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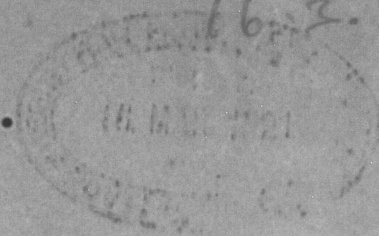
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RESOLUTION W. M. B. B. B.

Mr. Bismuth Das.

THE LAW (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT
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285. This Council resolves that the
demands in detailed account No. 31 C (b)
(ii) "building grants to primary schools"
71,000 and detailed account 31 C (b)
(iii) "payment to local bodies" in
support of sessional schools" 49,000
be reduced by halves.

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A full account of the object and development of Sessional Schools under local bodies is given in

(P) the notes to G.O. No. 1055 Te, M 31.7.11. As will be seen from para 2 of the Govt. Order itself, the purpose of these schools is to enable elementary school teachers to improve their general education so as to ~~fit~~ ^{make them fit} for admission to training schools. It has been the accepted policy of Govt. to help local bodies in the maintenance of these

(P) schools - p. 4 of G.O. No. 1113 Ed, d/ 26th

(N) Nov. 1913 & p. 4 of G.O. No. 744 Ed, d/ 7th July 1915. The budget provision of

(page 132 of the C.B.C) Rs 49,000 for next year is of the nature of a recurring liability and the suggestion for the reduction of the allotment ~~is unacceptable~~ ^{cannot be accepted}.

4. preliminary calc. of Annexures - p. 3 of G.O. 1117 Ed. 16.9.19 (M)

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without breaking faith with the local bodies.

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Building grants to primary schools - Rs 71,000

The M.L.C. proposes to reduce this amount apparently because the budget and revised estimates for 1920-21 stand respectively at Rs 53,000 and Rs 20,200, while the accounts 1919-20 show an expenditure only of Rs 39,132. But the desirability of encouraging the construction of more elementary school buildings cannot be doubted and the D.P.D. apparently expects to spend the whole of Rs 71,000 during the next year.

Building grant provision

The amount for primary, secondary & collegiate institutions was clubbed together as one item in the previous years' budgets. Under new classification adopted by M.L.C. this amount was distributed on a very rough basis. The arbitrary distribution should not be taken as a basis for reduction of the total amount.

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~~Rs 71,000 to be distributed as follows~~
~~Rs 30,000 to primary schools~~
~~Rs 41,000 to secondary & collegiate institutions~~

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I have nothing to add to the Sect. note re Sessional Schools. As to building grants, the present distribution as between Secondary & Primary is necessarily arbitrary, the new system having just been introduced. Actually our liabilities for Primary schools are about Rs 30,000. If the amount is reduced, it will ^{not} be insufficient. Other applications will doubtless come in, in any case.

the total ^{liability} for Secondary Primary taken together with is likely to exceed the provision of Rs 1,84,500. Thus no reduction is desirable. The actuals under Primary schools this year come to Rs 32,000 about.

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Sriman BISVANATH DAS then made the following motion :—

25. That the demands in detailed account No. 31-C. (b) (ii) "Building grants to Primary schools" Rs. 71,000, and detailed account No. 31-C. (b) (iii) "Payment to local bodies in support of sessional schools" Rs. 49,000 be reduced by Rs. 35,000 and Rs. 24,500 respectively (Budget, page 132).

In doing so, he said :—"Sir, as for the first part of the motion I am satisfied with the information given by the Director of Public Instruction. As for the second part I should like to have some information. It is this. We have so many higher elementary schools in different parts of the country. We have already enhanced the salaries of the teachers to attract better men. Is it not possible for the Government to have these sessional school students trained up in the higher elementary schools and thus save this money which can be directed to other purposes which are more important and useful? It is for this, Sir, that I would like to have an answer from the Government."

Mr. R. G. GRIEVE :—"In regard to this motion, Sir, I have only to deal with the second part relating to sessional schools. These schools are scattered in different parts of the Presidency and serve the purpose of preparing a large number of wholly unqualified persons who are at present teaching in elementary schools for subsequent admission into the full training course. There are persons in elementary schools who have no general educational qualifications whatever and it is very undesirable that such people should be in charge of the education of the people of this Presidency. Obviously when they themselves are not adequately educated, the education that they can impart must be useless. Of course some day in the future when elementary school teachers are well paid and well qualified, this class of person will disappear altogether and will not be found in these schools at all. But so long as we have got to put up with the material we have got, it is our duty to improve that material to the greatest possible extent. Accordingly in the case of these wholly unqualified persons, they are first admitted into sessional school in their district. This gives them a modicum of general education and also a few hints as to methods of teaching. After successfully passing through such a course he subsequently secures admission into a training school and in due time becomes fit to be a teacher. I think it would be unsound at the present time to abolish these sessional schools. Those members of this Council who are presidents of district boards or taluk boards must be well aware that they are doing useful and valuable work."

Sriman BISVANATH DAS :—"We know, Sir, that they are doing useful and valuable work, but at the same time I do realize that this is an unnecessary source of expense both to the Government and to the local boards. I therefore ask the Government just to have a sort of experiment in certain parts of one district, at least, so as to see if these sessional school students could be trained up in higher elementary schools. I fail to understand what difference there is at present in the teaching staff or at least between the headmaster of the sessional school and the higher elementary school headmaster. Therefore, Sir, I would just appeal to the Government to have a sort of experiment in certain parts of the district and with some assurance on the matter, Sir, I would withdraw my motion."

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT :—"Has the Director of Public Instruction any assurance to give?"

Mr. R. G. GRIEVE :—"I am not prepared to give that assurance at all."

The Hon'ble the PRESIDENT :—"Does the Honourable Member press his resolution?"

Sriman BISVANATH DAS :—"I will withdraw, Sir."

The motion was by leave withdrawn.

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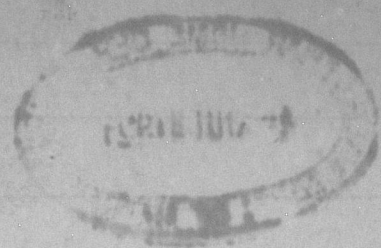
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