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 His Excellency the Governor in connection with the opening of the
 new buildings of the R.V.M. High School at Venkatagiri.

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
GUINDY.

14th February 1917.

My dear Harvey,

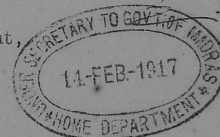
While at Venkatagiri His Excellency will open the new building attached to the High School which is maintained by V. Muthukrishna Yachendra Bahadur, uncle of the present Raja of Venkatagiri. The cost of the new addition is said to be about Rs. 10,000. Will you kindly arrange to let me have a short note on the School which should reach me not later than the morning of Friday the 16th, consulting the D.P.I. if necessary?

Yours sincerely,

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H. A. Harvey Esq., I.C.S.,

Under Secretary to Government,
Home Department,
Fort St. George,
Madras.



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For Regr.

Home (Eos) Dept.

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To

His Excellency The Right Honourable the Lord Pentland,
P.C., G.C.I.E.,
Governor of Madras.

May it please Your Excellency,

It is hardly necessary for me to assure Your Excellency of the profound gratitude I feel for the high honour conferred on me by your gracious presence here.

The buildings which it is my request that Your Excellency will formally declare open may appear humble for such an occasion as this, but it is hoped that they together with the old buildings are adequate for present requirements.

I may be permitted in this connection to briefly trace the history of the Institution. Started as a private concern about 1865 it passed, shortly after, into the hands of my father, who housed it at his own expense and placed it on a firm footing. Some time later it was transferred to the Taluk Board, Naidapet. BUT in 1893 that Board thought of converting it from a Lower Secondary to a Primary School. Then it was that I stepped in and with the assistance of Dr. Maclean the then Collector of the District, got the School under my management and continued to work it as a Lower Secondary School. In 1901 it was recognised by Government as a complete Secondary School. Whereas there are now 300 pupils on the rolls, of whom nearly 70 belong to the three highest forms. It may not be improper to point out here that for the twenty three years the School has been under my management, I have spent for it out of my own resources Rs. 27,369-1-11, apart from the investment on the school buildings and sites attached to them, on account of which I have received no Government grant. I have nothing more to submit, except to express my hope and prayer that Government will continue its sympathetic attitude towards this School.

I beg to assure Your Excellency of my fervid loyalty to His Imperial Majesty King George, to whom and to the Sovereignty which he embodies, India owes so much of her educational advancement.

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Home (Education) Department.

Raja V. Muthukrishna's high school,
Venkatagiri.

The statement in the address about the starting of the school in 1865 and its history up to 1901 is not verifiable. The school was recognised in 1901 under the Madras Educational Rules as a complete secondary school.

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2. Management.—The school is managed by Raja V. Muthukrishna Yachendra Bahadur.

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3. Strength.—The school contains classes Infant to Fourth and forms I to VI, each composed of only one section, and ~~had~~ ^{had} on the last inspection day (25th and 26th July 1916) a strength of 273 boys, of whom 143 were Brahmans, 122 non-Brahman caste Hindus and 8 Muhammadans.

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4. Staff.—On the day of the last inspection the school had a staff of 13 teachers, besides a Telugu pandit and a combined drawing master and gymnastic instru +

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~~about~~ three have taken the L.T. degree.
The headmaster of the school is, C. Ray
Acharya. B.A., L.T.

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5. Finance.—The net cost to the management during 1915-16 was Rs. 217-8 against a profit of about Rs. 25 during 1914-15. There is no endowment for the school. The deficit is met from the manager's own resources.

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A teaching grant of Rs. 463 was given to the school during each of the years 1914-15 and 1915-16, and a grant Rs. 150 has been sanctioned in 1916-17 towards equipment.

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(D)
A grant of Rs. 750 was sanctioned in G.O. No. 47, Educational, dated the 15 January 1915, towards the provision of a play-ground for the school.

6. Building.—The management does not appear to have made any application for a grant in aid towards the cost of additions to the buildings now the of

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7. Hostel.—There is no hostel attached to the school. The great majority of the students reside with

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their parents or guardians and only a small number (12) live in hotels and on charity of the public.

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8. Library.—There is a library ~~attached~~ ^{attached} to the Literary Club ~~attached~~ of the school. At the last inspection it contained 1793 volumes and the books in the library are being frequently used. There is no reading room.

9. The school appears to be in fair state of efficiency.

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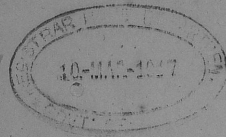
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Mr. Muthukrishna Yachendra Bahadur, ladies and gentlemen,

I have listened with great interest to the statement which has just been read and I feel sure that all here present will join with me in expressing appreciation of the long and honourable connection which you Mr. Muthukrishna Yachendra Bahadur in succession to your father have maintained with this School. It has grown steadily under your management until it now provides education for nearly 300 boys. You have every reason to be proud of the services which you have thus rendered and I have no doubt that the people of Venkatagiri and its neighbourhood appreciate the manner in which you have devoted yourself to fostering the interests of this important institution. These new buildings which you have kindly asked me to open will I hope greatly add to the facilities which the staff and the pupils enjoy and enable the School in larger measure to meet those demands to which increasing numbers and improvements in educational methods give rise. I ask you all to join me in congratulating the School on this new land-mark in its career and in wishing success to the management, to the staff and to the pupils.

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