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Findlay college, Mannargudi

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NOTES.

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The Findlay College, Mannargudi.

Prior to 1898 the institution was a high school. In January 1898 ~~the~~ ^{the} college which ~~was~~ ^{had} originally ^{been} at Negapatam from 1883 to 1895 was transferred to Mannargudi. Subsequently in January 1900 the name was changed from the Wesleyan Mission College to the Findlay College, after the name of its first principal, the Reverend W.H. Findlay, M.A. Till 1915 the college maintained the status of a second grade college. That year witnessed its development into a first grade collegiate institution. When the application for affiliation in the B.A. course came up to ^{the} Government, it was apprehended that compliance with the application would seriously affect the strength and prosperity of the neighbouring colleges, especially of the Govt. College at Kumbakonam, and it was only after long consideration that the Govt. ~~was~~ ^{was} resolved to grant the application. This apprehension has, however, proved groundless, as may be seen from the fact that the Kumbakonam College has been steadily growing in strength during recent years alongside the new college at Mannargudi.

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(Verified with refer. to Statistics
in the annual reports on
Public Instruction)

year	No. of pupils.
1915-16	270
1916-17	301
1917-18	352

2. The Findlay College is at present affiliated in Groups i (Mathematics, Physics & Chemistry) and iii (History, Logic and a language ^{of the Intermediate Course}) and in group v (History) of the B.A. course.

3. The following statement shows the strength of the ^a college and the expenditure incurred thereon from various sources for the 3 years ending 31st March 1918:-

	Strength.		Expenditure.		
	Inter- mediate.	B.A. (pass)	From general revenues.	From fees.	From other sources.
			Rs	Rs	Rs
1915-16	173	4	500	16,627	8,468
1916-17	137	11	1,000	14,020	11,531
1917-18	137	16	4,142	13,017	11,813

4. In 1907 the management proposed to provide additional accommodation for the College classes at an estimated cost of Rs.30,000, and a grant of Rs.10,000 was sanctioned by Government for the purpose - G.O. 410 Edl. dated 27-6-07. The construction of the new building was completed in 1912 at a cost of Rs.31,000.

In order to provide accommodation for the B.A. classes, the school authorities originally proposed (in 1913) to devote the whole of the upper storey of this building to the use of the college department and to consider later on whether it was better to build an entirely separate building for the accommodation of all the college classes or to apportion the new building to their use, using the new allotment for high school class rooms. Finally, with a view to the fulfilment in part of the pledge given by the college council to the University authorities when application was made for affiliation ~~and the provision of additional accommodation for the growth in the strength of the College~~ to the 1st grade, it was decided in 1916 to construct ^{another} a new building for the college department setting also free thereby several class rooms in the main building finished in 1912, for ^{holding} some of the ~~minimum~~ high school classes which were till then held in temporary sheds. The estimate for this ~~second~~ building as altered in the Chief Engineer's office amounted to Rs.37,260, a moiety (Rs.18,630) of which

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was sanctioned by the Govt. from Provincial funds. It is presumably this building that the H.M. has been requested to open.

5. The Govt. have also sanctioned the following additional grants to the school authorities:-

Object.	Total cost.	Amount of grant.
	Rs	Rs
Construction of a hostel for Hindu students. -----	31,813	15,906
Acquisition of 9.88 acres of land for play-ground. -----	5,269	2,634

Recently the Govt. have alienated an extent of 94 cents of land to the college for the purposes of play-ground on certain conditions - G.O.3813 Rev. dated 3-12-18.

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