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[*Name*] Rev. Canon Sell. D. D

[*Designation*] Honorary Secretary, Bishop Gell's Girls' School

[*Station*] Madras.

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SUBJECT.

Reporting about the serious financial condition of Bishop Gell's Girls' High School, and soliciting some special aid from the Govt towards its funds.

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Madras, 27th March, 1905.

FROM

THE REV. CANON SELL, D.D.,

Honorary Secretary, Bishop Gell's Girls' School.

TO

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
IN THE EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT,
Fort St. George.

SIR,

1. I have the honour to request you to place before His Excellency in Council the serious financial condition of Bishop Gell's Girls' High School and to solicit, on behalf of the Committee, some special aid from Government towards its funds at least, for a limited time.

2. The school was founded in the year 1893 to meet a real want in Black Town, and, on the retirement of the late Bishop Gell, a fund was raised to connect his name with the school, which fund of Rs. 6,000 is invested as a permanent Endowment and held by the Bishop and the Archdeacon in trust.

3. The deficit began in the year 1898 and each succeeding year has opened with the following deficits :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
1899	196	7	5
1900	875	10	8
1901	1,638	4	5
1902	2,729	6	11
1903	2,378	8	1
1904	2,439	9	8

4. The numbers on the roll during these years have been as follows :—

	No. of Pupils.
1899	160
1900	180
1901	175
1902	131
1903	130
1904	118

The great decrease was in the year 1902, and was due to the migration of the Eurasian population from Black Town owing to the prevalent sickness at that time.

5. The following table shows the income from fees and Government grants during the period under review:—

	Fees.			Govt. grants.			Total.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1899 ...	3,540	8	0	3,130	0	0	6,670	8	0
1900 ...	3,779	8	0	2,935	0	0	6,714	8	0
1901 ...	3,654	0	0	2,972	14	8	6,626	14	8
1902 ...	3,475	0	0	2,798	5	4	6,273	5	4
1903 ...	3,455	4	0	3,080	0	0	6,535	4	0
1904 ...	3,271	8	0	3,441	14	0	6,713	6	0

6. I give on a separate paper, Appendix A, a detailed statement of each year's account, and in Appendix B, a statement of fees. Considering the class of persons residing in Black Town, it does not seem very possible to materially increase the fees.

7. In these statements, it will be seen that, had it not been for the very exceptional aid given by the S. P. C. K. and the large amount received from entertainments, the school must have been closed long ago. These exceptional sources of income during the years 1899-1904 amount to:—

	RS.	A.	P.
Entertainments	3,285	4	10
S. P. C. K. grant	3,249	10	3
Grant from the Diocesan Board of Education	300	0	0
Do. Indian Church Aid ...	380	0	0
Special subscriptions	2,488	11	0
Total ...	9,703	10	1

8. The Committee had in the year 1901 to seriously face the financial condition, postponed only by the grants from the S. P. C. K., in all Rs. 3,249-10-3, which then began. The Committee then understood that the Government of India had under consideration a new code for European Schools giving more aid than can now be given under the existing code.

The Committee, therefore, decided to make every possible effort to maintain the school in the hope that under the new code they might be able to maintain it, without such unreliable aid as concerts and bazaars. The S. P. C. K., having now for four years past largely aided the school, cannot continue its grants and the Committee have done all they can in the way of getting special subscriptions.

The following is an estimate for 1906, and it shows a probable deficit of Rs. 1,596.

Receipts.		Expenditure.	
	RS.		RS.
Fees	3,200	Salaries ...	7,260
Grants	3,000	Servants ...	216
Interest on Endowment.	525	Insurance ...	15
Subscription ...	100	Repairs ...	200
	6,825	Rent and Taxes ...	500
Probable Deficit ...	1,766	Stationery, &c. ...	200
		Prizes ...	100
		Sundries ...	100
Total ...	8,591	Total ...	8,591

In six years the deficit has grown by Rs. 2,243-2-3 the exceptional sources of income has been Rs. 9,703-10-1 which works out at about an annual loss of nearly Rs. 2,000 a year to the school, if the normal sources of income alone are taken into consideration.

9. The result then is this, that the Committee in the continued hope of the promulgation of a new and more favourable code, have made extraordinary efforts to maintain this school in a highly efficient condition, that these efforts have now come to an end, that the Committee think it would be undesirable to lower the standard of the school, in the view of approaching legislation which might render it unnecessary, and that, therefore, they need aid to keep it going on for say another year, or until the intentions of the Government of India are definitely known.

10. It does not appear from Appendix C. that anything more can be obtained in the usual way of aid to salary grants, and so the Committee respectfully ask Government whether some special aid, say a grant of Rs. 1,500 for a year or two, can be made in order to enable the Committee to tide over the period of suspense.

It would, the Committee feel, be a very great pity to close the higher department of the school now, in the possible contingency of their being able to maintain it under a new code. A school department broken up is not easily got together again. The school meets a very real want in Black Town and Royapuram, and the Committee trust that their efforts to maintain it will be recognised by Government in the form of substantial, even if exceptional, aid.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

Honorary Secretary, B. G. G. S.

APPENDIX A.

Statement of Bishop Gell's Girls' School Account for the year 1899.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.			RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance from 31st December, 1898 ..	196	7	5	*By* Donations and Subscriptions ..	300	0	0
,, Salaries	8,145	0	0	,, Proceeds of Fancy Sale balance ..	20	0	0
,, Servants	216	0	0	,, Proceeds of Mrs. Benson's Entertainment	492	13	0
,, Repairs, Stationery, Printing, &c. ..	366	1	6	,, Government Grant-in-aid	3,130	0	0
,, Prize books	85	6	9	,, Grant from the Diocesan Board of Education	100	0	0
,, Insurance Premium	15	0	0	,, Grant from the Indian Church Aid Society	250	0	0
				,, Fees	3,540	8	0
				,, Interest on Endowment Funds ..	315	0	0
					8,148	5	0
				Balance on 31st December, 1899 ..	875	10	8
Total ..	9,023	15	8	Total ..	9,023	15	8

Statement of Bishop Gell's Girls' School Account for the year 1900.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.			RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance from 31st December, 1899 ..	875	10	8	*By* Donations and Subscriptions ..	210	0	0
,, Salaries	8,280	0	0	,, Proceeds of a concert held in May ..	101	2	4
,, Servants	216	0	0	,, Proceeds of Mrs. Benson's Entertainment	500	1	6
,, Stationery, Printing, &c.	342	12	3	,, Government Grant-in-aid	2,935	0	0
,, Prize Books	68	3	4	,, Grant from the Diocesan Board of Education	100	0	0
,, Insurance Premium	15	0	0	,, Grant from the Indian Church Aid Society	130	0	0
,, Books for library from the late Miss Ive's legacy	60	11	0	,, Fees	3,779	8	0
,, Two book cases for library from the late Miss Ive's legacy	32	0	0	,, Interest on Endowment Funds ..	496	5	0
					8,252	0	10
				Balance on 31st December, 1900 ..	1,638	4	5
Total ..	9,890	5	3	Total ..	9,890	5	3

Statement of Bishop Gell's Girls' School Account for the year 1901.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.			RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance from 31st December, 1900 ..	1,638	4	5	*By* Donations and Subscriptions ..	610	0	0
,, Salaries	8,662	8	0	,, Proceeds of an Entertainment ..	500	0	0
,, Servants	219	0	0	,, Government Grant-in-aid	2,972	14	8
,, Stationery, Printing, &c.. ..	377	11	6	,, Grant from the Diocesan Board of Education	100	0	0
,, Prize books	70	3	11	,, Grant from the S. P. C. K. ..	550	0	0
,, Insurance Premium	15	0	0	,, Fees	3,654	0	0
,, Purchase of class books	37	7	6	,, Interest on Endowment Funds ..	525	0	0
,, School repairs	120	0	0		8,911	14	8
,, Rent and Taxes..	501	2	3	Balance on 31st December, 1901 ..	2,729	6	11
Total ..	11,641	5	7	Total ..	11,641	5	7

Statement of Bishop Gell's Girls' School Account for the year 1902.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.			RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance from 31st December, 1901 ..	2,729	6	11	*By* Donations and Subscriptions ..	350	0	0
,, Salaries	7,797	8	0	,, Proceeds of Mrs. Benson's Entertainment	582	0	0
,, Servants	198	0	0	,, Government Grant-in-aid	2,798	5	4
,, Stationery, Printing, &c.	274	3	3	,, Grant from the S. P. C. K. ..	1,500	0	0
,, Prize books	48	9	0	,, Fees	3,475	0	0
,, Insurance Premium	15	0	0	,, Interest on Endowment Funds ..	525	0	0
,, School repairs	45	0	0		9,230	5	4
,, Rent and Taxes	501	2	3	Balance on 31st December, 1902 ..	2,378	8	1
Total ..	11,608	13	5	Total ..	11,608	13	5

Statement of Bishop Gell's Girls' School Account for the year 1903.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.			RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P
To Balance from 31st December, 1902 ..	2,378	8	1	*By* Donations and Subscriptions ..	250	0	0
,, Salaries	7,608	0	0	,, Government Grant-in-aid ..	3,080	0	0
,, Servants	216	0	0	,, Fees	3,455	4	0
,, Stationery, Printing, &c.	220	0	6	,, Proceeds of Mrs. Benson's Entertainment	488	12	0
,, Prizes and Prize giving expenses ..	97	2	7	,, Proceeds of Fancy Sale towards the debt	600	8	0
,, Insurance Premium	15	0	0	,, Amount collected by J. R. Coombes, Esq., and Miss Burns towards the debt	171	0	0
,, Refund to S. P. C. K. of grant overpaid for 1902	350	14	10	,, Interest on Endowment Funds ..	525	0	0
,, Rent and Taxes	496	10	0	,, Grant from the S. P. C. K. ..	1,240	9	1
,, Paid to Mr. Cronan for preparing financial Statements	100	0	0	,, Grant of accumulated interest as per Resolution VI. of 19th November, 1903	2,277	3	4
,, Refund of loan from accumulated interest on the Endowment Fund made in 1892 as per Resolution VI. of 19th November, 1903 ..	2,277	3	4		12,088	4	5
				Balance on December 31st, 1903 ..	1,671	2	11
Total ..	13,759	7	4	Total ..	13,759	7	4

Statement of Bishop Gell's Girls' School Account for the year 1904.

PAYMENTS.	Amount.			RECEIPTS.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
To Balance from 31st December, 1903 ..	1,671	2	11	*By* Donations and Subscriptions ..	50	0	0
,, Salaries	7,490	0	0	,, Government Grant-in-aid	3,441	14	0
,, Servants	216	0	0	,, Amount collected towards the debt ..	512	11	0
,, Stationery, Printing, &c.	179	4	6	,, Amount collected for Science Apparatus.	35	0	0
,, Insurance Premium	15	0	0	,, Interest on Endowment Funds ..	525	0	0
,, Prizes and Prize giving expenses ..	98	6	7	,, Grant from the S. P. C. K. ..	300	0	0
,, Repairs	80	2	4	,, Fees	3,271	8	0
,, Science Apparatus	313	0	4		8,136	1	0
,, Purchase of an almyrah	16	0	0	Balance on 31st December, 1904. ..	2,439	9	8
,, Rent and Taxes..	496	10	0				
Total ..	10,575	10	8	Total ..	10,575	10	8

APPENDIX B.

Class.	Number of Pupils.	Fee per annum.	Name of Teacher.	Subjects taught in each Class.	Remarks.
		Rs.			
Form VI.	March 1905. 12	50	Miss C. L. H. Burns ...	Latin, English, History to Form VI. Mathematics, English, Latin to Forms IV. and V. Scripture, to Forms VI. to I.	
„ V.	„ 4	50	„ E. Gloria ...	Science and Mathematics Form VI.	
„ IV.	„ 4	42	.....	Science and History to Forms V. and IV.	
„ III.	„ 12	30	„ Hart ...	All except Tamil, Drawing, Singing and Euclid.	
„ II.	„ 9	30	„ Wiltshire ...	All except Tamil, Drawing and Singing.	
„ I.	„ 9	30	„ E. King ...	All except Tamil, Drawing and Singing.	
Standard IV.	„ 9	26	„ M. Sawyer ...	All except Tamil, Drawing and Singing.	
„ III.	„ 14	20	„ M. Coultroup ...	All according to Code.	
„ II.	„ 14	20	„ G. Howard ...	Do.	
„ I.	„ 10	20	„ A. Hogg ...	Do.	
Infants	„ 27	14	„ R. Stutz ...	Do.	
Total ...	„ 124				

APPENDIX C.

	Name of Teacher.	Qualifications.	Total Salary.	Part paid by School.	Part paid by Government.	Subjects taught by Teachers.	Class or Classes taught.
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		
Upper Secondary Department.	Miss C. L. Burns	1st Class Upper Secondary, Trained (Matriculate)	175 0 0	87 8 0	87 8 0	English, Latin History .. .. / English, Latin Mathematics .. .. / Euclid and Scripture and Prayer Book, Singing	Form VI. / Form IV. & V. / Form III.
	Miss E. Gloria	Language Branches B.A.	80 0 0	60 0 0	*20 0 0	Science, Mathematics .. .. / Science, History	Form VI. / Form IV. & V.
Lower Secondary Department.	Miss S. A. Hart	Upper Secondary, Trained	80 0 0	45 0 0	35 0 0	All, except Euclid, Tamil and Drawing ..	Form III.
	Miss M. Wiltshire	2nd Class Upper Secondary, Trained (Higher Grade)	50 0 0	25 0 0	25 0 0	All, except Tamil and Drawing	Form II.
	Miss M. King	2nd Class Upper Secondary, Trained (Matriculate)	40 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	Do. do.	Form I.
Primary Department.	Miss M. Sawyer	Teacher's Test not yet passed. Awaiting grant	35 0 0	26 4 0	*8 12 0	Do. do.	Class IV.
	Miss M. Coultroup	Matriculate (Trained) Teacher's Test not passed yet. Awaiting grant ..	30 0 0	22 8 0	*7 8 0	Do.	Class III.
	Miss G. Howard	2nd Class Lower Secondary, Trained ..	25 0 0	12 8 0	12 8 0	All the Subjects	Class II.
	Miss A. Hogg	2nd Class Lower Secondary, Trained ..	20 0 0	15 0 0	5 0 0	Do.	Class I.
	Miss R. Stuz	2nd Class Upper Secondary, Trained ..	40 0 0	20 0 0	20 0 0	Do.	Infants.
	Miss E. King	Intermediate Drawing	30 0 0	20 0 0	10 0 0	Drawing	Standard IV. to Form VI.
		Total ..	605 0 0	353 12 0	251 4 0		

* Not sanctioned yet, but qualified for these.

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EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 674, From the Hon. Secy. Bishop Gells Girl's Sch. Dated 27 - 3 - 1905

Endt. no 222dy 10.4.5.

Referred to the D.P.I. for remarks.

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Educational (1905) Department.

CURRENT No. 902

From

[*Name*] The Hon'ble Mr. A.G. Bourne, D.Sc., F.R.S.,

[*Designation*] Director of Public Instruction,

[*Station*] M a d r a s

Ref *No.* Cur No. 3 6 0 4/05

Dated 13 M a y 1905.

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Received LOCAL & MUNICIPAL SECRETARIAT 16 MAY 1905 *190* .

Registered 16-5- 1905.

SUBJECT.

Resubmitting with remarks Government Endorsement No. 2 2 2 Edl. dated 10th April 1905 in connection with the application for special aid for the Bishop Gells Girls' School, Madras.

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Memorandum ✓

FURTHER PAPERS.

To

The Secretary to Government,

Educational Department.

Sir,

I have the honour to return Government Endorsement No. 222 Educational dated 10th April 1905 on Current No. 674 Educational and to submit the following remarks in connection with the application for special aid for the Bishop Gells' Girls' School, Madras.

Page 9, etc.

2. Although the school is now receiving in the shape of salary grants the full amount of aid admissible under the Grant-in-Aid Code, its income from other sources supplemented by the Grant-in-Aid is not enough to pay its expenses. The school fees levied in it are much above the standard rates and probably it would not pay to raise them further. The income from endowments is little more than enough to defray the expenditure on rent and taxes, and all the other sources of income appear to be of a precarious nature. The existing staff could perfectly well teach twice the present number of pupils and if the school could secure a large accession to its strength it could be made to pay its way; but there is little prospect of its doing so, owing to the existence of another school of the kind in the same locality, viz, the Presentation Convent College. In these circumstances, the only way to make both ends meet is to reduce the expenditure, but this, I think, can hardly be done so long as the institution remains on its present footing.

3. The school if recognized as an European school would possibly be entitled to a larger grant under the proposed new code for European schools, but, I fear, it would not, with its present percentage of native pupils, be able to take advantage of the new Code unless the rules of that Code are

more elastic than they are expected to be. From an educational point of view, the school is efficient and is doing excellent work and deserves encouragement. I see no reason why Government should not give special aid, unprovided for in the Grant-in-Aid Code, in special cases under which category this school comes. There is, however, a very important general question to be considered in this connection, and that is, whether a sectarian school such as this should not be expected to have larger sources of private income. It seems to me that the Department should insist upon the management, the necessity of trying all possible means to augment its own resources before any special aid of this nature is given. Moreover the religious element in education appears necessarily to entail a squandering of effort. I have considered the question with the aid of the accompanying statement extracted from the Report on Public Instruction for 1903-1904 from which it will be seen that no less than 7 schools are engaged in teaching 209 girls in the upper secondary classes. I do not see how the state of things can be improved, and so long as public funds are not wasted, I do not think that the Department can interfere. It does not appear that the total amount of public funds now utilized upon these schools is excessive. It is, however, clear that Bishop Gells' School already receives even more than its full share of aid.

On the other hand, distance from the homes of the pupils is a matter particularly important in the case of girls' schools, and the only other school of the kind in Black Town is the Presentation Convent which is able, to a very large extent, to pay its own way.

Upon the whole I am inclined to recommend a special aid for this school if the management can give any assurance that further private funds will be forthcoming or that by better equipment or, in any other way they will be able

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to secure in future a larger attendance and fee income.

I have the honour to be,

S i r ,

Your most obedient servant,

E W Middlemast

for Director of public Instruction.

B.I.
12-5-06

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Upper Secondary Schools for girls in Madras which take European and Eurasian pupils.

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	Number on rolls on 31st March 1904.												Distribution according to race or creed.									Expenditure during 1903-1904.							
	Upper Secondary Department		Lower Secondary Department				Upper Primary Department	Lower Primary Department																				
	Sixth form	Fifth form	Fourth form	Third form	Second form	First form	Highest class	Third class	Second class	First class	Infant class	Total.	European and Eurasian.	Native Christian.	Muhammadan.	Hindu.			Buddhist.	Parsee.	Aborginies.	Others.	General Revenue.	Fees.	Municipal funds.	Fees.	Endowments.	Subscriptions.	Other sources.	Total.
																	Brahmin.	Non-Brahmin Caste Hindus.	Panchamas and Native Christians.				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Black Town Presentation Convent	33	10	14	35	20	28	27	31	.	.	.	198	181	17	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	1,340	.	.	5,098	.	.	4,085	10,523
Vepery	11	5	10	12	11	8	15	16	9	6	27	130	127	.	.	1	.	.	2	.	.	.	1,190	.	.	1,831	.	.	12,870	15,891
San Thome St. Thomas Convent	9	1	5	8	9	9	11	8	7	9	34	110	102	1	.	3	4	.	.	.	.	.	1,100	.	.	1,449	.	.	1,901	4,450
Black Town Bishop Gells.	7	5	6	13	10	11	9	15	17	15	19	127	84	41	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	3,129	.	.	3,435	525	250	* 1,797	9,136
Vepery Collegiate School	17	11	15	14	17	15	20	29	34	34	86	290	290	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,000	.	.	7,112	.	.	18,048	28,160
Vepery London Mission Boarding	17	4	9	15	23	21	36	31	28	45	17	246	2	237	.	2	4	1	.	.	.	.	1,628	.	.	1,159	.	1,555	2,109	6,451
Vepery Doveton Girls' School.	7	7	6	9	2	5	14	11	16	21	29	127	117	10	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,846	.	.	3,409	3,176	155	643	11,229

* Stated to represent a deficit not yet paid.

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1,500—3-12-04

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

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C. No. 674 From the Hon. Secy. Bishop Gell's Girls' Sch. No. , dated 27-3-1905.

SUBJECT. Special aid for Bishop Gell's Girls' school.

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The application may be referred to the D.P.I. for remarks.

A draft is placed below for approval.

7/4. 8-4-05 Pty 9/4/5

W.A.

[Cust-no. 222 dt 10-4-05.]

From the D.P.I. no. 3604 dt 13-5-05.

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The Committee of Bishop Gells' Girls' School, Madras, apply for a special grant of Rs 1,500 for a year or two until the new code for European Schools has been promulgated by the Govt. of India. The School is now in receipt of an average grant of Rs 3,000 a year from Govt; and a larger grant than this cannot be obtained under the existing Code. The Committee hope that under the new code to be sanctioned by the Govt. of India the School will become eligible for a larger grant. The deficit of the School now amounts to more than Rs 2,000

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Rs 2,000 a year.

2. The D.P.I. to whom the application was referred states that, if recognized as an European school, it would possibly be entitled to a larger grant under the proposed new code for European schools, but he doubts whether with its present percentage of native pupils it could be recognized as an European school. On the 31st March 1904 the school had 127 pupils on the rolls, of them 43 or 33.8 per cent were natives. Under the proposed code for European schools, a school must have 85 per cent of its pupils Europeans to be recognized as an European schools.

Vide page 48 of Part II of Vol. II of the Public Instruction Report for 1903-04 putup.

Vide Art. 7(d) on page 3 of the Code put up. V.

3. The Director states that the school now receives the full amount of aid admissible under the Code; that it levies fees at rates much above the standard rates; that its income from endowments is very little and that its other sources of income are precarious. He considers that a sectarian school such as this should be expected to have larger sources of private income and that Govt should insist upon the management the necessity of

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of trying all possible means to augment its own resources before any special aid is given. In the end, however, he recommends a special aid for the school on condition that the management assures that further private funds will be for the coming or that by better equipment or in any other way they will be able to secure in future a larger attendance and fee income.

How can the Director give this assurance? H.D.

The Director does not, it will be noted, name the amount of special aid to be given but the committee of the school asks for a grant of Rs 1,500 for a year or two.

para 10 on page 4 of cf.

7.H.
24.5.05

Figures from Pub. Instr. Dept.

	Nos
1903	
Convent School	198
Bishop Gell's School	130
1902	
C. S.	185
B.G.S.	127
1900	
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Canon Gell's figures are a little different. H.

Apparently the school competes with the Presentation Convent School and is getting the worst of it. Its strength (by its own account) has been declining every year for the last four years. If the Presentation Convent School meets the needs of the locality, why should Govt provide Canon Gell with the sinews of war? Submitted that, as far as Govt is concerned, one sectarian school is as good as another. Should the Director be asked (1) to report whether the Presentation Convent School is efficient and (2) whether Bishop Gell's School would not pay its way if the

staff were reduced? The Director says the present staff could teach twice the number of girls, but that more girls are not likely to be got hold of whatever is done. Why should Govt help to pay for an unnecessarily large staff?

M 24/5/05.

I do not consider that any special grant should be given outside the Grant in aid Code

In the last five years the numbers of fees have gradually declined while the Govt. grant have risen.

~~It is understood that the~~

~~representations made to the Education~~

~~Board of Aden of R2277.~~

The school is declared and Govt cannot make special grants to such bodies upon vague promises such as those suggested by DP 9, which may be quite impossible of fulfilment.

Estimates next year at R7260.

The staff cost R7500 per annum. The proper course appears to be to effect a reduction in working expenses proportionate to the reduced numbers

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The proposal is, in part, that Govt should make up or not to make up, temporarily, for the withdrawal by the S.P.C.K. of the grants formerly made by that body.

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The Schools, I gather are to be supported. Is any thing a special grant of Rs 1500 for one year only. But the Committee must understand that this cannot be repeated: & that if they cannot make it self supporting by numbers or otherwise, it will be necessary for them to adapt the expenditure to the income.

The Director's observations as to the expectations from the new Govt: grant in card code should also be conveyed to the Committee.

It seems to be forgotten that while we are a Trust Govt we have no warrant therein for letting Directors drift into the hands of a very highly sectarian body such as the R.C. church is. But this is largely strengthening

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A draft is placed below for approval.

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ORDER No. 378, dated 5- 6- 1905.

This

The Govt are pleased to sanction a special grant of Rs 1500 in aid of the finances of Bishop Gell's Girls' High School, Madras. The Committee of management of the School will be informed that this grant cannot be repeated and that, if they can not make the School self supporting by increasing its strength or otherwise, it will be necessary for them to adapt their expenditure to their income.

2. With reference to their

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expectations from the new Code for European schools the Committee will be informed that it is extremely doubtful whether their School, with its present percentage of native pupils, can be recognised as a European School under the new Code.

J.H.
29.5.05

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To
The Committee of Bishop Gells' Girls' School } despatched 6/6/05
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