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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
18th October 1872.

No. 181. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th October 1872, No. 1978 :—

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2. The question of assisting Mopla education has been one of considerable anxiety to the Board. While large sums of house-tax have been collected from the Mopla community it is notorious that scarcely a Mopla boy is ever to be found in one of our schools. On the other hand, a majority of the Mopla children are daily assembled in their own schools for instruction, but they leave them without being able to read or write Malayalum, or to work a simple sum.

3. To see what could be done an educated Mahomedan has for some months been employed to visit Mopla schools, and endeavour to induce them, by means of some slight assistance, to combine with the usual Arabic studies elementary instruction in Malayalum.

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7. It will be necessary to diverge somewhat from the rules in treating these schools, but the importance of the object, and the fact that the existing rules have hitherto failed to reach this class of schools, sufficiently justifies this.

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(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

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o. 182. ORDER THEREON, 18th October 1872, No. 1418.

The Government agree with the Board of Revenue in approving of the easures adopted by the Malabar Local Fund Boards for the education of Mopla ildren.

(True Extract.)

R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Director of Public Instruction.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE, &c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 18th.

Read.

Encl.

G. O., 18th October 1872, No. 1418.

OCTOBER.
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Agreeing with the Board of Revenue in approving of the measures adopted by the Malabar Local Fund Boards for the education of Mopla children.

No. 1,978.

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Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
,, the President of the Local Fund Boards, Malabar.

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Board of Revenue, MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 7TH OCTOBER 1872, No. 1,978.

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OCTOBER.
No. 1,978.

Education of Moplas—in Malabar District.—Action taken by Local Fund Boards for encouragement of — approved, and allotment of Rupees 1,200 sanctioned for this purpose from General Fund. Sanction of Government requested for entertainment of two additional Inspecting Schoolmasters in Calicut Local Fund Circle.

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

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To, The Board of Revenue. &co

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Agreeing with the Board of Revenue in approving of the measures adopted by the Local and L.F. Boards for the education of people Children.