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Ecclesiastical (1899) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 81

DATED 10-7-89

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[Despatch Abstract.]

69-70

Furnishing the Joint Solicitor with certain information required by him to draw up a draft deed of conditional gift from Joint to the C. M. S. Native Church Council of the Church at Pukicat, directing that the draft deed should be forwarded through the Ven. the Archdeacon to the Council for approval before submission to Joint, approving the Archdeacon's proposal as regards the disposal of certain vessels belonging to the Church, & stating that the question of selling the vacant land to the east & west of the Church will be disposed of by the Rev. dept.

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CURRENT No. 26 reel.

DEPARTMENT.

From The Archdeacon of
Madras.

No. 4192.

Dated 17. 1. 98

Received 18. 1. 98

Enclosures -

SUBJECT.

Stating that it was
resolved at a special
meeting of the Madras
Native Church Council
that the gift of the Church
at Pulicat be thankfully
accepted on the conditions
proposed by the Archdeacon
of Madras.

In para 3 of this
letter the Archdeacon
remarked that he
be

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G.
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500-2-9-87.

Ecd DEPARTMENT

C. No. 26

Hon W. J. Brose
H.E. the Governor
The Hon. Mr Brose
H.E. the Govt.

SUBJECT.

The Church at Pulicat

FOR ORDERS.

Send to the Govt Secy for
the Archdeacon
3-1-M
8-2-98

In his letter 3388 of the 8th
February last the Archdeacon
reported that the Church at
Pulicat required repairs
which would cost "several
hundred Rupees". As he
did not feel justified in
spending this sum, seeing
that there was but one Ac
resident at Pulicat
was not a native,
suggested that the Church
should be handed over
to the Native Church
Council of the C.M.
on certain conditions
(vide infra).

2 In para 3 of this
letter the Archdeacon
remarked that he
be

believed there was an
old treaty with the
Dutch in which the
Bishop had undertaken
to keep a clergyman
at Pulicat. In the
pencil note on the slip
attached to J.O. 8 Eccl
15.1.84 2,
it is stated that there
is no treaty obligation
for the provision of
religious ministration
at Pulicat, but that,
after the transfer
of the Dutch Settlements
to the British Govt, a
catechist would
seem to have been
maintained by Govt
at Pulicat for
many years,
as evidenced by the
correspondence
of 1847 & 1848 (in file)

3 J.O. 8 Eccl which
15.1.84
was passed in Council
Govt approved of
the Bishop's proposal
to discontinue the
grant

Letter 1617 dt 9.3.97

J.O. 18 Eccl dt 25.3.97

the grant of Rs 150 per
messum, paid to the Revd
C.C. Shukie, incumbent
in connection with the Colonial
& Continental Church
Society, on account of the
ministrations at Pulicat,
as the European & Eurasian
congregation had dwindled
to ten souls. At the same
time it was arranged
that the Chaplain of North
Black Town should visit
Pulicat, as an outstation,
four times a year so
long as there remained
Europeans or Eurasians
to be ministered to.

4 The Archdeacon's
proposal to transfer the
Pulicat church to the
C.M.S. Native Church
Council, having
the concurrence
of the Bishop, Govt
authorized the Arch-
deacon to make the
offer on certain
conditions, and stated
that

that further instructions
would issue when
it was reported whether
the Society had accepted
or not.

5. The condition laid
down by the Archdeacon (at H)^K
for the transfer was—

"that the native
"clergyman visiting
"Pulicat shall, whenever
"it may seem necessary,
"hold an English
"service there"

The Bishop's proviso (at D)^K
was

"that the church shd, when
"required, be lent to any
"clergyman whom the Bishop
"may send to hold an
"English service"

The conditions (at K)
laid down by Govt.
were

1) "on the conditions named
by him" (i.e. the Archdeacon)
and 2) the keeping of the
church & church yard
in good order

6. In the current
now under disposal
the Archdeacon
reports that at a special
meeting, held at
Madras on the 21st
Dec 1897, the Madras
Native Church Council
resolved to thankfully
accept the gift of the
church at Pulicat
on the conditions
proposed by Mr. Elms

These conditions
are

- (a) "that you keep the
"Church and Church
"yard in good repair"
(b) "that you lend the
"Church to any clergyman
"whom the Bishop may
"at any time send to hold
"an English service"

Orders are
solicited with
ref to the notes
at P on the docket
of C 48 disposed of by
fo. 18 Dec and para
25.3.97

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28.1.98

of the go at K

28.1.98
I thought I think to
be some ^{more} formal document
for a transfer of this kind than
a G.O. It is almost certain
that the Native Church Council
will neglect the churchyard
& Govt ought to have the power
to interfere through the Com.
The case may be referred
to the Govt. Solicitor for
a draft deed of conditional
gift.

At 31.1.98

Gen, giving
recd. to
But power of
JG
2/2/98

Recd. 26.

[G.]
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DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 25. 3. 1897, No. 18

Again G.O., dated 1897, No.

Current No. 26 of 1897, dated 17th Jan, from the Ven. the Archdeacon of Madras.

" " " 1897, " " "

" " " 1897, " " "

The Hon. Mr. Goss. ? d.s.

ORDER.

1. The ~~the~~ Ven. the Archdeacon
of Madras having reported
that there was only one European
or Eurasian Christian at the
station of Pulicat, the Govt.
in the G.O. read above, decided
to offer the Church at that
place to the Native Church
Council of the Church Missionary
Society on two conditions:—
a.) That the Church and
Church-yard should be kept
in good repair.
b.) That the Church should,
when required, be lent to any
clergyman whom the Bishop
may send to hold an English
service there.

2. The Ven. the Archdeacon
now reports that the
P. T. O.

Madras Native Church Council
 have, at a special meeting
 held at Madras on the 21st Dec.
 1897, resolved that the
 gift of the Church at Pulicat
 be thankfully accepted on
 the above conditions. H.E.
 the Governor in Council is
 pleased to order that the
~~said~~ Church be made over
 to the ~~Native~~ Native Church
 Council of the Church Missionary
 Society with effect from
 1st Jan. ~~1897~~ 1898.

M.C.P.
 28/1/98

C.S.

Refer No. 351 of 8-2-98
 Referred to the
 Govt Solicitor who
 will be requested to
 submit a draft deed
 of conditional gift,
 securing to Govt the
 power of re-entry
 and resumption
 of control, in case the
 Native Church
 Council neglects
~~to keep the churchyard~~
~~in repair, or fails~~
 to carry out the
 conditions prescribed
 (from orders)

C.W.
 4/2/98

a.l.H.
 4/2/98

M.A.
 5.2.98

~~Hand the Arch deacon~~

To The Govt Solicitor (V)
 with current in
 original & connected
 papers to be returned

4.C. send copy of fo. 18 Eccl
 28.3.97
 with the originals of the
 current disposed of by it.

Des/reqd 7.2.98.
 8.2.98.
 9/2/98

Eccel.
12
70-18-2-06.

Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 63.

From The Govt Solicitor,
Madras.

Order

No. 74

Dated 12 "
Received 13 " } 7th 1898
Registered 14 "
Enclosures -
Spare copies -

SUBJECT.

Requesting to be furnished,
with ref. to memo. no. 3578/8 instanc,
with certain information re:
the draft deed of Conditional gift
from Govt. to the Madras Native
Church Council of the Church
at Pulicat. —

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No. 74

Madras 12th February 1898.



From,

Ernest Barclay
Government Solicitor
M A D R A S.

To,

The Chief Secretary to Government

Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your Memorandum No.351 dated 8th instant directing me to submit a draft deed of conditional gift from Government to the Madras Native Church Council of the Church at Pulicat, I have to request that I may be furnished with the following information.

- Whether the Madras Native Church Council is an incorporated body and, if so, how it became incorporated and whether its full name is "The Church Missionary Society Native Church Council" (Vide G.O. Eccl. No.18 dated 25th March 1897)
- If, as is probably the case, the Council is not incorporated, the full names, descriptions and addresses of the members of the Council to whom the Church is to be made over. If the Council consists of a large body of members, it would be advisable that the Church should be made over to the governing body (if any) of the Council or to some Office bearers thereof and, in that case, I shall require the full names, descriptions and addresses of the members of such body or office bearers.
- Whether any and, if any, what conditions as to the use to which the Church is to be put should be inserted in the deed of gift. From the letter of 17th January 1897 No.4192 from the Venerable the Archdeacon of Madras to your address, it appears that the only conditions on which the Church is to be made over to the Council are

that the Council keep the Church and Churchyard in good repair

that the Council lend the Church to any Clergyman -
whom the Bishop may at any time send to hold an -
English Service.

- (d) The value of the property to be made over to the Council,
as such value will have to be mentioned in the deed of -
gift in order to determine the Stamp duty thereon.
- (e) Whether the Council is to pay such stamp duty or whether
it should be recited in the deed that Government has agreed
to pay such duty, in which case, under Section 29 of the
Stamp Act read with the General Exemption in the second
Schedule to the Act, the deed would be exempt from stamp
duty.
- (f) The boundaries and area of the property and the name of the
Registration and Sub-Registration Districts in which it is
situate.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your Obedient Servant

Lincoln Barclay
Government Solicitor.

Eccl Dept
C 63

Draft

CS

Refer No. 500 238 23 2 98

Referred to the
Venerable the Archdeacon
for report with refer to
his letter No 4192 of the 17th
ultimus

Re 17.2.98 MT

18.2.98

aw 17.2.98

except as regards
point (e) in
the current
points (e) & (f)

the Venerable the Archdeacon
(A + Refer)

Note

Please see the current
The information must be
obtained from the Archdeacon
except perhaps that under
(e)

The papers have
been sent in original
to the Govt Solicitor
vide sub 35148.2.98
at M

C.S.

Orders are solicited as
to point (e) in the current

Re 17.2.98 MT

await reply MT

Enquire of
Govt. Secy as
to (f) MT

18.2.98

P.T.O.

no means of
finding out
+ See 3 (1)
of the new Act
(II 17/99)
18/2/98

1400 2005 LCB
Repa No. 549, 71-3-98
Referred to the 28 of
Registration for report
as to (f)

ew
28/1/98

CMS
28/1/98

J.S. of the 9th (a + refes) Dec 28
3/3/98

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Evel. Evel
Judicial (189 8) Department.

CURRENT No. 1338 106



Asst Secy

Please see H. This
may await the Archdeacon's
reply? ~~Whether~~ may be reminded?

ao
28/2/98
Order

Yes
28/3/98

Note: Please get from Librarian & put up with the file
Dr. Pea's book "Monumental Remains of the Dutch E.I.C."
recently sent up for my perusal.

S.S.-H.
23.9.98

Seen Please put up again with file
when Archdeacon's reply comes in. It is very
important that it should be known what
kind of monuments are to be handed over to
the (?) care of the native church council.
V. L.S.'s note & office note
S.S.B.
23.9.98

From The Inspector General
Registration
Madras

Pat
24/3/98
L
R
23/3/98

L/No. 1569.

Dated 21st March 1898.

Received 22. 3. 98

Registered

Enclosures (1)

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SUBJECT.

stating that the property
referred to memo No. 549 of
1st March 1898 is situated
in the Ponnore sub. district
and forwarding a map
sketch of the boundaries &c

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REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

G.No. 1569

From

The Honourable P. Rajaratna Mudaliyar,

Dewan Bahadur,

Inspector-General of Registration

Madras,

To

The Honourable A.T. Arundel, I.C.S.,

Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort St. George.

Madras, 21st March 1898.

Sir,

H In reply to endorsement from Government on a letter from the Government Solicitor, No. 74, dated 12th. February 1898, I have the honour to forward a sketch received this day from the Subregistrar of Ponneri showing the area and boundaries of the property therein referred to.

2. The property is situated within the registration sub-district of Ponneri attached to the Chingleput Registration district.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

P. Rajaratna Mudaliyar
Insp. Genl. of Regn.

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Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 112



Asst Secy

*To await further
communication from the Archdeacon. R. 11/4/98*

31/4/98

24/4/98

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Order

From

*The Venerable W. Weston Elwes, M.A.
Archdeacon of Madras.*

No. 4379.

Dated 30th March 1898.

Received 31-3-98

Registered

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

*Stating that has been done with
reference to memorandum No 500
dated 23 Feb /98 re Police
Church*

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88-9530/98.*

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ECCLIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Madras, 30th March 1898.

No. 4379.

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras,

To

The Honorable
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your Memorandum dated 24th March 1898, concerning Memorandum No. 500 dated 23rd February 1898, regarding Pulicat Church, and to state that I have had an interview with the Vice Chairman of the C. M. S. Madras Native Church Council on the matter and have sent the papers to the Secretary of the Council with a request he will give the information requested as soon as possible.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Weston Elwes

Archdeacon of Madras.

P.C. Blue?
sent to Secy
with instructions H
on C 106.

Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 125

CHIEF SECRETARY
13 APR. 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MALAYA

From The Hon. H. Mallesherie Esq. M.C.
Archdeacon of Malacca

Order

No. 4409

Dated April 12 1898

Received

Registered

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Giving certain information called for in
Memorandum No. 500 Ecc. Department
dated February 28 1898 re: Malacca
Church

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The Hon. H. Mallesherie Esq. M.C.
Archdeacon of Malacca

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt
of your Memorandum dated 22 March 1898, con-
cerning the proposed alterations to the Malacca
Church, and to state that I have had an interview with the Chairman of
the C. M. S. Malacca Church Council on the
matter and have sent the papers to the Secretary
of the Council with a request to call upon the in-
formation requested as soon as possible.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
H. Mallesherie Esq. M.C.

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ECCLIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

Madras, April 12 1898.

No. 4409

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon. the Chief Secretary

Ps. Supp. no. 43792
30.3.98.

Sir, In continuation of my letter no 4374 dated 28th March 1898 & with reference to memorandum no 500 Ecclesiastical Depart. dated 23rd Feb. 1898 I have the honor to state that;

(a) The C. M. S. Madras Native Church Council are not an incorporated body

(b) The Council suggests that as it consists of a large number of members it will be enough if the deed transferring the Church at Palicat is executed in favor of the Vice Chairman & two acting Chairmen; & the Secretary. The names of these two Gentlemen are as follows.

Ner: David Asirvatham Peter Clerk in Holy Orders
Ag. Chairmen Madras C. M. S. Native Church Council;
L. Thos. Mount

Mr. Edward Sellich Benson Honorary Secretary
to the Madras C. M. S. Native Church Council: Kozapetta, Madras

(c) That the only conditions laid down are those referred to in my letter no 4142 dated 17th Jan. 1898 quoted in para C of the Government Solicitor's letter no 74 dated 12 Feb. 1898. I would suggest that these conditions be inserted as now in the deed at the discretion of the Gov. Solicitor

(d) I regret that I have no means of ascertaining the value of the property, nor can the C. M. S. Native Ch. Council help me in this matter

(e) There is a very curious & ancient set of Communion Plates belonging to Palicat, & also a large silver basin used for Baptisms. Two plate & basin are in charge of the Chaplain of R. Black Town & are kept in R. Black Church. I would suggest that this plate & basin still remain in the charge of the Chaplain of R. Black Town

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

C.M.P. 26/98

C. 12.5.98
No. 16.6.98

Ecclesiastical Dept.

For orders

Read C.Nos.26,63,106 & 125.

Please see the Note for Orders
at G.

In connection with the proposed transfer of the Pulicat Church to the care of the Native Church Council of the Church Missionary Society on conditions (1) that the Church and Church-yard should be kept in good repair and (2) that the Church should, when required, be lent to any clergyman whom the Bishop may send to hold an English service there, the C.S. observed (and H.M. agreed) - "There ought, I think, to be some more formal document for a transfer of this kind than a G.O. It is almost certain that the Native Church Council will neglect the Churchyard and Govt. ought to have the power to interfere through the Collr. The case may be referred to the Govt. Solicitor for a draft deed of conditional gift."

2. In O.M. No.251 d/ 8-2-98 the Govt. Solicitor was accordingly asked to submit a draft deed of conditional gift securing to Govt. the power of re-entry and resumption of control in case the Native Church Council fails to carry out the conditions prescribed. To enable him to draft the deed, the Govt. Solicitor requested information on the following

points

The Church at Pulicat.

*CNo 63J

points:-

- (a) whether the Madras Native Church Council is an incorporated body, and, if so, how it became incorporated, and whether its full name is "The Church Missionary Society Native Church Council"
- (b) if the Council is not incorporated, the full names, descriptions and addresses of the members of the Council to whom the Church is to be made over; and if the Council consists of a large body of members the full names, descriptions and addresses of the members of the governing body (if any) or office bearers.
- (c) whether any, and, if any, what conditions as to the use to which the Church is to be put should be inserted in the deed of gift (besides the two conditions referred to in para 1 of this note supra)
- (d) the value of the property to be made over to the Council (as the stamp duty on the deed of gift will have to be determined with reference to such value ^{to be} mentioned therein).
- (e) whether the Council is to pay such stamp duty or whether it should be recited in the deed that Govt. has agreed to pay such duty in which case the deed would be exempt from stamp duty (vide S.29 of Stamp Act & the General Exemption in the second Schedule)
- (f) the boundaries and area of the property and the name of the Registration and Sub-Registration districts in which it is situated.

3. The Archdeacon who was referred to

CNo 125
CNo. 106

to as to points (a), (b), (c) & (d) & the I.G. of Registration as to (f) report as follows:-

- (a) The C.M.S. Madras Native Church Council is not an incorporated body
- (b) As the Council consists of a large body of members, the deed of transfer may be executed in favour of the Ag. Chairman & Secretary, whose names and addresses are:-

Rev. David Asirvatham Peter,
Clerk in Holy Orders, Ag. Chairman,
Madras C.M.S. Native Church Council,
Royapetta St. Thomas Mount.

Mr. Edward Selliah Hensman,
Hony. Secy. to the Madras C.M.S.
Native Church Council, Royapetta, Madras.

- (c) That the only conditions laid down being those already referred to (see para 1 of this note supra) they may be inserted or not in the deed at the discretion of the Govt. Solicitor.

- (d) No information is available as to the value of the property.

- (f) The property is situated within the registration sub-district of Ponneri attached to the ^{Chingleput} Registration district. [a sketch plan showing boundaries is also forwarded.]

4. The information embodied in (a)

- (b) (c) & (f) supra may be communicated to the Govt. Solicitor; but before this is done two points have to be determined - viz: (d) the value of the property ^{in view to} to determine ^{the} stamp duty &

- (e) whether the Council is to pay the stamp duty or the Govt. ^{will} agree to do

The D.P.W. can estimate the value of the building & the value of the land.
Jg. MA.

do so. As regards (d), the P.W.D. may perhaps be requested to issue orders to determine such value. Orders are, however, requested as to (e). It may be noted that the C.S. while passing the draft reference to the Archdeacon [O.M. No. 500 d/ 23-2-98 flagged H (back)] directed that replies (to the other items) may be awaited. These replies have now come in except that information as to (d) is ~~not~~ stated to be available.

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6.5.98
The Ag. A.S. would respectfully submit that the proposal in regard to (C) made by the Venble Archdeacon in his letter Current No. 125 is perfectly incomprehensible. He suggests that it should be left to the discretion of the Govt. Solicitor to insert in the deed of gift or to omit from it the very conditions on which Govt. consents to make the transfer. This cannot be sanctioned. The query of the Govt. Solicitor in his letter flagged is a very pertinent one. It is submitted that if the only conditions mentioned in the deed be those accepted by the meeting then any kind of service or even performance might be held in it or it might even be used for a school. These are not very probable contingencies but it is suggested that some such clause be inserted in the deed as the following

Provided also that the church be only

Govt. may pay the stamp duty, as the proposal to hand over the church is made by Govt.
H
Mt

Very true
Mt

This is included

25 Mt

Current No. 106 flagged

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Rev. Dept
The Govt. can be directed to obtain an accurate plan of the property.

Mt 25

I don't see why the vacant land should be attached transferred or the bungalow. Both could be sold.

Nothing has been said about the bungalow & the vacant site. It is possible that the Govt. would not want to sell the bungalow & the vacant site. It is possible that the Govt. would not want to sell the bungalow & the vacant site.

used in a manner consistent with the doctrines and customs of the Church of England as by Law established

There is a further point which the Ag. A.S. regret escaped his notice when the I. G. D.'s letter No. 1569 d/ 21.3.98 was received. The sketch which accompanies that letter is of no practical value. It does not give the boundaries of the church and the land attached to it clearly with letters (A, B, C etc) at the corners nor does it show the actual extent of the land. It would be better if a regular surveyor ~~was appointed to the Rev. Survey~~ were directed to make the sketch and plan and this would best be effected by the head of the nearest Survey Party being requested to furnish the sketch. This would be better than getting it done through the Rev. Authorities as there would then be a Survey expert responsible for its correctness. It seems there is vacant land attached to the Church. Unless it is further stipulated in the deed that no further erection temporary or otherwise be raised on the land now transferred without the express sanction of Govt. the surroundings of the church will

probably become parochial.

Q2B

7.5.98

See the A.S. D.O.
attached. He suggests
that the Church should
be made over to the
Church Miss. Socy. itself if
it will accept the gift,
rather than to the C.M.S.
Madras Native Church
Council. I think this
is a good suggestion
& the Archdeacon may
be requested to enquire.
Whether the C.M.S. will accept.
MA 71.5.98

See
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C.S.

D.O.
Ecclesiastical



MA 71.5.98

FORT ST. GEORGE,

7th May 1898.

Dear F. Arnold,

I hope you will excuse my
troubling you with a letter about the question of
the Pulicat Church being handed over to the
Church Miss. Socy. Native Church Council (vide
C.O. Nos 26, 63, 106 & 125 Ecclesiastical, sent up
for orders today) but I should like to make a
representation which I do not like to make in
the form of an open Office Note, as it affects a point
already decided. Would it not be much better to
hand the Church over to the Church Missionary
Society itself instead of to the Native Church

Council? The position seems to be this. The
Archdeacon found the church out of
order and in need of extensive repairs.
repairs (several hundreds of rupees). He cannot carry
them out from the funds assigned to him and therefore
proposes to hand the church over to the C.M.S. Native
Church Council. I do not see how he can seriously
believe that they will put the church in proper
repair, and I do not see that they have agreed to
do anything more than maintain it in its present
state. It seems as if, not able to bear the
thought of the church tumbling down while
under his care, he preferred that the Native
Church Council should take it over with the
chance of its falling down in no way
lessened. Then again, if Govt. are not
prepared to repair the church, what use can

there be in handing it over to another body, who
may simply say, after a year or two, "We regret
we cannot keep it up, please take it back."
Can we then force them to keep it? And if
we resume it for breach of the conditions of
the deed of gift we shall find it more delayed
than ever. Will Govt. then wish to spend a
greater sum of money on the repairs? If they
do not intend to repair the church in case of
resumption it will be no good resuming it.
It cannot be advisable to force the Native Church
Council by threat of legal proceedings.

All these considerations make me think
that it would be far better to make the church
over to the Church Missionary Society itself. It is
a wealthy Society and its members would feel
the discredit of a Christian and European

C.S.

place of worship ^{far more readily} falling into ruin, than the members of the Native Church, who would feel perhaps that they would not be justified in spending all the money required on such an object. The C. M. S. people at home, on the other hand, are very ready with their money and even if some rich donors were not to be forthcoming with the necessary funds, a single bagdad would suffice, while there would be much more likelihood of a regular grant from the C. M. S. funds than from the Native Council's funds. When one considers how easily money is raised in England for objects far less deserving, I think there need be no fear that there would be any difficulties in the course which I have ventured to suggest.

Yours sincerely

To A. T. Arnold Esq.
C. M. S.

Sydney Roberts.

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church on the same terms as the C.M.S.
Native Church Council have agreed to do, with
this additional proviso

"that the church be only used in a
manner consistent with the doctrines ^{and customs} of the
"Church of England as by Law established"

The Ven^{ble} the Archdeacon will be further
requested to state whether the bungalows
and vacant land attached to the church
will be required by the body taking it
~~over or whether they may be detached~~
~~and other dispositions made of them.~~

and whether it is prepared
to pay the price that
may be fixed by valuation.

Decree No. 1217327/98
G.O. No. C. No. 106 Eccl. 8 22. 3. 98.

Forwarded in original to the Rev. Dept.
with the request that an accurate plan
of the Church property at Pulicat, therein
mentioned, may be prepared and forwarded
to this Dept. the original papers being returned.
The plan should show the exact area of
the property and the nature, size and
situation of the church and all other
buildings erected on the land in question.

18.5.98

To The Ven^{ble} the Archdeacon (V)

Dec 27/98

Dec 27/98

To The Rev. Dept (with CNo. 106 + index
in orig to be ret'd)

Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.



CURRENT No. 255

From The Ven^{ble} the Archdeacon Madras

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Order

copy

12/8/98

No. 4613

Dated August 8th 1898

Received 39

Registered

Enclosures

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Letting that an answer will
be sent to Gov. re Pulicat
Church after the meeting of
the C. C. of the Church
Missionary Society on the
5th August.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
Memos	1216	End + papers	27.5.98

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

CURRENT No. 255

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

TEYNAMPET,

Madras, August 8 1898.

No. 4613

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon
the Chief Secretary

Sir,

P.C. Rsm?

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your memorandum 4.8.1898
& to state that I hope to send an answer
to Government re "Public Church after
the monthly meeting of the Corresponding
Committee Church Missionary Society - which
will be held to-morrow Aug. 9. 98.

There the honor to be, Sir,
Yours most obedient servant.

W. Weston Elwes
Archdeacon of Madras

Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 272

iv ~~To await receipt of reply~~
~~to the Hon. Secy. to the Revs. Depn.~~
~~to the Hon. Secy. to the Revs. Depn.~~
~~to the Hon. Secy. to the Revs. Depn.~~



From The Ven: W. Weston Elwes M.A.
Archdeacon of Madras.

Order

No. 4627

Dated 18th August 1898

Received 319 do

Registered

Enclosures -

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SUBJECT.

Repeating the resolution passed
by the C. M. S. Corresponding
Committee re the proposed
gift of the Pulicat Church
to the C. M. S.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

CURRENT No 272

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,

TEYNAMPET,

Madras, Aug 18 1898

No. 4627

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon.
The Chief Secretary.

Sir,

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Genl 255/98

I have the honor to state in continuation of my letter no 4613 August 8: 1898 that the 'Madras Corresponding Committee of the Church Missionary Society' has passed the following resolution "The Pulicat Church.

"The Corresponding Committee desire to thank the Madras Government for the offer of the gift of the Pulicat Church. This offer will be forwarded to the Home Committee of the Church Missionary Society for consideration, but the Corresponding Committee are not prepared to recommend the acceptance of the gift, as the Church is much larger than is required for the present or probable future of the Mission. The acceptance of the gift would entail from time to time a large expenditure for repairs - an expenditure contrary to the customary action of the Society which requires Native Churches - to keep their Churches in repair."

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

C.S.

27/8/98
24/8/98
21/8/98
18/8/98
15/8/98
12/8/98
9/8/98
6/8/98
3/8/98
1/8/98

Rule. 272
272
18/8/98
Omn. No 1810 of 25-8-98

The Venble the
Archdeacon is requested
to reply to the latter
portion of memo No 1206
in respect to
Rule. d. 27.5.98 ~~relating~~
the C.M.S. Native Church
Council regarding the
bungalow & vacant
land attached to the ^{subject} Church,
whether the Council is
prepared to pay the price
that may be fixed by
valuation.

28/8/98

24/8/98

To the Venble the Archdeacon (Vot C.N. 272)
note.

Submitted that as the C.M.S.
Society do not want the Church.
the only thing to be done is to
continue the negotiations with
the C.M.S. Native Church Council. The
subject is dealt with in the
notes at

20/8/98

Ecclesiastical (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 302



From The Ven: R. Westcott
Archdeacon of Madras

No. 4649

Dated Sept. 12/00

Received 13th } do

Registered 14th }

Enclosures —

Spare copies —

SUBJECT.

Stating that memorandum
No 1010 re ground attached
to Pulicat Church with Bangalore
will be considered at the
20th Sept: 00 at the first meeting
of the C. M. S. Native Church
Committee after receipt of the
memorandum by the Archdeacon
& that a copy of the minute
will be forwarded quickly
after the holding of the
meeting.

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28/9/00

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12-9-00
Order

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

CURRENT No. 302

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,
TEYNAMPET,

Madras, *Sept-12* 189*8*.

No. *4645*

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon. the Chief Secretary

Sir,

*With reference to your memorandum
Ecd Department dated 5 Sept-1898, I have
the honor to state that memorandum
no 1810 dated 25th August 98 the
Bungalow & vacane land attached to
the Pulicat Church, will be considered
on the 20th September. The date of the
next meeting of the Madras C.M.S. Native
Church Council after the receipt by me
of memorandum no 1810.*

*2. I will ask for an early copy
of the minutes of the meeting so that
I may answer the reference how under
reply*

There the honor to be

*In
Yours mon-Obedient Servant
W. Weston Elwes
Archdeacon of Madras*

Revenue (1898) Department.

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To the order pending
receipt of communication
promised at V³.

CURRENT No. ~~6247~~

Recd
20.9.98

at
20/9/98

From

Ecc^l CURRENT NO. 309

The Board of Revenue,
Land Revenue.

Order Eccl. R. no. 1342.

Transferred to the Eccle-
siastical Department.

No. 2248 R.S.

(By order.)

Munirpau Bank
as. Under Secy to Govt.

Dated 6th September 1898Received 8th —Registered 9th —

Enclosures 4

Spare copies

Cotacamund, }
16th Sept. 1898. }

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The Ecclesiastical Dept.
with enclosures.

SUBJECT.

Submitting to Govt. with
reference to its endorsement-12.
941, dated 10th June 1898, the
plan of the Church property
at Pulicat received from
the Collector of Chingleput.

Recd 17/9/98

Rep. do
Enclos. 4.

Ref
19/9/98

at
16/9/98

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.



Memorandum No. 1217.

Read the following paper:—

Forwarded in original to the Revenue Department with the request that an accurate plan of the church property at Pulicat, therein mentioned, may be prepared and forwarded to this Department the original papers being returned. The plan should show the exact area of the property and the nature, size and situation of the church and all other buildings erected on the land in question.

Cotacamund

27th May 1898.

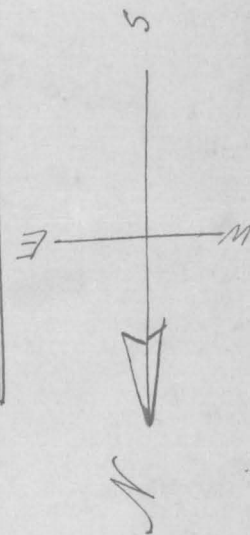
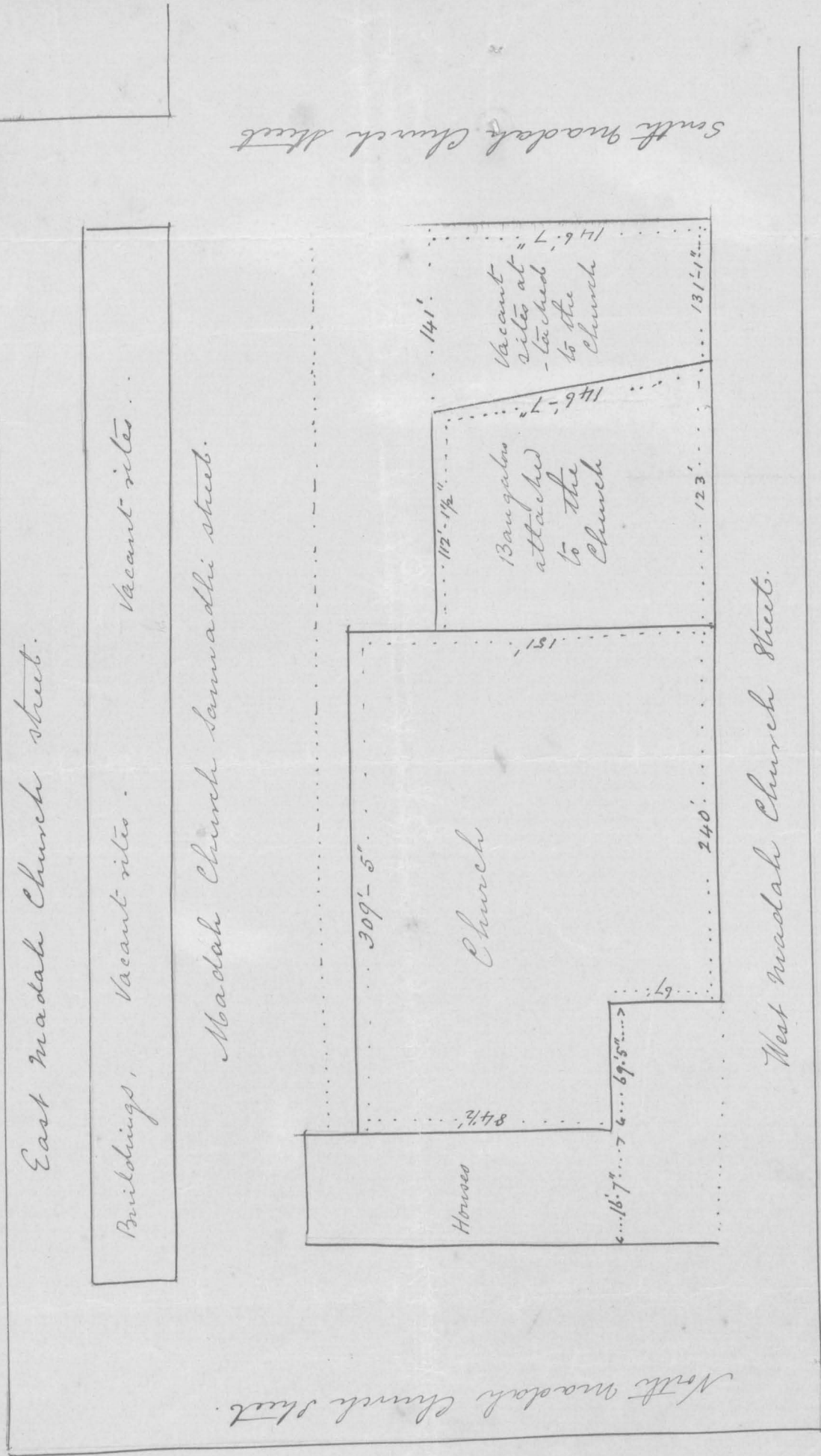
G. C. Roberts
for Chief Secretary.



To

The Revenue Department, with C.No.106 & enclosure in original to be returned.

24.5.98
25.5.98



My signature
 Insptr. Genl. of Regn.

C. No. 816888

Revenue Department

CURRENT No. 309

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15-7-98.



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue).

No. 2248 Routine, dated 6th September 1898.

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Read Endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, R. No. 941, dated 10th June 1898, forwarding memo from the Ecclesiastical Department, No. 1217, dated 27th May 1898.

And the following Reference, dated 14th June 1898.

Forwarded.

Read also letter from D.W.G. Cowie, Esquire, Ag. Collector of Chingleput, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, Madras, Dis. No. 2213 of 1898, dated 24th August 1898, forwarding a plan of the Church property at Pulicat shewing the exact area, nature, size and situation of the Church and all other buildings erected on the land.

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Resolution

The plan of the Church property at Pulicat received from the Collector of Chingleput is submitted to Government with reference to its Endorsement No. 941, dated 10th June 1898.

(True Copy & Extract)

Lionel Davidson.
Ag. Secretary.

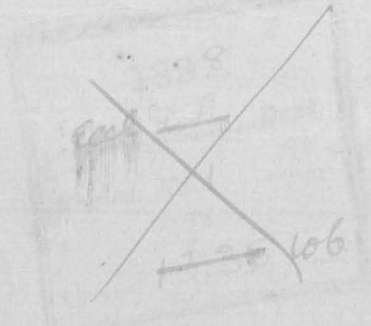
To

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with the plan and 3 enclosures returned.

Md. R. H.

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REVENUE DEPT.
Encl. No. 3
Cur. No. 309-1247
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Encl. 1898
REVENUE DEPT.
Encl. No. 3
Cur. No. 309-1247

Cash 816832
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Memorandum
No. 820

Ecclesiastical (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 319

CHIEF SECRETARY
28. SEP. 1898
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

DEPUTY COLLECTOR
6-10-1898
SAIDAPET

From The Ven.
Mr. Wesley Elwes M.A.
Archdeacon of Madras

Order Endorsement No. 2140

No. 4664

Referred to the Collector
of Chingleput who is requested
to report which is the Congregation
attached to the Pulicat Church
and to whom it belongs.
(By order)

Dated Sept. 27. 98
Received 28. 98
Registered 29. 98
Enclosures 2
Spare copies -

Abdington
ag. Assistant Secretary

SUBJECT.

Notarized
4th October 1898

TO BE RETURNED
WITH REPLY

The Collector of Chingleput
Saidapet
with C.O. 317 of 98 and recd to be returned
replied.

Forwarding
(a) copy of a letter from the
Sec. C. M. S. Native Church
Council
(b) copy of resolution of C. M. S.
Native Church Council.
dated 20. Sept. 1898
both papers referring to the
Congregation and attached
to Pulicat Church

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Enclosure No 1. to Archdeacon's letter No 4664 dated 27. Sept 1898

Extract from the Proceedings of a Meeting
of the Madras Native Church Council held on
Tuesday the 20th September 1898

X Resolution

X Read letter from the Venerable the Archdeacon of
Madras No 4650 dated 13th September 1898.

Resolution

The Madras Native Church

Council is not prepared to purchase
the bungalow or the land on which it
stands. It understands, however, from
reports received from old mission agents
and from the inhabitants of the place,
that the bungalow was erected by a mission-
ary stationed at Pulicat about half
a century ago, and not by Govern-
ment. As no evidence is forth-
coming on this point, the
Council leaves the matter in
the hands of Government,
with the remark that if
there is any foundation in
the report the Council should
be left in undisturbed
possession of the
premises.

(True Copy)

Edw. H. Hensman

Secy. Madras N.C. Council. C. N. S.

True copy

H. Hensman

Archdeacon of Madras

Indraun ho 2 to Archdeacon letter No 4664 dated 27/9/98

Rayapettah, Madras

22 September 1898.

Sir

The Secretary,

Madras Native Church Council,

C. M. S.

Sir,

The Venerable W. W. Elwes, M. A.,

Archdeacon of Madras

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 4650 dated 13th September 1898 I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a Resolution passed by the Madras Native Church Council at its meeting held on the 20th instant regarding the Bungalow at Pulicat and the land on which it stands.

It will be seen that while the Council is not willing to purchase the premises, it is willing to retain it if Government will formally hand it over to it. The building is in a very dilapidated condition, and must be pulled down and rebuilt again, if it is to be used for any purpose.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Yours most Obedt. Servt

Sd/- J. Hensman

Secy. Madras N.C. Council. C. M. S.

True copy

W. W. Elwes

Archdeacon of Madras

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int. cor. 319.

CURRENT No. 319

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,
TEYNAMPET,

Madras, 27 Sept. 1898.

No. 4664

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Hon.
The Chief Secretary.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter of
the 12th Sept: 98 No 4649 I have
the honor to forward enclosed copies of
(a) Letter from The Sect: C. N. S. Native
Church Council dated 22 Sept. 1898
(b) Resolutions No 10 of meeting of C. N. S.
Native Church Council dated 20th Sept. 1898.
Both papers referring to the Vengaloor land
attached to the Pulicat Church.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

W. Weston Elwes
Archdeacon of Madras

Encl. No. 1
No. 319

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C. No

319-
1898

Education DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT.

The Public Church.

~~HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.~~

~~THE HON'BLE S^r HENRY BL. 98, K.C.I.E.~~

THE HON'BLE MR. ARUNDL.

FOR ORDERS.

In the current at V⁵ the
Venerable the Archbishop submits
the information called for at V⁴.
The C.M.S. Native Church Council
is not prepared to purchase
the bungalow or the land on
which it stands, & states that
it believes the bungalow was
built by a missionary about
50 years ago, and not by
Gov^t. As it cannot adduce
any evidence on this point
it leaves the subject in
the hands of Gov^t.

30-9-98

It is submitted that, even if
it is a fact that the bungalow
was built by a missionary
50 years ago, the C.M.S. Native
Church Council would not
necessarily have any more

right to the Bungalow Chas. Gent.
The resolution of the Native
Church Council speaks
about "being left in undisturbed
possession of the premises."

Beyond this statement there
does not seem to be any
indication that the Council
is in possession of the bungalow.
attention is requested to the
two plans at Flags II + III.

The plan at Flag II from the
Inspector Genl of Registration
shows the bungalow to the
south of the church.

But in the plan at Flag III
the only bungalow ^{marked} to the south
of the church is "Noranah's
Tiled Roofing bungalow" to which
the "Pooch (sic) room" apparently
belongs. Neither of these
buildings ~~is~~ shown as
the church property though
they are on land which belongs
to the church.

To the northeast of the church
in the plan at Flag III there
is a house shown as "Priest's
house tiled roofing" which

*presumably the more accurate of
the two.

There is something very wrong
with the plans which as suggested
the C.P.C. should be referred to
for reply. Then the other
points raised can profitably be
considered.

7/12/8.

is marked with red lines
showing it to be church
property.

It is submitted that the Collector
of Chingleput may be asked
to report which is the bungalow
attached to the church
& to whom it belongs.
If it belongs to the C.M.S.
Church Council, it may be
formally handed over to
the Council ^{together} with the
church.

If it belongs to the church,
the question rises as to whether
it should be put up to auction.
On the note for orders (at
Flag Q) H.M., as C.S., noted
that both the vacant land
& the bungalow could be
sold, & the late Hon. Mr. Gore
said "apparently they should
be sold." If it is decided
to call for a further report
this question may be decided
after the report has been
received.

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated

189 , No.

Again G.O., dated

189 , No.

Current No.

319 of 1898, dated

27.9.18, from

Re the Anderson

" 189 , "

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" 189 , "

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Recd with 2/10/98
2/10/98

St. N ORDER.

Enclosed No. 2140
4.10.98.

(from order of C.S.)

who is requested to report
which in the bungalow is
attached to the

Refers to the Collector
of Chingleput, for report
as to which bungalow
belongs to the Protestant
Church and to whom it
belongs.

also
3/10/98.

By Asst. Secretary

Office

Current No. 319 and enclosures are
to be sent to the C.W. (to be
returned), together with the
two plans (at Flags II + III)

has
3.10.98

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Ecclesiastical (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 55.



From The Dy Collector
Chingleput Dist

Order

Dis No. R.98 of 1899.

Dated 6th February 1899.

Received }
Registered } 8/2/99.

Enclosures one + EN. 319 each with rules etc.

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SUBJECT.

Bungalows attached to the Church
at Pulicat — Submitting a report
on the — and to whom it belongs

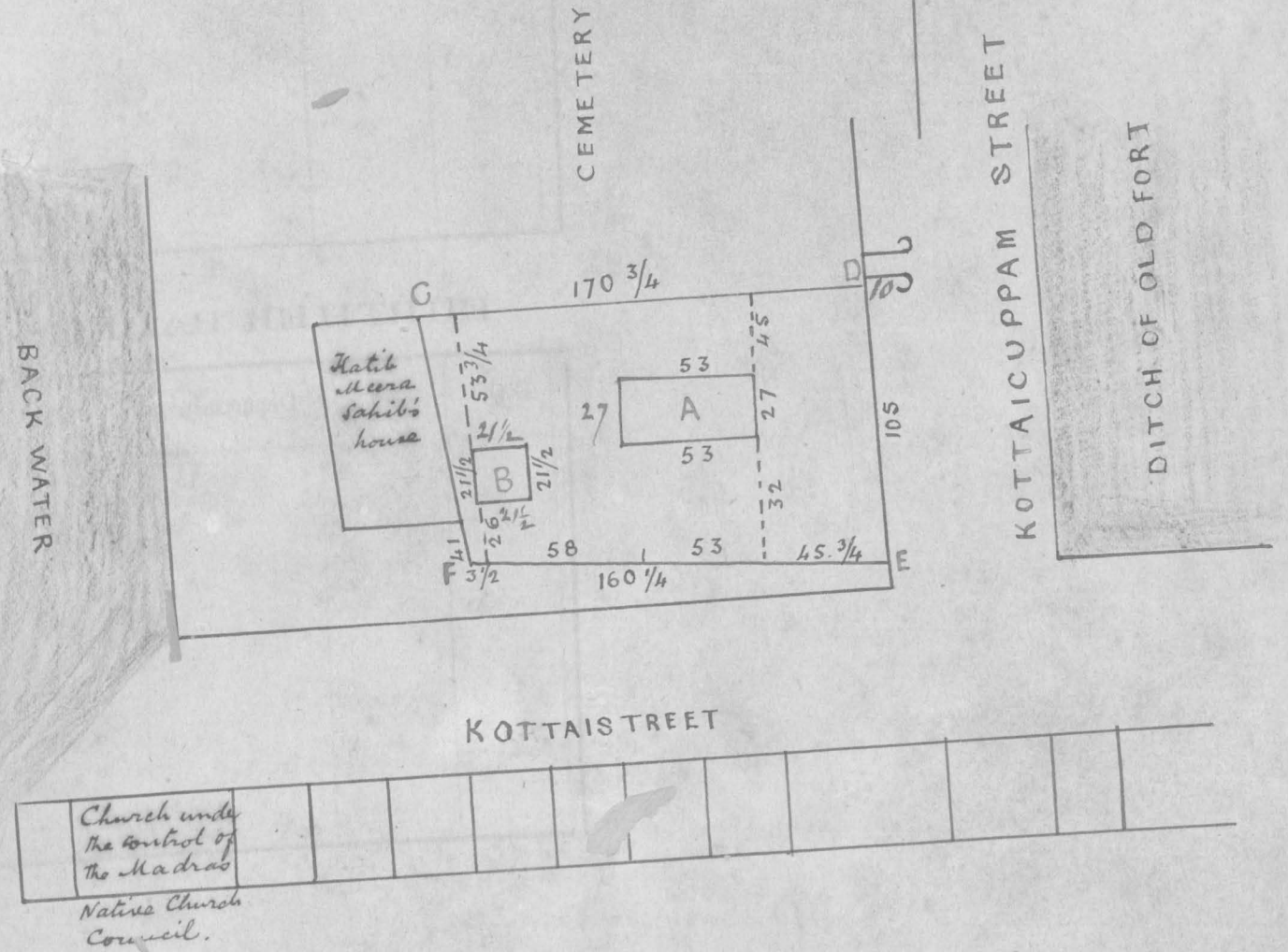
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put up
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BACK PAPERS.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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CDEF: The Bungalows and its compound.

A : The Bungalow building

B : Government Pond erected in the vacant compound.

The figures entered relate to feet.

Signed) V. Prativasar
Tahsildar
17-11-98

N. B. No regular compound now exists to the bungalow. The vacant space between the bungalow and the adjoining buildings and the streets has been assumed to be the compound.

(True copy)

For Ag Collector.

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Dis No. R. 98 of 1899.

55 *Chingleput District*
COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Saidapet, 6 February 1899.

FROM

D. W. G. Cowie Esquire,
Collector of
Chingleput District.

TO

Chief
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT,
Madras,

SIR,

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With reference to the endorsement of
Government No. 2140, Ecclesiastical, dated 4th
October 1898, enquiring which is the Bungalow
attached to the Pulicat Church and to whom
it belongs, I have the honor to report as follows.

2. The Bungalow and the vacant site marked
in the sketch received with the endorsement are
not attached to the Madras Native Church which
is a Protestant Church but are attached to the
Catholic Church at Pulicat under the control
of His Grace the Archbishop of Madras. The
site of the bungalow belongs to the Catholic Church
and it was leased by it to Mr Thomas Brass
of the Madras High Court who built the bungalow.
The present proprietor of the bungalow is -

Mr. Noronha, a D.P.W. Overseer in the Madras Presidency who pays an annual grant of Rs 3 to the Church.

3. From the local inquiries made it appears that the bungalow to which the Proceedings of the Madras Native Church Council relates is a dilapidated bungalow adjoining the cemetery. A rough sketch showing the site of this bungalow is enclosed. The site forms a portion of S.N. 57 of Pulicat, which is village site of Paramboke. There are no records to show to whom the site on which the bungalow stands belongs but in the compound there is a Government pound which is reported to have been in existence for the last 20 years. From this fact however it cannot be inferred that the site on which the bungalow stands belongs to Government.

4. As regards the dilapidated bungalow, it appears from the inquiries made in the village that Rev. J. Younger built it about 40 years ago and occupied it. It was repaired in 1883 by his successor, Rev. J. Shurtie. There are no records to show whether the bungalow was constructed or repaired by Government

or whether any grant was made therefor.

5. The bungalow has since Mr. Shurtie's time been in the occupation of the Native Church Mission. A mission school used to be held in it but has not been so held for the last two years owing to the unsafe condition of the building. The Native Catechist who is in charge of the Protestant Church is occupying one room of the bungalow.

S 6. It appears from the Venerable the Archdeacon's letter embodied in G.O. No 34, Ecclesiastical, dated 28th February 1881, that the Church is Government property; but there is nothing in this office to show that this is the case.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant,

Wm. J. J.
Collector.

Wm. J. J.
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Memo. n° 67
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With reference
to his letter in Dis.
98, dated 6. July 1899
the Collector of Ching
is requested to forward
on a larger scale, a plan
of the Protestant Church
at Pulicat showing
position of the church
& the bungalow, and
their surroundings.
The plan may be on
same scale as that
of the Roman Catholic
Church, which was
forwarded by the
Collector through the Board
with his letter of
2213 dated 24. Aug.
The latter plan, as
also the sketch enclosed
with the Collector's letter
of 6. July 1899, are enclosed.

C/S

2 drafts

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8/3/99

Done
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reference and return.

The Collector is requested
at the same time to ascertain
from the approximate
line of the Protestant
church, & of the boundaries
indicated by the catechist,
in the figures for
the separate.

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6/3/99

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note for the Arch-
Bishop. Para 2
proposed. As the Arch-
Bishop, in letter of 10.10.98, states
that he was unable to give the
valuation. The Govt. Solicitor and
require the figure eventually for
insertion in the conveyance. It
is proposed to ask for the value
of the church & the boundaries
separately, as it may not be
necessary to include the boundaries
in the conveyance.

The Collector can get the
local P.W. or L.T. Subordinate
to make a valuation.

Cs
4-3-99

Encl. Dept

Memorandum :- No 696
9-3-99

It has been brought
to the notice of Govt.
that the report of the
Inspector Genl of Registration
no 1569 dated 21 March
1898, and the sketch
forwarded therewith,
relate to the Roman
Catholic Church at
Pulicat, whereas this
dept. sent no 24 dated
12 July 1898 called
for information regarding
the Protestant Church
at the same place.
The Inspector Genl is requested
to report the boundaries
and area of the Protestant
Church property &
the Registration & Sub-
Registration districts
in which it is situated.

Issued on
9/3/99

Copyd 9/3/99
Xd 9/3/99

To the Collector of Chingleput
with 2 plans -

note for Govt
Return, with file, to S.A.
after issue
10/3/99

Local Inspector Genl of Police

note for Govt - Return, with file,
to S.A. after issue

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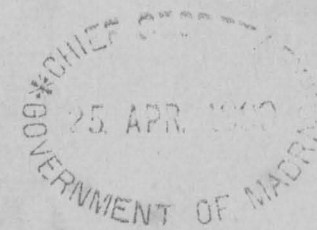
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Ecclesiastical (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 153



From

The Collector,
Chungpet Dist.

Order

Di No. 226 R of 1899.

Dated 21st April 1899.

Received 25. "

Registered 26. "

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding a plan of the
Protestant Church at Pulicat



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Dis No. 226 R of 1899.

Chingleput District
Collector's
MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE;
Station, Savelpeta
21st April 1899.

FROM

D. W. G. Govie Esquire,
Collector,
MAGISTRATE OF
Chingleput District.

TO

Chief
THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT,
Madras.

SIR,

With reference to the memorandum of Government No. 695, dated 9th March 1899, I have the honor to forward a plan of the Protestant Church at Pulicat showing the position of the church and the bungalow and their surroundings. The plan has been drawn to a scale of 30 feet to an inch, as desired in the memorandum.

2. The approximate values of the Protestant Church and of the bungalow occupied by the catechist are Rs 3000 and Rs 500 respectively.

3. The plan and the sketch received with the memorandum under reference are herewith resubmitted.

I have the honor to be
your most obedient servant

22/4/89

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D. W. G. Govie

recd
Judicial (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 155



From

*The Inspector-General of
Registration,
Madras.*

Order

G. No. 2867.

Dated *25" April 1899.*

Received *27 } 4-99*

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SUBJECT.

*Submitting a sketch of
the Protestant Church
property at Palicat.*

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To

No. 155

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

G.No. 2867.

From,

The Hon'ble P. RAJARAMA MUDALIYAR,

Dewan Bahadur,

Inspector-General of Registration,

Madras.

To,

The Hon'ble G. Stokes, I.C.S.,

Chief Secretary to Government

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Dated 25th April 1899.

Madras.

Sir,

With reference to the memorandum of Government, No. 696, Ecclesiastical, dated 9th March 1899, I have the honour to submit a sketch of the Protestant Church property at Pulicat, received this day from the Registrar of Chingleput.

2. The sketch shows that the property comprises two plots lying to the north and south of the Fort street, the northern portion being the ^{Catechist's} bungalow and the southern portion the church proper.

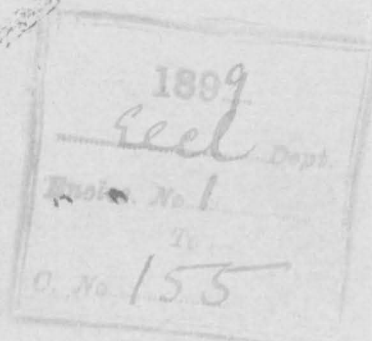
3. The property is situated in the sub-district of Ponneri & in the Chingleput Registration district and its area is about 34,495 square feet.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

your most obedient servant.

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Inspr. Genl. of Regn.



For Collection
under plan,
in current no
153 of 1899
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Secles. Dept

mem. 12.5.99
19.5.99

with reference
to his letter no 4627 dated
18th August 1898, the
Venerable the Archbishop
is requested to be good
enough to ascertain &
report whether the London
Corresponding Committee of
the Church Missionary Society
has received a reply from
its Home Committee regarding
the offer of Govt. to make
over the Public Church
to the Society on certain
conditions

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To the Venerable the
Archbishop

note. Correct plans of the
Protestant Church property
at Public-house have now been
received, & all the information
asked for by the Govt.
Solomon in his letter of

19/5/99

12.2.98. ~~is now available~~

There is no schedule of the property handed over when British Govt. by the Netherlands Govt. under the Treaty of 1824, but the old records show that the Church has been in the possession of Govt. since the transfer. There can be no question therefore as to the title of Govt. to the Church.

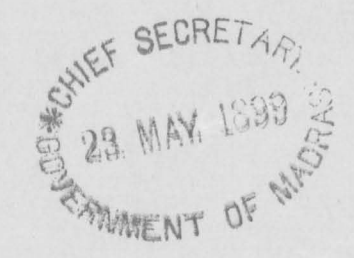
Before proceeding to make over the Church to the Native Church Council, it seems advisable to obtain a final reply from the C.M. Society as to whether it will itself take over the property - please see the Archdeacon's letter no 4627 of

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There is no note flayed

Ecclesiastical (1899) Department.

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To await receipt of further Communication from the Vnble: the Archdeacon.

Order 25.5.99

From
The Honorable W Weston Elwes, B.A.
Archdeacon of Madras

No. 5111.

Dated 22nd May 1899.

Received 23rd

Registered 25th

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Referring with reference to memorandum no 1324 Ecclesiastical Depart. 19th May 1895 that he has written to the Secy: Church Missionary Soc: Madras for information as to whether he has received a reply from the Home Committee concerning Police Church

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ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,
Northfield House
TREMAYNE,

Madras, 22nd May 1899.

No. 511.

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras,

To

The Honorable
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Memorandum No 1324, Ecclesiastical Department, Dated 19th May 1899, and to state that I have written to the Secretary of the Church Missionary Society, Madras, for information as to whether he has received a reply from the same Committee concerning Pulicat Church.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. Weston Elwes

Archdeacon of Madras.

Ecclesiastical (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 192



From
The Venble Western Church, &c.
Archdeacon of Madras

Order

No. 5120.

Dated 29 May 1899.

Received 30 - do

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding extract from letter
of the Home Committee, letter
dated Church Missionary Society
Home London 21. Dec. 1898
re "Public Church" adding
that the copy of the extract
has only been forwarded
to him

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Enclosure to Archdeacon's letter No 5120 dated 29. May 1898

Extract from Home Secretary's letter dated London, 21st October 1898, to the Reverend E. Sell, Secretary C. M. S., Madras.

5. With reference to the offer of the Pulicat Church, made by the Madras Government, the Committee are in accord with the view expressed by the Madras Corresponding Committee. They desire to thank the Madras Government for their kind offer, but regret that on the grounds stated by the Corresponding Committee they feel unable to accept it.

(True Extract)

(Signed) E. W. Sell
Secretary C. M. S.

To The Venerable
The Archdeacon of Madras.

(True Copy)

H. M. W. Elwes.
Archdeacon of Madras.

192
ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT,
North India House
CHENNAI,
Madras.

29th May 1899.

No. 5120.

From

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

Archdeacon of Madras.

To

The Honorable
The Chief Secretary
to Government.

Sir,

I
Cwd 18/4/99. With reference to Memorandum No. 1324,
Ecclesiastical Department, dated 19th May 1899, and
in continuation of my letter No. 5111 dated 22nd
May 1899, I have the honor now to forward copy
of an Extract from letter of the Home Secretary
G. M. S. dated 21st October 1898, declining with
thanks the offer of the Palican Church.

2. I have the honor to add that this Extract
from the Home Secretary's letter was not commu-
nicated to me at the time and I was not aware
of its existence until I wrote to the Secretary C.M.S.
on receipt of Memorandum No. 1324.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,
W. Weston Elwes

Archdeacon of Madras.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

..... Ecclesiastical DEPARTMENT.

Publical - Church

Drift memorandum
to the Collectors of Churches
of the Dutch Gene of the
are submitted -

After issue of
these, search will be
made in the General
Record for papers
showing ~~abandon~~ what
property was handed
over to the Prov. Govt
by the Dutch under
the Treaty of 1825.

After this search
has been made, the
Govt. Solicitor will
be addressed, if
necessary, as to the
title of Govt. to the
Church.

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Ys. H. J. A. p. 20

to be for S. R.

The following papers
on the subject are put up.

- Em. (For: 12-11-1824: 103 vol.
- 7-12-1824: 102 vol.
- 4-1-1825: 507 lot.
- 22-2-1825: 106 vol.
- 25-2-1825: 103 vol.
- 13-5-1825: 104 vol.
- 21-6-1825: 103
- 24-6-1825: 104
- 29-7-1825: 8010
- 30-9-1825: 103
- 2-9-1825: 507 vol.
- 12-5-1826: 4 vol.
- 10-4-1829: 10 1/2 2/3

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by the Netherlands
Govt. Please see
papers printed with
No 70 Pol 17.2.94
page XIII.

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10.3.99

When Publicat was delivered up to
the British Govt. a formal deed
of transfer was executed by a
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The deed is in general terms &
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the right of Govt. to the Publicat Church

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with reference to
the last para of the
type written note
for orders, please
have the records looked
up to see if there is
any schedule of the
property which came
into the possession
of the Govt. when
Pulicat was ceded
by the Netherlands
Govt. Please see
papers printed with
GO no 70 Pol 177.2.94
page XIII.

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10.3.99

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the right of Govt. to the Pulicat Church

The ~~only~~ property with the Dutch Govt itself thought proper then to offer to the Public Govt at a fair valuation consisted of a certain articles of stores, such as presses for the preservation of the records, and furniture in the public offices, also the furniture of the Church. C. The Govt in recommending purchase of the stores observed "if the furniture of the Church is bought and permitted to remain in it, the Dutch inhabitants who will still remain here will have a place of worship to attend, the which had not been the case, if the Church was stripped of its requirements furniture and sold by the Dutch Govt at a public auction". C. The Govt authorized the purchase of the articles in question and also sanctioned a charge of Rs 44-4 per month for Church servants at full cost. D

The Church in question is referred to as "a very old and roughly constructed building" in a report D. 8. E. Nov. 1831, and as having been erected "by the Dutch Govt for worship" in a petition addressed to the Govt. The Govt on behalf of the Govt. in Dutch Missions at the time of the session.

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29/8/99.
Note for Refs

File relating to the Public Church

This file may now await reply to memo. nos 695 & 696 of 9.3.99.

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3.4.99.

NOTE FOR THE UNDER SECRETARY.

Encl no 154/28

Reply to memo 696
9.3.59

from the I.S. & K. is -
action may be awaited.

Yes -
Cm 27.4.59

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+ note - the letter accepting
the offer was sent to the Govt.
Secretary, who not even
returned
* Ref. 98.2.98 filed

2. These terms were accepted by the Native Church Council and the Govt. Solicitor was requested to draw up

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Ref No 125.8.98

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up the necessary deed of gift. The latter officer then asked for information on several points, one of which was "the boundaries and area of the property and the name of the Registration and Sub Registration districts in which it is situate." The Insptr. General of Regn. was requested to furnish these particulars, and with his reply No. 1569, dated 21-3-98, he forwarded a sketch "showing the area & boundaries of the property referred to". The sketch however did not contain any explanatory references; it did not show clearly the boundaries of the church and the extent of the land attached to it, and it showed a "bungalow attached to the church" the nature of which could not be made out. The papers were then forwarded to the Rev. Dept. with the request that that "an accurate plan of the Church property at Pulicat therein referred to may be prepared", showing "the exact area of the property and the nature, size & situation of the Church and all other buildings erected on the land in question".

3. At this stage of the correspondence a doubt arose as to whether the Native Church Council would have the means to keep the church in a proper state of repair, and it was thought that its permanent maintenance would be better secured by its transfer to the Church Missionary Society itself. The Archdeacon was therefore requested to ascertain from the Madras representatives of the Church Missionary Society whether the Society would take over the Church

Church on the same terms as the Native Church Council had agreed to, with the additional proviso "that the Church be only used in a manner consistent with the doctrines and customs of the Church of England as by law established".

4. The reply to this reference was that the Madras Corresponding Committee of the C.M. Society would forward the offer to their Home Committee for consideration, but that the Madras Committee was not prepared to recommend the acceptance of the gift, as the Church was too large for the Society's requirements and would entail a large expenditure for repairs &c. Although this was not a final reply, the next step taken was to ask the Native Church Council if it required the bungalow & vacant land attached to the Pulicat Church, and whether it was prepared to pay the price that may be fixed by valuation. The answer to this was that the Native Church Council was not prepared to purchase the bungalow on the land on which it stands; that according to local tradition the bungalow was built about half century ago by a missionary stationed at Pulicat, but that as no evidence was forthcoming on the point, the Council left the matter in the hands of Govt, with the remark that if there was any foundation in the report "the Council should be

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left in undisturbed possession of the premises"

5. Meanwhile the Revenue Dept. had furnished the larger and more accurate plan of the church property called for by Govt. This plan which is flagged III shows a bungalow to the south of the church, and outside the church boundary, marked "Naranah's Tiled Roofing Bungalow"; also another bungalow to the north east of the church, and within the church boundary, marked "Priest's House Tiled Roofing". There was thus some confusion as to which was the "bungalow attached to the church" and to whom it belonged, and the Collector of Chingleput was requested to report on the matter.

6. The Collector's reply complicates the matter still further. It now appears that the plan at flag II submitted by the Inspector-General of Registration, and that at flag III prepared by the L. F. Overseer & forwarded by the Rev. Dept, both refer to the Roman Catholic Church at Pulicat, and have no connection with the Protestant Church which is proposed to make over to the C.M.S. Native Church Council. Both plans evidently cover nearly the same ground. The Registration Dept. plan shows only the boundaries of land without any buildings at all, and the Rev. Dept. plan gives the same boundaries with buildings within them. These two plans need no further consideration.

7. The Collector now submits a sketch

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sketch showing the site of the Protestant Church and of the "bungalow attached to the church" to which this correspondence relates. The Church & the bungalow are divided by a street and the bungalow need not go with the church in the proposed transfer, except that the former is occupied by the Native Catechist who has charge of the church. Even if it be decided to hand over the bungalow with the church, it does not seem necessary to assign any land with either the one or the other. To see clearly how the matter stands, it seems necessary to obtain a larger scale plan (on lines similar to the wrong one prepared by the Rev. Dept.) showing the Protestant Church and the land around it and including also the bungalow and its surroundings. There is no regular compound round the bungalow and the space round it in the Collr.'s sketch is said to be the land between the bungalow and the adjacent houses and streets.

8. The Collector reports that there are no records to show to whom the site of the bungalow belongs; that there is a Govt. pound on the same land, which has been in existence for 20 years; but that it cannot be inferred from this that the bungalow site is Govt. property. The Collr.'s inquiries have elicited that the Rev. Mr. Younger built ^{the} bungalow about 40 years ago and occupied it, and that

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1e. it was repaired in 1883 by his successor
pr the Rev. Mr. Shutie. Since Mr. Shutie's
5. time it has been in the occupation of
r the Native Church Mission. A Mission
p School used to be held in it but has not
k been so held for the last two years, owing
s to the unsafe condition of the building.
c The bungalow is said to be in a dilapidated
r state, but one room in it is occupied
by the Catechist.

9. The Collector says states
that there is nothing in his office to
show that the Church itself is Govt.
property, but it has evidently always
been regarded as such. In 1847 the Govt.
asked the Milly. Board to submit an
estimate for repairing it. The Church
and perhaps also the land on which the
bungalow stands, probably came into the
possession of the Br. Govt. when
Pulicat and other Dutch possessions on
the Coromandal Coast were ceded to
England by the Netherlands Govt. by the
treaty of 1824. The Govt. Solicitor
will probably require Govt. to show
its right to the possession of the
Church to enable him to draw up a
conveyance, but apparently there is only a
prescriptive right.

10. As regards the bungalow it may
be considered unnecessary to take any
action at all. It was not built by Govt.
and Govt. is not responsible for its
repair. The Native Church Mission has had
possession of it for a long while, and probably
no one will dispute its right to let the

Catechist

Vide . Extract No. d/9-4-47
No. 113 (flag XII) - Please see
also the Archdeacon's letter
of 11-2-81, at page 2 of G.O.
No. 34 Eccl. d/ 23-2-81 (flag)

Vide last page of G.O. No. 70
Pol. d/7-2-84 (flag XIII)

Catechist live in it. The question of
making over the church arose on a
question of its repair. The Govt. did
not feel itself justified in expend-
ing state funds on its upkeep, and
therefore proposed to give it to the
Church Mission. Perhaps the question
of the bungalow need not be meddled
with it at all in connection with
the transfer of the church.

11. Before anything further is done
it seems necessary to obtain a fuller
plan of the church and site and to
ascertain from the Insptr. Genl of
Regn. the Registration and Sub Regis-
tration districts in which it is site
situated, his former having referred to
a wrong property. It may also be
necessary to consult the Govt.
Solicitor as to whether the title of
Govt. to the church is sufficiently
established to admit of its being
conveyed to the mission.

12. There is one point which may
be noticed. In the paper flagged L
it was intimated that the offer of
Govt. to make over the Pulicat Church
to the C.M. Society itself instead
of to the Native Church Council, had
been forwarded to the Home Committee
of the C.M.S. for consideration. The
decision of the Home Committee has
not yet been communicated. It is true
that the Madras Committee did not
recommend the acceptance of the
offer, but the Home Committee's decision

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might be awaited before final steps are taken to convey the property to the Native Mission. Meanwhile a plan might be called for, and references might be made to the Inspector General of Registration and the Govt. Solicitor on the points mentioned above in para 11. The old records also might be examined to see if there is any schedule of the property which came into the possession of the Br. Govt. when Pulicat was ceded by the Dutch in 1825.

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Further note -

The information mentioned in paras 11 & 12 of the foregoing note has now been obtained - The Collector has forwarded a plan of the Church property drawn to scale, & the Inspr Genl of Regn. has reported the Regn. district & sub district

in which it is situated - as regards the title of Govt. to the Church, it is clear from the old records that Govt. has had possession of it since the cession of Pulicat by the Dutch in 1825. The paper filed in D. shows that the Govt. purchased the furniture of the Church in 1825, & subsequent papers show that the Church has been maintained by Govt. ever since - there seems to be no necessity to mention the question of title in replying to the Govt. Solicitor.

The Archbishop has reported that the C. M. Society itself has definitely refused the offer of the Church, so that the means necessary to make it over to the Native Church Council may be brought with. The attached

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draft 90. referring to the
question of the Govt. solution
is submitted for approval.
It does not seem necessary
to enter the "Catechists"
bungalow in the deed
of conveyance. This
building has been in
the possession of the Native
Mission for half a century
or more; Govt. has had
nothing to do with its
construction or subsequent
repair. & the Native Church
Council request that the
building may be left
in its possession undisturbed.

19-6-99.
C.C. With regard to the last
sentence of para 1 of
the draft order, it
may be noted that the total area
of the piece of land marked B in the
plan at Flag V is given as 17130 sq. ft.
but this includes the vacant
ground to the east & west of
the Church. As to this vacant
land, in the note for orders at Flag Q

+ in 2nd Annual.

Flag XIV

The C.S. remarked "I don't see why
the vacant land should be transferred
or the bungalow. Both could be sold,"
& H.M. remarked "apparently
they should be sold, but as the
Archdeacon." The Archdeacon
has reported that the C.M.S. Native
Church Council is not prepared to
buy the bungalow or the site on
which it stands, & the bungalow
may be left in ^{the} possession of
the Council as suggested above.
But the vacant ^{land} ~~site~~ on the east
& west of the Church may be
disposed of by the Rev. Dept. &
a para. has been added to the
draft order to this effect. If approved
the order may be sent to the
for C.C. as regards this para.

also
22/6/99.

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Each DEPARTMENT

Re: The church at Pulicat.

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 = 255, 272, 302, 309 + 319 }
 = 55, 155, 155, 183 + 192 } 1599

C. No. 1 From the No., dated 189

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Order W. 81 710-7-98

The Govt. Solicitor

will be furnished with the
the following information in
reply to his letter No. 74
dated 12 July 1898:

(a) The Church Missionary Society's Indian Native Church Council is not an incorporated body.

(b) The Council consists of
a large number of members
of the dioc of convergence of
the Protestant Church should
be presented in favour of
the Rev. David Adirvatham
Peter, Clerk in Holy Orders,
Acting Chairman Madras
C. M. S. Native Church Com.

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Comptroller (a) & the Rev.

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St. Thomas' Mount, and
 Mr. Edward Sellish Hausman,
 Honorary Secretary to the Indian
 C. M. S. Native Church Council
 Rangoon, India.

(C) The following conditions
 should be inserted in the
 deed, -

(1) That the Council keep the
 Church & Churchyard in
 good repair,

1. That the Council lend the
 Church to any Clergyman
 whom the Bishop may at
 any time send to hold an
 English Service,

(3) That the Church be only used
 in a manner consistent with
 the doctrine & customs of the
 Church of England as by
 law established.

(d) The value of the property
 may be set down as Rs. 3,000.

(e) It should be recited in
 the deed that the Govt. has
 agreed to buy the same
 duty.

(f) A plan showing the boundaries
 of the church is forwarded. The

(Census 63
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 page 5)

(Census 153
 flagged)

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 page 4)

(attached to Census
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which is exclusive
 of the vacant ground
 to the east & west
 of the church

Govt. Solicitor
 with a plan

See the Archdeacon's
 Rev. Secy. - (4 to 1)

be made of the "Catechist
 House". The property is
 situated in the sub district
 of Ponnani in the Chingleput
 Registration
 District. The area may be
 16094
 Given as 17130 square feet

2. The draft deed
 should be forwarded
 through the Venable the
 Archdeacon to the
 Chairman of the C. M. S.
 Native Church
 Council for approval
 before submission.

3. The proposal is
 of the Ven. the Archdeacon
 letter no 4409 dated
 April 1898. That the
 Communion Plate and
 Baptismal Basin belong
 to the Pulicat Church
 remain in charge of
 Chaplain of North
 Block Town is a

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