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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 7th February 1873.

No. 54. Read the following letter from the President of the Local Fund Boards, Godavery District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cocanada, 7th December 1872, No. 7:—

I have the honour to forward a copy of a letter from the Vice-President of the Local Fund Board of the Rajahmundry Circle, asking whether Local Fund Boards are competent, without an order of Government, to abolish a Union School.

2. The members of the Local Fund Board held different views as to the advisability of allowing any schools to be abolished.

3. The Act is silent as to the abolition of Union Schools, but I feel quite sure that the Act will not allow the Boards to abolish them without a special order of Government.

4. The Act leaves the establishment of these schools entirely to Government; they can be established without the consent of the Board, if it is so determined by Government (Section 51). If, then, Government only can establish them, I imagine that no one but Government can abolish them.

5. It may be a question whether even Government can abolish them, as that power has been distinctly given to no one by the Act, but if Government have the power, I do not think they should delegate it to the Local Fund Boards, as in that case, it might occur that the Boards might abolish a school directly after Government had determined to establish one. Still, if Government have the power, I suppose the Local Fund Boards may take it for granted that Government will consider the question of the abolition of any particular school which the Board may wish to abolish.

From the Vice-President of the Local Fund Board, Rajahmundry Circle, to the President of the Local Fund Boards, Godavery District, dated Rajahmundry, 16th November 1872, No. 79.

In forwarding copy of resolution, No. 9, of the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board of Rajahmundry Circle, dated 31st October 1872, I have the honour to request you will be good enough to obtain the instructions of Government as to whether or not a Local Fund Board is competent, if they consider it advisable, to abolish a Union School without special order of Government.

2. The question was discussed at a late meeting, and opinions differed widely, some holding that if schools were abolished by the Local Fund Board on the ground that the attendance was very small, as in the cases then put before the Board where, eight, ten, and the like number of boys were the average of a half-year, that encouragement would be held out to all unions to withhold their boys in order to get rid of the house-tax. The officers of the department present took this view.

3. The other side held that it would be better to have no schools at all than to have schools only in name, and at which the attendance was nominal, and that, if the measure were as unpopular as was represented, the sooner the step they propose was taken the better. They did not, however, agree that the result feared would be realized.

4. They also thought that, with so large an establishment widely spread over the country, it was essential to secure the zeal of every master by making his office depend upon his success. It was argued that in the villages more depends upon the tact and pains and skill shown by the master in making his school popular than upon any other consideration whatever; and that it is, therefore, essential to the success of the measure generally, and to preventing its becoming merely a means of providing numerous hungry half-educated striplings, with permanent sinecures at the cost of the ryots, that they should be practically made to understand that they are as dependant upon their success and popularity as the Pyal Schoolmasters are now.

5. I beg to state that I am myself strongly of the latter opinion, and I trust that the Government will allow the Local Fund Boards discretion to exclude, in the preparation of each year's budget, such schools as they think have failed to establish themselves in the union to which they belong. The moral effect on all the masters of such an understanding will, I believe, be more effectual than any amount of supervision and care.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board of the Rajahmundry Circle, at a meeting held on the 31st October 1872.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. J. STUART,
Vice-President.

No. 55. ORDER THEREON, 7th February 1873, No. 186.

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W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To the Presidents of the several Local Fund Boards.
" Board of Revenue.
" Director of Public Instruction.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of {1873} Madras

FINANCIAL.

To

THE PRESIDENTS OF THE
SEVERAL LOCAL FUND BOARDS
&c., &c.,

Dated February, 7th.

Read.

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Nos. 54-55.

Stating that Union Schools cannot be abolished without the consent of Government.

No.

Police Commissioner's Office,

Madras, 27. January 1873.

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FROM

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE,

MADRAS.

To

THE Under Secretary to Government
Public & Department.

VIDE { *your* / *this* } { *Office letter* / *Do. Memo.* } No. dated 187

HAS the honor to returne the report of the fire that occurred in Rayanuk Koolo Covil Street with the necessary connection made therein

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Ag Commissioner of Police.

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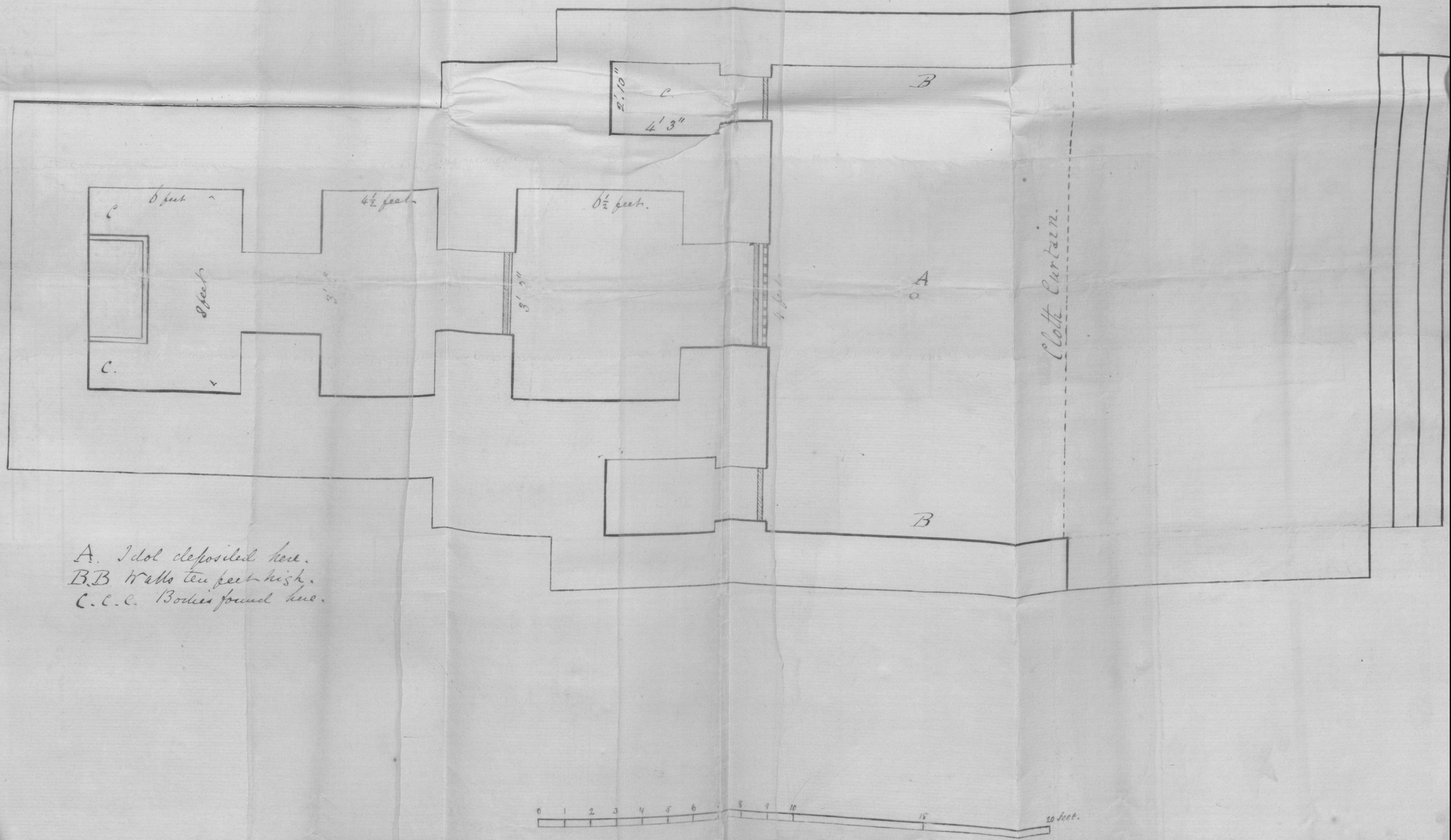
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To

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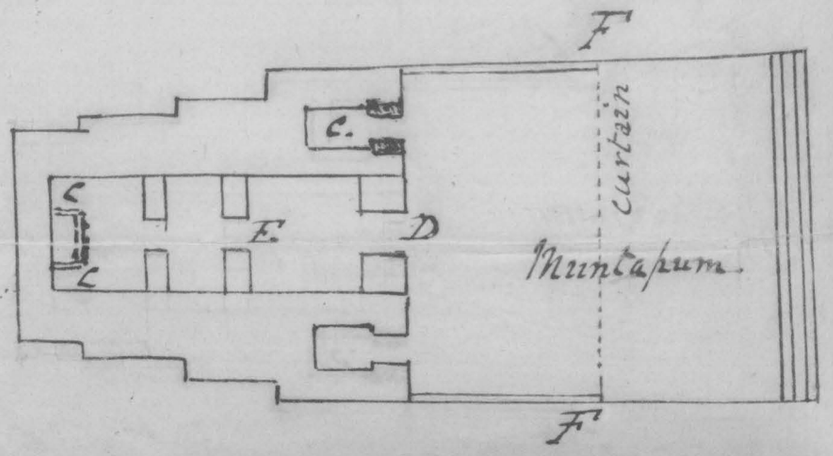
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C.C.C. Bodies found here.

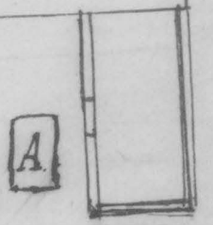
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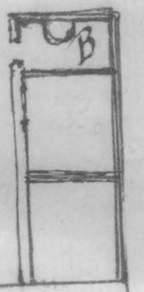
16 feet





Flagstaff

Entrance.



East

Mulla Street

A. Fire began here.
B. Well.
C. Places where bodies were found
D. Grating and Door
E. Door. (South)
F.F. Walls ten feet high.

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
8 Yards

No 79. Local Fund Board's Office

Rajahmundry Circle

Rajahmundry

16th November 1872.

From

A. J. Stuart Esqre

Vice President, Local Fund Board

Rajahmundry Circle.

To

W. S. Foster Esqre

President, Local Fund Board

Godaweby District, Canada.

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I have the honor &c
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Your most obedient Servant
(Signed) J. J. Stuart
Vice President.
Extract

District

Extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board of the Rajahmundry Circle at a meeting held on the 31st October 1872.

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/True Extract/

/Signed/ N. J. Stuart
Vice President.

/True Copies/

W Boster
President.

Godavary District 17
Local Funds Office
Cocanada
7th December 1870

No 7.

From

C. Foster Esqre
President

To

The Honorable W Huddleston
Chief Secretary to Government
Fort St George

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Sir,
Your most obedient servant
W Foster
President

Ed. Dawkins
Actg Clerk

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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To the Presidents, Local Fund Boards, Godavery Distt.
Board of Revenue.
Director of Public Instruction.

Copy forwarded for information.

1872 Dec 7
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The President
Local Fund Board
Godavery Distt
To
The Chief Secretary
Government

No 186

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Forwarding Copy of a letter from the President of the Godavery Local Fund Board, requesting that the Local Fund Boards may be empowered to abolish the House Tax levied for Village Schools, and stating that the Collectors are unwilling to take action in the matter.

Govt. of {1873} Madras.

Financial

To

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Local Fund Boards.
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