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[Despatch Abstract.]

Building plan for a hotel at Jambou.

Referring with remarks to the D.P.D. for revision the plans submitted for the construction of a hotel at Jambou by the Wesleyan Mission authorities.

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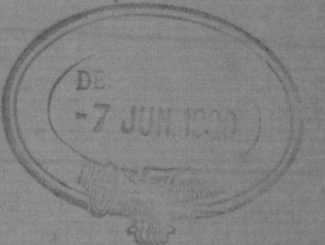
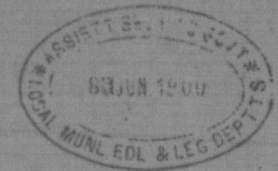
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From

The Director of Public Instruction,
Madras.

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In order to understand the
matter clearly it is necessary to have
the plan and estimate relating
to the hostel, which were returned
with G.O. no. 21 Ed 20-1-00.
The D.P.I. may be asked for them W.D.

Dated 7 June 1900.

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SUBJECT.

Requesting that in view of the explanation
furnished by the Superintendent, Wesleyan
Mission, Madras, a third grant be sanctioned
for the hostel to be constructed at Guindy
by the Wesleyan Mission, Madras.

The D.P.I.

Resubmitted with the plan & estimate.
Director of Public Instruction.
23-6-00

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Wesleyan Mission House,

ROYAPETTAH,

Madras, April 18th 1900.

From

THE REV. JAMES COOLING, B.A.,

Chairman and General Superintendent,

Wesleyan Mission, Madras.

To

The Director of Public Instruction.

Sir,

- I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Proceedings N^o 1109 dated February 6th 1900, communicating to me an order from Government, H N^o 21 of January 20th 1900 stating that no grant can be given under the Grant-in-aid Code to the hostel for student-teachers which the Wesleyan Mission is now building at Gurnidy.
2. As the reason given in the G.O. for the refusal of the grant is based upon a misapprehension as to the object for which the hostel is intended I beg to be allowed to state in detail the circumstances which led the Wesleyan Mission to enter upon this scheme.
3. For many years past the Wesleyan Mission has been sending students to be trained as Teachers to the Teachers College, Saidapett and to its Branch Schools.

Yours

Some of these students were Hindus but the majority were Native Christians. The Hindus were often unable to obtain suitable lodgings in Saidapett but as there was scarcely any Christian Community in the town the Native Christians were much worse off. It was almost impossible for them to get any lodgings except such as were insanitary, expensive, and morally unwholesome. More than one case of serious misconduct occurred among those whom the Mission sent to Saidapett for training.

4. An attempt was made to provide a remedy by renting a Native house in Saidapett in which our students could lodge and by placing a reliable Native Christian Superintendent in charge of it. This answered the purpose for a time. But as the number of Native Christian students both of our own and of other Missions attending Saidapett increased it became necessary to provide more and better accommodation. It was felt that the best possible provision would be to build at Saidapett a Hostel for Native Christian Students attending the Teachers College and to place it under the immediate oversight of a European Missionary. The Mission was not, however, prepared to devote a European Missionary solely for this purpose.

5. About this time there was a proposal before the Wesleyan Mission to establish an Institution for the training of Evangelists and pastors in, or near Madras and the suggestion

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was made that if such an Institution were placed at Saidapett, a hostel for Native Christian students attending the Teachers College, could be built on the same compound and be under the oversight and care of the European Missionary and his native assistants who would be residing there. This suggestion commended itself to the Mission authorities. But before taking any steps to carry out such a scheme, a deputation waited upon the Director of Public Instruction (D^r Duncan) and explained it to him. He said to that deputation that he understood that the Wesleyan Mission proposed to build a hostel for the Native Christian students attending the Saidapett Teachers College and its Branch School. Such an object, he said, was one that the Education department wished to see carried out and that the Wesleyan Mission might, certainly, count upon his giving it all the support in his power.

6. On October 3rd 1896 I officially addressed the Director of Public Instruction on the subject and in his Proceedings N^o 13153 of December 5th 1896 he replied: "The Director highly approves of the proposal

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of the Wesleyan Mission and the Department will render the Mission all possible help in carrying it out." My chief request in that letter was that the Department would reserve in the College and School a certain number of places and stipends for the Mission students. The Director in reference to that adds "The Wesleyan Mission may embark on this new undertaking in the full assurance that the department will spare no pains in providing the required number of stipends and places in the Teachers College and Branch School."

7. It will be seen that the proposed hostel is not one "attached to the Wesleyan Mission Theological Institution" in the sense that it will be occupied by "Theological Students of the Mission". It is one attached to the Government Teachers College and Branch School and is intended solely for the benefit of the students attending those institutions. In order that the hostel may be under European oversight and management it is true it is being built near to and indeed on the same compound as a Training Institution for Evangelists but it is quite distinct from it. No grant is asked for any building for the use of Theological students. The Rs. 2109 applied for is for buildings

buildings for the sole use of students attending the Teachers College.

8. The grant that is applied for is for a hostel attached to a Government institution. The students residing in it will be those holding Government stipends. The Government has itself recognised its obligation to provide such hostels as this and has made some provision of this kind for Hindu students at Saidapett. What is now asked for is not that Government will contribute the whole cost of providing such accommodation for Native Christians but simply under the Grant-in-aid Code one-third of what is necessary for this purpose.

9. I may add that the hostel whilst under the management of the Wesleyan Mission will be open to Native Christian students of all societies and that already applications have been received from Managers of Mission schools other than Wesleyan asking us to reserve places for students whom they wish to send.

10. Under these circumstances I beg that Government will reconsider its order No 21 of January 20th 1900 and will under Art. 2 Chapter VIII of the Grant-in-aid Code sanction the

the grant of Rs. 2109 recommended in your letter
N^o 13639 of December 8th 1900.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

James Cooling.

Chairman and General Superintendent,

Wesleyan Mission,

Madras.

CURRENT NO. 760
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF
PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,
Madras, 7th June 1900.
No. 5540

From

THE HON'BLE MR. G. H. STUART, M.A., Barrister-at-Law,

DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION,

Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Educational DEPARTMENT,

Fort St. George.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit a letter
from the Chairman, and Superintendent, Wesleyan
Mission, Madras, N^o 27/1900, dated 18th April
H 1900, requesting a reconsideration of G. O. N^o 21,
Educational, dated 20th January last, declining to
sanction a grant for the construction of a hostel
at Quindy and to invite special reference to the
last three paragraphs of the letter in which the
Rev. J. Cooling points out that the hostel is intended
for the use of Christian students of all denomi-
nations, undergoing training in the Teachers' College,
and its branch institution at Sridapet and is
not "attached to the Wesleyan Mission Theological
Institution" as supposed by Government but

but is virtually one attached to the Teachers' College.
The mission has thought it advisable to place
the hostel near their theological institution,
in order that it might have the advantage of
supervision by the head of that institution.
Further, this is a more economical plan than
building a separate hostel for the Christian
students attending the Teachers' College, and
I beg therefore to recommend strongly that a
third grant of Rs 2109 be sanctioned.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. H. Stuart
Director of Public Instruction.
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NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., No. 21, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 20TH JANUARY 1900.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 1918—From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 8th December 1900,
No. 13639.

BUILDING GRANT.

In the current the Director of Public Instruction recommends a grant of rupees 2,109 towards the cost of constructing a hostel in Guindy for the use of the native christian students who undergo training in the teachers' college and its branch at Saidapet. The hostel is to be attached to the Wesleyan mission theological institution at Guindy and will provide quarters for four married and twelve unmarried students including a number of evangelists.

2. The cost of constructing these quarters and of repairing an existing building and adapting it for use as library, reading-room, &c., is estimated at Rs. 11,169, the cost of the portion of the buildings to be used by the training students, towards which the grant is recommended, being Rs. 6,328.

3. It is for consideration whether the grant applied for can be sanctioned. Objections against the grant being sanctioned are the following:—

(1) The hostel is to be attached to a theological institution and not to an educational institution as required by article 2, chapter VIII, of the grant-in-aid code.

(2) The building is intended as a residence for married and unmarried students, whereas grants are not apparently payable for quarters for married couples.

(3) There is no information that four married and twelve unmarried students are being trained and will be trained annually at the teachers' college and its branch.

P. T. THARYAN.
19-12-99.

Submitted that from the letter of the Director of Public Instruction it might be supposed that the hostel proper is intended exclusively for students, and only the other building for the joint use of evangelists. But in the plan of the married students' quarters two rooms are marked for evangelists.

2. There can be little question that hostels were not intended for married students unless living *en garçon*, when separate quarters would not be necessary.

3. For the reasons given in the note above, the grant seems inadmissible.

Secretary—

R. W. D'E. ASHE.
20-12-99.

Grants can be given for "hostels or boarding-houses [for students] attached to educational institutions." The words I have enclosed within brackets were put in by the Hon'ble Mr. Grose—flag R, notes, page 13.

It may be taken that the educational institution must be one of a kind which could itself receive aid. But the theological institution, Guindy, is, I suppose, not meant for secular teaching.

The Young men's christian association hostel grant was very different. That institution gives secular teaching largely.

I do not say that a case could not arise when Government might grant aid to a hostel under management by religious persons, in which the inmates were students of the teachers' college. But if the Honourable Member will look at the plans, I think he

will have much doubt whether there can be any security that the grant shall not cover the theological students. One plan shows rooms to be utilized as lecture and class-rooms by teachers and evangelists; another shows the kitchen of the same; a third the latrines and bath-rooms; a fourth quarters for six evangelists and six teachers; a fifth married quarters for two evangelists and two teachers. Now married quarters may be put firmly though kindly aside!

Why "kindly!"? Firmly and emphatically, no doubt.

A.T.A.[RUNDEL].

We are left with six quarters for teachers, some at least of whom have a class-room in

the building (plan 1) and hence are probably not students in the Government college for teachers. At any rate, there can be but little, if any, security that these quarters will always be kept for such students, and never be occupied by persons engaged in theological teaching.

Hence the present case cannot wisely be made an exception to the rule that the hostel should be attached to an institution which does or may obtain a grant-in-aid of its secular instruction.

Honourable Member—

H. TREMENHEERE.
8-1-00.

I fully concur.

A.T.A.[RUNDEL].
11-1-00.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

4 NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., NO. 346, EDUCATIONAL, DATED
6TH AUGUST 1900.

C. No. 760 of 1900—From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 7th June 1900, No. 5540.

BUILDING GRANT.

In December last the Director of Public Instruction recommended a grant of Rs. 2,109 towards the cost of constructing a hostel in Guindy for the use of the native christian students who undergo training in the teachers' college and its branch at Saidapet. It was reported that the hostel was to be attached to the Wesleyan mission theological institution, Guindy, and that it was proposed to provide quarters for four married and twelve unmarried students.

2. The Government considered that no grant could be made for a hostel attached to a theological institution or for providing quarters for married students and refused to sanction the grant recommended by the Director of Public Instruction—*vide* G.O., No. 21, Educational, dated 20th January 1900.

3. The Director of Public Instruction now forwards a letter from the Rev. Mr. Cooling requesting a reconsideration of the above order and strongly recommends that the grant applied for be sanctioned.

4. The Rev. Mr. Cooling says that the proposed hostel is not to be attached to the Wesleyan mission theological institution in the sense that it will be occupied by theological students of the mission. It is to be attached to the Government teachers' college and branch school and is intended solely for the benefit of the students attending those institutions. In order that the hostel may be under European oversight and management it is true it is being built near to and indeed on the same compound as a training institution for evangelists, but it is quite distinct from it. No grant is asked for any building for the use of theological students. The Rs. 2,109 applied for is for buildings for the sole use of students attending the teachers' college.

5. A reference is solicited to the plans submitted with the original application. Part of it for theological students and part for the hostel for the Saidapet college.

M. H.
31-7-00.

for the use of the hostel. This building is

* There does not seem much objection to this—it seems rather a dog-in-the-manger policy to refuse a grant because the students are to be allowed to sit in the library and reading-room with evangelist students!

M. H.

† A misnomer probably.

M. H.

third of latrines and bath-rooms common to the unmarried students of both classes. The fourth plan is of quarters for the unmarried students and it is only here that

These clearly show that the proposed hostel is intended for the students attending the training institution for evangelists as well as those attending the teachers' college and its branch. The first plan is that of the existing building to be altered to have a library and reading-room and a lecture hall, both of which will apparently * be common to both classes of students. It will also have separate class-rooms for the two classes of students, but it is by no means clear why the teachers' college and its branch students should have a class-room †. The same remark applies to the proposed lecture-room also. The second plan is that of a kitchen and the

separate buildings are proposed. The fifth plan is of quarters for married students and separate portions of the building are to be assigned to the two classes of students. The original objection raised in the Secretary's note at flag C therefore still exists,

This is the objection.

M. H.
31-7-00.

viz., that there is no security that the quarters intended for students of the teachers' college and its branch will always be kept open for them and will never be occupied by students of the theological institution.

6. If this objection is waived now it is submitted that the grant should be calculated on only the proportionate cost of the portion of the existing building which will be really required for the use of the teachers' college and branch students and of the quarters and out-houses for unmarried students. No grant is payable on account of the quarters for married students.

Yes, this seems right.

M. H.
31-7-00.

7. The cost of the existing building when adapted for the use of the hostel is estimated at Rs. 4,078. It is to contain a reading-room and library, a lecture-room, a class-room for evangelists and another class-room for teachers' college and branch students. Only the first of these will be required for teachers' college, etc., students, and the cost of it may be taken at a fourth of that of the whole building or Rs. 1,019. The estimated cost of the quarters and out-houses for unmarried students is Rs. 4,330. The grant should therefore be calculated on $\frac{1}{4}$ ths of Rs. 1,019 * plus one-half of Rs. 4,330 or Rs. 2,547. Calculated on this amount (at one third) it comes to Rs. 849 against Rs. 2,109 claimed.

* This is the probable value of the reading-room and library, which is intended for sixteen students—four married and twelve unmarried. Grant is payable on account of only six unmarried students. Hence the fraction $\frac{1}{4}$.

8. Orders are solicited.

P. T. THARYAN
29-6-00.

[I have kept this since the middle of the month, when some further information called for from Madras reached me.]

There may be no case for modifying G.O., No. 21, of the 20th January 1900, but Government have really not yet had the facts before them.

2. Certain plans and estimates are in the file, and from them the office has made certain calculations; but I think it will be well, before final orders are passed, to obtain what we are still in ignorance of: the details of a certain estimate, or statement of calculation, by the Public Works Department of the cost of what concerns the students and what concerns the evangelists.

3. Government have had simply the estimates and a valuation statement now in the file to work on. These amount, as shown † marginally, to Rs. 11,429 against the sum of Rs. 11,169 entered in the Director of Public Instruction's letter ‡ of the 8th December 1899, No. 13639. The difference is due, it is understood, to certain alterations made by the Public Works officers before they passed the estimates. Adopting their own total of Rs. 11,429, they (the Public Works

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† Quarters for twelve unmarried students and evangelists	4,330
Quarters for four married students and evangelists	3,021
Valuation statement	4,078
Total	11,429

‡ In G.O., No. 21, dated 21st January 1900.

authorities) calculated that the cost of the accommodation required for the theological students was Rs. 4,841, and that for the students of the teachers' college and branch was Rs. 6,328. It appears to me that this calculation must be accepted in preference to any made by the Secretariat office on the basis of the plans and estimates; it is professional and unbiased.

4. But it appears to have been accepted, as a matter of principle, in the notes which preceded the orders appealed against, that a grant-in-aid of the cost of the married quarters cannot be given. This goes beyond the provisions of the Code, which contains nothing expressly debarring grants for hostels or boarding houses for married students, and it may be as well to make the present ruling known by an addendum to the grant-in-aid code.

5. After deducting the estimated cost of the married students' quarters (Rs. 3,021 in the unpassed estimate, Rs. x in the passed one), we shall have a smaller total than Rs. 6,328; but obviously, without knowing how much of Rs. 3,021 (?) was included in that balance of Rs. 6,328, we cannot say what the reduced total will come to. I think we cannot possibly accept arbitrary calculations made on the papers before us. The office, for instance, takes one-fourth of Rs. 4,078 as representing "the probable value of the reading-room and library which is intended for sixteen students"; or (as since explained) the value of the room plus a proportionate part of the cost of such items as the verandah, the roof and so on, the fraction $\frac{1}{4}$ being employed because there are four rooms. This exemplifies the impossibility of untechnical persons working out a correct estimate, as this much is clear, that owing to the necessity of structural alterations to the particular room in question—the reading-room and library—one-fourth of the total cost cannot be correct, as out of the estimate of Rs. 779 (included in the figure 4,078) not less than Rs. 256 * will have to be spent on the steel girders alone, which are to take the place of certain piers and arches belonging to what is in future to be the reading-room and library.

* Rs. 9 + 227 + 20 = 256 against one-fourth of Rs. 779 = Rs. 195.

6. It is proposed to clear up these points before submitting the papers for orders. May the Director of Public Instruction be told to obtain details of the figures 4,841 and 6,328 given in his letter of the 8th December last, No. 13639, showing how much of each of the three estimates enters into them?

Secretary.

A. T. PRINGLE.
29-7-00.

The Assistant Secretary's note deals with what is the amount of the cost of the buildings to be exclusively used for bachelor students at the college. But this matter can, it is submitted, be settled afterwards. The question now is whether the Honourable Member on the further representation will consent to a grant for that portion of the expenditure which will be devoted exclusively to students' accommodation.

2. I venture to think that there is no real objection to such a contribution (the Director of Public Instruction can subsequently report what the amount should be).

3. We can only rely on the promise of the manager that these rooms will be used for the purpose for which they are said to be going to be used. But we have no other guarantee in other similar cases where grants have been given, e.g., I remember last year Government gave a large grant to school buildings at the Roman Catholic college at Mangalore. There is nothing apparently to prevent the managers there from converting the whole building into a seminary for the education of priests to-morrow and using the building for the purpose. We can only rely on common honesty to prevent such a misuse being perpetrated.

4. Similarly in this case I venture to submit that there is no real objection to Government contributing a share of the cost of the accommodation provided for bachelor students—to be devoted exclusively to the use of the students attending the college. The Director of Public Instruction can revise the amount, it being understood that nothing is to be given to the building of library, class-rooms or married quarters, though of course students may use the class room, &c., if permitted to do so.

Honourable Member.

M. HAMMICK.
31-7-00.

The descriptive entries in the plans accompanying the application do not accord with the explanations given in the Rev. J. Cooling's present letter—see paragraphs 7, &c. There are an "evangelist's class-room," a "teachers' class-room," a "lecture hall." Such rooms appear to be out of place in a building which is to be a hostel and nothing more. Further there are "quarters for married students," "teachers and evangelists." Government will not make any contribution to a hostel for married students. The plans and estimates should be returned for revision in accordance with the Rev. J. Cooling's present proposals.

A.T.A[RUNDEL.]
1-8-00.

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This is to certify that in para. 7. of
Mr. Coolidge's letter - it is said that
the proposed Hostel is intended solely
for the benefit of the students attending
the Government Teachers College and
Branch School - The descriptive
given in the plans, however, do not
accord with this statement. Rooms
are named as intended for -

(1) Evangelists' Class Room. (2) Teachers
Class room, (3) Lecture Hall - These
rooms appear to be out of place in
a building which is to be used as
a Hostel and nothing more. Further
there are quarters for married students,
Teachers and Evangelists - It will
not make any contribution to a
Hostel for married students. The
plans and estimates also are then for
submitted to the D.P.I. for revision
in accordance with Mr. Coolidge's
proposals

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From
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Government Dept

In my note of yesterday, about
the proposed hostel, I ought to have said
that the estimate shown be
revised as well as the plan.

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