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READ—the following papers:—

I

G.O., No. 38, Educational, dated 21st January 1907.

ABSTRACT.—Sanctioning, subject to certain conditions, a grant of Rs. 10,000 towards the cost of constructing the Christian and Hindu hostels and the Lower school attached to the Voorhee's College, Vellore.

II

G.O., No. 303, Educational, dated 25th April 1908.

ABSTRACT.—Extending the time fixed for the completion of the Christian and Hindu hostels and the Lower school attached to the Voorhee's College, Vellore, up to the 31st March 1909.

III

Letter—from the Hon'ble Mr. A. G. BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., C.I.E., Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—the 19th December 1908.

No.—Ref. on Cur. 8309.

I have the honour to submit the enclosed copy of a letter received from Rev. J. H. Wyckoff, Secretary, American Arcot Mission, and Manager, Voorhee's College, Vellore, dated 10th December 1908, requesting that the time fixed in G.O., No. 303, Educational, dated 25th April 1908, for the completion of the Christian hostel may be extended up to the 30th June 1909 and that payment of Rs. 5,000, which is half of the grant promised in G.O., No. 38, Educational, dated 21st January 1907, may be authorized as he is much in need of funds. I have discussed both matters with Mr. Wyckoff and I beg to recommend that both his requests be granted.

ENCLOSURES.

Letter—from the Rev. J. H. WYCKOFF, American Mission, Vellore.

To—the Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

Dated—the 10th December 1908.

Referring (1) to your Ref. on Cur. No. 6409/05, dated 31st January 1907, stating that Government had been pleased to sanction a maximum grant of Rs. 10,000 for the Christian and Hindu hostels and the Lower school attached to the Voorhee's College, Vellore, provided the work is completed before the 31st, March 1908, (2) to your Dis. No. 3606 of 1908, dated 13th May 1908, communicating order of Government extending the time fixed for completion of the buildings till March 31st, 1909, I have the honour to inform you that, owing to adverse circumstances connected with securing the site, I was not able to begin the construction of the Christian hostel until September of the current year. Work on it is now being rapidly pushed, but the contractor cannot guarantee its completion within the time stipulated by Government, viz., 31st March 1909, and I request that the time now be extended for three months only, that is till June 30th, 1909.

2. From the enclosed copy of certificate of the Executive Engineer, North Arcot, you will learn that the Hindu hostel and Lower school buildings were completed in March last. The estimate sanctioned for these two buildings amounted to Rs. 17,126 and Rs. 14,789, respectively or Rs. 31,915. The amount actually paid by me to the contractor was Rs. 32,757, some items

having been omitted from the Lower school estimate which had to be supplied. The sanctioned estimate for the Christian hostel is Rs. 16,552. As the work on this building is proceeding and I am in need of funds, I have to request that an instalment of Rs. 5,000 on the sanctioned grant may be paid to me now to enable me to meet the contractor's bills.

Letter—from C. W. WOOD, Esq., Executive Engineer, North Arcot Division.
To—the Rev. J. H. WYCKOFF, D.D., American Arcot Mission, Vellore.
Dated—the 12th March 1908.
No.—337-M.

With reference to your letter of the 2nd instant I have the honour to inform you that I have inspected the Lower school and Hindu hostel buildings and I find that they have been built in accordance with the sanctioned plans and estimates. The materials used are good and the building has been finished off in a workmanlike manner. During construction the necessary departmental supervision has been exercised.

Order—No. 33, Educational, dated 18th January 1909.

In the circumstances stated, the Government are pleased to sanction, as a very special case, the payment in advance of a sum of Rs. 5,000 out of the building grant of Rs. 10,000 sanctioned in G.O., No. 38, Educational, dated 21st January 1907, towards the cost of constructing the Christian and the Hindu hostels and the Lower school attached to the Voorhee's College, Vellore. The time fixed for the completion of the Christian hostel will also be extended up to the 30th June 1909.

(True Extract.)

A. BUTTERWORTH,
 Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
 „ Accountant-General.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 33, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
18TH JANUARY 1909.

[SUBJECT.—*Extension of time for the completion of the Christian hostel attached to the Voorhee's College, Vellore, and the payment of an advance of Rs. 5,000.*]

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 19th December 1908, No. 8309.

In G.O., No. 38, Educational, dated 21st January 1907, the Government sanctioned a maximum grant of Rs. 10,000 towards the cost of constructing the Christian and Hindu hostels and the Lower school attached to the Voorhee's College, Vellore, subject to the condition, among others, that the work should be completed before the 31st March 1908. The time for the completion of the buildings was extended up to 31st March 1909, on the G.O., No. 303, dated 25th April 1908. representation of the management that the Christian hostel could not be completed within the time specified owing to delay in securing a clear title to the site.

2. The manager of the College (Rev. Wyckoff) now reports that the Hindu hostel (sanctioned estimate Rs. 17,126) and the Lower school (sanctioned estimate Rs. 14,789) buildings were completed in March last, but that "owing to adverse circumstances connected with securing the site" he was not able to begin the construction of the Christian hostel * until September last. The work on it is now being rapidly pushed on, "but the contractor cannot guarantee its completion within the time stipulated, namely, 31st March 1909." The manager further observes that the amount actually paid by him to the contractor on account of the Hindu hostel and the Lower school buildings was Rs. 32,757 as against a total estimate for them of Rs. 31,915 and that he is in need of funds to meet the contractor's bills. He accordingly requests—

Rs.
17,126
14,789
31,915

(1) that the time for the completion of the Christian hostel may be further extended by three months, that is, until 30th June 1909, and

(2) that an instalment of Rs. 5,000 on the sanctioned grant may now be paid to him to enable him to meet the contractor's bills.

3. The Director of Public Instruction states that he has discussed both the matters with Mr. Wyckoff and recommends that both Mr. Wyckoff's requests may be granted. The Executive Engineer, North Arcot Division, who inspected the Hindu hostel and Lower school buildings, states that they have been built in accordance with the sanctioned plans and estimates.

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