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PRIVATE SECRETARY
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GOVERNMENT HOUSE.
Madras,
10th July 1926.

Dear Mr.Krishnamachariar,

I send you herewith four copies of a statement to be read to His Excellency on the occasion of his laying the foundation stone of the Union Christian High School Hostel. Would you be so good as to let me have not later than the 14th any information on the points mentioned in the statement.

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Yours sincerely,

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M.R.Ry.Rao Bahadur V.T.Krishnama
Achariyar Avl.,C.I.E
Secretary to Government,
Law & Education Dept.

[Copies of the statement have been sent to Devt. & L.S.G. with reference to paragraphs 7 and 9 & 10.]

# Laying of corner stone
## In the Union Christian High School Hostel, Madura.

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His Excellency the Right Honourable
George Joachim Viscount Goschen of Hawkhurst,
G.C.I.E., C.B.E., V.D.

cellency,

Expressing our gratitude to Your Excellency for
indness to come here to lay the corner stone in the new Hostel
n to be erected for the students of the Union Christian
chool, I desire to give a brief statement of the programme
k in which this Hostel is to play a prominent part.

2 The work in Madura of the Church of Sweden Mission
r the last 50 years and more been concentrated on the west
of the Railway line and should naturally adapt itself to the
s of the surroundings, especially the large Mill and the Rail-
Colony and the growing desire for education of the yound people
, particularly from Kallarnad and Maravanad. In this situa-
t is clear that the training of the brain must be accompanied
of the hand and that spiritual, moral and physical wel-
se with whom we are in contact must be simultaneously

3. We therefore, lately outlined a programme according
our old compound at Ponnagaram should be completely used
n's work and new sites acquired for the men's work. Thus
we have set apart about Rs. 90,000/- for land and buildings for
High School and teachers' quarters at the West Gate not far from
the Railway station, the major portion of which amount has been
spent.

4- We have further purchased about 20 acres of land
and requested the Government to acquire for us a site of 5
nd 40 cents lying between the road and the land already
We hope to get a half grant of the cost for 8 acres
te and playground.

5. We have also submitted to Government plans and es
of buildings to be started immediately at a cost of Rs. 6
asking half grant thereon.

6. All the money so far spent has been contributed by
in Sweden who have the welfare of India on their heart.
expense to complete this part of our programme which we h
furmixm finish within the present school year is above t
of rupees.

7 But this is only a part of our programme. Not a
are fit for a scholastic career. And also students in a
should increasingly learn the value of manual work and
We have here land enough to introduce in course of time so
agriculture. We also desire to increase our manual work
open an Industrial School, thereby making use of our experi
Engineer who has come from Sweden for the purpose. The atti
of the Industrial Department of the Government which disf
our plan to open an Industrial School at Madura has hitherto
vented us from effecting this part of our programme, as we d
to work in sympathy with Government. We have, however, no
up all hope that the Industrial Department may take a more
attitude and permit us to locate an Industrial School
that the work of the hand may be correlated to the wor
Even if High School boys do not enter an Industrial Sch
fact that they daily can observe the work there will hav
influence on their attitude towards manual labour.

8 A separate branch of the Y.M.C.A. seems particularly
necessary in this part of the city with its numerous Mill hands
and Railway employees. We have therefore in the Kremmerpuram
Settlement nearby erected a two storied building used at present
as High School Hostel, which on completion of this building we
hope to utilize more directly for Y.M.C.A. activities. To look
to the physical side of this work we have sent a young grad
of our High School to Madras for a year's physical training
is expected next year to introduce games and sports.

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the young men of this part of the city.

9. But what is the use of only looking to the welfare of the young men if one neglects the women! The arrangements mentioned above give us the advantage that we can use the old Mission compound at Ponnagaram better for women's work. Though at present the ist Grade Elementary School and boarding home for boys may have to remain there, we hope within a few years to be able to separate our boys and girls completely in different compounds. We are therefore beginning arrangements to open some women's industrials in connection with our Girl's School.

10. Especially we feel there the great need of some children's welfare work with a creche and a small dispensary. We have secured the services of an Indian Lady Doctor with experience in such work and two Swedish deaconesses, experts therein. We have special reason to push on this work. Their Royal Highnesses the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Sweden who in a private capacity expect to visit India in December have been kind enough to accept our invitation to visit Madura. As Her Royal Highness has shown much interest in children's welfare work, we should desire to have this part of our programme ready at her arrival. If Government can sanction a half grant we are prepared immediately to begin the necessary buildings for the creche and dispensary.

11. The girls studying in the school will daily see the children's welfare work and imbibe a liking for such practical service.

12 If the programme of work here indicated is to succeed, we need the good-will and co-operation of the Government, of the citizens of Madura and many others. We have had proofs of the sympathy of nobleminded citizens here. And now Your Excellency has come as the head and the highest representative of the Government of this Presidency to show your sympathy through this visit which we highly appreciate.

understood that they are now under scrutiny in the

Therefore I now have the honour to request Your Excellency to be pleased to lay this corner stone and thereby to initiate the work of erecting the Hostel and connected buildings which we hope shall be a help in the training of young men to become god-fearing manly characters and loyal useful citizens.

Madura.
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Paragraph 4 of the Statement. --Acquisition of land for hostel and playground. The authorities of the Union Christian High School, Madura, have recently represented to Government that certain lands required by them for the construction of a hostel with warden's quarters and for a play-ground for the school could not be purchased by private negotiation~~s~~ owing to the heavy price demanded by the owners and have ~~therefore~~ requested that the lands should be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. The Collector of Madura and the Director of Public Instruction have recommended this request. It has been proposed to publish the necessary notification under the Land Acquisition Act x and the file on the subject has θ been sent to the Revenue Department for acceptance. // The Director has also recommended that the ~~works~~ scheme for acquiring the sites may be included in the list of approved works so that the school may be eligible for a grant of one-half of the cost under the Grant-in-Aid Code. The inclusion of the ~~work~~ scheme in the list of approved works should ordinarily be sanctioned only after the lands have been acquired and the actual cost of acquisition is reported to Government. Further, the procedure to be followed in connection with the disposal of applications for building grants is being examined separately, and it has therefore been xxxx proposed to defer the inclusion of the ~~work~~ scheme (namely, acquisition of lands for hostel and play-ground) in the list of approved works. The publication of the notification for the acquisition of the land is to be without prejudice to the question of grant.

x The land is to be acquired under part VII of the Act as the management is a "company".

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2. Paragraph 5 of the statement. Application for grant for buildings. The plans and estimates for buildings which are stated to have been submitted to Government have not yet been received by them. It is understood that they are now under scrutiny in the

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D.P.I.'s office. The question of grant for the buildings will be considered after the plans and estimates are received by Government with the Director's recommendations thereon.

3. The Union Christian High School, Madura, is at present under the management of the Church of Sweden Mission. The school has classes IV and V in the primary section and Forms I to VI in the Secondary Section. Its strength during the last three years was as follows:--

| | | Strength. |
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| (31st March 1924) 1923-24. | .. | 464. |
| (31. 3. 25) 1924-25. | .. | 455 |
| (12. 11. 25) 1925-26. | .. | 521 of whom 168 were from classes educationally backward. |

The school received a grant of Rs.4,148 in 1923-24 and Rs.3,860 in 1924-25 ~~towards the~~ from Provincial funds towards the recurring charges. As regards the staff in the school the District Educational Officer has stated in his ~~latest~~ last inspection report on the school that it is desirable to appoint more trained graduates. The D.P.I. has also referred to this point in his review on the report. The District Educational Officer has noted that the school results in the S.S.L.C. Public examination in 1925 were much on a par with the Presidency average. He has also remarked that the school badly needs a proper playground of its own.

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Returned with a copy of His Excellency's speech.

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Mr. Sandegren, ladies and gentlemen, and students of the Union Christian High School, (6) 8

It gave me great pleasure to accept your invitation to lay this corner stone today, for I welcome theopportunity which it gives me to pay again the tribute which I have many times paid befor to Missionary effort in the field of education in South India. We must all be aware how great a debt we owe to Mission societies for their pioneer work,- a debt which will undoubtedly grow heavier as their educational activities develop and expand. If any evidence were needed of that expansion, we have it in this ceremony today, for the number of boys who need hostel accommodation is I am told increasing every year and the needs of some at least of them will be met by this new hostel.

You must not think that my Government are not anxious to encourage your desire to give your students the broadest possible training to fit them for the part which they must play hereafter. What we are anxious to see is the provision of industrial schools throughout the whole of South India and that object can clearly not be attained if we concentrate our efforts and spend our funds on one or two centres only. What we view with disfavour therefore is any multiplication of industrial schools in and around Madura while other centres remain unprovided with such institutions. I regret therefore to see from your address that you have ~~apparently~~ again abandoned the idea of locating your industrial school at Dindigul, and press once more for its foundation in Madura where it would compete with an existing school. I cannot urge you too strongly to reconsider this matt and accept the suggestion that you should locate your industrial institution at Dindigul where no such school exists at present.

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You tell me that you feel the need for child welfare work in these parts to be carried out by means of a creche and small dispensary, for the purposes of which you have secured the services of the necessary staff. I appreciate your feelings in this matter and your desire to have the new machinery working in time for the visit of Their Royal Highnesse the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Sweden who have

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shown great interest in this welfare work. It is, as you are probably aware, not usual to sanction grants for buildings intended purely for child welfare work, but if as appears to be the case the creche is to form part of the dispensary, I have no doubt this difficulty can be overcome. I would advise you therefore to submit through the Surgeon-General a formal application to Government with approved plans and estimates for the proposed dispensary.

L.S.G

In conclusion I wish you from the botton of my heart all success in the great work which you are doing on behalf of the boys and girls of Southern India and I thank you for the opportunity which you have given me of showing my interest in and sympathy with, this educational enterprise. I trust that under God's providence your work may long continue and prosper.

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