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## Government of Madras.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,*
*8th May* 1875.

**Municipal—Education.**

No. 67. Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Coimbatore, 26th April 1875, No. 5 :—

There are several of the lowest and poorest classes in this town for whose education no provision whatever exists, who are unable to start schools, and who, consequently, can receive no result grants.

2. The state of these classes has attracted the attention of the Municipal Commissioners, and they are disposed to consider that the funds, which they are able to allot for elementary education, would be better spent in raising the condition of these people than in decreasing the expense of school fees to the better classes, which is the result of the grant-in-aid system.

3. Of the hitherto neglected classes, the

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| Pullers number ... ... ... ... ... | 508 | |
| Pariahs ,, ... ... ... ... ... | 588 | |
| Shanars ,, ... ... ... ... ... | 371 | These castes live together and associate. |
| Torriors ,, ... ... ... ... ... | 2,339 | |
| Chucklers ,, ... ... ... ... ... | 310 | |
| Ooppiliers (Salt makers) ... ... ... | 420 | |
| Total ... | 4,116 | |

4. A school for each caste, and perhaps two for the Torriors—they each live in separate quarters—and a Schoolmaster for each of these, from Rupees 5 to 7 per mensem, and Rupees 3 for contingencies, total about Rupees 1,000 per annum, would, the Commissioners consider, effect greater improvement than if spent among the higher and well-to-do classes, who can easily afford school fees, and do not really require the adventitious help of result grants.

5. At present the comparatively rich and well-to-do, by the result system, take the money which ought to educate the poorer classes, who will never, to the end of time, be educated under the present result grants system.

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No. 68. ORDER THEREON, 8th May 1875, No. 1008.

If the Municipal Funds can bear the cost, the Governor in Council will be prepared to sanction what is necessary to carry out what the Commissioners approve on receiving a definite application, which the above letter does not contain.

(True Extract.)

*Officiating Chief Secretary.*

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore.
,, Director of Public Instruction.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Coimbatore.

&c., &c., &c.

*Dated May 8th.*

*Issued*

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G.O., 8th *May* 1875, No. 1008.

MAY.
Nos. 67-68.

*Coimbatore Municipality.*—Willingness expressed to sanction what is necessary to carry out the Commissioner's intention of educating some of the lowest and poorest classes in the town.

No 5.

Coimbatore Municipal
Commissioners' Office
26th April 1875.

From.

A. Wedderburn Esqre
President Municipal
Commission Coimbatore

To.

The Chief Secretary to Government
Madras.

Sir.

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Sarriors ---------- 2339. } together & Associate

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5. At present the Comparatively rich and well to do, pay the result system take the money, which ought to Educate the poorer classes, who will remain, to the End of time, be educated under the present result grants system.

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

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President

Financial (1875) Department
Municipal Education

Coimbatore Municipal Commission

From
The President
Municipal Commrs.
Coimbatore

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Madras

Dated 26 April } 1875
Read 28 — }

No. 1042 Re. 5. Encls.

States that no provision is made for educating the Pallars, Pariahs, Shanars &c & that the funds allotted for elementary education would be better spent on raising the condition of these people

With order

Read 75 the 1008

If the municipal funds can bear the cost [illegible] will be prepared [illegible] [illegible] the Govt. [illegible] [illegible] other [illegible] within.

[illegible]

To the President of the Municipal Commission
" Director of Pub. Instruction
Coimbatore

Govt. of Madras. 1875

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G.O. 8 May 1875 No. 1008

Nos. 67 8

Coimbatore Municipality

Willingness expressed to sanction what is necessary to carry out the Commissioners' intention of educating some of the lowest and poorest Classes in the town.

Local Fund—Bridges.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 1007.

FROM

THE HON. D. F. CARMICHAEL,
*Officiating Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George,*

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

I am directed to forward the marginally noted Proceedings of this Government, embodying reports on the damages caused by the unusual floods in the Tinnevelly and North Arcot Districts in November 1874, and to request that the sum of Rupees 1,10,000 may be placed at the disposal of this Government in view

G.O., dated 24th November 1874, No. 1451, Revenue Department.
G.O., dated 10th December 1874, No. 1533, Revenue Department.

Boards of the Districts in question which have been destroyed by a disaster which was not foreseen when the annual Provincial assignment for Communications was determined, and which the current Local Fund Revenues are totally inadequate to deal with.

2. I am further to state that in fixing on Rupees 1,10,000 as the sum to be applied for, this Government have had regard to rough estimates only of the outlay which will be required for the repair of the works damaged by the floods in question.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
*7th May* 1875.

*Officiating Chief Secretary.*

Exd. T. O'Connor.

1875.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

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*From*

*The Offg. Chief Secretary to Govt.,*
*Fort St. George,*

*To*

*The Secretary to the Govt. of India,*
*Financial Department.*

*Dated 7th May* 1875.

*Issued*

*Recd.*

No. 1007.

*Damage by Floods.*—Application made to the Government of India for a grant of Rupees 1,10,000 in view to aid being afforded to the Local Fund Boards in North Arcot and Tinnevelly to repair Roads and Bridges which have been damaged by unusual floods in those Districts.