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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
30th June 1874.

Read the following papers :—

No. 270. From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Coimbatore, 6th December 1873, No. 11.

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2. As education progresses, and teachers multiply and establish schools, Results Grants must go on without limit, and the question is whether the allotted amount is to be paid to the Educational Department to be ganted rateably, or whether those schools first examined and reported qualified are to have the full grants, and the later examined schools, when the money is expended, to go without.

3. It is not possible for the Local Boards to limit the attainments in schools, and hence the money which is wanting must be supplied by a Government grant.

4. It is possible this consideration may lead to a revision of the Local Funds Act, which imposed this illimitable responsibility on Local Funds, instead of on Imperial Revenues.

5. Government, when Imperial Funds fell short, limited their educational grants. Local Boards and Municipalities have only a limited sum for all purposes.

6. Some purposes are fulfilled without grants. Education is sought, not for the grant, but for its own advantage, and is worth the money privately paid for it. But Sanitation, Vaccination, Dispensaries, and Roads can only be met from the funds so collected.

7. Government have abandoned the House-tax, which was to provide for elementary education; the question remains, are the purposes for which the Local Funds Cess is collected to be reduced in order to provide for educational grants ? or should these educational grants be allotted rateably according to the means at disposal ?

8. A Provincial grant would solve the difficulty. But the tendency is to relieve it by throwing schools formerly established, not up to the mark of Salary Grants, on the Local Funds, which were only to provide for elementary vernacular education, and that by a local House-tax.

9. The people will educate themselves, but the other expenditure must depend altogether on the proceeds of the Local Fund Cess.

No. 270-A—270-B. * * * *

No. 271. ORDER THEREON, 30th June 1874, No. 1092.

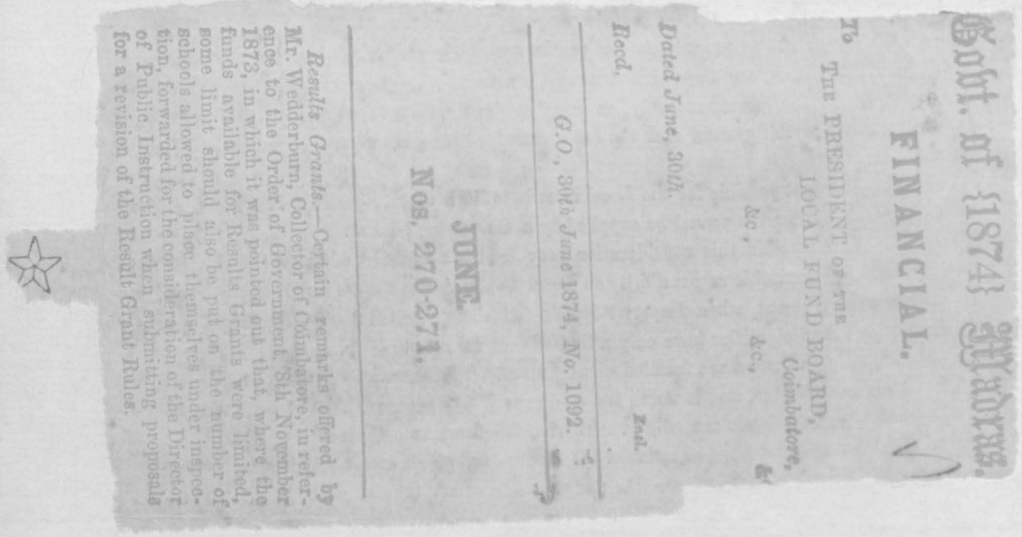
In G.O., dated 8th November 1873, No. 1626, the Government pointed out that, where the funds available for Results Grants were limited, some limit should also be put on the number of schools allowed to place themselves under inspection (the Educational authorities being of course consulted in the first instance). Even if this be done, however, the difficulties pointed out in the second paragraph of Mr. Wedderburn's letter may still arise from a large number of pupils attending the recognised schools, and qualifying for Results Grants, and these Proceedings will, therefore, be forwarded for the consideration of the Director of Public Instruction when submitting proposals for a revision of the Result Grant Rules.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore.
,, Director of Public Instruction.

Exd. J. Wright.



Govt. of {1874} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
LOCAL FUND BOARD,
Coimbatore,
&c., &c.

Dated June, 30th.

Read.

Read.

G.O., 30th June 1874, No. 1092.

JUNE.
Nos. 270-271.

Results Grants.—Certain remarks offered by Mr. Wedderburn, Collector of Coimbatore, in reference to the Order of Government, 5th November 1873, in which it was pointed out that, where the funds available for Results Grants were limited, some limit should also be put on the number of schools allowed to place themselves under inspection, forwarded for the consideration of the Director of Public Instruction when submitting proposals for a revision of the Result Grant Rules.

No 11.

Coimbatore Local Fund

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Board's Office 6th December 1873.

From,

The President of the Municipal &

Local Fund Boards, Coimbatore

To,

The Chief Secretary to

Government, Madras.

Sir,

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8. A Provincial grant would solve the difficulty.— But the tendency is to relieve it, by throwing Schools, formerly established, not up to the mark of Salary grants,

on the Local Funds, which were only to provide for elementary, Vernacular, education, and that, by a local house-tax.—

9 The people will educate themselves, but the other expenditure must depend, altogether, on the proceeds of the Local Funds less.—

I have &c.

(Sd) A. Wedderburn.

Vide Indorsement

(True Copy)

A Wedderburn

President

No 1092

Enc: 1 to No 11

Copy of Letter No 11 of 6th Dec. 1873, regarding Vernacular Grants.—

Rec'd 30th June 1874

Ans. 15th July 74

Copy of a Letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore, to the Chief Secretary to Govt. Madras, No 11 of 27th June 1874.

No 11

Coimbatore Local Fund Board's office, 27th June 1874

From,

A. Wedderburn Esqr.,
President of the Local Fund Board,
Coimbatore.

To,

The Honble T. D. Carmichael
Chief Secretary to Govt.,
Madras.

Sir,

Enc: 1

I have the honor to forward a copy of my letter No 11 of 6th December 1873, called for in your Official Memorandum No 199 of 26th June 1874.—

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedt Servt.

A Wedderburn
President.

The Honorable J. D. SIM, C.S.I.,

&c., &c., &c.

Department.

Financial (1874) No 1
Coimbatore Local
Fund No 4 Office

Dated 30th June 74

From
The President
of the L.F. Bd
Coimbatore

To The Chief Secretary
to Govt
Madras

Dated 27th } June 1874
Rec'd 29 }

Enc: 1

No 11

Subject

Forwarding Copy of
President's letter No
11 of 6th Dec 1873.—

G. O. 1092 dt

what the Municipality want
to know is - what they are to do
when the ~~to~~ money at their com
mand for Road Grants is
not enough to pay in full, all
that are earned - according to
the Rules. They enquire whether
in such a case, the Money is
to be rateably distributed - or
whether it is to be paid away
as far as it goes to the Schools as
they are Examined - leaving the Ex

to go without!

Of course it is only
when the grants exceed or threaten
to exceed the assignments to such
an extent as to cause real
embarrassment that any difficulty
arises. But in this event I think
[illegible] should be disposed
to think the present rate higher

[illegible] – the case they need be. I would ask
for full information as to the
Educational distribution of
the various kinds in Counties from
the number of boys of school going
age – the number attending school.
the grants – fees &
then be in a position to decide
on some totally new basis
for the Municipality to adopt

I. D. Pim

Dolly
He lately had papers did much record
to same purpose – I rather think of

B No 270 b

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Letter from the President, Local Fund Board of Coimbatore, dated 6th December 1875 11.

The system of result grants as now worked by the Educational Department and the scramble for a casual and temporary livery out of local taxation under the name of keeping a school under inspection must naturally lead to the confusion which the letter of the Board of Coimbatore puts before Government in a somewhat cynical form

I myself advise the establishment of regular municipal schools worked by well-instructed and supervised staff of properly paid masters — with small Results grants

I think it may be well to refer this letter of the Director of Public Instruction, before answering it

Rec'd in McLeis 1876 DST

was raised by the Coimbatore Local Board. Of course, as Local Fund cess limited, the number of Municipal and schools coming forward for Result grants may be unlimited, often with sour disputes. The proper course seems to be as I think the Board pointed out in the case above referred to, that Local Boards should decide, before the beginning of each financial year, how much they can spend in Results grants - & then confer with the Inspector of schools with a view to limiting according the number of schools among which the Results grants are to be distributed.

If they do this

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as a stimulus for real
Exertion. I deem the
present want of a
System in dealing with
this large question most
Embarrassing. I doubt
whether a System of
Results grants has worked
any where in the way
we are now attempting
to work it and I feel
Satisfied that it will
not work in this Country
really satisfactorily

I therefore agree
with Mr Sim that the
rates are Excessive
and I would reduce
them in the interest of,
and with a view to establish,
a System of sound and
well-administered Town
Schools. But I would
reduce the rates only
as part of a system
for

the Establishment of
Schools. Simple petitions
would probably shut up
a number of bad schools
which are now maintained
probably Entirely in this
manner

With this view I would
seek the information
indicated by Mr Sim.

2/5 J. W. Abbott

J. T. Pirritt grant com
mend Resolution & an
Inspectorate. It is
easier to go once a year
to a certain number
of Schools & examine
& Classify pupils for
Grant purposes, than
to visit another, that
Inspectors should
be appointed
economical School
system and true
educational progress and
a Population. But it is
the latter - not a System
of Cram: and Exam:

trickily worked & badly supervised—
Agricultural
Hard & popular Subjects in the Under-
current of teaching needs.

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S. O. No 1092.

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For Orders

These papers are re-
submitted as the question
raised or rather repeated
by Mr Wedderburn has
come up from different
localities and the Local
Bodies have in answer
Mr Wedderburn referred to the very
G. O. regarding which
Mr W. now seeks elucidation

It is submitted that
the course prescribed in
the last three lines of
para 5 is perfectly plain
and that Mr W. is again

Mr Wedderburn's difficulties in
Simplicity & publicity of
Bijapur Karnatak
Sub-mission—a
Dharwar—
and Kanara
mysore
all Zoon

"the system ---- adopted by the
Coimbatore Commissioners ——
must be brought into ac-
cordance with them (the rules)
by placing some limit on the
number of schools which shall be
allowed to place themselves under
inspection"

Dimensions being the number of schools does not necessarily be due the number of pupils & the amount of Building Grants - for that, depends on the number of pupils - not on the number of schools. I have no objection to a reference to the order. It is obvious from all the recent correspondence about schools in Coimbatore that there is a wish to find difficulties.

It is related that the question of revision of the Result grant rules is now under consideration and the question of reducing the rates universally, or of authorizing local bodies to reduce under certain circumstances, will

reference to the Board on this subject suggests. I understand the Inspectress to do not to the Collectors in Coimbatore, and to the Results System - Mr. Wedderburn is a staunch

advocate receive due consideration.

In the meantime if the Govt agree that a definite policy is laid down in the latter part of para 5 G.O. 3/Jan. dated 1873 & No 1626 it is submitted that that order may be taken as a guide in dealing with proposals of the kind, the G.O. having been communicated to all Presidents of Municipal Commissioners and Local Fund Boards. JL

We only remarkable
case seems to be
to ascertain how much
the 2 Wt can pay
to Clemenbag admr.
in any given year, & then
that A.Sd. amount
will be instructed to say
to us that as we
should see brought
forward from the Board
can pay pr. Both Govt. state
and Mr Powell, pr his
remarks.

May 26/74

Fin Pro 30 June

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Financial Department

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore, dy 6th Decr. 1873.

No 11. Read Memo by Hon SD Sim. 10 Apl 74
Read Memo by Hon W Robinson 2 May 74

Order thereon dy dated 30th June 1874 No 1092.

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of Mr. Wedderburn's letter may still arise from a large number of pupils attending the recognized schools, and qualifying for result grants, and these proceedings will therefore be forwarded for the consideration of the Director of Public Instruction when submitting proposals for a revision of the Result Grant Rules. The simplest method of meeting the difficulty might be to reduce the rates at present allowed. With reference to the case of the Coimbatore Municipality, the Govt. desire to be furnished with a list of the lower class schools of all kinds within the town, the number of boys attending each, the fees paid by them, and the number

number of boys of a school going age resident within Municipal limits. With this information before them the Govt will be in a position to judge how the Municipality are a position to meet the claims which may legitimately fall upon them in connection with Elementary education.

To

The Presidt of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore.
Director of Public Instn.

Govt. of {1874} Madras.

Financial.

To

The Presidt. of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore

Dated 30 June
Recd. } 1874, No. 1092

Nos. 270-1

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