylums have forwarded to you a report of the Sub-Committee appointed to decide certain questions relating to the St Mary's Church Fund.

You will not understand what it all means unless I tell you what has happened

In para 6 of my letter of the 25th Feb 1897 to the Chief Secretary I mentioned

of the Directors had excluded almost entirely from its benefit" (the benefit of the Govt Grant) the boys of the St Mary's School.

I was told in the month of November that the Directors considered the settlement at Amalgamation as laid down in G.O. N°116 May 6th 1871 to an end, for the reason that the Government had taken to compact by Order N°631 of the 2nd Mar 1893. But I was not told this by the Directors in a Resolution; it was by the Treasurer.

I therefore wished to find out if this was or was not the view of the Directors. If it was, it would have been necessary to acquaint the Government with the fact, and to point out that the use of the word "almost" in para 6 of my former letter was a mistake.

And so I wrote and made a claim for the balance of the amount

Fort St. George
10 DEC 1897
SECRETARIAT GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Dear Mr Armitage

I wrote a note to you few days ago; but I suppose it did not reach you. It was my fault, I am afraid; I sent it to your office without the letter book for signature.

I shall be very glad to have an interview with you regarding the St Mary's Fund, of which we are joint Trustees, with special reference to the circumstances detailed

paid in 1896 over the amount that under the Amalgamation settlement ought to have been paid for the 30 boys in the School.

The Resolutions form their reply.

I do not think it necessary to pursue the subject with them; they do not deny that the balance is due.

Yours very truly
Frank Penny
Senior Chaplain

in my letter of September,
addressed officially
to the Chief Secretary to
the Government.

Believe me to be
Your faithful
Humble Servt

A.S.
What became of the
letter & the file.
Draft a reply to Mr Penny
saying that no
interview wd at present
be of any use, but that
we will let him know
if it shld be desirable.

AEA 13.12.97

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Ecclesiastical
~~Financial~~ (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.

From The Acctt General
Madras

Order

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

No. 3852

Dated 7th December 1897.
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SUBJECT.

Returning with certain observations, the Garrison Chaplain's letter regarding the St Inargi Asylum at the Civil Cantonment Asylums.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

Without copies of the chaplain's letters quoted in the Report of the Proceedings of this Sub-Committee, I cannot put up a note on this subject. Any an application be sent for copies?

M.L.O.
19 8 Yes
20.1.19

P.S. The other papers referred to by the C.A. have come to hand for scrutiny of the figures in my note.

[F. 28] 1,000—11-6-97.

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Financial (1897) Department.

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~~St Mary's Church Charity Fund~~
~~Fort Allen~~
Cure Orphan Asylum
matters.

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No. 186 of 25-1-98.

Memo. to Hon. Sec. P. O. A.

No. 386

With reference to his letter no. 386 of 17.12.97 the Hon. Sec. P.O.A. is requested to be so good as to forward copies of the letters from the Garrison chaplain quoted in the proceedings of the Int. Comt.

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To the Hon. Secy. P. O. A. (memo only)

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Forwarding Copy of the report of the Sub-Committee regarding St Mary's Church Fund.

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Financial Department.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT. MADRAS.

Memorandum No. 56

~~Read the following paper:~~

The Accountant General
~~to be so good as~~
is requested to furnish at
an early date a copy of
his letter No. 1548 & 20.
April 1898 on the subject
of Mr. Mary Hannah Lund
and to address the cover
~~to~~ the Head Clerk in
charge Chief Secretariat,
~~Fort St. George.~~

Fort St. George
27th June 1898.

By order,

~~The Accountant General.~~

[G / 69-A.]
500—3-12-96.

Financial Department.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT MADRAS.

Memorandum No. 57

~~Read the following paper~~ :—

The Hon'ble Secy: Civil Orphan Asylum, is requested to be so good as to furnish at a very early date copies of his letters to Govt no 386 of 17th Decr 1897 and no 23 of 31st Jany 1898 regarding St Mary's Church Fund and to address the corner to the Head Clerk in charge, Civil Secretariat, Fort St. George

27/6/98

Sd/ W. G. V.
27th June 1898

To
The Hon'ble Secy, C. O. A.
Copy 27/6/98.

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Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No.

From The Honorary Secretary,
Civil Orphan Asylums,
Egmore, Madras.

Order

No. 88
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Dated 30th June 1898

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding copies of certain papers relating to the St. Mary's Church Fund."

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CURRENT No.

CHIEF SECRETARY
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From The Secretary to Govt. Madras

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Statement shewing cost of St. Marys Children in the years

	1896	1895	1894	1893	1892
(a) Entire expenditure of the Irish Orphan Asylums as per Report	23935	25440	22134	25545	25116
(b) Deduct Buildings and Repairs, Assessment and Gratuity or Pension	1716	3844	1460	2401	1104
Net Total	22219	21596	20674	23144	24012
(c) Add Chaplains Salary and Carriage allowance (87½ + 30) per mensem	1410	1410	1410	1410	1410
Total	23629	23006	22084	24554	25422
(d) Average No. of Children in the amalgamated Institution	150	139	131	138	140
(e) Cost of each per mensem	13-2-0	13-12-8	14--9	14-13-3	15-2-6
(f) Cost of St. Marys Children (30)(30)(20)(21) and (38) respectively	4725	4965	5057	5694	6899
Amount of St. Marys Contribution excluded in the Report.					
(g) Grants to 2° Master 240 -- --					
(h) Proportion of Grant of £1200. 500 -- --					
(i) Payment to Chaplain 1410 -- --	2150	2150	2150	2150	2150
(j) Amount of Lump Contribution as per Report	5230	5085	5460	5910	5460
	7380	7325	7610	8060	7610
(k) Gross contribution to the Asylums (j - g)	2655	2360	2553	2366	711
(l) Gross is equal to cost of how many Children	16	14	15	13	4
(m) Total number of Children that might have been maintained (f + l)	46	44	45	45	42
Average			44		

(Signed) J. Herbert Nigs
Accountant General

No: 253

Fort St. George,
23d March 1878.

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From

The Garrison Chaplain.

To

The Accountant General
to the Government of Madras.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 1165 of the 21st March, I have the honour to answer your questions as follows:-

1. Why no portion of the grant of Rs 1200 from the Government has been taken to the account of the St. Mary's Orphans.

I believe that it was entirely due to an oversight on the part of former Garrison Chaplains. I beg to refer you to Government order No. 101 Ed. 30 March 1874. In that order is printed an appeal for the newly amalgamated institutions (the E. O. A. and the St. Mary's School) from the Directors. It was written by the Garrison Chaplain as ex Officio President of the amalgamated Institution. It so happened that soon after the appeal was written the writer (The Revd. O. Dene) was transferred to another

another garrison, and was succeeded by the Revd. Dr. Sayers. I believe that the change of Chaplains at this particular time caused the original mistake to which you refer.

There seems to have been no mistake or misapprehension on the part of the Government. In their order they said that they had considered all the circumstances. In the appeal, the first eleven paragraphs are about the C. O. A., and its affairs, the twelfth paragraph is about the St. Marys children. In this paragraph it is especially remembered that the St. Marys Fund "also receives a Government Contribution" The order therefore was not passed without every thing being remembered viz.

		£
(a)	The C. O. A. received	600
(b)	The St. Marys Fund	432

as charitable contribution.

The two Schools were amalgamated under one Directorate.

The Government granted a lump contribution of £ 1200, and stopped its contribution to the St. Marys Fund; ie it increased the charitable grant by £168.

But I believe that the intention and the act of Government was misunderstood by the succeeding Garrison Chaplain

2. Why the contribution from the St. Marys Fund is shown by me as £ 5160 while the Directors Report for 1896 gives it as £ 5230?

The St. Marys Fund Account is made up annually on the 31st March. Its payments therefore include all payments from the 1st April in one year to the 31st March in the next.

The Directors Accounts are made up annually on the 31st December.

The payments from the Fund to the Directors have not always been the same month by month, and so the totals in the two accounts seldom agree.

The Directors having made up their accounts on the 31st December have generally found by their method of calculation of which I complain — that the St. Marys Fund has owed something to them. If the payment was made in February or March it would be entered in that years account of the St. Marys Fund but the following years account of the Directors

3. Why charges for assessment, repairs and gratuities

gratuities aggregating £1716 have been included in the cost of the children etc — etc?

In my letter to the Government dated the 25th September 1897, complaining of the unfair treatment of the Juries of the St. Marys Fund by the Directors, I did not complain of this; but I have no doubt that it is an additional injustice to the old Fund; and that this matter should be re-arranged.

4. Whether the allowances of the Chaplain and the Apothecary paid from the St. Marys and the Provincial Fund respectively should not be treated as contributions to the Directors?

I can only give an opinion regarding the allowance for the Garrison Chaplain. He receives his allowance as Superintendent of the amalgamated Schools. He received the allowance long before the amalgamation took place. It is to be presumed that his allowance was considered then (like the payment of the Schoolmasters) part of the cost of the School. If the cost per child had been in the old days calculated, I presume that the Superintendents' allowance would have been taken into consideration,

because he received it, — as he receives it now, — for services rendered. This being so, I consider that the Superintendents' allowance should be considered part of the Funds contribution, it is the equivalent of work done for the amalgamated Institutions.

5. Why the cost per child varies?

The cost is calculated by dividing the total expenditure — including everything — by the total number of children. Sometimes there is a large expenditure over repairs; this sends up the cost per child. If there are few repairs in the following years, the cost goes down.

I have &c.
(Signed) Frank Penny
Senior Chaplain.

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(True Copy)
J. L. Force
Chief Superintendent.

Jot. & Geo.,
Accountant Generals Office
July 1898

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DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
20th April 1898.

No. 1548

From J. Hesketh Biggs Esqre.,
ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To
THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Ecclesiastical Department.

SIR,

Order

With reference to Madras Government, No. 592 Ecclesiastical dated the 4th of March 1898 forwarding certain correspondence regarding the St. Mary's Church Fund for scrutiny and remarks, I have the honour to state as follows:-

2. The Garrison Chaplain in his letters to the Girls' Orphan Asylum dated 1st October and 20th November 97, arrives at the cost of maintenance of the St. Mary's Orphans by taking Rs. 13-5-3 as the cost per child, as given in the Director's Report for 1896, para 67. But this is worked out by dividing the entire expenditure of the Asylum by the total number of Children. From the aggregate however the following items of expenditure should be deducted for reasons stated

stated against each.

Repairs and Assessment. These charges should be set off against Rent and Sale proceeds of Buildings and Lands which were presented to the Asylum by Government in 1871, and from which the Asylum made certain investments.

Pensions and Bonuses. These extraordinary charges should be set off against the surplus income of the Institution.

3. To the total expenditure should be added the following item. The Garrison Chaplain drew an allowance of Rs 87½ per mensem as Superintendent of the St. Mary's Orphans. On the transfer of the Orphans from the Fort to the Civil Orphan Asylum at Egmore, he was granted also a Carriage allowance of Rs 30 per mensem and was placed also in spiritual charge of the Combined Institution. The total charge of Rs 117½ per mensem or Rs 1410 per annum should be treated as part of the cost of Children and also as a contribution paid to the Asylum from the St. Mary's Fund, because it is now met wholly from the latter.

4. I would also observe that the Government grant of Rs 600 formerly drawn by the Civil Orphan Asylum proper and of Rs 423 by the St. Mary's School appear to have on the amalgamation of the two Institutions been converted into one grant of Rs 1200 per annum in Government Order No. 101 Pol. dated 30 March 1874. Though the Asylum Directors contend that the Rs 1200 belongs solely to the Asylum, because it is dependent on them raising Rs 3000 per annum from the public, the Garrison Chaplain urges that it was granted on a reconsideration of the previous claims of both the Institutions. Thus of the Rs 1200, Rs 500 may be taken as a contribution on behalf of the St. Mary's Scholars.

5. Following these principles, I have revised the excess contribution for 1876 and compared the result with that of the previous four years in the accompanying statement. It will be seen that in each year the contribution exceeded the proportionate cost of the St. Mary's Orphans and that more children on account of the St. Mary's could have been maintained than was actually the case in each year.

6. If Government approve, it may ask the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylums either to maintain a larger number of St. Mary's Orphans or to refund the excess contribution made to the Asylums and thus enable the trustees of the St. Mary's Fund to enlarge the expenditure on Pensions which are paid from the St. Mary's Fund.

7. I beg to return the correspondence received with the Madras Government Endorsement under reference

Together

together with a copy of the Garrison Chaplain's letter No. 253 dated 23d March '98, wherein he approves generally of the additions and deductions of Expenditure and the additions to the contribution proposed by me.

I have &c.

(Signed) J. Herbert Beggs
Accountant General.

(True copy)

J. O. Brown
Chief Superintendent.

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DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
30th June 1898.

No. 3444

From J. Herbert Beggs Esqr.,
ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To
THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

SIR,

With reference to your Memo No. 56 Financial dated the 27th of June 1898, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of my letter No. 1548 dated 20th April 1898 on the subject of the St. Mary's Church Fund.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,

J. H. Beggs
Accountant General.

[G / 69-A.]
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Memorandum No. 62/M 9/7-7-98

READ the following paper:—

With reference to his letter
No 3444, dy 30-6-98, ~~forwarding~~
~~Copy of his letter No. 1548 dy~~
~~20th April 98 to the Head~~
~~Clerk 2nd~~, the Asst.
Genl. is requested to be good
~~enough~~ to forward to the
address of the Head Clerk
in charge, Chief Secretariat,
Fort St. George, at a very
early date, Copy of the
Garrison Chaplain's letter
No 253, dy 25th March 98,
which is
referred to in the last
para of his letter No 1548,
dy 20th April 98, and which
formed an enclosure to it.

9/7/98

To the A.G.
V.C.
7/98

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Please have this
copied, signed & issued
from here.

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Financial (189) Department.

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From The Accountant General Madras

Order

No. 3563.

Dated 11 July 1898

Received 12th July 98

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding a copy of the Garrison Chaplain's letter on the subject of the Saint Mary's Church Fund.

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DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
11th July 1898.

No. 3563

From J. Herbert Biggs Esqr.,
ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

SIR,

With reference to your Memorandum No. 62 dated the 7th of July 1898, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of the Garrison Chaplain's letter No. 253, dated the 23rd March 1898 on the subject of the Saint Mary's Church Fund.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,

Accountant General

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Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1615

From

The Senior Chaplain
Co-Trustee of the St Mary's Church
Charity fund

No. 255

Order

Dated 18"
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SUBJECT.

Submitting certain representations re the amount of money paid for the support of the St Mary's Charity children at the C.E.A.

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4th April 1898

From the Garrison Chaplain
Vice Pres[t] of the C.O.A. Directorate
To the Directors of the C.O.A.
through the Secretary

Gentlemen

Though the fact has not been officially communicated to me, it is within my knowledge that three of the St Mary's Boys have been apprenticed at the Carnatic Mills.

If you will be so good as to inform me at the end of three months from the time the boys left the Asylum the cost they have been to the Directors during that time, I will recover the cost from the St Mary's Church Fund and repay you.

And in the mean time I will fill up the vacancies caused by their removal.

I have the honour etc
signed Frank Penny

× The boys left the Asylum on the 18th April and were boarded with a person at Perambore F. P.

True Copy F. P.

B Resolution of the Directors at their meeting dated 29th April 1898.

Read letter dated the 4th April 1898 from the Garrison Chaplain.

× See above.

"Resolved that he is under a misapprehension in supposing that the boys have left the Asylum; they are still borne on the rolls of the Asylum; and their employment at the Carnatic Mills has not created any vacancy. With reference to the remark in the first part of the letter the Directors observe that the Garrison Chaplain was present at the meeting of the Directors at which the employment of the boys at the Carnatic Mills was sanctioned. Resolved also that the boys admitted by the Garrison Chaplain on the supposition that there was a vacancy on the St Mary's Foundation be treated as a Supernumerary until a vacancy occurs on the St Mary's Foundation."

True Copy F. P.

For Ch. St. Fund
18th May 1898

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CHIEF SECRETARY'S
19 MAY 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

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From The Revd. F. Penny
Senior Chaplain
Co-Trustee of the St Mary's Church Charity Fund.

To the Chief Secretary
to the Govt of Madras

Sir I had the honour to address you on the 25th September 1897 on the subject of the St Mary's Church Fund, and to make certain representations regarding the amount of money paid for the support of the St Mary's Charity children at the Civil Orphan Asylum.

2. Since then another irregularity has come to my notice. I have the honour to bring it to your notice as co-trustee of the Fund, and to ask your opinion of this matter also ought not to be brought to the notice of Government. If you agree with me, I suggest that this matter may be dealt with at the same time as the former report. (2.1)

3. In the month of March the Directors sent three St Mary's boys to work at the Carnatic Mills. The boys left the School, but their names were retained on the books. I wrote to the Directors (Letter A) and said that as the boys had left the School, and gone to work, I would endeavour to obtain the expense of their apprenticeship paid from the St Mary's

Fund if they would tell me the amount ich
and in the mean time, that I would fill
the vacancies. In reply the Directors
passed a resolution (marked B) in blue
they stated that there were no vacancies
on the St Mary's Foundation.

4. The effect of this was that I was prevented
from nominating waiting boys to fill
the actual vacancies caused in the
manner stated; at the same time I was
apparently expected to go on paying Rs 15 each
for the boys in question from the St:
Mary's Fund, as if they were still being
supported and educated under my super-
intendence in the School.

I paid the amount for the month of April,
viz Rs 45, so as not to cause inconvenience
to the Directors by with-holding a portion of
their regular income, but I paid it under
protest, and subject to any ruling of the
Government on the matter. I shall
be glad if the Government in a short
paragraph will protect the St Mary's
Fund against misuse of this sort, by
ruling that the payments are made for
the benefit of boys actually in the
School. I have no objection to St: Mary's
boys being apprenticed; but it must be
done, I respectfully submit, in the
right way; and without injustice
to the boys waiting for admission.

5. In the Rules of the Amalgamated

Institutions there is a rule (No 25) which protects the Woolley Fund from any mistaken action on the part of the Directors. It runs as follows

> "Government having provided for the maintenance of a certain number of children of distressed Europeans or their descendants from Mr Woolley's Legacy, all arrangements regarding them shall be subject to the special directions received from the Government through the Government Directors."

I respectfully urge that a similar rule is required for the children on the St Mary's Foundation. Quite recently there were six boys on the Foundation over age; one of these was actually over 19; the Directors would neither dismiss the boys themselves, nor allow me to do so. The present rules give the Directors complete control over all the boys in the School, whether on one Foundation or the other. Sometimes boys are specially retained after the age of 16½ to pursue their education, if they shew any promise of future success; that is a good system. But sometimes they are retained for no better reason than that the Directors do not know what will become of them if they are sent to their friends. If the Directors choose to pursue that system with regard to the Civil Orphans, it is purely a matter between them and the Government which makes Educational Grants to the School for definite purposes. But I cannot permit them to pursue the system with regard to the St Mary's Boys without

a representation to the Government, and a request for power to prevent it.

6. I therefore have the honour to suggest that this rule should be imposed on the Directors.

> "Government having amalgamated the old St Mary's School with the Civil Orphan Asylum's, and provided for the maintenance of its boys, all arrangements regarding them shall be subject to the approval of the Garrison Chaplain".

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most Obt Servant

Frank Penny

Senior Chaplain

[G / 25]
500 - 2-9-97.

Eccl. ~~Public~~ 173 of 1899 DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 249 Dev. No. 868 & 334/99

SUBJECT.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.
THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.
THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

St Mary's Church Fund.

FOR ORDERS.

The Chaplain of the St Mary's Church Fund points out in the Current that the Director of the Civil Orphans Asylums are under a misapprehension as to the position of the St Mary's Church Fund boys on the foundation created by the amalgamation of the Civil orphans asylum with the ~~boys of~~ school supported by the above Fund in 1871.

The complexity of the subject arises from the fact that the St Mary's Church Fund is not wholly devoted to the payment of the expenses of the boys Education. Hence the Fund has never been entirely ours

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in the funds of the Directors of the Civil orphans asylums. The boys attached to, i.e. appointed by the Trustees of the St Mary's Fund are educated & boarded by the ~~C.~~ C. O. asylums & but a payment is made from the Fund to the Directors of the C. O. a. in consideration.

This will be best explained by a brief account of the origin of the present difficulty.

In the year 1871 the institution known as the Military Male asylum was removed from Madras to Ootacamund, and the premises in which the inmates had been accommodated in Madras were made over by Govt. to the Directors of the C. O. A.

at the same time, partly because these premises were too large to be conveniently occupied by the boys on the foundation of the C. O. A., and partly

Proceedgs ~~Sp.~~ 116 / 1871 para. 3.

Letter of Fort Surg. 6.3.71. read in Proceedings dated 6.5.71.

x G.O. no. 252 / 26.9.71. para 6 sec.(1.) a(2) where the amalgamated institutions are spoken of.

From the very first, however, this principle was not strictly adhered to

Statement appended to G.O. no. 1015 / 30.3.74. B

G.O. no. 294 / 1873 para. 2.

because the buildings occupied by St Mary's Church Fund school in the Fort were considered unhealthy, government suggested that the boys and the St Mary's foundation should be transferred to the new quarters of the C. O. A. thus forming a joint school though the foundations remained separate.

as stated by the Chaplain in para. 5 of his letter, the principle was that no extra expense on their account should fall on the funds of the C. O. A. (i.e. neither party was to gain or lose pecuniarily) ~~but practically this was impossible to say how far this principle has been adhered to~~ There are several points in which it has been abandoned

(1.) The cost per child per annum of the school of the C. O. A. in the year (1871) when this amalgamation was effected was Rs. 11 .. 3 .. 5.

But the income of St Mary's Fund would suffice of that amount

each of.

paid for 54 of the St Mary's boys who were made over under the new arrangement. The St Mary's Church Fund's total income in 1871 was as follows:

	Rs
Interest on funded capital	8620
govt. grant towards Master	540
govt. grant towards general expenses of school	423
other sources	112
Total =	9695

g.o. 829/1871 para. 6.

From this deducting for other Fund expenses, not connected with the boys, e.g. upkeep of Church, Chaplain &c

Rs 3275,

there was a balance for the maintenance and education of the 54 boys then on the foundation of Rs 6420

or a sum of Rs 9.14.6 per mensem for each boy.

But on the grant of the premises of the Military Male Asylum, and the grant of the services of

of the St Mary's Church Chaplain to the new amalgamated institution free of charge to the Directors of the C. O. A. Government evidently considered that the Directors were receiving a full equivalent for the loss which they anticipated on each of the 54 St Mary's boys of Rs 1.4.11 per mensem.

The value of the new buildings at Egmore to the C. O. A. was, of course, very considerable.

The Directors were also allowed to receive the rent of their old buildings in Black Town, now vacated.

(2.) The Chaplain's salary as Superintendent of the St Mary's boys was Rs 87.8.0 p.m. On the amalgamation being effected, his Educational duties were taken away; his spiritual services were given to the joint institution; his salary as above was paid solely by St Mary's Fund; and a carriage allowance of Rs 30 p.m. was also granted him to

g.o. 252/1871 para. 9.

	Rs
average cost per child	11.3.5
Payment per child	9.14.6
Difference	1.4.11
Total loss per ann.	847.2.0

I cannot find out what this was. But it enhanced the value of the gift of the Egmore buildings.

M.E.

Part of the amalgamation was also a condition that the Secretary & Educational Inspector of the Male Asylum should be appointed Secretary & Educational Inspector of the joint institution. G.O. 252 of 1871 para 6 (ii)

g.o. 252/1871 para 6. (ii)

from the St Mary's Fund

enable him to visit the boys of the new joint institution in Egmore.

Thus the Chaplain represented a payment of Rs 1410.0.0 per annum from the St Mary's Fund to the C.O.A. This has been lost sight of in all subsequent calculations.

(3.) The third point in which the original ~~agreement~~ understanding was departed from was when the sum of Rs 4 2/3, originally granted by government to the St Mary's Fund as "a sum of money not to exceed Rs 100 p.m. to supplement any deficiencies in the St Mary's Fund, and to be devoted to boarding & clothing of the boys, was made over to the Directors in G.O. 81/1874, as 'a special case'.

Strictly speaking, in the year 1872 the deficiencies under the above heads in the accounts of St Mary's Fund only amounted to Rs 142. But even to this amount the Joint institution

G.O. 64/1866

had no claim. The omission of the garrison Chaplain of the time to grasp this fact is inexplicable.

(4.) Again, the rent of the old school building in the Fort formerly used by the St Mary's boys, Rs 85 per mensem, or Rs 1020 per annum was made over in the same year, 1874, to the Directors of the C.O.A. This lease had been sanctioned by G.O. 17/1873, & payment of the amount ordered to be made to the garrison Chaplain.

No sooner had this been done than the Directors of the C.O.A. laid claim to this sum, to which they had no sort of right under the original arrangement, and Govt. in G.O. 294/1873 para 2. remarked

'It is shown that, on such addition being made, the grant per boy will be Rs 11-1-6 or 10 pers less than the actual cost (Rs 11-2-3) per boy for the year 1872'.

G.O. 81/1874

Since 1891 the building has been resumed by Govt. without payment, as it was ascertained that it was not the property of St Mary's Trustees, but leased to them for 99 years. G.O. 1183/1891

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at the root of being tedious it must again be pointed out that

1.) In the original agreement the deficiency in the amount paid by the St Mary's Fund per boy had been fixed at Rs 1-4-11, and a deficiency ~~2 That~~ under the head of Rs 847-2-0 per annum anticipated.

2.) That the services of the Chaplain represented a yearly payment of Rs 1410-0-0 made by the St Mary's Fund to the Joint Institution.

3.) That by the grant of the new buildings in Egmore for both sexes the P. O. A. C. got more than an equivalent for such ~~deficiency~~ deficiency in the cash payment per boy.

4.) That by ~~appropriating~~ the grant of the govt contribution of Rs 423 mentioned above the Directors had already secured ~~themselves~~ themselves against about half of the deficiency mentioned in (1) above.

all these facts were

lost sight of by Government when it made in G.O. ~~473~~ 299/1873 the statement quoted above.

The above facts are not noticed in the Current. They lead much force to this the Chaplain's conclusion that his Fund has not been equitably treated by the Directors of the P. O. A.

But the main contention of the Chaplain, that the various Government grants subsequently made to the Directors of the P. O. A. were intended to be shared in by the boys of this Fund is very clearly brought out by him.

In their first application to Government for increased assistance, (letter printed in G.O. 101/1874) in para. 12. the Directors hint that they are not getting enough money from the St Mary's Fund for the boys appointed by Govt.

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1st para., a reference to the letter from the Directors of the C.O.A. (para. 12.) shows that in spite of the fact that the Directors were already receiving more in cash than the boys cost, + the other considerations, they urged the expense entailed on them by the St Mary's boys as one of the reasons why government should come to the aid of the Joint Institution. Accordingly G.O. no. 101 30.3.14

raised the grant formerly made to the C.O.A. as a separate institution to 1200 for the Joint institution. That it was for the Joint institution that the relief was asked appears from the ~~instruction~~ by the Directors in para. 12 of their letter (quoted above) as one of the causes of their financial straits.

The Chaplain makes this point still clearer by pointing out (what is not stated in the G.O.) that

remission of the cost of the St Mary's Island boys

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rom the time when the Govt contribution to the C. O. A. was raised from Rs 600 Rs 1200 per annum, the contribution which government had up to that time been making to the St Mary's Fund as a separate institution was stopped.

The next appeal from the C. O. A. Directors for help from government was in 1880. as the Chaplain points out the Directors in their proceedings read with G.O. 24/26.1.81 assume that no consideration is to be received by them on account of the St Mary's boys except the following cash payments

Rs 6420 (the original sum)
+ Rs 1020 (Rent of Fort building)
Rs 7440.

From this total the sum of Rs 615 was deducted for repairs to the Fort buildings in 1879, and Rs 640 in 1880, leaving to be credited to the C. O. A. only a total of Rs 6825 in 1879, Rs 6800 in 1880.

vide Chaplain's letter of 4.12.1880.

× the Rs 423 p. annum mentioned above.

In 1877 (the famine year) the Directors C. O. A. asked for a special contribution from the St Mary's Fund. In this forwarding letter the Chaplain, instead of pointing out that he was already paying for too much, actually proposed to reduce the no. of his boys. This proposal was negatived by Govt. in G.O. 406/1877, but as a very exceptional case, Govt. sanctioned the payment of Rs 400 from St Mary's Fund to the C. O. A. The proper course would have been to reduce the no. of the C. O. A. boys.

× note. Mr Peony in table A. gives the contribution for 1879 as Rs 7340, & for 1880, as Rs 7347.

This is the assumption which the Chaplain contests. It shows, in the remarks appended to Table B. that at the time of amalgamation the Govt. grant to each of the single institutions was almost the same, i.e. Rs 1.6.0. per boy per m. in the case of the C.O.A. and Rs 1.7.4. in the case of St Mary's Fund. The proportion has been steadily diverging ever since; now it is 1.1. to be wondered at, when the grants shown in Mr Peony's table B. were looked upon by the Directors as exclusively intended for the C.O.A. funds as distinct from the Joint Institution.

On this point the accountant general, to whom the papers were referred for report, has made a full report. The purport of it is that Mr Peony is right in his contention that the grants made to the Directors C. O. A. subsequent to the amalgamation

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with the St Mary's Fund were intended to be shared with St Mary's Fund. Attention is invited to para 4. of his letter in particular, where he shows that in 1896 the St Mary's Fund was entitled, on its payments, to maintain 42 boys, while as a matter of fact the Chaplains' boys were only 30.

Attention is also invited to G.O. 12/9.1.93 in which, in consequence of an application for relief by the Directors of the C.O.A., government called upon the garrison chaplain to report whether in the event of the cancellation of the present arrangement, other arrangements were feasible.

The Chaplain replied in letter read in S.O. 159/93 that the St Mary's Fund was sufficient to maintain 40 scholars, provided that free accommodation was provided in the Fort as before.

As noted above, the old school buildings had been resumed by government in 1891.

Penal Clause G.O. 431 2-5-93

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The Chaplain also pointed out in his letter that he would save Rs 50 per mensem if the boys were brought back into the Fort. Rs 30 carriage allowance to the Garrison Chaplain, & Rs 20 upkeep of 2 bullocks for the choir conveyance.

This letter was referred to the Mil. Dept. to report whether accommodation could be provided for St Mary's Charity school in the Fort as before. The Mil. Department reported that no buildings were available for the St Mary's boys in the Fort, and accordingly S.O. 431/2.5.93

stated that the only course open was to reduce the number of St Mary's scholars maintained in the Civil orphan Asylum. The last govt. special grant to the C.O.A. was made in S.O. 1184/23.11.93 which concluded as follows:

'The Govt. will not, however, under any circumstances give a further grant to the Directors

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he should reduce them
expenses to the limits of the
means at their disposal.

The error which
was made in G.O. 29/26.1.88 in
cutting down the no. of St Mary's
Fund boys before ascertaining
how far it was true that
they were not paying their way,
an error which was repeated in
G.O. 431/93, in addition to the
G.O.s reducing the no. of the
Bromley Fund scholars, quoted
by the Chaplain in para 9.
of his letter, has now to
be repaired. The sum of Rs 50
which the Chaplain stated would
be saved if the boys were
brought back to the
Fort would of course be
utterly inadequate to provide
the St Mary's boys with new hired
premises of their own, were
any such available. Nor would
it be feasible to order
the immediate decrease reduction
of the no. of C. of E. boys
and the increase of the St
Mary's boys to the proportions

indicated by the Acct. General.
But perhaps it will be
thought that the only way
out of the present difficulty
will be to point out to the
Directors C. of A. that
they have been maintaining
more boys of their own
nomination & power of the St
Mary's Fund boys
than the relative position of
the respective funds of the
institutions justifies, and
told that until the proper
proportion as shown by the G.O.
is reached, no more nominations
are to be made by them, all
vacancies being filled up by
the Garrison Chaplain. In
case The Chaplain in his
letter asks only for 36 boys.
But the G.O. shows that he
is entitled to 42. The
proposals of the Chaplain, therefore,
in para. 13 of his letter appear
to be extremely reasonable.
But before the question
is submitted for the orders
of Government, the P.S.
who is an ex officio trustee

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of St Mary's Fund may think it advisable to communicate the letter of the Chaplain, & the report of the A.G. to the Directors C.O.A. for remark. The further facts referred to in the early portion of this note might also be brought to their notice at the same time. The A.G. has referred to some of them in para. 1. of his report, but perhaps it would be as well to state them in full, so that any criticisms which the Directors may have to make on the presentation of the facts may be fully considered before the papers are submitted to you.

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This should be done; but before the ref. goes out the file will be referred to Financial for exam^n of the figures & comment.

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To Financial Dept. for examination of the figures & comment.

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NOTE

The figures in the Ecclesiastical Department Note have been verified and found to be correct with the exception of one or two slips which have been rectified in red ink. The Reverend Mr. Penny's tables attached to his letter in C.No.249 have also been checked as far as possible ~~in the office~~. The averages in table E do not appear to be quite correct in every case but the small differences do not, it is thought, affect his arguments.

2. Page 8 of the Ecclesiastical Department note contains certain facts which it is pointed out are not noticed by the Reverend Mr. Penny but which lend much force to his contention that the St. Mary's Church fund has not been equitably treated by the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum.

3. The first of these facts is a statement of what was actually anticipated when the amalgamation of the St: Mary's Charity School with the Civil Orphan Asylum took place in 1891 ~~-92~~, that there would be a deficiency in the amount contributed ~~from~~ by the ~~latter~~ former to the ~~former~~ latter for the up-keep of the boys.

4 The next statement relates to the

the services of the Chaplain, which it is contended represent a yearly payment of Rs.1410 made by the St: Mary's fund to the joint institution. As regards this, it is to be noted that previous to the amalgamation of the two institutions the Garrison Chaplain of Fort St: George exercised a general superintendence over the education of the orphans of St: Mary's School, but that when the amalgamation took place he was divested of this general superintendence and Govt. clearly stated its intention in para. 1 of G.O.No.280 Educl., d/ 20th Septr. 1871 that the Garrison Chaplain should not exercise any control over the secular instruction of the St: Mary's orphans. This secular control was therefore transferred to the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum and it is thought that this transfer represents a certain set off, which of course cannot be charged exactly, against the payment made by St: Mary's fund to the Chaplains allowance and his carriage hire.

5 The next statement relates to the grant of the new building at Egmore to the Civil Orphan Asylum and it is contended that these were far more than an equivalent for the deficiencies in the cash payments per boy. In a previous portion of the note dealing with this print (page 5) reference is made to the rent of three old buildings in Black Town which the Directors were allowed to receive. As regards the grant of the new buildings in Egmore, it is to be observed that these buildings also house the St. Mary's Orphans and that although the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum received the rent of the St. Mary's School building in the Fort, this payment was discontinued in 1891 when Government resumed the school house [vide G.O., No.1183, Financial, dated 14th November 1891]. As regards the Black Town buildings difficulties have been experienced in tracing the authority for the statement that the Directors were allowed to receive the rent of the old buildings there. It would appear from paragraph 5 of G.O., No.252, Educl., d/ 26th August 1871 that these buildings had been occupied by the Civil Orphan Asylum prior to the amalgamation and that it was part of the agreement with Government as regards the amalgamation that the Asylum should receive the sale proceeds. From page 9 of the annual report of the amalgamated institution-vide G.O., No.364, Educl.,d/26th June 1877 in the file of papers relating to the Woolley Fund- it would appear that these buildings were not disposed of until 1876

6 The next point alluded to on page 6 of the Eccl. department note is the appropriation by the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum of the Government contribution of Rs.423 per annum which

was originally granted to the St. Mary's Fund as a sum of money not exceeding Rs.100 per mensem to supplement the ~~amount~~ any deficiencies in that fund and to be devoted to the boarding and clothing of the St. Mary's boys. This Rs.483 is the third item mentioned on page 4 of the Eccl. department note as forming a portion of the income of St. Mary's Church Fund in 1873 and it was not drawn after 1874 vide paragraph 2 of the Garrison Chaplain's letter on page 1 of G.O., No.689, Financial, dated 1st July 1892. Please see also the Reverend Mr.Penny's table A which also shows that the grant ceased after 1873-74. In fact, this grant formed a portion of the sum of Rs.6,400 which under the original agreement the St. Mary's Fund was to pay to the Civil Orphan Asylum for the upkeep of its Orphans.

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7. For the foregoing reasons it is thought that the points mentioned on page 8 of the Eccl. department note had better not be raised with the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum who can meet them with, if it is submitted, very adequate replies. The Reverend Mr. Penny's contentions as amplified by the Accountant-General are, it is submitted, sound. It is quite clear from a perusal of G.O., No.101, Educl., d/ 30th March 1874, that the Government Grant-in-aid of Rs.600 to the Civil Orphan Asylum was raised to Rs.1,200 per annum partly in consequence of the extra ~~responsibility~~ Col thrown upon

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upon that institution by the transfer of the St. Mary's orphans and it seems to be equally clear that the Directors of the ~~opposite~~ institution have overlooked this point throughout the correspondence on the subject. It is thought that it would be better for the Chief Secy. and the Garrison Chaplain who are Co-trustees of the St. Mary's Fund to first correspond with the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum and if that cannot bring them to terms, then come up to Govt.

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FOR ORDERS

In his letters of the 1st October and 20th November last the Garrison Chaplain drew the attention of the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum, Madras, to the figures marginally given showing the amount due by the Directors to the Trustees of the St. Mary's Church Fund for the year 1896.

	Rs. as P
Amount due to Directors	4708-2-0
Amount paid — Rs. 4620	
Portion of Govt. grant to be credited to the St: Mary's fund — 240	
	4860-0-0
Amount due to the Trustees of the St: Mary's Fund.	61-14-0.

2. Mr. Penny then remarked that from the time of the amalgamation of the St. Mary's school with the Civil Orphan Asylum until June 1893, the amount for the 2nd Master from Govt. was regularly credited to the St. Mary's Fund. He therefore pointed out that the present claim was for a share in the Govt. grant to the extent allowed by Govt. at the time of the amalgamation.

3. In a third letter dated 10th Dec. last the Garrison Chaplain remarked that it did not appear to him that he was the proper person to sit on a committee appointed to decide certain questions relating to the St. Mary's Church Fund, but with a view to explaining in the simplest fashion the claim he made he had put a note on the subject. This note is here reproduced for ready reference

Note

" 1. The foundation principle of amalgamation is laid down in G.O.116, (Educl) May 6th 1871.

"The revenues of the St.Mary's School would be devoted to the support and education of the scholars belonging to it,and no charge whatever on their account would fall on the Civil Asylums".

2. At the time of the amalgamation the income of the St.Mary's School was partly derived from endowment and partly from Govt.

Endowment-5500 per annum
Government - 963 -- do---

The Govt.grant was as follows:-

Teaching----------540
Feeding & Clothing---------423

The proportion of Govt.Grant to other incomewas thus about 15 per cent.

3. The income of the Asylums at the same time from funded capital,donations Church collections,Subscriptions and other sources was approximately 15,500. The Govt.Grant amounted to 2500-i.e.The proportion of Govt.Grant to other income was about 16 per cent.

4. The two schools enjoyed a similar proportion of Govt.assistance. The amalgamation was therefore brought about on perfectly equitable principles. The manifest intention of the Govt.was that after amalgamation the Govt.Grant to the Institution as a whole would be fairly spread over the needs of the total number of children in it.

5. At the present time the Directors of the Amalgamated Institutions look upon the whole Govt.Grant as intended for C.O.A.children only.

They regard the St.Mary's children as Boarders,whose total cost is to be paid for out of the St.Mary's Fund.

6. My claim is that the principle and fact of amalgamation should not thus be ignored; and that the St.Mary's children should be recognized as having a right to their proper share in the whole Govt.Grant. "

The Committee(referred to above as appointed to decide these questions) in considering these letters recommended to the Directors that the claim for the refund of Rs.61-14-0 to the St: Mary's Church Fund for the year 1896 should not be entertained until the application had the approval of both the trustees of the St: Mary's Charity Fund, it appearing that the claim had been made by one trustee only. They further stated that, in the event of both trustees agreeing to the application, that the refund proposed should be made un less the trustees guaranteed to the Direct ors payment for the St: Mary's School children in future years on the same prin ciple of calculation; that if the trustee were prepared to give this guarantee, the refund might be made. The Committee re marked that it was informed by the Treasu that if this principle had been acted since April 1892 the Trustees of St. Charity School would now be indebted t

Directors for some hundreds of Rupees

With reference to the Garrison Chaplain's statement that the accounts showing the amounts drawn for the 2nd Master had been rendered up to 1893, the Committee observed that it was apparent from G.O., No.431, Finl., d/2-5-'93, that accounts had been rendered up to the 31st ~~May~~ March 1892 only. It therefore called upon the Chaplain to favour the Directors with a copy of the accounts to June 1893.

Adverting to para 6 of the Chaplain's note d/the 10th December 1897 the Committee expressed its opinion that from the Directors' letter to Govt., printed in G.O. No.101 Educl., d/30-3-74, it was clear that the grant of Rs.1200 could in no way refer to the St.Mary's Charity Fund. It added that G.O. No. 689 Fin d/1-7-92 showed that the grant of Rs.423 as allowed by G.O.64 Eccl., dated 19th March 1866, was not blended in the grant of Rs.1200 referred to. The Committee concluded thus: "That this view is correct is more apparent from the fact that in order to obtain this Rs.1200, the Directors have to collect from the public, and entirely apart from the St.Mary's Charity Fund, a sum of Rs.3000 per annum."

The report of the Sub Committee ~~regarding St.Mary's Church Fund~~ is submitted by the Hon.Secretary of the Civil Orphan Asylums to the Chief Secretary to Govt. as Co-Trustee of St.Mary's Charity Fund. A communication from Mr.Penny to the Chief Secretary regarding ~~the~~ payment from the St.Mary's Church Funds to the Civil Orphan Asylums is now under consideration. The file has been sent by the Chief Secretary to the Financial Department for remarks. Meanwhile it is submitted that the present currents may be referred to the Accountant General for his remarks unless it is considered that the subject now in question should be dealt with along with the file with Financial.

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These currents & the file will be sent to Financial.

~~with ref. to Ref. to the A.G. & Fin. sent from Fin. for remarks~~

~~AG 21-2-98~~

for remarks with ref. to Fin. Note in attached file

AG 22-2-98

Note for the Chief Secy

Submitted that this current and its enclosures may be referred to the A.G. for examination and report first.

Attention is solicited to

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Suggestion made by Secl. in the
note flagged J[3] in the linked
file re printing up the important
papers and notes on this subject
which is all the more necessary
now that the Directors of
the C.O. Asylums do not intend to
give way without a fight

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should be returned to (Ptd)
Reference who has a linked
file and papers for printing

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To Ecclesiastical Dept

NOTE ~~FOR THE OTHER SECRETARY~~.

These ~~two~~ papers have been under examination in the Financial Dept: for some length of time but the figures, and the write took some time to check and had to be constantly laid aside on account of other and more urgent budget work. Great difficulty has also been experienced in going through the file owing to the fact that it consisted mostly of original orders. A printed file has now been added which brings all the correspondence together and it is suggested to the Ecclesiastical Dept. that it would be worth while having a stock file on this subject collected and in this stock file placing printed copies of the more important notes that have been written in the matter which has been constantly before Govt. in its various aspects and regarding which much has been written e.g. please see the notes in G.O.No.18 Finl., d/8th Jany. 1891. There is a considerable amount of reading to be done in this subject and it is always simpler and more expeditious if a complete printed file is to hand. The subject moreover is likely to assume a phase under which it will have to be placed before the Members of Govt. and for this reason alone some printing up seems advisable.

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Please see attached note

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Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT

C. No. 249 & 334 of 1897.

SUBJECT.

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.
THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.
THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

St. Mary's Church Fund.

FOR ORDERS.

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The Chaplain of the St. Mary's Church fund points out in the current that the Directors of the Civil Orphans Asylums are under a misapprehension as to the position of the St. Mary's Church Fund boys on the foundation created by the amalgamation of the Civil Orphans Asylum with the school supported by the above Fund in 1871.

2. The complexity of the subject arises from the fact that the St. Mary's Church Fund is not wholly devoted to the payment of the expenses of the boys' education. Hence the Fund has never been entirely merged in the Funds of the Directors of the Civil Orphans Asylums. The boys attached to, i.e. appointed by the Trustees of the St. Mary's Fund are educated and boarded by the Civil Orphans Asylums, but a payment is made from the Fund to the Directors of the Civil Orphans Asylums in consideration.

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3. This will be best explained by a brief account of the origin of the present difficulty.

4. In the year 1871 the institution known as the Military Male Asylum was removed from Madras to Ootacamund, and the premises in which the inmates had been accommodated in Madras were made over by Govt. to the Directors of the C.O.A.

Proceedings 116/1871, para. 3

At the same time, partly because these premises were too large to be conveniently occupied by the boys on the foundation of the C.O.A., and partly because the buildings occupied by the St. Mary's Church Fund School in the Fort were considered unhealthy, Government suggested that the boys under the St. Mary's foundation should be transferred to the new quarters of the C.O.A. thus forming a joint school though the Foundations remained separate.

Letter of Fort Surgeon 6-3-71 read in Pros. dated 6-5-71 D

5. As stated by the Chaplain in para. 6 of his letter, the principle was that no extra expense on their account should fall on the funds of the C.O.A. i.e. neither party was to gain or lose anything by it. From the very first, however, this principle was not strictly adhered to.

G.O.No. 252, d/26-8-71 para. 6 sec(1) and (2) where "the amalgamated institutions" are spoken of.

6 There are several points in which it has been abandoned

(1) The cost per child per mensem of the school of the C.O.A. in the year(1871) when this amalgamation was effected was Rs. 11-3-5.

Statement appended to G.O.No. ~~334/1873 para. 2~~ 101 dt 7/3/73

But the income of St. Mary's Fund would not suffice of that amount

G.O. 339/1871 para. 6

being paid for each of the 54 St. Mary's boys who were made over under the new arrangement. The St. Mary's Church Fund's total income in 1871 was as follows:-

	Rs.
Interest on funded capital..	8,680
Govt. grant towards Master..	540
Govt. grant towards general expenses of school....	433
"Other sources".	112
Total	9,695

From this deducting for other Fund expenses, not connected with the boys, e.g. up-keep of Church, Chaplain, &c. . . . Rs 3,275,

there was a balance for the maintenance and education of the 54 boys then on the foundation of Rs. Rs. 6,420

or a sum of Rs. 9-14-6 per mensem for each boy.

But by the grant of the premises of the Military Male Asylum, and the grant of the services of the St. Mary's Church Chaplain to the new amalgamated institution free of charge to the Directors of the C.O.A. Government evidently considered that the Directors were receiving a full equivalent for the loss which they anticipated on each of the 54 St. Mary's boys of Rs. 1-4-11 per mensem.

The value of the new buildings at Egmore to the C.O.A. was, of course, very considerable. The Directors were also allowed to receive the rent of their old buildings in Black Town, now vacated.

G.O. 252/1871 para.9

	Rs - A. -P.
Average cost per child	11- 3- 5
Payment per child. . .	9-14- 6
Difference	1- 4-11
Total ~~Cost~~ per annum. .	847- 2- 0

* I cannot find out what this was. But it enhanced the value of the gift of the Egmore buildings.

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7. (2) The Chaplain's salary as Superintendent of the St. Mary's boys was Rs. 87-8-0 per mensem. On the

amalgamation being effected, his educational duties were taken away; his spiritual services were given to the joint institution; his salary as above was paid solely by St. Mary's Fund; and a carriage allowance of Rs. 30 per mensem was also granted him from the St. Mary's Fund to enable him to visit the boys of the new joint institution in Egmore.

G.O.252/1871 para.6(II)

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117-8 x 12 = 1410

Thus the Chaplain represented a payment of Rs. 1,410-0-0 per annum from the ~~from the~~ St. Mary's Fund to the C.O.A. This has been lost sight of in all subsequent calculations.

8 (3) The third point in which the original understanding was departed from was when the sum of Rs. 433, originally granted, by Government to the St. Mary's Fund as a sum of money not to exceed Rs.100 per mensem to supplement any deficiencies in the St. Mary's Fund, and to be devoted to boarding and clothing of the boys, was made over to the Directors in G.O.81/1874, as a "special case".

G.O.64/1866 (Page 24 of the Book file)
(Page 24 of the Book file)

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Strictly speaking, in the year 1872 the deficiencies under the above heads in the accounts of St. Mary's Fund only amounted to Rs. 142. But even to this amount the Joint institution had no claim. The omission of the Garrison Chaplain of the time to grasp this fact is inexplicable.

9 (4) Again, the rent of the old school building in the Fort ~~s~~ formerly used

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G.O.81/1874 (Page 53 of the book file)

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Since 1891 the building has been resumed by Govt. without payment, as it was ascertained that it was not the property of St. Mary's Trustees, but leased to them for 99 years G.O.1183/1891 (Page 161 of the file)

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used by the St. Mary's boys, Rs.86 per mensem, or Rs. 1,080 per annum was made over in the same year, 1874, to the Directors of the C.O.A.

Its lease had been sanctioned by G.O.17/1873 and payment of the amount ordered to be made to the Garrison Chaplain.

No sooner had this been done than the Directors of the C.O.A. laid claim to this sum, to which they had no sort of right under the original arrangement, and Govt. in G.O.294/1873 para.2 remarked

"It is shown that, on such addition being made, the grant per boy will be Rs. 11-1-5 or 10 pies less than the actual cost (Rs.11-2-3) per boy for the year 1872".

At the ~~risk~~ risk of being tedious it must again be pointed out that

(1) In the original agreement the deficiency in the amount paid by the St. Mary's Fund per boy had been fixed at Rs.1-4-11, and a deficiency under this head of Rs. 847-3-0 per annum anticipated.

(2) That the services of the Chaplains represented a yearly payment of Rs. 1,410-0-0 made by the St. Mary's Fund to the Joint Institution.

(3) That by the grant of the new buildings in Egmore Govt. had given the C.O.A. far more than an equivalent for such deficiency in the cash payment per boy.

(4) That by appropriating the grant of the Govt. contribution of Rs. 423 mentioned above the Directors had already secured themselves against about half of the deficiency mentioned in (1) above.

All these facts were lost sight of by Govt. when it made in G.O.294/1873 the statement quoted above.

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the Rs. 423 per annum mentioned above.

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Note Mr. Penny in table A gives the contribution for 1879 as Rs.7340, and for 1880 as Rs.7347

causes of their financial straits.

The Chaplain makes this point still clearer by pointing out (what is not stated in the G.O.) that from the time when the Govt. contribution to the C.O.A. was raised from Rs. 600 to Rs. 1,200 per annum, the contribution which Govt. had up to that time been making to the St. Mary's Fund as a separate institution was stopped. In 1877 (the famine year) the Directors C.O.A. asked for a spedial contribution from the St. Mary's Fund. In his forwarding letter the Chaplain instead of pointing out that he was already paying far too much, actually proposed to reduce the number of his boys. This proposal was negatived by Govt. in G.O. 406/1877, but "as a very exceptional case" Govt. sanctioned the payment of Rs. 400 from St. Mary's Fund to the C.O.A. The proper course would have been to reduce the number of the C.O.A. boys.

14 The next appeal from the C.O.A. Directors for help from Govt. was in 1880. As the chaplain points out the Directors in their proceedings read with G.O.94, dated 26-1-81 assume that no consideration was being received by them on account of the St. Mary's boys except the following cash payments Rs 6,420 (the original sum) + Rs. 1,020 (Rent of Fort building) = Rs.7,440. From this total the sum of Rs. 615 was deducted for repairs to the Fort buildings in 1879, and Rs. 640 in 18[illegible] leaving to be credited to the C.O.A.

grant

only a total of Rs. 6,835 in 1879,
and --------,,---- 6,800 in 1880

This is the assumption which the Chaplain combats. He shows, in the remarks appended to Table B. that at the time of amalgamation the Govt. grant to each of the single Institutions was almost the same. i.e. Rs.1-6-0 per boy per mensem in the case of the C.O.A. and Rs. 1-7-4 in the case of St. Mary's Fund. The proportion has been steadily diverging ever since; nor is this to be wondered at, when, the grants shown in Mr.Penny's table B. were looked upon by the Directors as exclusively intended for the C.O.A. funds as distinct from the Joint Institution.

15 On this point the Accountant-General, to whom the papers were referred for report, has made a full report. The purport of it is that Mr. Penny is right in his contention that the grants made to the Directors C.O.A. subsequent to the amlgamation with the St. Mary's Fund were intended to be shared with St. Mary's Fund. Attention is invited to paras. 3 and 4 of his letter in particular, where he shows that in 1896 the St. Mary's Fund was entitled, on its payments, to nominate 42 boys, while as a matter of fact the Chaplain's boys were only 30.

16 Attention is also invited to G.O.12, dated 9-1-93 in which , in consequence of an application for relief by

vide Chaplains letter of 4-12-1880.
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Ibid

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by the Directors of the C.O.A., Govt. called upon the Garrison Chaplain to report whether in the event of the cancellation of the present arrangement, other arrangements were feasible

The Chaplain replied in letter read in G.O. 159/93 that the St. Mary's Fund was sufficient to maintain 40 scholars, provided that free accommodation was provided in the Fort as before. As noted bove, the old school buildings had been resumed by Govt. in 1891.The Chaplain also pointed out in his letter that the Fund would save Rs. 50 per mensem if the boys were brought back into the Fort. (Rs.30 carriage allowance to the Garrison Chaplain and Rs. 20 up-keep of 2 bullocks for the choir omnibus)

This letter was referred to the Military Dept. for report whether accommodation, could be provided for St. Mary's Charity school in the Fort as before. The Military Dept. reported that no buildings were available for the St. Mary's boys in the Fort and accordingly G.O.431,dated 2-5-93 stated that the only course open was to reduce the number of St. Mary's scholars maintained in the Civil Orphan Asylum. The last Govt. special grant tothe C.O.A. was made in G.O. 1184,dated 23rd Nov. 1893 which concluded as follows;

"The Govt. will not, however, under any circumstances give a furth

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grant to the Directors who should reduce their expenses to the limits of the means at their disposal".

17 The error which was made in G.O 24, dated 26-1-91 and in cutting down the number of St. Mary's Fund boys before ascertaining how far it was true that they were not paying their way, an error which was repeated in G.O.No. 431/93, in addition to the G.O's. reducing the number of the Woolley Fund scholars, quoted by the Chaplain in para. 9 of his letter, has now to be repaired. The sum of Rs. 50 which the Chaplain stated would be saved if the boys were brought back to the Fort would of course be utterly inadequate to provide the St. Mary's boys with new hired premises of their own, were any such available. Nor would it be feasible to order the immediate reduction of the number of C.O.A. boys and the increase of the St. Mary's boys to the proportions indicated by the Accountant-General. But perhaps it will be thought that the only way out of the present difficulty will be to point out to the Directors C.O.A. that they have been maintaining more boys of their own nomination and fewer of the St. Mary's Fund boys than the relative position of the respective funds of the institutions justifies, and told that until the proper proportion as shown by the Accountant-General is reached, no more nominations are to be made by them, all vacancies being filled

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filled up by the Garrison Chaplain. The Chaplain in his letter asks only for 36 boys. But the A.G. shows that he is entitled to 42. The proposals of the Chaplain, therefore, in para. 13 of his letter appear to be extremely reasonable. But before the question is submitted for the orders of Govt., the C.S. who is an ex-officio trustee of St. Mary's Fund may think it advisable to communicate the letter of the Chaplain, and the Report of the A.G. to the Directors C.O.A. for remark. The further facts referred to in the early portion of this note might also be brought to their notice at the same time. The A.G. has referred to some of them in para.1 of his report, but perhaps it would be as well to state them in full, so that any criticisms which the Directors may have to make on this presentation of the facts may be fully considered before the papers are submitted to Govt.

(Id.) M.E.C.

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This should be done; but before the reference goes out the file will be referred to Financial for examination of the figures and comment.

(Id.) A.T.A.

11-1-98.

To

Financial Department for examination of the figures and comment.

(Signed) M.E. Couchman,
11-1-98.

Financial Department.

N O T E.

The figures in the Ecclesiastical Department note have been verified and found to be correct with the exception of one or two slips which have been rectified in red ink. The Reverend Mr. Penny's tables attached to his letter in C.No.249 have also been checked as far as possible. The averages in table B do not appear to be quite correct in every case, but the small differences do not, it is thought, affect his arguments.

2. Para 10 of the Ecclesiastical Department note contains certain facts which it is pointed out are not noticed by the Reverend Mr.Penny but which lend much force to his contention that the St. Mary's Church Fund has not been equitably treated by the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum.

3. The first of these facts is a statement of what was actually anticipated when the amlgamation of the St. Mary's Charity School with the Civil Orphan Asylum took place in 1871 - viz. that there would be a deficiency in the amount contributed by the former to the latter for the up-keep of the boys.

4. The next statement relates to the services of the Chaplain, which it is contended represent a yearly payment of Rs. 1,410 made by the St. Mary's Fund to the joint institution. As regards this

Note
× Carried out in type-written copy Cons

Page 6 and 7 of printed Currents

‡ Page 7 ibid

Page 5 of these notes

Later note

The Adjt statement on page 13 of the printed Currents shows how this contribution can be fairly arrived. The cost of the Chaplain (ie his allowance & carriage hire) should be treated as part of the joint cost of the joint institutions & divided amongst the C.O. Asylum scholars & the St. Mary's Scholars in proportion to their number

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this, it is to be noted that previous to the amalgamation of the two institutions the Garrison Chaplain of Fort St. George exercised a general superintendence over the education of the orphans of St. Mary's School, but that when the amalgamation took place he was divested of this general superintendence and Govt. clearly stated its intention in para. 1 of G.O. No. 280, Educl., dated 29th September 1871, that he should not exercise any control over the secular instruction of the St. Mary's Orphans. This secular control was therefore transferred to the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum and it is thought that this transfer represents a certain set off, which of course cannot be exactly, against the payment made by St. Mary's fund to the Chaplain's allowance and his carriage hire.

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5. The next statement relates to the grant of the new buildings at Egmore to the Civil Orphan Asylum and it is contended that these were far more than an equivalent for the deficiencies in the cash payments per boy. In a previous portion of the note dealing with this point (para 6) reference is made to the rent of three old buildings in Black Town which the Directors were allowed to receive. As regards the grant of the new buildings in Egmore, it is to be observed that these buildings also house the St. Mary's

Mary's Orphans and that although the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum received the rent of the St. Mary's School buildings in the Fort, this payment was discontinued in 1891 when Government resumed the school house (vide G.O.No.1183,Financial, dated 14th November 1891). As regards the Black Town buildings difficulties have been experienced in tracing the authority for the statement that the Directors were allowed to receive the rent of the old buildings there-It would appear from para.5 of G.O.No.252,Educational, dated 26th August 1871, that these buildings had been occupied by the Civil Orphan Asylum prior to the amalgamation and that it ~~had~~ was part of the agreement with Govt. as regards the amalgamation that the Asylum should receive the sale proceeds. From page 9 of the annual report of the amalgamated institution - vide G.O. No.264,Educl., dated 26th June 1877 in the file of papers relating to the Woolley Fund - it would appear that these buildings were not disposed of until 1876.

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6. The next point alluded to in para 10 ~~page~~ of the Eccl.Dept. note is the appropriation by the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum of the Govt. contribution of Rs. 423 per annum which was originally granted to the St.Mary's Fund as a sum of money not exceeding Rs.100 per mensem to supplement any deficiencies in that fund and to be devoted

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devoted to the boarding and clothing of the St. Mary's boys. This Rs. 423 is the third item mentioned ~~on page~~ in para 6 of the Eccl. dept. note as forming a portion of the income of St. Mary's Church Fund in 1871 and it was not drawn after 1874 - vide para. 2 of the Garrison Chaplain's letter on page 1 of G.O.No. 689,Finl., dated 1st July 1892. Please see also the Reverend Mr. Penny's table A which also shows that the grant ceased after 1873-74.In fact this grant formed a portion of the sum of Rs. 6,400 which under the original agreement ~~a~~ the St. Mary's Fund was to pay to the Civil Orphan Asylum for the up-keep of its Orphans.

7. For the foregoing reasons it is thought that the points mentioned in para 10 ~~on page~~ 8 of the Eccl.dept. note had better not be raised with the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum who can meet them with, it is submitted, very adequate replies. The Reverend Mr. Penny's contentions as amplified by the Accountant-General are, it is submitted, sound. It is quite clear from a perusal of G.O.No. 101, Educl., dated 30th March 1874, that the Govt. grant-in-aid of Rs.600 to the Civil Orphan Asylum was raised to Rs. 1,200 per annum partly in consequence of the extra ~~s~~ cost thrown upon that institution by the transfer of the St. Mary's Orphans and it seems to be equally clear that

subscriptions

that the Directors of the institution have overlooked this point throughout the correspondence on the subject. It is thought that it would be better for the Chief Secretary and the Garrison Chaplain who are co-trustees of the St. Mary's Fund to first correspond with the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylum, and if that cannot bring them to terms to then come up to Govt.

(Id.) C.M.S.

17-2-98.

Ecclesiastical Dept.

C.Nos. 35A & 55.

For Orders.

In his letters of the 1st October and 20th November last the Garrison Chaplain drew the attention of the Directors of the Civil Orphan Asylums, Madras, to the figures marginally given showng the amount due by the Directors to the Trustees of the St. Mary's Church Fund for the year 1896.

2. Mr.Penny then remarked that from the time of the amalgamation of the St. Mary's School with the Civil Orphan Asylums until June 1893, the amount for the 2nd Master from Govt. was regularly credited to the St. Mary's Fund. We therefore pointed out that the present claim was for a share in the Govt. grant to the extent allowed by Govt. at the time of the amalgamation.

	Rs	-as-P
Amount due to Directors. .	4,798	- 2-0
Amount paid.....Rs.	4,620	
Portion of Govt. grant to be credited to the St.Mary's Fund.	240	
	4,860	- 0-0
Amount due to the Trustees of the St. Mary's Fund....	61-	14-0

3. In a third letter dated 10th December last the Garrison Chaplain remarked that it did not appear to him that he was the right person to sit on a committee appointed "to decide certain questions relating to the St. Mary's Church Fund" the questions having been raised by himself but with a view to explaining in the simplest fashion the claim he made he had put up a note on the subject. This note is here reproduced for ready reference

Note

"1. The foundation principle of amalgamation is laid down in G.O.No. 116, May 6th 1871.

The revenues of the St. Mary's School would be devoted to the support and education of the scholars belonging to it, and no charge whatever on their account would fall on the Civil Asylum.

2. At the time of amalgamation the income of the St. Mary's School was partly derived from endowment and partly from Govt.

Endowment - 5,500 per annum

Government- 963 ---do---

The Government grant was as follows

Teaching... ... 540

Feeding & Clothing. 423

The proportion of Govt. grant to other income was thus about 15 per cent.

3. The income of the Asylums at the same time from funded capital, donations, Church collections, subscriptions

subscriptions and other sources was approximately 15,500. The Govt. grant amounted to 2,500 - i.e. the proportion of Govt. grant to other income was about 16 per cent.

4. The two schools enjoyed a similar proportion of Govt. assistance. The amalgamation was therefore brought about on perfectly equitable principles. The manifest intention of the Govt. was that after amalgamation the Govt. grant to the Institution as a whole would be fairly spread over the needs of the total number of children in it.

5. At the present time the Directors of the Amalgamated Institutions look upon the whole Govt. grant as intended for C.O.A. children only. They regard the St. Mary's children as boarders, whose total cost is to be paid for out of the St. Mary's Fund.

6. My claim is that the principle and fact of amalgamation should not thus be ignored; and that the St. Mary's children should be recognised as having a right to their proper share in the whole Govt. grant".

7. The Committee(referred to above as appointed to decide these questions) in considering these letters recommended to the Directors that the claim for the refund of Rs.61-14-0 to the St. Mary's Church Fund for the year 1896 should not be entertained until the application had the approval of both the trustees of the St. Mary's Charity Fund, it appearing that the

Vide proceedings printed on page 9 and 10 of the proof of Counsel

claim had been made by one trustee only. They further stated that, in the event of both trustees agreeing in the application, the refund proposed should not be made ~~in law~~ unless the trustees guaranteed to the Directors payment for the St. Mary's School children in future years on the same principle of calculation; that if the trustees were prepared to give this guarantee, the refund might be made. The Committee remarked that it was informed by the Treasurer that if this principle had been acted on since April 1893 the Trustees of St. Mary's ~~Church~~ Charity School would now be indebted to the Directors for some hundreds of rupees.

8. With reference to the Garrison Chaplain's statement that the accounts showing the amounts drawn for the 2nd Master had been rendered up to 1893, the Committee observed that it was apparent from G.O.No. 431,Finl., dated 2-5-93, that accounts had been rendered up to the 31st March 1892 only. It therefore called upon the Chaplain to favour the Directors with a copy of the accounts to June 1893.

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9. Adverting to para. 6 of the Chaplains note dated the 10th Decr. 1897 the Committee expressed its opinion that from the Directors' letter to Govt., printed in G.O.No. 101,Educl., dated 30th March 1894,it was clear that the grant of Rs. 1,200/ could in no way refer to the St. Mary's Charity Fund. It added that

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G.O.No. 689,Finl., dated 1-7-98 showed that the grant of Rs. 423 as allowed by G.O.No.64,Eccl., dated 19th March 1866, was not blended in the grant of Rs.1200 referred to. The Committee concluded thus -"That this view is correct is the more apparent from the fact that in order to obtain this Rs. 1200, the Directors have to collect from the public, and entirely apart from the St. Mary's Charity Fund, a sum of Rs.3,000 per annum".

10 This report of the Sub Committee is submitted by the Hon. Secretary of the Civil Orphan Asylums to the Chief Secretary to Govt. as Co-trustee of St. Mary's Charity Fund. A communication from Mr. Penny to the Chief Secretary regarding payment from the St. Mary's Church Funds to the Civil Orphan Asylums is now under consideration. The file has been sent by the Chief Secretary to the Financial Department for remarks. Meanwhile it is submitted that the present currents may be referred to the Accountant-General for his remarks unless it is considered that the subject now in question should be dealt with along with the file with Financial.

(Id.) C.W.
11-2-98.

(Id.) A.E.
18-2-98.

vide letter ~~abstract~~ at Cr. 249 on page 2 of the proof

These currents and the file will be sent to Financial for remarks with reference

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Yes.

(Id.) A.T.A.
1-3-98.

Yes.

(Id.) A.T.A.
1-3-98.

flagged I (Pages 12 to 15 ?
Finl. Currents)

reference to Financial note about (~~in attached file~~.)

(Id.) A.T.A.
28-2-98.

Finl. Dept

Note for the Chief Secretary.

Submitted that this current and its enclosures may be referred to the A.G. for examination and report first.

Attention is solicited to the suggestion made to Eccl. in the note flagged I in the linked file re printing up the important papers and notes on this subject which is all the more necessary now that the Directors of the C.O.Asylums do not intend to give anyway without a fight.

(Id.) C.W.S.
28-2-98.

Finl. Dept

G.Nos.131 & 161

The reference on G.Nos.35 A and 36, ordered in the C.S's note d/1st March 1898, was made in memorandum No. 392 Eccl., d/4th March 1898. C. to G.131 (Ref Corro May 12 yr. non Chaplain (Ref Dept. Govt's reply) to agrees with the Garrison Chaplain in holding that the Govt. grants of Rs.600 formerly drawn by the C.O.A. proper and of Rs.423 by the St. Mary's School appear to have, on the amalgamation of the two institutions, been converted into

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