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[Despatch Abstract.]

Madras Christian College for Women

*Recording papers relating to the
question of a grant for the —*

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Woodside,

Ootacamund,

29th April 1916.

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Dear Rajagopala Achari,

I enclose a letter from Sir Andrew Fraser about a grant for the Madras Christian College for Women. Will you please let me know what reply I can send him? I should like to answer by next mail.

Yours sincerely,

Harold Street

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur P. Rajagopala Achari,
A.M., C.I.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

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Permanent address: Auchenleish, 3
Glenisla,
Quarr House,
Sway,
Hampshire. Ayr, Scotland.

5th April 1916

My dear Sir Harold,

I am writing to you from a house where your name is well known, and you are all often mentioned with much kindness and regard. Lady Fraser and I are here for two or three weeks, enjoying a "more congenial climate" than Glenisla.

I dare say you know that I am Chair-
-man of the Home Board of the Madras
Christian College for women. We had a meeting

in London a fortnight ago. The work seems to have made a good start under Miss McDougall, whom I know you will greatly esteem, if you get to know her character and work.

We are rather concerned about the matter of a grant. We do not want to fight for one, especially at this time; but we feel strongly that we shall have to assert our claims under the Rules, if they are not recognised by the Education Department. Departments are sometimes narrow, as we both know well.

I venture to write to you, because

I know you so well, to ask you to try to see that we are fairly treated, and are not compelled to fight. Of course, the matter may not be within your sphere of action; but you may be able to prevent disregard of accepted policy and rules, and perhaps to help me with advice.

My wife joins with me in kindest regards to you and Lady Stuart.

I am Yours very sincerely,
A. W. Fraser.

The question of a grant to the Madras Christian College for Women ^{has not yet} ~~has not yet~~ been ~~was~~ definitely placed before Government. Prior to the establishment of this college and ⁱⁿ ~~of~~ the correspondence which took place between Sir Andrew Fraser and His Excellency the Governor the former in his letter of 16th July 1914 stated as follows:-

"We rely also on the declared policy of the Government in regard to the support of private -- institutions; and we expect that the claims which our college will have to financial aid and hearty encouragement from the Educational Department of Madras will not be overlooked".

His Excellency's reply to it ran as follows:-

"If therefore I interpret your letter correctly as indicating that your committee wish to know whether they may rely now upon financial aid from the Government for the scheme which they have under consideration, it is necessary for me to say that under these circumstances it is highly improbable that at present the Govt. will be able to respond favourably to any such request".

Apparently the present enquiry of Sir Andrew Fraser is sequel to the communication above referred to.

Attention is requested to para 2 of the Secretary of State's Despatch 87, dated 7th May 1915, sanctioning the establishment of the Government College for Women, in which it was stated that it would apparently be

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be necessary to give the Missionary College the benefit of the Grant-in-Aid rules.

2. For ~~the~~ definite information as to whether

the Christian College has applied for a grant and how

the applicant has been disposed of, *has to* an enquiry ~~may~~ be made of

the D.P.I. If approved, the draft d.o. below may

issue to him with a request that he should treat it as

~~especially urgent~~ *See the H.M.*

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information should be called

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I want to answer Sir Andrew Fraser's letter so I think the information should be called for. I shall of course consult His Excellency before I reply.

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the report of the D.P. V. is
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letter is I think the information
is called for. I shall of course
see the Secretary before I reply.

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Educational Department.

D.O. No /546-1²⁰ dated 2.5.16

My dear Stone,

Could you kindly let me know whether any application has been made for a ^{aid} grant by the Madras Christian College for Women for maintenance or other purposes and ^{how} it has been disposed of? It ^{will} ~~is~~ also be useful if you could state whether you expect any such application in the near future and what, in your opinion, ~~should~~ be the attitude of the department concerning it. I shall be obliged if you will kindly treat the matter ~~as~~ ^{as} ~~urgent~~ ^{urgent} and let me have your reply ~~in a day or two~~ ^{in a day or two}.

Yours sincerely,

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To the Hon'ble Mr. J.H. Stone, M.A., C.I.E.,

Director of Public Instruction.

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"St. Mary's",
Ootacamund,
4th May 1916.

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My dear Rajagopalachari.

There has been an application from the Women's College which I believe has not been definitely disposed of. I have lately instructed my office if this is the case to reply to it in the sense of the D.O. of which the enclosed is a copy.

That D. O. was the result of interviews and correspondence with His Excellency and myself on the subject.

Yours sincerely,

To

M.R.Ry. Diwan Bahadur P. Rajagopala Achariyar, C.I.E.,

Secretary to Government,

Educational Department,

Ootacamund.

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D.O. T. No. 5/1916.

"St. Mary's",
Ootacamund,
25th April 1916.

Dear Miss Mac Dougal,

With reference to previous correspondence and your conversation on the subject with His Excellency the Governor and myself I am to say that when the financial stringency caused by the War is relaxed it is the intention of Government that the claims to grants in aid of the Women's Christian College should be dealt with in the same manner as those of other colleges under private management.

Yours sincerely,

(Sd) J.H. Stone,

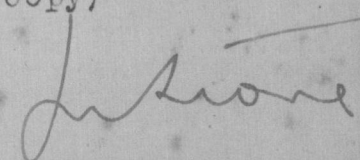
To

Miss Mac Dougal,

Principal,

Women's Christian College, Madras.

(True Copy)



Director of Public Instruction.

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The J. P. J's reply to the deems official reference on page 6 ante has been received and will be found on pages 7 & 8. For orders as to circulation to H. S. the Secretariat and the House: Sir Harold Stuart, H. L. S. J., H. L. V. S. - Vide the Secretary's note on page 5 ante.

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Hubert H. A. Stuart
(tho' H. E.)

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Mr Andrew Laver has written similarly to me;
I attach a copy of my reply to him.

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29th April 1916.

Private.

My dear Sir Andrew Fraser,

I have just received your letter of the 29th March and am glad to hear that you have a favourable report from Miss McDougall.

In regard to the question of grants to the Women's Christian College my best plan is I think to enclose as I do herewith a copy of a letter recently addressed after consultation with me by the Director of Public Instruction to Miss McDougall upon the subject. The letter runs as follows:-

"Dear Miss McDougall,

With reference to previous correspondence
"and your conversation on the subject with His Excel-
"lency the Governor and myself I am to say that when
"the financial stringency caused by the war is relaxed
"it is the intention of Government that the claims to
"grants in aid of the Women's Christian College should
"be dealt with in the same manner as those of other
"colleges under private management.

Yours sincerely,

25th April 1916.

(Sd) J.H. Stone.

As you are aware the attitude of the Government has throughout been that financial aid from public funds was not for the present likely to be forthcoming for the College, and this difficulty has recently been aggravated by the financial stringency due to the war.

With all kind regards,

I am,

Yours very sincerely,

PENTLAND.

Sir Andrew Fraser, K.C.S.I.,

Auchenleish, Glenisla, Alyth, N.B.,

Scotland.

I am much obliged to His Excellency¹³
to whose letter I have referred
Sir Andrew Fraser, adding nothing
of my own.

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