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[Despatch Abstract.]

Lawrence Memorial School, Golacammund

Recording notes connected with
the question of the girls of the Lawrence
Memorial School, Golacammund
competing for the medical profession

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"Somerset",
Adyar.

26th December 1914.

Dear Mr. Rajagopala Acharivar,

Since I have not been

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In continuation of my letter of the

19th instant I send you another letter from Mr. Padfield for any action which may be considered necessary, and a copy of my reply.

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Rajagopala Acharivar

Yours sincerely,

A. G. Cardew

To

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur P. Rajagopala Acharivar,
Avareal, C.I.E.,

Secretary to the Government of Madras,

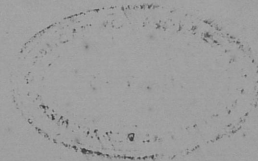
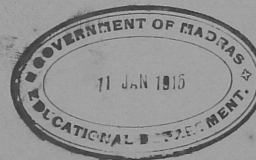
Educational Department, Madras.



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Copy of D.O. from the Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Cardew, C.S.I.,
to the Rev. Mr. W.H. Padfield, Principal
Lawrence Memorial School, Lovedale, dated the
26th December 1914:-

Thanks for your letter of the 23rd enclosing
one from Desa White. I will send it on to the --
Educational Department so that the point you make
may be noticed there. But as far as I can see the
girl has to work without wages not for three months
as you say but for three weeks.



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POST OFFICE:
LOVEDALE, NILGIRI HILLS.
TELEGRAPH OFFICE:
OOTACAMUND (LOVEDALE).

Lawrence Memorial School.

23. 12. 14.

Dear W. Carver,

Enclosed is a letter I received yesterday - I enclose a letter received a day or two ago from one of our girls who left at the beginning of this year, but which shows that, at least what she wanted, she had enough 3 wanted without any. Her father was in the 11th Lancers (recruited) - but she fortunately had a step-father who arranged things for her.

I only send it to show that if we had the power to let girls in like, we should probably be able to let more than in the line that they are to work at.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely

W. C. Carver

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George Town
Madras.
13th Dec



Dear Sir,
I'm sure you
will be pleased to hear
from me & to know I am
getting on nicely with
my work. There are times
when I'm inclined to
loose my temper & but my
School motto has always
been with me & has
helped me out of a number

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thruely + love the time ^{to come} for
me to go to work, we have
different duties every week
we start by. 8 am to 3 pm
9 am to 4 pm, 10 am to 5 pm
11 am to 6 pm 1 pm to 8 pm
+ 5 pm to 8 am. The latter
you may think a hard
duty, but it is not so
we do these hours each
3 girls being on duty +
we are quite safe.
The natives are rather
hying but it is only
patience that is needed
to overcome that difficulty.
There are four other

old school girls in the
company + we often get
together + talk of the
old school.

Well Sir I have tried to
tell you in brief how I'm
getting on + will still
strive my very best to
try harder + do better, I'm
proud to be still
called "A Lawrence
Asylum Girl".
With my best respects
to Mrs Padfield + self

I remain Sir

Yours faithfully
Dessa White

of little troubles. ¹¹
I always try to please all
around me by doing
my work well putting my
whole heart into it, to
be a credit to the school
which was my home
for nearly ten years &
would gladly return
under its care if possible.
I've been in the company
now eleven months, I
did probation without
pay for three weeks &
then started on ~~twenty~~
five & two months ago I
received an increase of
Rs 10, I'm getting on

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Edl. Dept

It is understood that Mr Padfield's letter referred to in his D.O. of the 23rd December is in the Public Dept. That Dept may, it is submitted, be requested to furnish a copy of that letter and also copies of any relevant previous correspondence to enable this Dept to take any action which may be necessary on his D.O. of the 23rd Dec.

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A copy of Mr. Padfield's letter referred to above along with ~~the~~ ^{the} D.O. correspondence sent to the office together with the H. M.'s note of 30.12.14, regarding scholarships to girls reading for the Intermediate Exam. in Arts is put up below and may be furnished to the Edl. Dept.

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to be told with

A copy of the H. M.'s previous note on the subject (of 17.12.14) has ~~been~~ ^{been} communicated to Edl.

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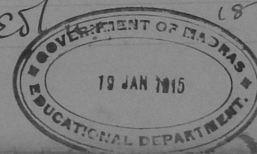
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I have sent into the office lately one or

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home to return to, they are usually without the means
of continuing their studies for the Intermediate
Examination. I then sent a copy of Mr. Padfield's
letter to Miss De La Hay the Principal of the College
for Women and asked her whether she considered that
the scholarship of Rs. 25 a month for girls reading
for the ~~Intermedi~~ Intermediate examination is ~~suffi~~
sufficient to enable the girls who are without private
means to attend the college. Miss De La Hay in her
reply says that a sum of Rs. 25 per mensem is not
sufficient for a European or Eurasian girl to take
up the Intermediate course without other help, and
she says that the boarding expense alone comes to
Rs. 25 a month and addition to there is the fees
amounting to about Rs. 45 as well as books and money
for journeys. I take it that an extra Rs. 10 a month
would cover the whole of the expenses thus indicated
and that if the scholarships therefore were raised
from Rs. 25 to Rs. 35 per mensem there might be a
reasonable chance of girls who are without private
means being able to enter the Women's College and
study for the Intermediate Examination. The matter
is of so much importance and I wish to endeavour to
pursue it further and I should like a note from the
office showing whether the scholarships of Rs. 25

As this concerns Public
a separate note has
been submitted to
H. M. from this Dept.
(H.M.)
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a month now given for the Intermediate course are
granted, under the Educational Department or are
granted by the Lady Dufferin Fund under the Public
Department and what steps would be necessary to secure
that the amount of the scholarships might be raised at
the discretion of the Principal of the Women's College
to Rs.35 a month. I am not sure whether these ques-
tions concern Educational or Public, but I shall be
obliged if whichever department concerned would be
good enough to let me have a concise and clear note
on the subject.

A.G.C.
30-12-14.

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"Somerford,"
Adyar.
16th December 1914. 12

My dear Padfield,

I wonder whether your attention has ever been drawn to the very advantageous opening which there is for girls of fair education and physique in the medical profession in this Presidency. It is a regrettable fact that in the last ten years only five women have taken the M.B.C.M. degree and only five more the degree of L.M. & S. We could do with very much larger supplies of properly trained female graduates in medicine, and amongst the large number of girls, European and Eurasian, who belong to the Lawrence Asylum, there must be a fair number who might go in for this line of life. Now that the Women's College has been opened in Madras, girls can live there and attend the classes at the Presidency College in Physics and Chemistry and thus pass the Intermediate Examination which is necessary before they can be admitted to the Medical College. The Dufferin Fund provides scholarships at Rs.25 a month for girls reading for the Intermediate Examination with a view to entering the Medical College and scholarships of Rs.50 a month are available for the whole five years which has to be put in at the Medical College. Thus the path of education has been made as good as possible and I should very much like to know what the causes are which prevent girls, in the Lawrence Asylum for instance, taking up this line of work. If you could kindly tell me why it is that students do not enter this line, it would be of great assistance to me.

Yours sincerely,

To

The Reverend W.H. Padfield,

Lawrence Memorial School,

Lovedale, O O T A C A M U N D.

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Lawrence Memorial School, 13
Lovedale, 21st December 1914.

Dear Mr. Cardew,

Most of the girls are now on leave for the Christmas holidays - and the Headmistress is also on leave - so that it is difficult for me to reply as fully as I should like to your kind enquiry regarding question of our girls competing for the medical profession for women in Madras. I feel sure that some would go, if it were not for the difficulty of expense. The girls who have parents marry almost as soon as they get back to their fathers' regiments - while for the orphans, or those who have only ^{mothers} months living, the necessity is for them to pay their way. We have 4 girls now, who I should very much like to see enter for the Women's College - Ivy Rodwell - who is very keen on it, and applied ~~for~~ last year for a scholarship - now says that her mother, who is a soldier's widow, cannot afford the expense involved. She sat for the High School Examination this year, of which the results are not yet out. Ivy Jones and Anny Inkster who also sat for the High School Examination this year would also, I am sure do well though, as they are on leave, I cannot say whether they desire to compete. Daisy Holley, who passed the High School in 1913, has, this month gone to be trained as a hospital nurse in Secunderabad, but she was an excellent girl - and would I am sure have done excellently. But here again, her mother is a

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widow, and cannot afford to help her at all. If the Committee had the power, I am quite certain that, for suitable girls, they would be prepared to keep them on the rolls of the school as outboarders, and allow them scholarships while under training. But as the rules stand at present, they have not the power - and there is certain to be an audit objection. To take an instance - 3 or 4 years ago, the committee sanctioned the payment of scholarships to 6 boys sent out as apprentices - it gave the boys a good opening in life, and, as the allowances were only Rs.15/- per mensem, and they were kept on as outboarders it really meant no extra expense to the school. But there was an audit objection that this was not provided for in the rules - hence we had to drop ~~the~~ such action. We should much like to send boys to Khargpur Workshops, but we cannot because of the initial expense. The Committee is a very strong Committee, the General Officer Commanding of the 9th division, if the Chairman, and the Collector and at least 3 senior officers such as Surgeon General Corker and the Assistant Quarter Master General are on it - and take a great interest in it. But the question I am continually asked is "can we do it" - and I usually have to answer "Not without previous sanction". Hence the matter is often dropped, as the committee usually feel that the continual reference of small matters to the Government of such a vast Presidency is inadvisable - we do not like worrying you on matters which are not more or less essential to the efficiency

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of this school! The fact is, that the rules of the school are about 50 or 60 years old and are in many cases, antiquated, cumbrous and vague-and I venture to think that a thorough overhauling of them would be of immense advantage to the school--) remember Mr. Davidson, when Collector here, quite agreeing with this. Possibly, when the times are less ~~sixteenth~~ strenuous, the Government may be pleased to enquire into the whole question - but at present I know that the Committee, except in urgent cases, hesitate to sanction anything which under the rules is ultra vires. Of course I write now without reference to the Committee, and it is quite possible that if Ivy Rodwell appealed to them, they would apply specially to Government for the necessary sanction - but she has not done so, and has now had her name registered as a probationary nurse in Secunderabad. But that is the reason-and I am afraid I made a long letter about it-it is, I think, the question of expense.

Yours sincerely,

V.E. Padfield.

Honourable Mr. A.C. Cardew, C.S.I.,

"Somerford", Adyar, M A D R A S.

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"Somerford", 16

Adyar,

23rd November 1914.

Dear Miss De La Hay,

Many thanks for your letter regarding the supply of girls for the medical course. I have taken some action which may, I hope, result in the provision of additional tuition for students taking group II for the Intermediate.

Meantime I wrote to Mr. Padfield the Principal of the Lawrence Asylum and asked him why it was that the girls of the Lawrence Asylum do not take up this line of study. I enclose a copy of his reply dated 21st December. The gist of it is that suitable girls cannot afford the expense of the course. I believe that Dufferin Fund provides scholarships of Rs.25 a month for girls reading for the Intermediate Examination and I would ask you to be so kind as to let me know whether this sum of Rs.25 a month is sufficient to enable girls who are orphans and unable to pay their way to go through the course of training for the Intermediate Examination. After they have passed the Intermediate Examination the scholarship of Rs.50 a month at the Medical College is presumably enough but I am not sure whether Rs.25 a month is enough for the period study for the Intermediate. I enclose copy of my letter to Mr. Padfield.

Yours sincerely,

A.G. Cardew.

To

Miss De La Hay,

Madras College for Women,

Copperhouse Hotel, M A D R A S.

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Office of the Principal and
Secretary,
Lawrence Memorial School, Lovedale
Ningiri Hills,
29th December 1914.

Dear Mr. Cardew,

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Thank you so much for your letter. I am so sorry
I made a mistake about the period of time but really I have been
so worried over the school it is last month that I am prepared
to plead guilty to all sorts of inaccuracies. I hope you won't
trouble to send on my letter of the 23rd to the Educational
Department. For having already done so I only just write it
to explain why certain openings were closed to many of our girls.
In a year or two I expect the Committee will officially address
the Government on the matter i.e. as soon as we have sufficient
statistics to make out a good case.

The problem is a fairly new one-as out-high-
school classes have only been started for the last two or three
years-hence the number of girls eligible for better openings
than as hospital or children's nurses &c. have been so small
as to almost negligible.

But as to the higher standard of education now in
force here I think that we shall be able to make out a good
case for special allowances to enable qualified girls to
follow their bent in life.

With kind regards

Yours sincerely,
W.H. Padfield.

To

The Honourable Mr. A.C. Cardew, C.S.I.,

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Ahmednagar,
December 28th 1914.

Dear Mr. Cardew,

Your letter has reached me here. The Rs.25 per mensem is not enough for European or Eurasian girls to take their Intermediate course without other help. The charges they have to meet are:-

Boarding fees Rs.25 per mensem This covers all necessaries (advance deposit of Rs.25 required which is returned at end of ~~month~~ hostel residence.)

College fees.....Rs.27-8- 0 long term

16-8- 0 short term.

also

B o o k sjourney money.

We have some scholarships of Rs.9 per mensem and also may remit fees entirely in some cases but I believe the wording of the regulations is to the effect that scholarships and remission of fees should not be granted ordinarily in cases where the student already holds a scholarship. I am glad to hear that there is a likelihood of extra help for the Group II girls.

Yours sincerely,

D. De La Hay;

Educational Department.

Please see the Hon'ble Mr. Cardew's D.O. on page 1 ante. The D.O. of the 19th referred to therein relates to the question of ~~the~~ ^{tuition} extra ~~teacher~~ to students of the Women's college taking up Group II for the Intermediate examination. This question is separately under consideration and Miss Dela Hey's proposals in that regard are awaited.

2. Mr. Padfield's letter referred to in the same D.O. will be found on page 3, and this is sent to this Department "for any action which may be considered necessary." Mr. Padfield refers to a case of a girl who left the Lawrence Memorial school and who had to work for "three months" without pay. "Three months" was clearly a mistake for "three weeks" and this has been pointed out to Mr. Padfield by the Hon'ble Mr. Cardew. If it was "only three weeks", perhaps there was ^{very little} ~~much~~ hardship.

3. The general question which may be considered in this department is the question of the ^{opening} ~~pay~~ for the girls of the Lawrence Memorial school referred to at A on page 14 ante. In regard to this question Mr. Padfield's idea is ^{that} ~~that~~ suitable girls ^{should be kept} on the rolls of the school as

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outside boards and allow ~~them~~ scholarships while under training and that the Committee should have the power to do so - Vide D.O. on page 3 and portion ~~marked~~ marked B on p.11 ante. Mr. Padfield however expects that the Committee will in a year or two officially address the Government on the matter, i.e. as soon as sufficient statistics have been collected to make out a good case. When the official communication on the subject is received the matter may be fully considered. No action appears to be necessary at present and ~~the~~ papers may therefore, it is submitted, lie over.

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Submitted to the Secretary with reference to his remarks in the annex list.

2. As the official communication referred to ~~above~~ at 'A' above ~~is not likely to be received in the near future~~ these notes may ~~be~~ be recorded for the present, ~~and~~ and entry being made in the call book to prevent the matter from being lost sight of. A draft order is accordingly submitted for approval.

IL
28-1-15

What has come of the H. Ks suggestion at 17 that the scholarship should be raised from Rs 25 to Rs 35? That would solve the whole difficulty. The other proposal - which I take to be that the Lawrence College should pay scholarships to pupils who had left - doesn't seem to me at all promising. The provision of more qualified medical women is a most important matter and we should let the question drop so long as there is any hope of pushing it to a satisfactory conclusion.

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With reference to the Secretary's query at A above, attention is solicited to G.G.No. 545 Pule: 2). The 8th April 1915 ⁱⁿ ~~which~~ ^{the Committee} of the Trustees of Dufferin's Fund have been empowered to ~~increase~~ ^{the value of the} ~~ships in question had been raised~~ from Rs 25 to Rs 35 per annum in the case of individual students of the European and Eurasian communities studying in the Madras College for women or elsewhere, who may be recommended by the Principal or head of the institution concerned as deserving of this concession.

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The papers may be needed, but, if Mr. Padfield has not been made aware of the order regarding the raising of the scholarships, he may be sent post a d.o. giving the gist of them and inviting his attention to them with reference to the previous d.o. correspondence.

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A draft d.o. to Mr. Padfield is accordingly submitted for approval.

It may however be observed that Mr. Padfield, might have received the prospectus drawn up by the Honorary Secy. of the Committee of the Differing Fund Committee, with reference to para. 2 of G.O. No 545 Public dated the 8th April 1915. In this prospectus reference would have been made to the effect that the Committee have been empowered to raise the scholarships from Rs 25 to Rs 35 per mensem in deserving cases. Mr. Padfield would therefore have been aware of the orders regarding the raising of the scholarship to Rs 35 per mensem. There is however no harm in sending him a d.o. giving the gist of them. The d.o. is accordingly sent for approval.

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My dear Palfeld

I have recently had upon me the correspondence ending with your d.o. of the 21st December last to the Hon^{ble} Mr. Cardew on the subject of providing greater facilities for European and Eurasian girls who without means of their own wish to study medicine in London. I don't know whether you were made aware of the conclusion of the matter, but in case you were not, write to advise you of it. It was that the Govt authorized the Sufferin Fund Committee to raise the special scholarships given for girls of this class at the Medico College for Women or elsewhere from £125 to £136. I hope this will serve to attract some more of your girls to the profession.

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Extract from Mr. Padfield's D. O. dated the 21st
September 1915 to the Secretary to Government, Educational
Department.

Many thanks for your letter of the 20th instant -
We have sent four girls on the 35/- scholarships this July to
the Women's College to study for the Dufferin Medical ~~Service~~
Service, and so far, judging from their letters, they seem to be
getting on alright.

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Educational Dept.

Extract of para 1 of Mr:

Padfield's D.O. of the 21st inst. with the
connected papers is submitted below.
It may be circulated to the Honorable
Mr. Leonard, C. S. G. for information with
reference to the correspondence ending
with Mr. Padfield's D.O. of the 29th Dec. 1914

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The Stanth Mr. A. G. Carter C. S. G. D. C. S.

Thanks.

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