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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

I

Letter—from E. F. THOMAS, Esq., I.C.S., *ex-officio* Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat.

To—the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Collector of Malabar and the Director of Public Instruction).

Dated—the 7th December 1911.

No.—176.

I have the honour to address you on the subject of the Victoria College, Palghat.

2. In 1910, the college was visited by the Commission of Inspection appointed by the University of Madras. As a result of the inspection the Syndicate communicated to me certain positive directions of the University with a request that I should report what steps had been taken to carry out those directions. I enclose a copy of the directions of the Syndicate and of my letter in reply.

3. It will be seen from the second of these papers that a sum of about Rs. 17,000 is required to carry out the directions of the University Commission in regard to making further provision for the teaching of physical science. It will be seen that I have informed the Registrar that the municipality is unable to provide this comparatively large sum, and that a contribution will be asked from Government.

4. It does not, I submit, require much demonstration that the municipal revenues are unable to provide this amount. The Council is already under an obligation on account of the college to repay a loan of Rs. 21,000, made by Government, to meet part of the cost of constructing new buildings and a hostel for the college. The surplus, which stood to the credit of the college in the municipal accounts, has been devoted to the same purpose, and the Government have been pleased to meet the rest of the expenditure with a special grant. It is a fact that the college is now and may expect to continue to be self-supporting, but the increase of revenue will necessarily, I think, be drawn upon for the recurring needs of the institution, the provision of more lecturers, the increase of the library, the upkeep of the furniture and annual repairs to the buildings, etc., all of which items will necessarily become larger as the college becomes progressively more efficient, and has more buildings to maintain.

5. For these reasons, it may probably be impossible for the Council to provide for the construction of bath-rooms and a sick ward recently sanctioned by Government in G.O. No. 840 M., dated 27th May 1911, but as Government does not require his question to be taken up till January, a simple reference to the fact here may suffice.

6. There is a feeling in the municipality, which cannot, I think, be ignored, that the municipality has done enough up to the present to support collegiate education in Malabar, the benefits of which, but not the expense, are shared with the rest of the district and parts even of the Cochin and Travancore States. I request therefore that Government will be pleased to provide the amount which the University requires the college to spend on the teaching of science. The alternative presumably would be disaffiliation by the University in that branch of studies. The alternative is scarcely one for serious consideration. Too much has already been spent on the college in money and effort on behalf of scientific education to make it now worth while to give up everything.

7. I should perhaps explain that the installation of gas and electricity plant at a cost of about Rs. 17,000 represents the minimum requirements of the college in so far as the University will apparently not be content with less. There are however other requirements of which I venture to think Government may well be informed.

8. Government are no doubt aware of the gradual development of the Victoria College and High School from the modest beginnings of a model school. Each stage of growth has been marked by an addition to the buildings; in making each addition economy has been more considered than uniformity of architecture or convenience for teaching. During the last few years education has been improved by new ideals, new methods and new standards. A visit to the existing jumble of buildings which constitute the college, during working hours, will show at a glance how far the experiment of pouring new wine into old bottles has been a success.

9. New buildings are in course of construction for the college department and before the foundations are well in, there is some reason to think that the buildings as designed will be inadequate when they are completed.

10. Even with the provision of gas and electrical installation on the fairly handsome scale proposed, the class rooms will be overcrowded and new or larger class rooms will become a necessity very soon. The hostel is unprovided with a house for the warden, and the students who are lodged therein will be deprived of the supervision which is not the least of the benefits a hostel is expected to confer. A tiffin room for non-resident students is even now urgently required and is not provided in the new buildings. A suitable library room furnished with book cases, desks, and chairs, a common room for the masters, a common room for the students, perhaps more class rooms, a boundary wall around the college and high school buildings are amongst the most important requirements of the institution. None of these are provided in the new buildings now under construction. Again no provision has been made for furnishing the new hostel. Hundred students will be accommodated therein, and each batch of students can hardly, I submit, be expected to furnish their rooms for themselves. On this furniture a large initial outlay will be required, but the cost will or should be repaid by the rent charged to each student. New furniture for the old and the new college buildings is another obvious necessity.

11. There is moreover still another question to be faced, the provision of a playing field for the high school and college. The combined institution has a strength of 650. The strength is likely to increase in the future. Raising the fees in both the departments apparently has the effect of making new comers all the more anxious to join.

The only playing field is a small piece of land behind the college which is barely big enough for one game of cricket; two are played with difficulty, while with one full sized football ground in the middle there would be no room anywhere else for anything larger than a tennis court. Not a little importance is justly attached to the influence of games in Indian school and collegiate life. The development of this side of school and collegiate life is obviously impossible in a college with so many students and so small a play-ground. I venture to call attention to this requirement in particular, because I am aware that the possible vacant spaces are few and gradually becoming built over and because there is a steady rise in the price of land within the municipality.

12. I am aware that this programme of the college requirements is a large and costly one which it will not probably be possible to carry out in its entirety for some time to come. I have ventured however to bring it before the notice of Government in the hope that whatever may be decided as to the future development of the college that development may be governed by a scheme previously considered which may replace the old system of haphazard provision for immediate needs of the moment without deliberation as to the probable needs of the future.

13. A copy of the Council's resolution approving this letter is herewith submitted.

ENCLOSURES.

Extract from the proceedings of the Municipal Council, Palghat, dated 6th December 1911.

PRESENT.

E. F. Thomas, Esq., I.C.S., *ex-officio* Chairman.
M.R.Ry. C. S. Swaminatha Pattar Kariakkar Avargal.
Rev. G. Peter.

M.R.Ry. G. V. Venkatachalla Ayyar Avargal.
 „ P. N. Madhava Menon Avargal.
 „ A. Chokkalingam Pillai Avargal.
 „ K. Thricha Mannady Avargal.
 „ P. Palaniandi Tharagar Avargal.
 „ N. R. Ramaswami Ayyar Avargal.
 „ M. S. Rama Ayyar Avargal.

Read Chairman's draft letter to Government with reference to the inspection of the University Commission regarding the requirements of the Victoria College, together with its enclosures and connected papers.

Resolution No. 15.—Approved.

UNIVERSITY OF MADRAS.

APPENDIX TO THE REPORT OF THE INSPECTION COMMISSION, 1910, ON VICTORIA COLLEGE, PALGHAT.

The management are required—

- (a) to frame rules defining the duties and powers of the Principal;
- (b) to add to the staff so as to make a considerable reduction in the present excessive amount of teaching work done by the Principal and the lecturers;
- (c) to make immediate arrangements for the systematizing of the practical work in mathematics, physics and chemistry in respect of—
 - (1) the scheme of work followed by the lecturer,
 - (2) the supervision of the work.
 - (3) the registration in notebooks and class records of the work done by students;
- (d) to provide supplies of gas, water and electric current;
- (e) to provide additional maps for the teaching of history;
- (f) to add to the library where it is at present weak and to provide a larger annual allotment in future for library purposes;
- (g) to exercise greater discrimination in the promotion of students;
- (h) to submit, by 15th September 1911, a statement showing in detail the new arrangements which it is proposed to make for accommodation, etc., and also showing what action has been taken in regard to the matters specified above.

FRANCIS DEWSBURY, B.A., LL.B.,
Registrar.

Letter— from E. F. THOMAS, Esq., I.C.S., *ex-officio* Chairman, Municipal Council Palghat.

To—the Registrar of the University of Madras.

Dated—the 4th October 1911.

No.—1757.

I have the honour to reply to your letter No. 649, dated 10th March 1911, forwarding the positive directions of the Syndicate for the removal of defects found on inspection of the Victoria College, Palghat, by the University Inspection Commission, 1910. I deal with the directions *seriatim* :—

(a) The Council at my instance has on 4th October 1911 passed the following resolution :—

“Read letter No. 326, dated 22nd September 1911, from the Principal, Victoria College, submitting proposals with reference to the remarks made by the University Commission about the Victoria College, and connected papers and office-note thereon, referring the question of internal administration of the college mentioned in paragraph (a) to the Council for consideration.

“Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by M.R.Ry. M. S. Rama Ayyar Avargal that the internal management of the college be left entirely to the discretion of the Principal, and that in case it is considered desirable to effect any change in the staff the Educational officer whose sanction for the appointment was required shall be consulted.”

Resolution No. 12.—Carried.”

The resolution appears to me to define the duties and powers of the Principal with sufficient accuracy. The Chairman of the Council as Manager thereby expressly divests himself and the Council of any control other than financial of the working of the college. The power of making appointments in the college carrying with it the power of punishment, suspension and dismissal

must continue to be vested in the Chairman, for the officers and servants of the college are also Municipal subordinates. An appeal against disciplinary orders must continue to lie under the Municipal Act to the Council, but as orders will be passed in each case after due consideration by the responsible educational officer, and as his formal pronouncement on the case will be before the Council there is no reason to anticipate any difficulty in the future.

(b) Additions to the staff.

I understand from the Principal that a Chemistry graduate, a Chemistry demonstrator and an attender, and a Physics demonstrator are urgently required.

A lecturer in Botany has been appointed since the visit of the Commission. It is hoped that as the staff of the school department is strengthened it will be possible as it certainly is desirable to permit the college lecturers to confine themselves to work in the college. I understand from the Principal that he has been unable to get a suitable lecturer in Chemistry through the recognized channels though the vacancy was widely advertised. The question is mainly one of ways and means. It may be necessary to ask Government for assistance, but more probably the college will soon be in a position to meet the cost of increasing the staff out of revenue. Proposals will be made for supplying more lecturers as soon as the college finances permit.

(c) Practical work in Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry has already been systematised. The lecturer in Mathematics has drawn up a syllabus of work, practical and theoretical, for the whole course; the lecturer in physical science has made himself familiar with the systems followed in the principal first-grade colleges and has drawn up syllabuses of work following as far as possible the systems he found in force. I am informed by the Principal that the directions of the Commission in respect of better supervision and registration of the work of students have been carried out.

(e) & (f) The provision of additional maps for the teaching of History, of additions to the library and the provision of an increased allotment for the library will be considered when the next municipal budget is framed. I have not yet received the proposals of the Principal which will be embodied in the college budget now under preparation. I think I may say that the matter will be favourably considered by the Council.

(g) Greater discrimination in making promotions has been followed by Mr. Davey since he became familiar with the conditions of the college.

(d) I have taken this point last as it is by far the most important of the Commission's directions from the financial point of view. The Principal has provided estimates for the installation of gas and electric current. Water is already provided in the college extension work which is now in progress. I quote *in extenso* the proposals of Mr. Davey for the installation of gas and electricity.

“Gas—electricity. Enclosed are estimates from two engineering firms—Messrs. Mansfield and Sons (Limited), and the De Laitte Lighting Company—the former are recommended. Messrs. Mansfield and Sons' Electric installation, it will be seen, would cost Rs. 7,000. The estimate is in accordance with the University requirements and is similar to that in use in several other colleges. Messrs. Mansfield and Sons at my request have sent two estimates for gas plants—

	RS.
(1) Duplex gasholders of 300 c.ft. capacity each costing	5,640
(2) Duplex gasholders of 500 c.ft. capacity each costing	7,150

Duplex holders are required so that the gas from one may be used while the other is being filled and so the work will not be interrupted as it would be with a single gasholder. The first estimate is sufficient for laboratory work only. The second is however recommended as, if it is erected, the hostel, which will be close to the new college buildings, can also be lighted with gas at the entrance on each verandah and in the latrine leaving the students to light their own rooms (50 in number) with their own lamps.

A building would also be required to house (1) the gas generator, (2) the electric engine and dynamo, (3) the accumulators, (4) a combined store-room and workshop. This would cost about Rs. 1,800.

The cost of the gas plant does not include the brickwork for the foundations of the gas-holders which would cost something under Rs. 100. The total cost of gas and electricity would thus be as near as possible—

	RS.
Gas plant 2-300 c.ft.	5,640
Do. foundations for holders	100
Electric plant	7,000
Housing for combined gas and electric plants, etc.	1,800
Extra for larger gas plant	14,540
	1,510
Total	16,050

This inevitable expenditure the municipality is quite unable to meet now or in the near future. It will therefore be necessary to ask Government for a grant. It seems not unreasonable to expect that the Government will provide for this expenditure seeing that they have helped the college generously in the past.

(h) It remains to report in detail what arrangements are being made to provide increased accommodation.

I enclose two pencil drawings—

- (1) One of the new college rooms.
- (2) One of the new hostel.

Both buildings are expected to be ready in about two years' time at the most.

No. 1 shows the following accommodation :—

- (1) Physics laboratory, 36' x 25'
- (2) Dark room, 9' x 20'
- (3) Store room, 16' x 20'
- (4) Chemistry laboratory, 36' x 25'
- (5) Science (Physics and Chemistry) lecture room 36' x 25'
- (6) Entrance hall, 25' x 25'
- (7) Class room, 25' x 36' for English
- (8) Class room, 25' x 37' for History and
- (9) Class room, 25' x 31' Mathematics.
- (10) Natural science lecture room, 25' x 18'
- (11) Store room, 25' x 9'

The details of tables, etc., in the science rooms can be seen from the plans submitted in connection with the gas and electricity.

Not more than 24 students at a time will be allowed in the laboratories.

The accommodation for Natural science is much too meagre. In time it will be necessary to extend that department in the direction indicated by the arrow head in the plan; meantime when the new buildings are occupied some rooms in the old building can still be used for college purposes.

No. 2 hostel for 100 students, two in each of 50 rooms.

The plans for these buildings have been prepared under the orders of Government and have been scrutinized before final approval by the Director of Public Instruction.

Endt. on No. 648/Ml. 11, dated 8th January 1912.

Forwarded.

2. The grant of Rs. 17,000 applied for may be granted. It represents the minimum requirements of the college and the Council cannot provide the money out of its own funds. The truth is that a Municipal Council cannot maintain a college at the standard now required by the University without assistance from Government, and for this and other reasons I should like to see the college taken over by Government.

C. A. INNES,
Ag. Collector.

N. Ref. on Cur. No. 317/12, dated 5th February 1912.

Submitted to Government.

2. There is no doubt as to the necessity for the improvements proposed if the college is to be maintained.

A. G. BOURNE,
Director of Public Instruction.

II

Letter—from the Hon'ble Sir ALFRED GIBBS BOURNE, D.Sc., F.R.S., K.C.I.E., Director of Public Instruction, Madras.

To—the Secretary to Government, Educational Department.

Dated—the 6th November 1913.

No.—R.C. 8049.

In continuation of this office endorsement N.R.C. No. 8049, dated 23rd September 1913, and my reply U.O. No. 162, dated 24th September 1913, I have the honour to report that on consultation with the Inspector of Schools the following improvements to the Victoria College, Palghat, seem very necessary and I therefore recommend that they may be sanctioned :—

	RS.
(1) Erection of a compound wall	3,000
(2) Supply of furniture for the new college block under construction.	5,000
(3) Furniture for masters' common room	1,000
(4) Tiffin-room	1,000
Total	10,000

2. The cost, Rs. 10,000, of carrying out these improvements may be met from the balance of the Imperial grant of 23 lakhs for the current year.

Order—No. 1220, Educational, dated 20th December 1913.

The Government sanction a grant of Rs. 10,000 to the Municipal Council of Palghat towards the cost of the improvements detailed in the Director's letter, dated 6th November 1913. The Accountant-General is requested to place the amount at the disposal of the Municipal Council.

2. The charge will be met from the special Imperial grant of 23 lakhs for education provided in the Civil Budget Estimate for 1913-14.

(True Extract.)

W. FRANCOIS,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Director of Public Instruction.
,, Financial Department with copy of Financial notes
dated 16th December 1913.
,, Local and Municipal Department.
Editors' Table.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 1220, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
20TH DECEMBER 1913.

[SUBJECT.—*Provincial grant towards the cost of improvements to the
Victoria College, Palghat.*]

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

*From E. F. Thomas, Esq., I.C.S., Ex-officio Chairman, Municipal Council, Palghat,
dated 7th December 1911, No. 176.*

From the Chairman's letter to the Registrar of the Madras University in the current file it will be observed that in order to satisfy the conditions of affiliation to the University certain improvements have to be effected in the Victoria College, Palghat, with reference to the inspection notes of the University Commission of 1910. Some of them require notice.

2. With regard to the additions required to the staff, the Chairman expects that the college will soon be in a position to meet the increased cost out of the revenue and states that proposals for more lecturers will be made as soon as finances permit.

3. It is stated that an increased allotment for maps and the library will be considered when the municipal budget is framed. But from the budget for 1912-13 since received by Government it does not appear that any more than the usual provision under contingencies has been made for 1912-13 though in the revised estimate for 1911-12 an additional allotment of Rs. 800 has been made for library furniture.

4. The improvements noticed in the preceding two paragraphs do not call for any action at present.

5. The new college rooms and the new hostel now under construction will, it is apprehended, not satisfy the growing need for additional accommodation in the college. New or larger class rooms, quarters for the warden of the hostel, a tiffin room for non-resident students, a suitably furnished library-room, a common room for masters, a common room for students, a compound wall for the college buildings, furniture for the college and the hostel and a suitable play-ground are some of the important requirements.

6. It is submitted that additional buildings for the college and a hostel estimated to cost Rs. 63,470 are in course of construction by the Public Works Department.

Cf. page 1 of notes with G.O. No. 840 M., dated 27th May 1911. This scheme was financed with the aid of a Provincial grant of Rs. 30,000 and a loan of Rs. 21,000, the balance being met

by the Council. Some supplemental works were sanctioned in G.O. No. 840 M., dated 27th May 1911, and the Council has recently applied for a Provincial grant of

* The grant has since been sanctioned—*vide* G.O. No. 904 M., dated 5th May 1913. the cost, viz., Rs. 3,430. The file is under separate consideration * It is for consideration whether any action should

now be taken on the suggestion made by the Chairman in paragraph 12 of his

This would certainly be wise.

L. DAVIDSON.

letter, viz., that the development of the college must be governed by a scheme previously considered which should replace the old system of haphazard provision for the immediate needs of the moment

without deliberation as to the probable needs of the future. The Victoria College at Palghat is a municipal institution the maintenance of which the Government contemplate to take over to themselves. The Government of India was addressed on the subject in February 1910 and final orders may in all probability be received in a short time. Until then it is perhaps unnecessary to disturb the existing arrangement of the new buildings now in course of construction and much may not probably be gained by doing so. If this view is accepted no action is now necessary in the matter at present.

I hope so.

L. DAVIDSON.

7. The main point on which the orders of Government are needed in the present case relates to the grant of* Rs. 17,000 applied for towards the installation of the gas and electricity plant which the University Commission insists on. The Collector (Mr. Innes) recommends the grant and the Director of Public Instruction considers the improvement proposed to be essential. As the college is likely eventually to pass into the hands of Government the payment of a Provincial grant of Rs. 17,000 may perhaps be made. The Educational and Financial Departments may, it is submitted, be consulted.

K. A. GANAPATI AYYAR—20-2-12.

P. T. THARYAN—21-2-12.

Please consult the Educational and Financial Departments.

L. DAVIDSON—21-2-12.

To the Educational } Departments.
To the Financial }

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

While considering the application of the District Board of Tanjore for a special grant towards the cost of extending the building occupied by the Board High school, Tiruvālūr, which is one of the institutions proposed to be taken over by Government as a model high school, the Hon'ble Sir M. Hammick observed:—

"I think we had better wait for the orders of the Secretary of State on the model school scheme and let this matter stand over until those orders arrive. They cannot be long now. If we do not take over the school we can do as Finance

† Proposals were—

- (1) to sanction a provincial grant of Rs. 10,000; and
- (2) to advance Rs. 21,000 as a loan to the Tanjore District Board repayable in 20 years at 4 per cent.

"proposes: † if we do take over the school we shall have to carry out the work from provincial funds. It seems inadvisable to make an arrangement now which may have to be altered very soon."

2. The Honourable Member's orders reproduced above seem to apply to this case also. It is for consideration whether the case may lie over for the present and if the file may lie over it may be passed on to the Financial department as desired by Local and Municipal.

P. RAMUNNI NAYAR—26-2-12.

The improvements proposed are stated to be necessary and, whether the college is taken over by Government or not, they should be effected. It is for the Local and Municipal department to examine the financial condition of the municipality and say whether the Council cannot meet this charge from its own funds. If it cannot, a grant from Provincial funds may be given from some savings in the Educational budget.

R. SUNDARAM AYYAR—28-2-12.

The case is on all fours with Tiruvālūr and must, I think, lie over until we have had orders on the model school scheme.

L. DAVIDSON—29-2-12.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the proposal at A may be accepted.

V. GOPALAKRISHNAN—2-3-12.

C. REILLY—2-3-12.

Financial has no objection; we are not concerned unless it is proposed to spend money.

H. A. STUART—5-3-12.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The file may be returned to Local and Municipal.

P. RAMUNNI NAYAR—8-3-12.

R. SUNDARAM AYYAR—9-3-12.

M. S. MASCARENHAS—11-3-12.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Extract from the orders of the Registrar in the municipal arrears list against C. No. 762 M. of 1912.

"Put up this file for further orders please.

P. T. THARYAN—5-2-13."

The file is submitted for further orders.

2. It is understood from the Educational department that the proposals regarding the model school scheme have been remitted to us by the Secretary of State for further consideration.

T. B. RAMACHANDRAN—7-2-13.

Educational may perhaps be asked whether there is any likelihood of the college being taken over in the immediate future.

P. T. THARYAN—8-2-13.

T. E. MOIR—10-2-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

An intermediate reference made by the Secretary of State to this Government on the subject of the establishment of model high schools in this Presidency is now under consideration. Submitted that the Local and Municipal department may be informed that the Victoria College, Palghat, is not likely to be taken over by Government in the immediate future.

S. KRISHNA AYYAR—16-2-13.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARI—20-2-13.

Yes, please ask Local and Municipal to print the notes and current and let Educational have a spare copy.

L. DAVIDSON—21-2-13.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

The current and notes have been put in type. A spare copy of the proof may be furnished to Educational and this file may continue to lie over.

T. B. RAMACHANDRA MUDALIYAR—12-3-13.

P. T. THARYAN—12-3-13.

It is submitted that Educational may be asked to state in what stage the model school scheme is. The file has been pending since March last.

N. LAKSHMANA RAO—11-6-13.

Yes.

S. KRISHNAMA ACHARI—11-6-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that Local and Municipal Department may be furnished with a copy of the papers relating to the model school scheme, which have now been printed. The final decision in the matter is pending receipt of reply from the Director of Public Instruction to Memorandum No. 2339-2, dated 20th June 1913.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARI—22-8-13.

C. S. ANANTARAMA AYYAR—23-8-13.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Note on the existing state of things; Mr. Thomas' proposals are now two years' old. They don't make any real difference whether Government is to take over the college or not: it must anyhow be brought up-to-date.

W. FRANCIS—26-8-13.

In Mr. Thomas' letter No. 176, dated 7th December 1911, application was made to Government for a grant of Rs. 17,000 from Provincial funds to meet the cost of installation of gas and electricity plant for the teaching of Physical science in the Victoria College, Palghat. Mr. Thomas also suggested the following programme of improvements to guide the future development of the college in lieu of the old system of haphazard provision for the immediate needs of the moment:—

- (i) Additional class rooms.
- (ii) A house for the warden of the hostel.
- (iii) A tiffin-room for non-resident students.
- (iv) A suitable library room furnished with book-cases, etc.
- (v) A common room for masters and another for students.
- (vi) A boundary wall round the college and high school buildings.
- (vii) Furniture for the hostel.
- (viii) New furniture for the old and the new college buildings.
- (ix) A suitable playing field for the college and high school.

In 1912 a separate application was received from the Council for grants for the following purposes:—

G.O. No. 452 M., dated 17th May 1913.

- (1) An additional hostel for the school department.
- (2) A reading-room common to the students of the college hostel and to the students of the proposed hostel.
- (3) A house for the warden at a cost of Rs. 15,000.
- (4) Provision of furniture at a cost of Rs. 1,300 for the hostel for the college department.

In G.O. No. 452, Educational, dated 17th May 1913, the Government undertook to construct items (1), (2) and (3) from Provincial funds on the understanding that the buildings on completion would remain the property of Government, but would be lent to the Municipal Council for use in connection with the college. As regards item (4), Government agreed with the Director of Public Instruction that the amount required for furniture for the college hostel should be met from municipal funds.

2. Thus the application for grant on account of the installation of the plant for gas and electricity and items (i), (iii) to (vi), (viii) and (ix) of the miscellaneous improvements suggested by Mr. Thomas now remain for consideration. The present state of the Council's finances does not seem to be so low as to necessitate a grant from Provincial funds towards the cost of installation of the gas and electricity plant. The closing balance for 1913-14, as revised with reference to the actuals of 1912-13, is expected to amount to Rs. 10,904 and the Council's average annual net surplus amounts to Rs. 3,403 as detailed below:—

	RS.
(1) The Council's average annual surplus during the three years ending 1911-12 amounted to	3,218
(2) Additional revenue due to the revision of house-and land-tax registers in 1911-12	1,732
Total ..	4,950
Deduct amount required for the service of the loan of Rs. 21,000 already raised by the Council in connection with the college ..	1,545
Balance available ..	3,405

which is sufficient to meet the charges of an additional loan of Rs. 46,276. The Council requires only Rs. 17,000, and if a portion of it is met from the current year's closing balance the amount to be raised by way of loan will be very small. In these circumstances it is for consideration whether the Council may, with the concurrence of Financial, be informed that the Government do not see sufficient grounds for making a grant and that a portion of the cost of installation of the plant should be met from the Council's own funds, the balance required being raised as a loan from Government repayable in twenty years with interest at 4 per cent per annum.

3. In regard to the minor improvements suggested by Mr. Thomas, there is no proposal to take them up immediately, and no action is therefore called for at present. Perhaps the Council may be asked to state in what order they should be taken up and how it proposes to finance them.

K.S.N.—18-9-13.

S. KRISHNAMA ACHARI—18-9-13.

In 1912-13 the college cost the Council Rs. 8,812. I don't think that body should be urged to spend more upon secondary education. It has plenty of things it wants to do with its small balance.

2. It is not at all likely that Financial will give any more money to the college.

3. Mr. Thomas' recommendations are nearly two years' old; it is not clear whether the needs he entered as the most pressing then are still the most pressing. The papers may be sent back to Educational wherein the Director of Public Instruction may be asked un-officially—

- (1) what the college most wants at present,
- (2) whether he can find the money therefor from the Imperial grants. If he can't this year, he perhaps will be able to next, when we are promised further liberal grants—see Viceroy's speech at last Imperial Council meeting.

W. FRANCIS—20-9-13.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

The contribution to meet the cost of the gas and electrical installation has just been recommended to Government. Please see this office N. Ref. on C. No. 8049/13, 23rd September 1913.

I will consult the Inspector as to the relative importance of the other things mentioned by Mr. Francis.

J. H. STONE—24-10-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

For the papers referred to at A above please see G.O. No. 992, Educational, dated 4th November 1913.

2. Submitted that this file may lie over pending the receipt of a further report from the Director of Public Instruction after consulting the Inspector.

B. GOPALA ACHARI—2-10-13.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARI—3-10-13.

Yes.

W. FRANCIS—4-10-13.

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 6th November 1913.

For the installation of a gas and electricity plant in the Victoria College, Palghat, a grant of Rs. 17,000 has been sanctioned in G.O. No. 992, Educational, dated 4th November 1913.

2. As regards the other improvements which are "very necessary," please see the Director of Public Instruction's letter of 6th November.

3. Submitted that with the concurrence of Financial, a grant of Rs. 10,000 may be given to the Municipal Council in the current year to carry out the improvements.

* Paragraph 9 of Director of Public Instruction's memorandum printed with G.O. No. 264, Educational, dated 27th March 1913. This amount will have to come out of the assignment of two lakhs* for "Colleges and hostels" included in the 23 lakhs special Imperial grant. A draft order is placed below.

B.G.—27-11-13.

T. KANAKASUNDARAM PILLAI—29-11-13.

Should not the order say that the additions remain the property of Government and are only lent to the Council?

W. FRANCIS—1-12-13.

The proposed additions to the college buildings are (1) compound wall (Rs. 3,000) and (2) tiffin-room (Rs. 1,000). The college buildings belong to the municipality. Submitted that it may not look well that while the college buildings belong to the municipality the compound wall of those buildings should belong to Government. The tiffin-room is comparatively a small affair. In these circumstances it seems unnecessary that the order should say that the additions should remain the property of Government. The case of hostel buildings sanctioned in G.O. No. 452, Educational, dated 17th May 1913, in which the Government have decided to retain ownership is different being an isolated building of some importance. The principle of retaining ownership in buildings of local bodies while defraying their cost is of recent introduction and is generally applied only to substantial and costly structures; and in minor cases this is not enforced; please compare G.Os. No. 572, Educational, dated 28th June 1912 and No. 585, Educational, dated 3rd July 1912.

B.G.—3-12-13.

C.R.—3-12-13.

Very well. It doesn't much matter, anyhow, as Government are pretty sure to take over the college eventually. Financial u.o. for acceptance of the draft.

W. FRANCIS—4-12-13.

To the Financial Department.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

It is proposed to sanction, from the special Imperial grant of 23 lakhs for Education provided in the Civil Budget Estimate for 1913-14 under 22. EDUCATION, a grant of Rs. 10,000 to the Palghat Municipal Council to meet the cost of the following improvements to the Victoria College, Palghat:—

	RS.
(1) Erection of a compound wall	3,000
(2) Furniture for the college block and masters' common room ..	6,000
(3) Tiffin-room	1,000
Total ..	10,000

2. The cost (Rs. 4,000) of items (1) and (3) is debitable to the head "45. CIVIL WORKS—IN CHARGE OF CIVIL OFFICERS." On receipt of the Educational Department proceedings on this case in Financial, an order may issue sanctioning the transfer of funds from 22. EDUCATION to 45. CIVIL WORKS—CIVIL.

3. The draft may, it is submitted, be accepted.

V. GOPALAKRISHNA AYYAR—15-12-13.

C. REILLY—15-12-13.

W. O. HORNE—16-12-13.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Issue.

W. FRANCIS—18-12-13.

[G.O. No. 1220, Educational, dated 20th December 1913.]

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No. 1220, dated 20. 12. 1913.

The Govt. sanction a grant of Rs 10,000 to the Municipal Council of Palghat towards the cost of the improvements detailed in the Director's letter dated 6th Nov. 1913. The Accountant General is requested to place the amount at the disposal of the Municipal Council.

2. The ^{charge} ~~amount~~ will be met from the Special Imperial grant of 23 lakhs for education provided

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